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UNCLE KRACKER

9 P.M. SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

**SNEAKY
PETE**
8 P.M.
THURSDAY
SEPT. 26



**HANNAH
DASHER**
9 P.M.
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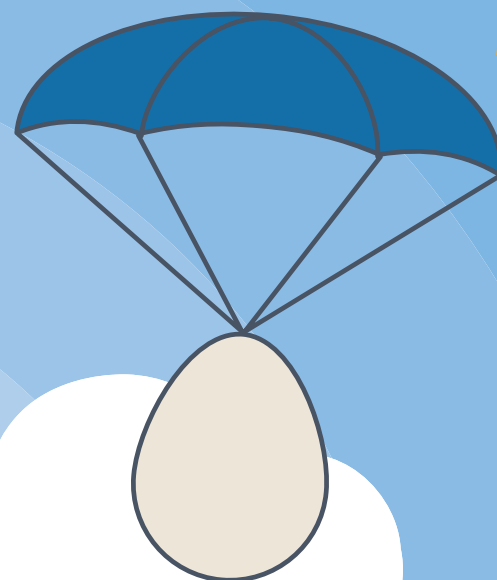
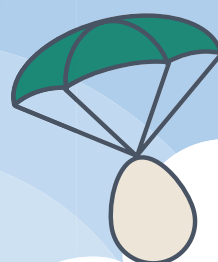
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Registration: 8:30 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.

at the park beside the CVNB London Main Office

Egg Drop: 10 A.M.

Registration after 9:30 a.m. will not be accepted

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WELCOME TO THE 2024 World Chicken Festival

The World Chicken Festival is “egg-cited” to welcome you, your family and friends to beautiful downtown London, KY September 26-29, 2024. We invite you to beautiful downtown London to celebrate chicken heritage and legacy. All the “egg-citement” and entertainment of four fun filled days makes this one of Kentucky’s largest festivals. The festival is home to the World’s Largest Stainless-Steel Skillet with over three decades of family fun including crazy contests, free music entertainment, vendors from across the country, carnival rides, and delicious food from non-profit organizations. The festival benefits over 50+ local nonprofits.

Colonel Harland Sanders, founder of Ken-

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PHOTO BY MELISSA COULIER

Uncle Kracker is the headlining musical artist this year. He is set to perform at 9 p.m. Saturday on the Stage of Stars.





WELCOME

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tucky Fried Chicken, is one of the most highly recognized figures in the world. Located in the heart of the beautiful Daniel Boone National Forest, Laurel County is proud to honor the legacy of the Sanders Café and Museum. The Colonel's first and original restaurant in Corbin, Kentucky located in southern Laurel County. Lee Cummings, co-founder of Lee's Famous Recipe Chicken, also began his career in 1952 with his uncle, Colonel Sanders. The annual World Chicken Festival is a tribute to this chicken heritage.

The World Chicken Festival was established in 1990 as a tribute to this heritage and signifying the year 1990 would have been Colonel Harland Sander's 100th birthday. Sanders Café and Museum recently completed in April 2022 a multimillion-dollar expansion of this landmark, which is on the National Register of Historical Places. Experience the new extensive, preservation focused exterior and interior refresh restoration project.

The Stage of Stars, located at Town Center Park, is presented by the City of London and The London Tourisms and Parks. This stage hosts national musical artists. The festival's second music stage is called Sanders Stage, presented by SAM103.9 and Wildcat-Harley Davidson, located on Broad and 6th Street. It is home to local and regional music artists and crazy family fun contests.

The World Chicken Festival is home of the World's Largest Stainless-Steel Skillet established in 1992. It is located behind the Laurel County Courthouse 4th Street and Long Street. The dining tent for the skillet, sponsored by Lee's Famous Recipe Chicken, will be in the parking lot next to the Laurel

County Sherriff's Department. Delicious fried chicken snacks and dinners are served on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from this benchmark feature of the festival the World's Largest Stainless-Steel Skillet. The skillet is closed on Sunday.

The skillet is operated by World Chicken Festival volunteers are from the Laurel County African American Heritage Center. The skillet has served more than 120,000 fried chicken dinners since the skillet's inauguration in 1992. The skillet is 10 feet, 6 inches in diameter, and weighs 700 pounds. It takes three days to assemble the skillet construction of 11 gauges, hot rolled stainless steel, divided into four cooking sections; mounted on a steel frame. It requires 300 gallons of cooking oil and can cook 600 quarters of chicken at one time. The skillet can cook 7,000 pieces, requires 375 pounds of flour, 75 pounds of salt, 30 pounds of pepper, 30 pounds of paprika and of course the World Chicken Festival's special ingredients.

The founders of the World Chicken Festival had three goals in mind for the community when creating the mission and vision for this annual fall event. The first goal was to create an opportunity for local and regional entertainment to be highlighted. The second goal was to provide citizens and out of town guests access to enjoy the festival without a high cost. The third goal was to give non-profit organizations opportunities to raise money for their charitable organization.

The festival is a 501 (c) (4) nonprofit organization, taking pride in giving local nonprofit opportunities to raise funds. All food vendors at the festival are reserved only for local nonprofit organizations. Non-profit(s) testimonies declare that the festival produces the largest fundraising event of the year for them.

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4pm Live Music & Food Trucks

5pm Taste the Buns Challenge

7pm Record Attempt

Grand Prize \$1,000

MAIN STREET

3pm Closes from 4th ST.-9th ST.

5pm CP Auto Invasion-Truck Show

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WORLD'S LARGEST STAINLESS STEEL SKILLET

Location: 4th and Long Street | Behind the Laurel County Courthouse



more than 120,000 fried chicken dinners since its inauguration in 1992. The world's largest known frying skillet was manufactured by London Bucket Co., Inc. in September 1991, and donated to the World Chicken Festival. The burners and firing system were manufactured by Bakery Machinery, Inc., operated by Rockwell Industries, "Rocky". In 1999, a new skillet was constructed, manufactured by Logan Steel and Jeff Williams Welding.

LOCATION & TIMES

The Skillet is located at 4th/Long Street behind the Laurel County Courthouse and McKee Lodge. Dinners are served by a local non-profit as a fundraiser. Drinks are provided by the local sports team as a fundraiser. The dining tent is sponsored by Lee's Famous Recipe Chicken. Lee Cummings, co-founder of Lee's Recipe is nephew to Colonel Harland Sanders.

Thursday: 12pm Noon until 9:00pm

Friday: 12pm Noon until 9:00pm

Saturday: 12Pm Noon until 9:00pm

Sunday Closed. No Sunday serving hours.

FUN FACTS ABOUT THE SKILLET

Size: 10ft, 6in in diameter; 8in deep; 8ft handle (on the original skillet, the current skillet doesn't have a handle); and weighs 700 pounds total.

Construction: 11 gauge, hot rolled stainless steel; divided into four cooking sections; mounted on a steel frame.

Capacity: Requires 300 gallons of cooking oil to fill. Can cook 600 chicken breasts at one time.

Supplies: Cooking 7000 pieces requires about 375 pounds of flour, 75 pounds of salt, 30 pounds of pepper, 30 pounds of paprika, and the World Chicken Festival's special ingredients.

Fuel: About 60 gallons of Natural gas (more than an average family would use in a year) is required to cook 7000 pieces of chicken at temperatures between 325 and 350 degrees.



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Chicken Breast Snack: \$8.00 per snack (fried chicken breast and a roll)

Chicken Breast Meal: \$10.00 per meal

(fried chicken breast, potato salad, baked beans, and roll)

Delicious fried chicken dinners are served from the benchmark feature of the festival The World's Largest Stainless-Steel Skillet. The skillet is operated by World Chicken Festival volunteers and has served

ARTS, CRAFTS & FOOD BOOTHS

Main Street, Thursday-Sunday | September 26-29, 2024

You'll find an array of "egg-hibbits" to enjoy at the festival! The World Chicken Festival offers a variety of "eggs-hibitors" from arts and crafts to food booths, featuring a taste of local cuisine. Come experience the World Chicken Festival and all the unique artwork, handmade items, delicious food and "egg-citing" products it has to offer. Food vendors on Main Street are partners with local nonprofit organizations.



KIDDIE WORLD

First Christian Church Parking Lot | September 26-29, 2024 | Presented by Hometown Bank



GRANPA CRATCHET

We are “egg-cited” to announce that Granpa Cratchet, a nationally known puppet character will return to Kiddie World, presented by Hometown Bank, appearing in his Shezabiggie Camper. It’s an amazing miniature RV that captures the imagination of adults as well as children. People stand and stare as this miniature RV drives by. Its lively driver, Granpa Cratchet, is a cratchety old coot, with the energy of a teenager. Granpa has appeared at hundreds of fairs all around the world and on nationally televised shows like The Today Show, Entertainment Tonight, and Good

Morning America.

With Granpa Cratchet, you’re set for tons of jokes, one liners and tidbits from the good old days all delivered in Granpa’s crazy, off the wall, high energy, yet down-home style. There’s lots of stories from yesteryear and hugs for everyone. Remember to bring your camera! Granpa loves to have his photo taken with his long time, close friends, who he says he’ll meet as soon as you get there.

SHOW TIMES

Thursday- 6pm, 8pm
Friday- 3pm, 5pm, 7pm
Saturday- 3pm, 5pm, 7pm
Sunday- 2pm, 4pm



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Watch as reality fades and objects vanish, live doves and rabbits appear from nowhere. Magic Mike will thrill you with his magic and kid sense of humor for the entire family.

SHOW TIMES:

Thursday – 7pm, 9pm; Friday — 1pm, 4pm, 6pm; Saturday — 1pm, 4pm, 6pm; Sunday — 1pm, 3pm



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“egg-citing” carnival rides and games featured by Casey's Rides. The midway features a wide variety of rides to accommodate most levels of thrills that festival

goers seek. From a safe and secure Kiddie Land to the high rolling rides for teens and adults, the midway has something for everyone. Casey's Rides was established in the early 60's by Casey and Printhia Seneff. Today, more than fifty years later Casey's Rides is owned and operated by third generation grandson J.D. Green and his wife Debra. Imagination and ingenuity have brought us into the 21st century enabling us to offer approximately 35 different rides that are sure to thrill the old and your alike. Whether you are looking for a ride for a small child or a Spectacular ride like the Superman or

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THURSDAY MUSIC



PEGGY INKS

The World Chicken Festival is “egg-cited” to announce that the “egg-ceptional” Peggy Inks returns to open the 2024 Festival at 5pm on Thursday, September 26th on the Sanders Stage. Peggy Inks has been opening for the World Chicken Festival on Thursday evening for years debuting each year with “I Ain’t No Spring Chicken.” Peggy started singing Gospel with her two sisters as the “Copper Sisters.” In 1975, Peggy launched her solo Gospel career. “Bless Our Nation” was the first song she ever recorded. “I’ve

been recording out of Nashville since 1975 and I’ve recorded many times since then- about every two or three years,” Inks said. In 1977 Inks began exhibiting at County Music Fan Fair, now called CMA Music Festival, where she was able to form several connections with others in the music industry. Inks was invited to become a member of the Music City Christian Fellowship, a nonprofit organization of Christians involved in the music and entertainment industry with the dedication of proclaiming the gospel.



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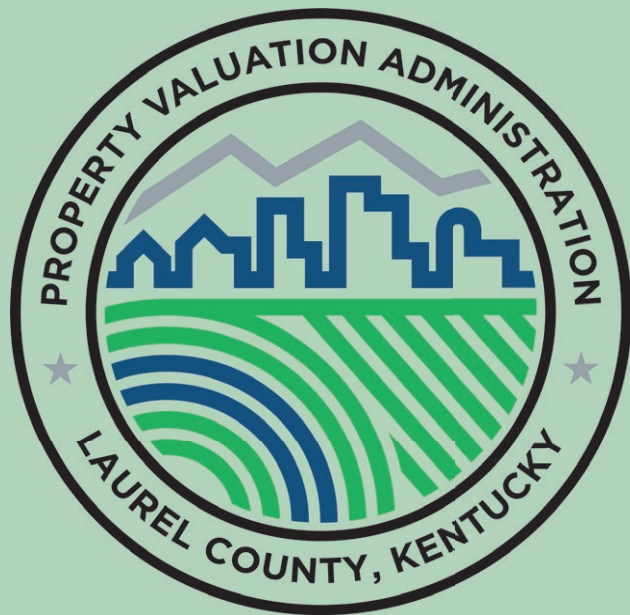
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THURSDAY MUSIC



DONOVAN HOWARD

Thursday, September 26 | 7 p.m. | Stage of Stars

Music has the power to transport us to another time and place. Donovan loves to harness that power with a broad audience of fellow music lovers and passionate musicians alike. Ever since a young age he has found great joy and satisfaction in making music and sharing it with fans and people all over the world. Take a look around the site to get to know Eastern Kentucky's Donovan Howard and all that he has to offer. Having been born and raised in eastern Kentucky it seems only natural that a songwriter would write about coal mining eventually. The odd thing is the title of the song. Although this could translate to any miner in the world.



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THURSDAY HEADLINER



SNEAKY PETE

Thursday, Sept. 26
8 p.m.
Stage of Stars

Sneaky Pete is a local rock and roll band formed in 1978. Hailing from London, KY playing the hits of the times from the 70s/80s and 90s

THURSDAY MUSIC

SAM 103.9 - OTG KARAOKE CONTEST

Thursday, Sept. 26
7:30 p.m. | Sanders Stage



Do you have a favorite song you rock out driving while in the the car or sing in the shower?

Bring your talent to the Chicken Festival At the Karaoke Contest on the Sanders Stage on Thursday, September 26th. Registration begins at 6:30pm with the contest starting at 7:30pm.

You can choose your song from our list provided during our registration.

The Karaoke Contest is open to ALL ages and is limited to the first 20 contestants.

Contestants 17 yrs and under will need to have a legal guardian present during the performance and must sign a waiver for a minor to participate.

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THURSDAY ENTERTAINMENT

COL. HARLAND SANDERS LOOK-A-LIKE CONTEST

Thursday, September 26th | 5:30 p.m. | Sanders Stage



Where would the World Chicken Festival be without the legacy of Col. Harland Sanders? That's like asking which came first, the chicken or the egg?

If you have a white suit, black glasses and bucket of chicken you might be the next contestant in one of the most "egg-citing" contests of the festival.

The Colonel Harland Sanders Look-a-Like Contest will be turning heads this year celebrating

the history and heritage of the original restaurant and museum in southern Laurel County.

The contest is presented by Sanders Café and Museum. Contestants will be judged by who has the most similar Colonel Sanders style, mannerisms, and trivia knowledge.

On-site registration will open Thursday at 5:00pm at the Sanders Stage

First, second and third place will have cash prizes.

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THURSDAY ENTERTAINMENT

CHICK-A-LYMPICS

Thursday, September 26, 2024 | 6 p.m. | Laurel County Extension Office
(Behind Carnaby Square Shopping Center)



Chick-A-Lympics is a FREE 4-H event for kids ages 5-7 hosted by the Laurel County 4-H Poultry Club. It's a chance for kids to play games and win prizes. Games include an egg hunt, chicken scratch in flour for cash, and a spoon egg race. There will also be a drawing for additional prizes, including bicycles! Call the Laurel County Extension Office at 864-4167 to register.

FRIDAY MUSIC

RACHEL CROWE BAND

Friday, September 27 | 6 p.m. | Sanders Stage



I've always wanted to be a singer or have a career with the arts somehow. I've been in and out of bands since I was 16 but have been with my Beardos (IYKYK) since 2016 that's forever in band years. I bought my wedding business in 2017 (MY Tiny Wedding) where I started out as a ceremony musician and am now the photographer and sole owner. It's my real girl job that keeps this expensive music habit going but is artsy fartsy enough to keep me happy:)

I'm a Blues singer in the middle of rural Eastern Kentucky.....Bluegrass country but nothing easy is worth having. We have found our people

and I'm so thankful for the support we have gained in the Bluegrass. What I do is not super traditional Blues I take a lot of influence from powerhouse female country singers from the 90's and a dash of Sothern Rock and you get The Rachel Crowe Band

I am a blues musician and a photographer. The photography (mostly weddings) supports my music habit. I like to joke that no matter if it's true love or heartbreak I have all of your emotional needs covered. I'm really proud of both my jobs and couldn't fathom doing life any other way!

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LAUREL LEWIS

Friday, September 27 | 6 p.m. | Stage of Stars

Laurel Lewis is an acclaimed vocal performer, multi-instrumentalist, recording artist, and songwriter. She has performed with and worked alongside world-renowned musicians such as Iris Dement, Rodney Crowell, and Billy Strings, and has played such historic and hallowed halls as Eddie's Attic in Atlanta, The Bluebird Cafe in Nashville, and The Bitter End in New York City. Her songwriting and musicianship have been recognized in international publications like No Depression. Her self-titled second album was released August 2nd 2024.



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FRIDAY MUSIC

THE PO' RAMBLIN BOYS

Friday, September 27 | 7 p.m. | Stage of Stars



At a time when most people feel constantly distracted by technology and barraged by the news, authenticity and straightforward honesty are paramount. There's something about the music of The Po' Ramblin' Boys that cuts right through the noise of the world and speaks plainly to the soul. Formed ten years ago in the Smoky Mountains in 2014, The Po' Ramblin' Boys are at once exactly what you would expect and not at all what you would expect from a tattooed East Tennessee Bluegrass outfit. But they take pride in being ambassadors of their genre, and the group has brought their music from rural bluegrass festival stages to the rock clubs of Europe, with stunning results.

FRIDAY HEADLINER

HANNAH DASHER

Friday, September 27 | 9 p.m. | Stage of Stars



On Friday night, The Stage of Stars welcomes Hannah Dasher. Music Row predicted she'll be the "Next Big Thing," about the same time the guitar goddess became a Fender Next artist and a CMT Next Women of Country. But Whiskey Riff believes Hannah Dasher is still "one of Nashville's best kept secrets, much like Chris Stapleton used to be." They claim she's one of the best live acts they've seen in a long time. A true entertainer, she's amassed over 1.5M followers on TikTok and has become a viral sensation on other platforms between her talent for music and her love of food, Hannah has become a social media sensation.

Walk into her "Honkytonk Graceland" home and find that this artist is no character. She lives like she looks. Preserving the best of nostalgic Country music and building upon it with a fresh, new sound, Hannah Dasher feels like the big piece of the puzzle we've been missing for a while. She recently released her new album, "The Other Damn Half" and is gearing up for her second headlining tour.

Stephen Hubbard - ABC Country

FRIDAY ENTERTAINMENT

EGG SURVIVAL DROP CONTEST

Friday, September 27 | 10 a.m. | CVNB Main Street



SURVIVAL EGG DROP



Area students can test their skills and try to be successful at dropping an egg without breaking it!

This event takes place on Main Street in front of Cumberland Valley National Bank. There are three divisions: Elementary, Middle School, and High School. \$1,200 Prize Money will be divided equally among All finalists.

Egg Drop Rules

1. No registrations will be accepted after 9:30am.
2. No parachutes
3. Drop will be from 50 ft
4. Eggs will be provided by the

committee and will placed in your container on site. The committee must be able to remove the egg after the drop.

5. Your entry must be no larger than a 12"x12"x12" container.
6. There must be a place on your container for judges to write a number with a marker.
7. Contestants must clean up after their drop
8. Survival Egg Drop total prize money is \$1200
9. All prize money will be divided equally among ALL finalists.
10. Prize for "Most Original Design" in each division.

CHICKEN "TRICKIN" TRIVIA CONTEST

Friday, September 27
12 p.m. | Sanders Stage



Do you think you know everything about chickens? Come show us what an "Egg" Head you are. Take on the challenge in our Chicken Trickin' Trivia contest and learn fun facts about chickens. Wildcat-Harley Davidson will have tricky chicken questions with multiple choice answers. This contest is open to all ages. Prizes: 1st (\$100), 2nd (\$75), 3rd (\$50)... winning will give you something crow about!

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CLUCKIN' STRUTTIN' AND CROWIN' CONTEST

Friday, September 27 | 1 p.m. | Sanders Stage



Show off your chicken impersonation skills on the Sanders Stage with your best imitation of a chicken during our “egg-citing” struttin’ cluckin’ and crowin’ contest!

Open for all ages. The crowd will vote for their favorite contestant, presented by Wildcat Harley Davidson. Prizes: 1st (\$100), 2nd (\$75), 3rd (\$50)

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FRIDAY ENTERTAINMENT

CHICKEN COOKOFF CHALLENGE

Friday, Sept. 27 | 2 p.m. | Sanders Stage



A reality cooking competition is being served up at the World Chicken Festival! Somerset Community College Culinary Arts Program presents the Culinary Chicken Cook-Off Challenge at the Sanders Stage!

Three lucky contestants will be selected to have 45 minutes to prepare a chicken dish with the help from Somerset Culinary Art students. Each contestant will be selecting their own ingredients and hatching an “Egg-citing” original chicken recipe for our judges to taste.

Audience members during the Cookoff Challenge will have an opportunity to win SWAG items, so make sure you stay to cheer and root for your favorite contestants.

STUDIO LONDON

Friday, September 27, 2024 | 4 p.m. | Sanders Stage

Studio London is a private vocal studio that was founded with the goal of helping every student, regardless of age or experience level, find their voice.

Since its start in 2012, hundreds of local, young singers have learned the fundamentals of healthy vocal technique, song selection, and confident

stage presence.

Graduates have gone on to perform in a plethora of venues including American Idol, Broadway Artists' Alliance, Governor's School of the Arts, Belmont Musical Theater Company, and many have received music scholarships at the collegiate level.

In 2022 Studio London relocated

from London to the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame in Mount Vernon, KY, where its founder, Amber Hannah Hibbitts serves as resident voice instructor.

At this location students from Laurel County, Madison County, Rock Castle County, Whitley County, and Knox County attend weekly voice coaching

sessions in the historic recording studio located in the center of the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame.

As they are coached in the glass, soundproof studio, Renfro Valley tourists and artists can observe the lessons live as they tour the museum.

To inquire about signing up for voice lessons contact Amber (859) 618-9484



SEPTEMBER 26-29, 2024

THURSDAY, SEPT. 26, 2024


**SANDERS
STAGE**

STAGE OF STARS LONDON
TOURISM & PARKS

- 5:00 **PEGGY INKS**
- 5:30 **COL SANDERS
LOOKALIKE CONTEST** KFC
- 6:00 **CHICK-A-LYMPICS
EXTENSION OFFICE***
- 6:30 **KARAOKE
REGISTRATION**
- 7:00
- 7:30 **Sam** 103.9 WML-London
simply about music
- 8:00 **OTG** It's the Place to Be!
- 8:30
- 9:00 **SAM 103.9
OTG KARAOKE
REGISTRATION**
- 9:30
- 10:00
- 10:30

LONDON
TOURISM & PARKS

**DONOVAN
HOWARD**
7:00PM

**SNEAKY
PETE**
8:00PM



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ALL WEEKEND



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ALL WEEKEND

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**SANDERS
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TOURISM & PARKS

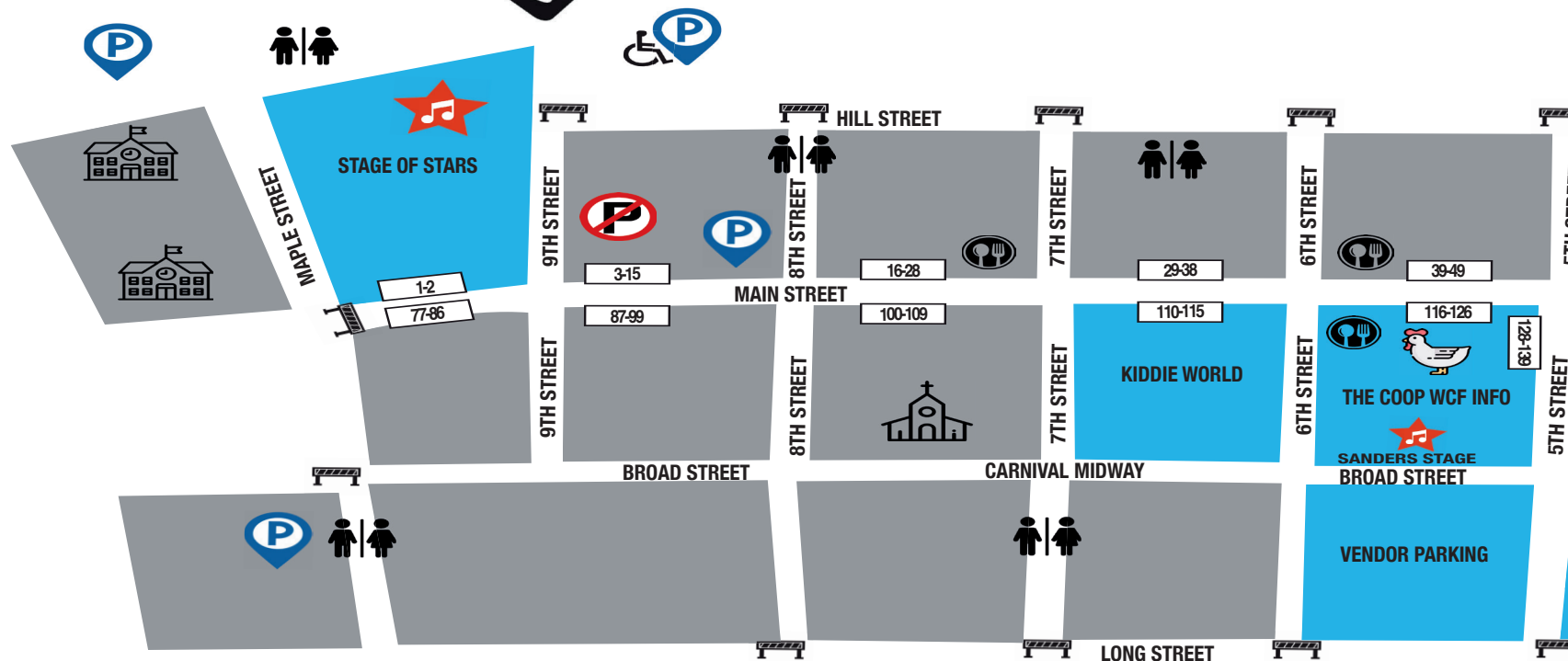
- 10:00 **EGG DROP
MAIN STREET***
- 11:00 **CVNB**
- 11:30
- 12:00 **CHICKEN
TRICKIN' TRIVIA** Wildcat
- 12:30
- 1:00 **CLUCKIN'
STRUTTIN' AND
CROWIN' CONTEST** Wildcat
- 1:30
- 2:00 **CHICKEN
COOK-OFF
CHALLENGE** SOMERSET
COLLEGE
- 2:30
- 3:00 **FAMILY FLOCK
LOOK-A-LIKE CONTEST** Wildcat
- 3:30
- 4:00 **STUDIO LONDON**
4:00PM
- 4:30
- 5:00 **HEADOVER HILLS BAND**
5:00PM
- 5:30
- 6:00 **RACHEL CROWE
BAND**
6:00PM
- 6:30
- 7:00
- 7:30
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- 8:30 **BIMBO**
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6:00PM

**THE PO'
RAMBLIN BOYS**
7:00PM

**HANNAH
DASHER**
9:00PM



VENDORS

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| 1. Cornerstone Christian School/ LaDonna's | 20. Harvest Time/Big Momma's Treats | 39. Re-Wired/Soggy Doggy | Gyros | 80. Magic Turtle 3D Printing |
| 2. Station Cheer/The Palace | 21. Sparkt Permanent Jewelry | 40. Seven North Apparel | 60. American Liver Foundation | 81. Fat Charlie's BBQ |
| 3. Dorthae Pentecostal Church | 22. Wild Huckleberry Boutique | 41. Bluegrass Pest Mgmt | 61. The Diamond Club/Old Town Grill | 82. Small Town Simple |
| 4. Dusty Diamond Boutique | 23. Moody Cow | 42. Spectrum Studios | 62. Diamond Club | 83. Mariner Finance |
| 5. Fountain of Life Church | 24. Lavish By LaChelle | 43. Still There Shine Sauce & Rubs | 63. Cabelas | 84. Ridge and Holler |
| 6. HD Beauty | 25. Stratton Brand | 44. Bluegrass Cannabis | 64. Cricket Wireless | 85. Suncoast Hat Co. |
| 7. Rite-Way Auto Glass | 26. 24.7 Hat Company | 45. Flowerworks | 65. DAV #66 | 86. Laurel River Baptist |
| 8. Pink Turquoise Boutique | 27. Redeemed Boutique | 46. Magee | 66. Lipstick on a Pig | 87. East Bernstadt Church |
| 9. Artisan Pines Inc | 28. Local Honey | 47. Workman Variety | 67. Laurel County VFW #3302 | 88. Mamaws Bow-Tie |
| 10. Choot'em Up Marshmallow Tactical Supply | 29. Tony and Mary | 48. Matt Rings | 68. Redeeming Hope | 89. Moonshine Mountain |
| 11. Bella's Fashion Boutique | 30. Jayden Kates Boutique | 49. South Laurel Soccer/Coco Bongos | 69. Toah Jewelry | 90. ABChickens! |
| 12. Groups Recover | 31. Sarkis | 50. Khloe's Uniques | 70. Amazing Grace Mission | 91. Health Express Pharmacy |
| 13. Saint Joseph London | 32. Comfort Foods | 51. Juneberry Boutique | 71. Verizon Wireless | Urgent Care |
| 14. Disabled AM Vets #158 | 33. Clover Hollow Farm | 52. My Massage Pillow | 72. House Rawlings Funeral Home | 92. Wicked Works Bakery |
| 15. McKenzie's Toyland | 34. Moonbow Crystals | 53. Sweetly's Creations | 73. The Medicare Store | 93. Hometown Distributors |
| 16. Corinth Baptist/Crazy Eatz | 35. Scentsy | 54. Frosted Bunny | 74. Funky Paisley Boutique | 94. Keepsakes and More |
| 17. 4th Level Roasters | 36. Kimbrella Studio | 55. Kings Palace Boutique | 75. Maximus | 95. Southern Charm |
| 18. Fountain of Life Church | 37. Lets Glow Crazy | 56. Creekside Customs | 76. Oleika Train | 96. It's All About You |
| 19. Planning Group | 38. London Women's League/Kings Kettle | 57. Bimbo Bread | 77. Kentucky Army National Guard | 97. J Bloom & Plunder |
| | Korn/Southern Sips & Sweets | 58. Cumberland Valley National Bank | 78. London Laurel Rescueman's Club | 98. Chamber of Commerce |
| | | 59. South Laurel Marching Band / Alex's | 79. Nashbrew Coffee | Shaved Ice |

MAP KEY



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CHURCH



DINING AREA

EMERGENCY
COMMAND POST

FIRE DEPARTMENT

GOVERNMENT
BUILDINGHANDICAP
PARKING

LAW ENFORCEMENT



MUSIC STAGE



NO PARKING



PARKING



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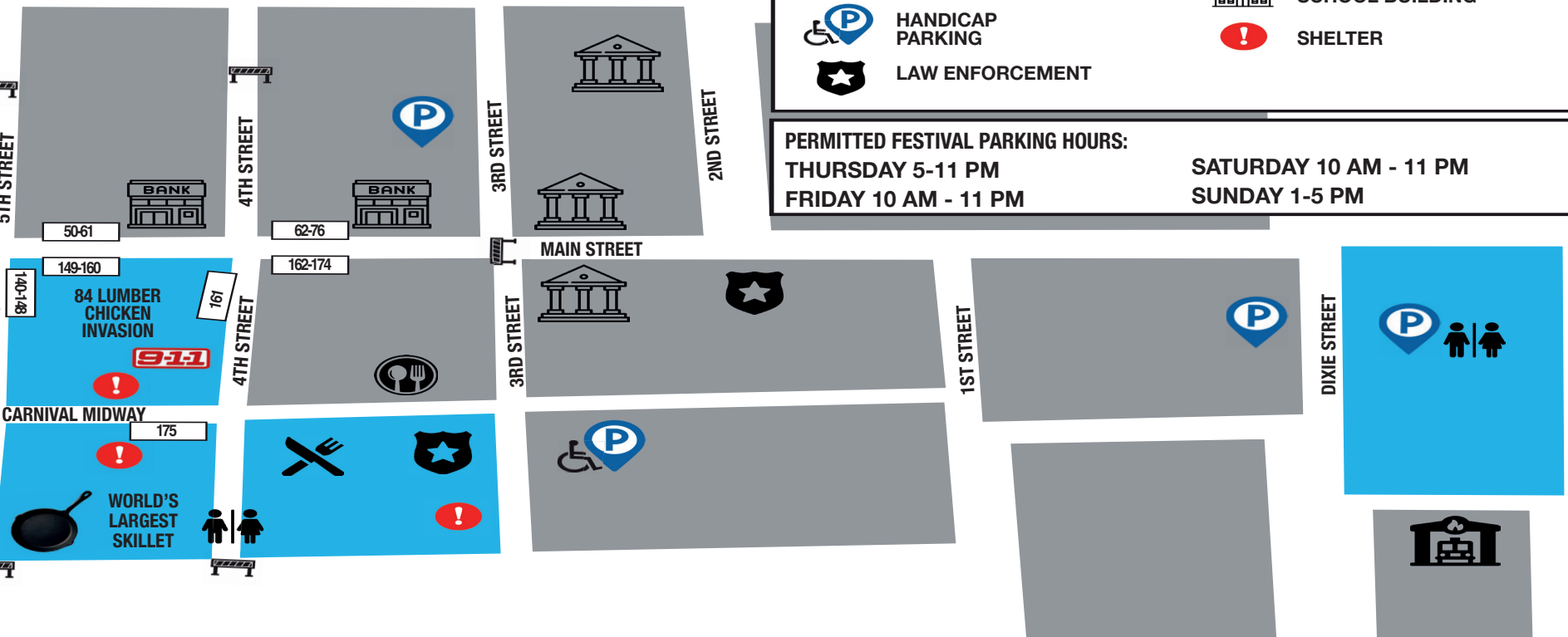
PERMITTED FESTIVAL PARKING HOURS:

THURSDAY 5-11 PM

FRIDAY 10 AM - 11 PM

SATURDAY 10 AM - 11 PM

SUNDAY 1-5 PM



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99. Amp/Beat the Bar
100. Marshall & Kathy's Yard Art
101. Ornaments 4 U
102. Bobs Smokin Southern BBQ
103. Laurel Co. Life Center (The Nest)
104. Katy's Creations
105. Blue Water Slime Shop
106. Simply Stitched
107. First Christian Church
108. Horizon Health
109. Walmart DC Transportation
110. Chad's Hope/Grub Hut
111. Hartsy Fartsy Caricatures
112. Strawberry Plains Honey Co.
113. Magical Marionettes
114. Mako Appliances
115. Laurel Co. Shrine Club
116. Kinetic By Windstream
117. Akin Custom Creations
118. London Laurel Chamber of
Commerce

119. Chamber of Commerce/ Bayou Billy
Sweet Tea
120. Pour Boyz
121. Assn. of Swiss Descendants
122. Grace Health
123. Bryan's Hats & Belt Buckles
124. High Country Products
125. Laurel County Republican Women's
Club
126. Chamber of Commerce/OTG
128. Aisin Automotive
129. C2G Environmental
130. PNC Bank
131. Shannon's Stuffy Style
132. K's Bargains
133. Sparks 3D
134. Mystic Energy Jewels
135. Nesco Resource
136. Optimize U London
137. Velvet Daisies
138. S05-Sentinel on 5th

139. Misty Mountain Gaming
140. United States Army
141. Unites States Marine Corp.
142. Johns Jewelry
143. Affordable Style
144. Ronald R Van Stockum Jr.
145. Color Me Happy
146. LeafFilter Gutter Protection
147. McWhorter Fire Dept.
148. Morrow Art Studio
149. Air Raid Trampoline Park
150. C and E Novelties
151. Dragonfly Designs
152. Blush and Bashful Boutique
153. Friends Drift Inn
154. Laurel Co. Sheriff's Dept.
155. Laurel County Fire Dept.
156. London Police Dept.
157. Party With Pickles
158. London Rotary Club/Borden Dairy
159. Laughing Monkey Amusements

160. Mini Mee Boutique
160A. London Fire Department
161. Warzone Paintball
162. African American Heritage
Center/Restoration Ministries
162A. Liz Hernandez
163. Don Franklin Outdoors
164. Five Point Knives
165. SDB Vending
166. Secret Springs Studio
167. Here's 2 Life Customs
168. Festival King
169. VNA Health & Home
170. Job Shop
171. Laurel Co. Democratic Party
172. McIntosh Made Creations
173. Boal Express
174. Oleika Train
175. McKee Lodge #144

SATURDAY SEPT. 28, 2024



**SANDERS
STAGE**



STAGE OF STARS **LONDON**
TOURISM & PARKS

8:00 **RUN FOR THE ROOST 5K***
FARMER'S MARKET

10:00

11:00

11:30

12:00 REGISTRATION WINGS EATING CONTEST 12PM

12:30 **HOT WING**

1:00 **EATING CONTEST**

1:30

2:00 **WHISKERS & BEARD** **CONTEST**

2:30

3:00 **ROOSTER TAIL** **MULLET CONTEST**

3:30

4:00 **WHISKEY RIVER**
1:00PM

4:30

5:00 **GIRL SCRUGGS** 5:00PM

5:30

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6:30 **HANCOCK**
& **SHOUSE**
6:00PM

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LONDON
TOURISM & PARKS

TAYLOR HUGHES
6:00PM

NICHOLAS JAMERSON
& **THE MORNING JAYS**
7:00PM

UNCLE KRACKER
9:00PM

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SUNDAY, SEPT. 29, 2024

GOSPEL EGGSTRAVAGANZA STAGE
TOWN CENTER PARK

10:00

11:00 **COMMUNITY WORSHIP**

11:30 **SERVICE**

12:00

12:30

1:00 **THE FRANKLINS - 1:00PM**

1:30

2:00 **THE GOSPEL HARMONY BOYS - 2:00PM**

2:30

3:00 **FAIR HAVEN QUARTET - 3:00PM**

3:30

4:00 **JEFF & SHERI EASTER - 4:00PM**

4:30

5:00



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COURTHOUSE
ALL WEEKEND



KIDDIE WORLD
CHRISTIAN CHURCH PARKING LOT
ALL WEEKEND

SATURDAY MUSIC

THE WHISKEY RIVER BAND

Saturday, September 28 | 4 p.m. | Sanders Stage

The Whiskey River Band is a country/rock variety band with Tim Ham on drums/vocals, Steve Stott on bass, Steve Mitchell on keyboard/vocals, and Curtis Woodall band manager, lead guitar/vocals; an awesome group of musicians.



GIRL SCRUGGS

Saturday, September 28, 2024 | 5 p.m. | Sanders Stage

Introducing Girl Scruggs, the dynamic bluegrass marvel sure to have any audience on their feet. With a veteran bluegrass mandolin maestro, a skilled guitarist with unmatched precision, a fiddler with fingers that dance across the strings like wildfire, a banjo player who'll make you think it's Earl Scruggs himself, and an upright bass player who's silently honed

her talents and style for years, this band unites a passion for bluegrass despite their different backgrounds and characteristics. Though each member is unique, they blend together seamlessly. Their sound? Fast, hard-driving with a spritz of sweet and undeniably fun. Girl Scruggs is here to shake up the bluegrass scene with their infectious energy and exceptional talent.



HANCOCK AND SHOUSE

Saturday, September 28, 2024 | 6 p.m. | Sanders Stage

After years of performing around the country, Arthur Hancock and Chris Shouse have made a lot of musical memories. Both enjoyed their time in the award-winning bands The Wooks, The 23 String Band, and Wolfpen Branch. Looking forward, they are excited to continue making Kentucky Bluegrass music together and to represent their roots with some of the best musicians on the scene today. A mixture of catchy originals and harmonious covers, they will have you tapping your foot in the best way. Hancock and Shouse are proud Tunes Ambassadors for the Can'd Aid Foundation that encourages music education and has donated over 3000 instruments to schools in need. Look for them performing across Kentucky in 2024 and continuing their participation in The Commonwealth's rich cultural history.

SATURDAY MUSIC

TAYLOR HUGHES

Saturday, September 28, 2024 | 6 p.m. | Stage of Stars



“Her voice is like rich chocolate cake with soul.”

Country artist and songwriter, Taylor Hughes, is not your typical country artist. With southern rock and blues influences, she delivers a powerful, unique, and sassy sound that demands attention. Native of Lexington, Kentucky, she now resides in Nashville where she’s made quite a name for herself. Award winning Gospel singer and vocal coach, Christy Sutherland, describes Hughes’ voice as “rich chocolate cake with soul” along with being called “Country music’s answer to Adele” in the Tennessee Star Magazine.

After releasing her debut single, “Good Taste,” in 2020, hitting iHeart Radio and multiple other stations, her sophomore single, “Prayin’ to the Whiskey,” got her the attention she truly deserved. She was nominated for “Emerging International Artist of the Year” in the UK followed by “Prayin’ to the Whiskey” being nominated for “International Song of the Year” in Ireland, making the final top 10. She

closed out the year being in the final top 5 artists for the Southern Fellow’s “Artist of the Year” for the second year in a row.

Her third single, “High On Something,” was released at the end of 2021 and it charted in the top 100 on the Texas Internet Radio Charts and continues to climb up daily. Along with this success, she was nominated in the 2022 Josie Music Awards for “Female Country Vocalist of the Year” and the “Fan’s Choice” award. Hughes was making waves long before moving to music city though. She has been nominated in the Lexington Music Awards for best female vocalist, best country artist, best singer-songwriter, and song of the year; winning in 2016, 2018 and 2019. She has opened and shared the stage with artists such as Chase Rice, Riley Green, Sam Riggs, Morgan Mylles, Angaleena Presley (Pistol Annies), Striking Matches, Leah Turner, Alexandra Kay, Uncle Kracker, and more.

2023 was a huge year for Hughes. Bringing in multiple mini tours around the country, festivals, releasing

her fourth single, “Jesus and Jail,” new partnerships, winning multiple awards and receiving several nominations.

To top this off, she has 5 songs she wrote being cut by other independent artists. She entered 2023 with four nominations in the Appalachian Arts and Entertainment Awards including “Best Female Vocalist,” “Best Country Artist,” “Song of the Year,” and “Social Media Influencer.” She was nominated by fan vote in Country Evolution’s “artist to watch in 2023.” She received five nominations in the 2023 Lexington Music Awards and was awarded “Country Artist of the Year.” Along with this success, Hughes received

multiple nominations in the 2023 Josie music Awards and was awarded “Multi Genre Vocalist of the year.”

2024 has started off amazing for this incredible talent as well. Hughes was named the 2024 “Female Vocalist of the Year” along with her song “Jesus and Jail” winning “Song of the Year” in the 10th annual Lexi Music Awards in Kentucky. She just received two nominations in the ‘24 Josie Music Awards; to be held later this year at the Grand Ole Opry. Along with these accolades, she just received her first song cut of 2024 on the highly anticipated debut Whey Jennings’ album (grandson of Waylon Jennings) “Jekyll & Hyde”

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SATURDAY MUSIC

NICHOLAS JAMERSON AND THE MORNING JAYS

Saturday, September 28, 2024 | 7 p.m. | Stage of Stars



In the last ten years, Nicholas Jamerson has created a catalog that reaches across broad spectrums in substance and style. The eastern Kentucky native has endeared himself to fans in the region and beyond as a founding member of the duo, Sundy Best. In recent years Nicholas performed extensively solo and with his band The Morning Jays. Both with the band and on his own Nicholas has made his mark on the most hallowed stages and festivals - from the Grand Ole Opry and Ryman Auditorium to Americana and Master Musician Festivals. He is among an esteemed group of today's artists who have shaped, redefined, and expanded the notions of Appalachian and Southern music. He reminds people why they love it and enjoy its many splendors. Jamerson's songs are known for their attention to the natural world, warm-hearted characters, and the plight and triumphs of the modern-day hillbilly.

The Morning Jays are comprised of gentlemen from across the state lines of Kentucky and Tennessee. A blend of country, rock, folk, bluegrass, R&B, and 4-part harmony creating a sounds Taylor made for square dances to summertime, living rooms to laser shows.

SATURDAY HEADLINER

UNCLE KRACKER

Saturday, September 28, 2024 | 9 p.m. | Stage of Stars



The world initially met Uncle Kracker during his stint in Kid Rock's Twisted Brown Trucker Band, lending his songwriting and musical acumen to seven cuts off the RIAA diamond-certified *Devil Without A Cause*.

It happens in an instant. The moment you hear an Uncle Kracker tune, your day brightens up. Since the turn-of-the-century, the Michigan-born singer, songwriter, and producer has delivered unshakable and undeniable anthems with impressive consistency. It's nearly impossible not

to nod your head, tap your foot, or sing along as soon as you hear the likes of "Smile" or "Follow Me."

Along the way, he has smashed records, tallied over 1 billion streams, and captivated sold out crowds everywhere. He's not stopping in 2023 with his recently released single "Sweet 16,"

and touring throughout the summer with a mix of headlining dates and shows with ZZ Top and Lynyrd Skynyrd on the "Sharp Dressed Simple Man" tour.

Born Matthew Shafer, he discovered music via his mother growing up in Michigan. Among his first memo-

ries, he vividly recalled mom "sitting in the family van, smoking her Kool Filter Kings, and listening to 'Raindrops Keep Fallin' on My Head' by B.J. Thomas." The whole family loved music, and dad was "all Motown, all the time."

Beyond classics by everyone from Barry Manilow to James Taylor, Uncle Kracker fell in love with hip-hop at 12-years-old. Under the influence of "Jail House Rap" by The Fat Boys, he picked up his first drum machine and learned how to program. Soon after, he built a rudimentary setup with an 8-track to record songs of his own.

Earning a reputation in the local scene, "Kracker" stuck as a nickname, and he added "Uncle" after being inspired by a picture of Uncle Dave Macon in the smoking lounge of the Nashville airport.

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However, fans fell in love with him on his solo debut *Double Wide* in 2000. It not only crashed the Top 10 of the Billboard 200 at #7, but it also picked up a double-platinum certification. Most importantly, it represented the fulfillment of his biggest dream to date.

"Double Wide meant the most to me, because I had always tried to

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SATURDAY ENTERTAINMENT

“RUN FOR THE ROOST” 5K RACE

Saturday, September 28, 2024 | 8 a.m. | London Laurel Farmer's Market

The Run for the Roost 5K is ready for all you chickens, roosters and hens to take on the challenge. The course has been revamped this year with a flat, quick PR course that starts and ends at the London Farmer Market on Race Day. Register at <https://chickenfestival.com/run-for-the-roost-5k-race/>

Each year, the 5K chooses a different non-profit to support.

This year's race benefit goes to The American Childhood

Cancer Organization. September is Childhood Cancer Awareness month and we encourage all participants and volunteers to wear your yellow ribbon to support the cause. These can also be purchased at packet pick up line as well. Our co-host Lori Hammack knows all about battling childhood cancer. Her son Brody was diagnosed with ALL at 2 years old, however we are more than happy to report that he is a Survivor and thanks

to organizations like ACCO that receive funding to perform the necessary research to find cures and treatments for cases like Brody and others.

The American Childhood Cancer Organization or “ACCO” has been everything for kids for more than 50 years! ACCO was founded in 1970 by parents of children diagnosed with cancer. Formerly known as Candlelighters, ACCO is the nation's oldest and largest grassroots



organization dedicated to childhood cancer.

Did you know childhood cancer is the number one disease killer of children and the leading cause of death for children between the ages

of 4 and 14 in the United States? ACCO is determined to change the statistics and make childhood cancer a national health priority by shaping policy, supporting research, raising awareness, and providing educational resources and programs to children with cancer, childhood cancer survivors, and their families. Over the past 50 years, ACCO has supported more than half a million families because kids can't fight cancer alone.

OTG HOT WING EATING CONTEST

Saturday, September 28, 2024 | 1 p.m. | Sanders Stage



How hot do you like your wings? Are you prepared to sweat? Are you prepared to cry? The OTG Hot Wing Eating Contest has been a long tradition at the World Chicken Festival. Who will be crowned champion this year and be able to crow about it? Contestants are limited to the first 20 contestants ages 18+ so make sure you arrive early. This contest is presented by SAM 103.9 and Old Town Grill (OTG) at the Sanders Stage.

SATURDAY ENTERTAINMENT



ROOSTERTAIL MULLET CONTEST

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2024 | 3 PM | SANDERS STAGE

Business in the front, party in the back! The mullet hair style is back! Let your "Rooster Tail" spread its wings at the World Chicken Festival. We want to see the coolest Roostertail Mullet Hairstyles. Come out and strut your stuff!!

Somerset Community College

Cosmetology program will be the panel of judges.

Division Categories

5yrs and under: 1st \$100; 2nd \$75; 3rd \$50

6-12 yr Division: 1st \$100; 2nd \$75; 3rd \$50

18yrs and up: 1st \$100; 2nd \$75; 3rd \$50



PICKLEBALL OPEN

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26-29, 2024
WHITLEY BRANCH VETERANS PARK



The World Chicken Festival Pickleball Tournament will be at Whitley Branch Veterans Park, 3 days of round robin tournament for Men and Women Doubles and Mixed Doubles

All proceeds will benefit the Come-unity Cooperative Care (CCC).

The CCC will be on site during the Pickleball Open serving concessions.

FAQ Contact Jason Burton 606-682-5818.



SUNDAY WORSHIP

COMMUNITY CHURCH SERVICE

Sunday, September 29, 2024 | 10 am | Gospel Eggstravaganza Stage (Town Center Park)

The Community Church Service will be at Town Center Park on the Gospel Egg-stravaganza Stage. First Christian Church and First Methodist Church will be leading the community church service with praise and worship and a message. Bring a chair or blanket and stick around following the service for the great line-up of Gospel music!

SUNDAY MUSIC

THE GOSPEL HARMONY BOYS

Sunday, September 29, 2024 | 2 pm | Gospel Eggstravaganza Stage (Town Center Park)



The Gospel Harmony Boys are one of America's finest Southern Gospel Quartets, and have been presenting the Gospel in song since 1952 all across this great country in churches, auditoriums, fairs, and festivals. After all this, by God's grace, we're still going strong!

We are a fellowship of friends doing what we love, perfecting harmonies and blending talents as never before, to bring you the Gospel in song the way it should be heard.

The Gospel Harmony Boys aspire to entertain as well as inspire through a unique blend of Christian dedication, solid talent, and stage presence that has been thrilling audiences for over fifty-six years. As you might imagine, we certainly have a lot to share with you.

That's what this web site is all about. We invite you to dig deeper into the rich history and exciting on-going ministry of GHB.

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BUSINESS / SERVICES

Accounting Firm: Cook & Cheek
 Agriculture Store: Bengé Farm Supply
 Attorney: Brian Couch at Couch & Fugate
 Attorney's Office: Couch & Fugate
 Auction Company: Ford Brothers
 Bank: CVNB
 Bank Customer Service: CVNB
 Bank Drive Thru: Commerical Bank
 Bank President:
 Jamie Harrison, Community Trust Bank
 Bank Teller: Rachel Black - CVNB Main Office
 Banking/Checking Services: L&N Credit Union
 Best Bank Customer Service: Hometown Bank
 Best Customer Service: Sensure
 City/Co. Office or Department: Laurel Co PVA
 City/County Official or Employee:
 Tony Brown - County Clerk
 Church: Calvary
 Church Choir: First Baptist
 Coach: Johnna Phelps NLHS Dance Team
 College: University of the Cumberland
 Commercial Printer/Print Shop: Minuteman Press
 Computer Store/Needs/Products:
 The Computer Place
 Dance Studio: Rhythm Dance Studio
 Dry Cleaners: London Dry Cleaners
 Elementary School: Campground
 Employment Services: The Job Shop
 Farm Equipment: Southeastern Farm Supply
 Finance (Not a Bank): Benchmark Mortgage
 Financial Advisor: Mike Fiechter, Edward Jones
 Fitness Center: Planet Fitness
 Floral Designer: Debbie Howard - Uptown Florist
 Floral Shop: Uptown Florist
 Funeral Director: Doug Bowling
 Funeral Home: House Rawlings
 Garden Nursery: Creekside Gardens
 Grocery Store: IGA, E.C. Porters
 Gun Shop: Wildcat Pawn & Gun
 Haunted Forest: Haunted Trail of Chaos

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Laurel County's 2024 Best of the Best

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High School: North Laurel High School
 Hunting Supplies: Center Target
 Insurance Agency: KY Farm Bureau
 Insurance Agent: Stan Owens - KY Farm Bureau
 Landscaping: Lawn Shark
 Liquor Store: Buddy's Liquor Store
 Loan Officer: Mike Hacker - CVNB
 Manager Boss: Abby - Dollar General HWY 229
 Middle School: South Laurel
 Monuments: Bowling Funeral Home
 Mortgage (Not a Bank): Alliance Mortgage
 Mortgage Loan Officer:
 Paula Hall - Alliance Mortgage
 Motel/Hotel: Hampton Inn
 New Business: London Cards & Comics
 Pastor:
 Bobby Helton - Old Union Holiness Church
 Pawn Shop: 777 Pawn & Gun
 Photographer: Keisha Amburgey
 Place to Work: St. Joseph Hospital
 Preschool: Little Shepherds
 Principal: Jeremy Kidd, SLHS
 Radio Announcer: Terry Harris
 Radio Station: SAM103.9
 Real-Estate Agency: Century 21
 Real-Estate Agent: Neva Butcher - Century 21
 Real Estate Auctioneer: Devin Ford, Ford Brothers
 RV Dealership: Day Brothers RV
 School Band: South Laurel
 School Choir: North Laurel
 School Sports Team: North Laurel Dance Team
 Secretary/Receptionist:
 Cammie Creech - Paws & Claws
 Security Systems/Company: L4 Security
 Self Storage: McKnight Storage
 Sunday School Teacher:
 Rosemary Helton - Old Union Holiness
 Tax Office: Grigsby Tax
 Tax Preparer: Beverly Grigsby
 Teacher: Stacy Werner - NLMS
 WebSite Design: Hotwire Productions

HEALTH CARE SERVICES & NEEDS

Audiologist: Southeast KY Audiology
 Cancer Center: Baptist Health
 Chiropractor: Chad Morgan, Helping Hands
 Dentist:
 Dr. Woods, London Dental Center of Excellence
 Doctor Office:
 Grace Health-Mountain View Family Practice
 Elderly Care Facility:
 Laurel Senior Living Communities
 Eye Doctor: Huffman & Huffman
 Eyewear: Huffman & Huffman, P.S.C.
 Family Practice: Dr. Stanko
 Hearing Aid Store: Miracle Ear
 Heart Doctor: Dr. Abe, St. Joseph, London
 Home Health Care Needs: Home Helpers
 Hospice: Bluegrass Care Navigator
 Hospital: St. Joseph, London
 Internal Medicine Practice: Shelley Stanko
 Massage Therapist: Allison McDaniel, Esteem
 Medical Spa: Esteem Aesthetics, A Wellness Spa
 Mental Health Provider:
 Laurel Family Mental Health
 News Source: The Sentinel Echo
 Nurse: Anita Laurel Heights
 OB-GYN:
 Dr. Kristy Preston, London Women's Care
 Orthopedic Surgeon: Giriraj Gupta Advent
 Pediatrics: London Women's Care
 Pharmacist: Shyann Sizemore - Plaza Drug
 Pharmacy: Plaza Drug of London
 Pharmacy Tech: Kendra Robinson - Plaza Drug
 Physical Therapist: PT Pros
 Podiatrist: Dr. Heather Jones, Total Foot & Ankle
 Urgent Care: First Care - London
BEAUTY CARE & NEEDS
 Barber: Stephen Adams - Pack Horse Barbershop
 Barber Shop: Pack Horse Barbershop
 Esthetician:
 Hannah Maggard - Smith, Wyld Sage Salon & Spa



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Nail Salon: Genesis, Kim Begley
Salon: Beauty Works Salon
Stylist: Ora Eldridge: Beauty Works Salon
Tanning Salon: Sun Tan City

SHOPPING

Appliance Store: Bundy Maytag
Bridal Store: The Copper Penny
Children's Clothing: Pink Zebra
Christmas Decorations: Southeast Ky Pools & Patio
Department Store: Miss Betty's Home Decor
Flea Market: Flea Land Flea Market
Formal Wear: The Copper Penny
Gifts: London Cards & Comics
Jewelry: Benqueil's Fine Jewelry
Mattresses: Kemper Home Furnishings
Men's Clothing: Farmers's Pro Hardware
Pool Supply: Southeast Ky Pools & Patio
Shoe Store: Shoe Inn
Sporting Goods Store: Wildcat Pawn & Gun
Teen Clothing: Gypsy & James
Women's Clothing: Posh

RECREATION

Best Non-Downtown Event:
Laurel County Homecoming
Kids Entertainment: The Palace
Campground: Levi Jackson Wilderness Road Park
Club/Organization: London Rotary Club
Community Festival/Event: Chicken Festival
Downtown Event: Christmas on Main
Entertainment: The Palace
Golf Course: London Country Club
Motorcycles/ATV's: Wildcat Harley - Davidson
Place to Meet Friends: Pour Boyz
Place to hold Banquet: Heritage Hills

HOME & HOUSE IMPROVEMENT/REPAIR NEEDS

Builder/Contractor: Lowe's
Buildings: Cabin Connections
Building Supplies: Surplus Sales

Cabinets: Surplus Sales
Electrical Contractor: David's Electric
Electrical Supplies: Hibbitts Brothers Wholesale
Exterminator: Kingdom Pest Control
Floor Coverings: Curry Flooring & Tile
Furniture: Kemper Home Furnishings
Heating & Air: Larkey
Home Décor: Miss Betty's
Mobile Home Dealership: Red Rock Homes
Mobile Home Salesperson:
Dewayne Perkins, Red Rock Homes
Paint: Farmer's Pro Hardware
Plumbing Supplies: Hibbitts Brothers Wholesale
Replacements Windows: 84 Lumber
Tools & Supplies: Farmer's Pro Hardware

AUTOMOBILE CARE & NEEDS

Auto Auction: Ford Brothers
Auto Auctioneer: Joe Gill, Ford Brothers
Auto Detailing Shop: Shine Pro/Brandon Tate
Auto Body Repair Shop: The Frame Shop
Car Wash: Lickety Split Car Wash
Dealership New Car: Don Franklin
Dealership Used Car: Tincher Williams
Oil Changes: London Quick Lube
Sales Person: Jeff Stidham, Tincher Williams
Tires: Cook Tire
Truck Dealership: Tincher Williams
Wrecker Service: Steven's Towing

FOOD & DRINK

Appetizers: Old Town Grill
Bar & Grill: Old Town Grill
Bartender: Kandra Davis Keith, Old Town Grill
BBQ: Durhams Pit BBQ
Best Cook: Brandon, The Kitchen
Best Over All Restaurant: Old Town Grill
Best Waiter/Waitress: Beth Davis, Dino's
Breakfast: Frisch's Big Boy Restaurant
Wings: Dino's
Burgers: Dino's

Caterer: La Donna's
Chicken: KFC
Chinese: Masa
Coffee: Sacred Grounds
Coffee Shop: The Grind
Decorated Cakes: Serial Grillers & Killer Sweets
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SUNDAY MUSIC

FAIR HAVEN QUARTET

Sunday, September 29, 2024 | 3 pm | Gospel Eggstravaganza Stage (Town Center Park)



The Fair Haven Quartet is one of the most dedicated, sincere and exciting quartets in gospel music today. Since the beginning of their music ministry in 2004 the quartet has traveled extensively to churches throughout Kentucky, Ohio, and Tennessee and established themselves as one of the premier gospel quartets in southeast Kentucky.

The quartet has been a guest on The Gospel Greats with Paul Heil, Southern Gospel Music's #1 radio program heard coast to coast, and a featured artist on the syndicated gospel music television show, The Brush Arbor Jubilee produced and syndicated by Homeland Inspiration Group. The quartet has performed numerous times at the historic Renfro Valley Theaters and Dol-

lywood Theme Park in Pigeon Forge, TN during their October Harvest Festival Gospel Music Month.

The Fair Haven Quartet is always eager to share the down home sound of southern gospel music at church conventions, fairs, revivals, and gospel concerts. Their recordings feature a blend of original songs and fresh arrangements to traditional hymns and great gospel classics. Their tight harmony and dynamic, convention-style sound is both refreshing and uplifting.

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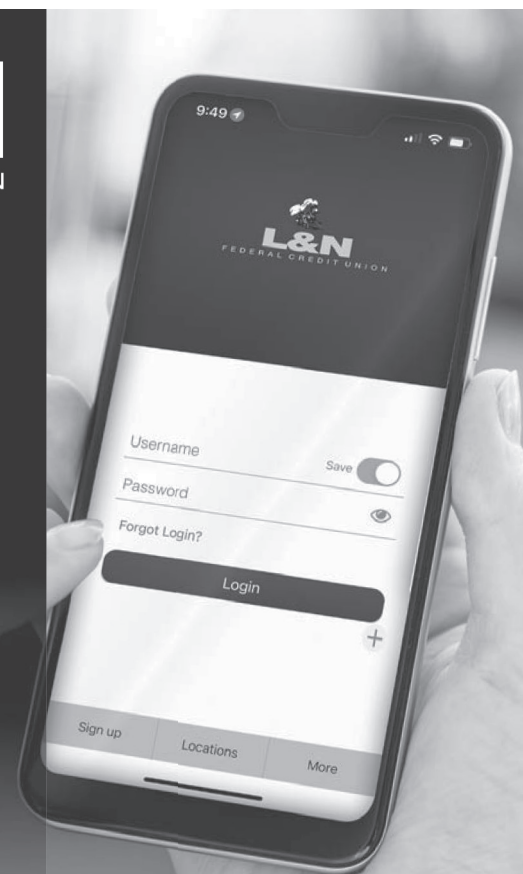
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SUNDAY HEADLINER

JEFF AND SHERI EASTER

Sunday, September 29, 2024 | 4 pm | Gospel Eggstravaganza Stage (Town Center Park)



For Jeff and Sheri, gospel music is genetically programmed into their DNA. As members of acclaimed musical families—Jeff’s father is one of the Easter Brothers and Sheri’s mother is a member of The Lewis Family—they grew up surrounded by the sound of people praising God through their musical gifts.

In August of 1984, both were at the Albert E. Brumley Sundown to Sunup Gospel Singing in Arkansas. Jeff, who was playing bass for the Singing Americans at the time, took the opportunity to reintroduce himself to Sheri’s mother Polly; they had met on a previous occasion. Polly introduced Jeff to Sheri and the two were married ten months later. They traveled and performed as part of The Lewis Family for several years. But in 1988 they decided it was time to strike out on their own, and they haven’t looked back since.

Jeff & Sheri have been nominated for numerous Dove Awards and won nine. They’ve also received two career Grammy nominations, and Sheri has been named the Singing News Favorite Alto eleven times and the Singing News Female Vocalist four times. In 2012, Sheri received Alto of the Year by the National Quartet Convention’s first annual awards.

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84 LUMBER CHICKEN INVASION

THURSDAY-SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26-29, 2024 | LAUREL COUNTY COURTHOUSE STEPS



VOTING TIMES

Thursday, Sept. 26: 5-9 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 27: 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 28: 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 29: Noon to 4 p.m.

Decorated chickens are to be delivered to the courthouse on Wednesday before the festival 4:30-6:30 p.m. They must be picked up at the courthouse on Sunday of the festival 5-6 p.m. Chickens not picked up will be discarded.

Flock on over to the 84 Lumber Chicken Invasion to see an amazing assortment of creative and colorful art displays of wooden themed artistic chickens.

Local businesses, non-profits and schools have painted their version of an "egg-citing" chicken that will be viewed by thousands of visitors who attend the

World Chicken Festival every year. These organizations have "hatched" some great, creative ideas for you to view and vote for!

The public will have an opportunity to vote for their favorite decorated chicken for \$1.00 and proceeds will benefit the London Rotary Club.

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A PROCLAMATION HONORING LINDSAY SHARP

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2024



Whereas, Lindsay Sharp graduate of South Laurel High School in 2002 and graduate of Lindsey Wilson College in 2006 is the World Chicken Festival's biggest fan, while meeting strangers who ask "Where are you from?" Lindsay always responds with London KY, Home of the World Chicken Festival.

Whereas, Lindsay's love of the WCF began on day one of the first festival in 1990. She spent every single minute of every single day watching parades, visiting vendors, eating lots of food while wearing her signature Hee Haw overalls. The last pair of overalls were originally purchased at Bob's Ready to Wear.

Whereas, dedication of displaying all of her collectible WCF shirts as an advent calendar anticipating the countdown to her number one anticipated "holiday" out of the 12 months of the year, the World Chicken Festival.

Whereas, Lindsay has only missed one festival over the past thirty years. She moved to Springfield Missouri following graduation from Lindsey Wilson College and worked for Camp Barnabas, a camp for children with special needs. She cried the entire weekend and vowed to never miss another one.

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STORIES WITH GRANNY ANNIE: APPALACHIAN FOLKTALES FOR ALL AGES



Anne Shelby, “Granny Annie” tells all kinds of stories but specialize in stories from Southeastern Kentucky, which she tells in her own native tongue, with the rhythms, expressions, and pronunciations heard growing up in Jackson, Clay, and Laurel Counties.

While Granny Annie loves telling traditional stories in traditional language, she also likes putting new twists in old tales, to bring the stories up to date and to make them clear and entertaining for listeners in 2024. And like most folk tales, the stories are adaptable to audiences of all ages.

Granny Annie has been telling stories for many years, most recently at the Cumberland Falls Storytelling Festival, Middlesboro’s Ragtime and Jazz Festival, Corbin’s Colonel Fest, Cumberland Gap’s Folk Fest, Harlan’s Mamaw Fest, Pikeville’s Mountain Girl Experience, and at the Estill, Laurel and Pike County Public Libraries.

Granny Annie is the author of *The Man Who Lived in a Hollow Tree*. A children’s book, based on an Eastern Kentucky legend passed down in her family. Atheneum Books for Young Readers and *The Adventures of Molly Whuppie and Other Appalachian Folk Tales*. A collection of fourteen tales with women or girls as heroes. University of North Carolina Press, Winner of an Aesop Accolade from the American Folklore Society.

IN MEMORY OF SHIRLEY (SWEETIE) SMITH



Shirley (Sweetie) Smith was a fixture in downtown London her entire life. Her parents ran the Hob Nob restaurant on

Main Street. She went to London High School. She walked from her house on 5th Street to school to the restaurant most days when she was

young. She shared many stories with friends and family about her time growing up in London, Ky.

She loved the many events and

activities that London offered. She enjoyed Thursday Night Live, loved frequenting downtown restaurants and attended every parade. She would walk to the Farmers Market on Saturday mornings to buy items and to visit with friends and attended most events held at the Farmers Market.

Sweetie loved all events in London, but she especially loved the World Chicken Festival. She had been to every Chicken Festival from the beginning. She would drive her golf cart when they would begin setting up for the festival and would talk to people setting up rides and booths. She became friends with the ride companies, and some would send her Christmas gifts and she would send their children graduation gifts.

She passed her love of the festival to her children Bobby and Jeanne, and her granddaughter, Lily. She would go to the festival every day and loved visiting with friends and family while she was there. She enjoyed eating at different booths, watching Lily ride almost every ride, listening to the musical acts, and most every activity offered during the festival. She would drive by the set up with Lily before school and would take her back in the golf cart after school.

Sweetie always let the festival use her parking lot to set up the kid-

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**We ♥ Our
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Ordinance No. 2012-01 (13)

**but leave them safely at home during
the World Chicken Festival.**

We love our four-legged friends, but we kindly ask you to leave them safely at home during the World Chicken Festival.

The City of London, KY has an ordinance against allowing pets within the event.

Ordinance NO. 2012-01 (13): No person, other than a licensed exhibitor of the Chicken Festival, shall have in any area of the chicken festival, during the time of the Chicken Festival, any animal. Service animals are always welcomed.

Kentucky does not recognize emotional support animals (ESAs) for public access rights as it does service animals.

This means emotional support animals can be denied access to public places. <https://theservicedogs.com/emotional-support-animal-laws-kentucky/#a-quick-snapshot-of-esa-laws-in-kentucky> Last updated March 13, 2023

A quick snapshot of ESA laws in Kentucky

- Emotional support animals (ESAs) are not service dogs.
- Emotional sup-

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SWEETIE

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die rides known as Kiddie World. She would let them start setting up on Monday before the festival. Because they used her lot, she was a sponsor of the festival. She received World Chicken Festival sponsor shirts each year that said sponsor on them. She was upset one year that “sponsor” was smaller than previous years and made sure to let them know she preferred for sponsor to be larger. She was so proud to be a sponsor

of the Chicken Festival.

Unfortunately, Sweetie passed away a few weeks before this year’s festival. It won’t be the same not seeing her on her red golf cart going to and from the festival and visiting with people she loved. Rides will still be in her parking lot and we know that would make her very happy.

In honor of Sweetie Smith and her many years of love and support for the World Chicken Festival, Kiddie World has been renamed to Sweetie’s Carnival Craze!



ANIMALS

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port animals may be animals

other than dogs.

- Mental health professionals can write a prescription for an emotional support animal under the law to be utilized by someone

with a disability or mental health condition.

- Airlines are no longer required to accommodate emotional support animals in the cabin,

but they can still fly as a pet.

- ESAs are not given public access rights in the U.S. and can be excluded from public planes and businesses.



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EVENTS

OCT

Oct 3	Laurel County Cattlemen's Fall Field Day	Corbin, KY
Oct 3	Arts & Eats at the Market	Farmers Market, London
Oct 4	Chamber Golf Classic	London Country Club
	Mummy's Night Out at the Museum	London Children's Museum
	Live at the Palace Family Entertainment Ct.	London, KY
Oct 5	Hardcharger Games VI	London, KY
Oct 4-6	Mopar Muscle Dragfest	London Dragway
	Wildcat Bash	Wildcat Off-Road Park
	2024 SKFA Fire School	London, KY
Oct 4, 11	Film, Food, & Fun at Town Center Park	Downtown London
Oct 11-13	Haunted Happenings in the Valley	Mt. Vernon, KY
	Spooky Zook 2024	Wildcat Off-Road Park
Oct 12	London Airexpo 2024	London-Corbin Airport
Oct 19	Honey Bun Day	Downtown London
Oct 20	Dash for A Cure 5K	Farmer's Market
Oct 23	Readers Are Leaders	Laurel Co. Public Library
Oct 25	Puttapaloosa TRICK-OR-BEAT	Wildcat Off-Road Park
Oct 26	Boo On Main	Downtown London
	Dillion Hammons Memorial Ford Truck Show	Levi Jackson
Oct 30	Story Time	Laurel Co. Public Library

Nov 2	Throw Down at the Branch 2024	London, KY
Nov 9	Goin' To Market: Jolly Jingle Market London	London, KY
Nov 16	REO Speedwagon	Corbin Arena
Nov 23-24	Miss Christmas Spirit Laurel County	London, Ky

NOV

DEC

Dec 1-31	Lights Around London	London, KY
Dec 6	Randy Smith's Christmas on Main Parade	London, KY
Dec 7	London Community Orchestra Christmas Concerts	London, KY
Dec 13	Lights Over London	London, Ky
Dec 30	Ludacris	Corbin Arena



Fans fell in love with Uncle Kracker on his solo debut *Double Wide* in 2000. It not only crashed the Top 10 of the Billboard 200 at #7, but it also picked up a double-platinum certification. Most importantly, it represented the fulfillment of his biggest dream to date.

KRACKER

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secure a record deal of my own on a national level," he states. "All I wanted was to sign my first deal, record my first album, and put that album out. Everything was secondary to me. I never could've fathomed what transpired beyond that. It definitely was a dream."

The dream continued with the gold-certified follow-up *No Stranger To Shame* [2002].

Along the way, he impressively notched #1 entries in three different genre lanes, topping Pop, Adult Contemporary, and Country charts. The platinum "Follow Me" clinched #1 in four countries, while the double-platinum "When The Sun Goes Down" [with Kenny Chesney] vaulted to #1 on the Billboard Hot Country Singles & Tracks Chart.

He made history with his cover of Dobie Gray's "Drift Away." It logged 28

consecutive weeks at #1 Adult Contemporary Radio, earning "the most weeks atop any Billboard chart."

Meanwhile, "Smile" shined across culture. It reached triple-platinum status and landed dozens of syncs, including a spot for *The Office* and a tribute montage to Regis Philbin on his final episode of *Live With Regis & Kelly*.

Over the years, he collaborated with Sheryl Crow, Mark McGrath of Sugar Ray, Beth Hart, Bret Michaels, and Mr. Hahn of Linkin Park, among many others.

Following 2012's country album *Midnight Special*, he served up singles such as "Endlessly," "Floatin'," and "No Time To Be Sober."

Ultimately, Uncle Kracker never stops moving though with more music and touring on the horizon

Uncle Kracker cuts right to the chase. He knows people want to kick back, forget about their troubles, and have a good time, so he's always willing to oblige.

HARMONY

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The GHBs had operated continuously since 1952, when Harold Lane (who left the group in 1968 to spend the next 25 years as the arranger and lead singer of the famous Speer Family Quartet) organized them, until 2002, when financial difficulties made it advantageous for them to discontinue their ministry. In so doing, the group celebrated their 50th anniversary with a huge reunion concert to bid farewell to well over a thousand supporters who turned out for the event at the Stoutsville, Ohio Campground on that beautiful Labor Day Weekend in 2002.

It appeared at the time that the remarkable history of the Harmony Boys had drawn to an end. Or so it seemed...

In the fall of 1999, soon before The Harmony Boys began winding down, lead singer Steve Black, baritone Jack Hanks, and tenor Clacy Williams (all former GHB members) recruited Vince Owens to play piano, and the group began singing, using the name The River City Boys. At the time, veteran Calvin Thompson travelled with them as often as he could to sing bass, helping delight audiences throughout the "river cities" of West Virginia and Ohio where the group was based, and beyond. While the name was new, the traditional harmony and arrangements were unmistakably

familiar to Harmony Boys fans. Even during this time, the group began taking on the shape of things to come when Greg Tingler, a long time GHB member, temporarily filled the lead spot in 2002.

Eventually, after the official retirement of the Harmony Boys in 2002, mounting pressure from other former GHB members convinced them to reinstate the Harmony Boys name. So, in December 2004, continuing the legacy of service and praise that so many wonderfully talented friends and brothers in Christ had dedicated their lives to creating, The Gospel Harmony Boys were alive and well!

Rusty Ballinger signed on to sing baritone when Jack had to leave the group, and was present during

the reformation period. The lead position was difficult for the group to maintain at first; Dale Chambers filled the lead spot vacated by Steve Black, followed for a brief time by Scott Mullins. Then, in early 2006, veteran GHB lead Greg Tingler stepped back to the platform. Calvin, of course, was still holding down the low end, by now full-time; Vince reluctantly left the piano spot vacant when he moved from the area where the group was based, but remains active in other areas for GHB.

So, you can see the group membership has changed a bit since the River City days of 1999 through 2003, but The Gospel Harmony Boys are going stronger than ever today.

SHARP

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While fighting cancer in 2019, her only request was for the Doctors to schedule her treatments around the World Chicken Festival.

Whereas, Lindsay believes in traditions, each year she enjoys fried snickers on the Laurel County Courthouse steps, sharing a bucket of mini donuts with friend, buying her official festival t-shirt eating at the World's Largest

Stainless Steel Skillet, visiting each vendor booth numerous times and walking the entire WCF venue to meet and greet everyone with a smile.

Whereas, Lindsay passion for promoting London and Laurel County by sharing her memories and WCF stories. A couple from Alabama after hearing of Lindsay's Festival Memories, visited two consecutive years. They were impressed with the beautiful town and the festival. Lindsay says

she just cannot understand how anyone couldn't love it as much as she does.

Whereas, There are many who enjoy the festival but few who are as obsessed, as Lindsay Sharp is definitely one of a kind and once you've met her, you will remember her spunk and sparkle. If you see a little lady in chicken festival overalls stop and say hi. Don't ask her to sell them... they are a tradition and traditions are priceless.

Now Therefore, I, David West-

erfield, Judge Executive of Laurel County Fiscal Court in the State of Kentucky, ask all our county residents to join me in proudly honoring and celebrating Lindsey Sharp for her profound dedication and inspiring example of commitment to excellence in promoting London/Laurel county by emphasizing the World Chicken Festival.

On the 5th day of January in the year 2020. Declare the last Saturday in September as Lindsay Sharp Day.

EASTER

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Most recently, Jeff & Sheri were awarded the Trio of the Year for the 2021 Singing News Fan Awards. Jeff & Sheri's wall of

awards also include three Society for the Preservation of Bluegrass Music Association Awards, two International Country Gospel Music Association, nine Voice Awards for Female Artist, five Voice Awards for Song/Single of the Year, two Voice Awards for

Christian Country Group, four SGM Fan Fair/USGN awards, seven SGN Scoops Diamond Awards, four Hearts Aflame Awards, and three Cash Box awards. They have also participated in the Gaither Homecoming Video Series since 1993.

"When we perform, we want people to leave a little different than when they came in," Sheri explains. "We want them to have a great time smiling, laughing, crying and healing. We want them to know God loves them and that He is in control."

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