

# Women’s History Month

Alberta Jones was born on November 12, 1930, to Sarah (Sadie) Frances



JOHN SMITH  
GEORGETOWN

Crawford and Odell Jones, in Louisville, Kentucky. Jones attended Louisville Central High School and the Louisville

Municipal College for Negroes, which in 1951 merged with the University of Louisville. Alberta Odell Jones was an attorney and civil rights icon. She was one of the first African American women to pass the Kentucky bar and the first woman appointed city attorney in Jefferson County. Alberta Jones’s life was tragically cut short at 34 years old in 1965. Jones graduated



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from Louisville Central High School and went to the University of Louisville, graduating in 1953 third in her class. She attended the University of Louisville Law School for one year, transferring to Howard University School of Law for her degree. She began practicing law and represented Muhammed Ali. Jones was appointed in 1965 to the Louisville Domestic Relations

Court, where she was a prosecutor. Just five months after becoming a prosecutor, Jones was abducted from her car, beaten and thrown off the Sherman Minton Bridge. No one was ever arrested for her murder.

Before her sudden death, Jones was active in the civil rights movement. She formed the Independent Voters Association of Louisville and was very involved with the Louisville chapter of the Urban League, and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. “Alberta’s Louisville” banner now hangs on the River City Bank building downtown at sixth and Muhammad Ali, as part of the Louisville’s Hometown Heroes program.

At the time of writing, Jones’ death remains unsolved and has been added to the FBI’s list of cold cases.



# Fishing and hunting licenses now available

FRANKFORT — Licenses and permits are available now to fish, hunt and trap in Kentucky in the coming license year, began March 1. With some of the finest outdoor opportunities available anywhere, Kentucky’s fields, woods and waterways provide adventure for avid outdoors enthusiasts and newcomers alike.

The 2025-2026 license year started, March 1, and runs through Feb. 28 of next year. License and permit fees for Kentucky residents are unchanged from the 2024-2025 license year, which lasts until Friday, and most non-resident fees will remain the same.

In Kentucky, a license covers basic hunting or fishing for many species, whereas additional state permits are required when pursuing specific other species, such as fishing for trout or hunting for migratory birds, deer, wild turkey or black bear. Sportsmen’s-type licenses include multiple permits as well as basic hunting and fishing privileges.

For the 2025-2026 license year, prices for four non-resident options reflect a moderate fee increase, including:

- Annual Hunting License (non-resident) — \$160
- Spring Turkey Permit (non-resident) — \$110
- Fall Turkey Permit (non-resident) — \$110
- Deer Permit (non-resident) — \$235

Introduced last year, the resident Senior Lifetime Sportsman’s License remains priced at \$180. It includes hunting and fishing licenses plus permits for trout, deer, spring and fall turkey, migratory game birds and waterfowl. It is available to Kentucky residents aged 65 and older, who can purchase it once and then simply carry an electronic copy or reprint each year to display the current license year.

Seniors in Kentucky still have the option to purchase an annual Senior Sportsman’s License that provides the same licenses and permits for the license year for just \$12. Resident anglers have the option to purchase an annual Fishing License for \$23 or a 3-year Fishing License for added convenience and value at just \$55.

Licenses and permits are sold online through Kentucky Fish and Wildlife’s website License Sales portal, search-

able off the homepage at fw.ky.gov. Licenses and permits also are sold at agent locations across the state. A list of license agents by county is available on the department’s website.

The department receives its primary funding through revenue raised by the sale of hunting and fishing licenses, as well as federal excise taxes generated by the sale of recreational firearms and ammunition, archery gear and fishing equipment.

Springtime provides many opportunities to take someone new into the field. Youth turkey weekend is April 5-6, while the main turkey season opens a week later, on April 12. The Youth Sportsman’s License, available to residents ages 12-15, is a great value at \$30 and covers turkey hunting and deer hunting.

The warmer weather also provides for fantastic fishing across the state. Learn about those opportunities in our Fishing and Boating Guide.

Another great resource is the Fish Boat KY app. Available free from iTunes and Google Play, the app helps anglers find waterbodies, boat ramps and other water access from the palm of their hand. Users can also search by species of fish, store copies of their licenses, and much more using the smartphone app.

To learn all the basics on hunting and fishing, the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife website (fw.ky.gov) has many resources for individuals new to the sports. For in-person classes, search Hook and Cook or Field to Fork on the site. Classes are offered across the state to provide learning opportunities for all ages.

Anglers from throughout the central United States come to Kentucky to fish its waters, including the state’s renowned trout fishery in the Cumberland River and the crappie fishery in Kentucky and Barkley lakes. Kentucky is a top destination nationally for deer hunting and maintains the largest elk herd east of the Rocky Mountains. The application period to apply for a 2025 elk hunt runs through April 30.

For more information about hunting and fishing opportunities in Kentucky, visit the department website at fw.ky.gov. For questions, please call 1-800-858-1549, 8 a.m. — 4:30 p.m. (ET) weekdays, excluding holidays.

# ‘Pave the Path’

BY VICTORIA COX  
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It’s not often someone has the opportunity to become a permanent part of history, and the Woman’s Club of Hodgenville is offering the public a chance to do just that.

The opportunity stems from the recent installation of four historical markers surrounding Lincoln Square. Placed inside each of the large kidneys surrounding the square, the panels bring the history of the local community to life. Through these, residents and visitors alike can learn about the fire of 1914, information about hotels and cafes that once called the square home, the history of the Hodgenville Christian Church and the Ladies Lincoln League.

The Woman’s Club is inviting the public to purchase a commemorative brick that will be installed in each of the four quadrants leading up to the historical markers. A gift of \$111 will fund a 4” by 8” standard paver brick that can be custom-engraved. Each brick can accommodate engraving

wishes as long as they fit into the boundaries of 21 characters per line, with a maximum of four lines. There is no maximum number of bricks that can be bought nor a deadline to buy, though only a limited number will be sold.

Contributions from the brick fundraiser will be utilized to support the Woman’s Club to complete renovations on their 100+-year-old historical clubhouse. Because they are a registered 501©(3) organization under IRS guidelines, contributions may be tax deductible.

“Your generosity will help us not only support our mission and programs but help beautify our square — brick by brick!” the Woman’s Club said.

Donations can be made online at bricksrus.com/donorsite/wc or sent by check to Woman’s Club of Hodgenville, P.O. Box 84, Hodgenville. For questions or more information, contact Beverly Heady at 270-234-3239 or by email at bheady@windstream.net or hodgevilliewomansclub@gmail.com.

# Huck’s Market leverages Kentucky Career Center employer services

BY SHANIKA JOHNSON

For businesses, expanding into a new market often comes with challenges, especially when it comes to finding and hiring the right team to staff a new location. In these situations, community workforce development organizations can be a game-changer.

For convenience store chain Huck’s Market, this support was key to successfully opening their new Elizabethtown store at 121 Ring Road in December. The business’s newest location offers a wide array of amenities, including freshly prepared food, grocery items, Godfather’s Pizza, Cluck’s Fried Chicken, gourmet coffee, 16 fuel pumps, RV fuel pumps and a remote diesel island for trucks.

The timely opening was made possible, in part, by the Kentucky Career Center — Lincoln Trail (KCC-LT), where I serve as the Business Solutions Team Lead. To meet staffing needs, Huck’s conducted multiple scheduled and open interviews with prospective employees. KCC-LT played a vital role by helping to create promotional flyers, offering the use of the center’s conference room for interviews, and leveraging their marketing resources to share job opportunities with the community.

Elizabeth Wright, Regional Recruiter/Trainer for Huck’s Market, said that the KCC-LT team was instrumental in helping Huck’s achieve its staffing goals for the new Elizabethtown store. She said even when scheduling conflicts arose, the Career Center team was able to provide tools to amend the situation.

“Overall, it was a pleasant experience getting to work with the business solutions team at the career center,” Wright said. “When we didn’t have the space available, they provided us with a professional atmosphere to conduct the interviews to be able to hire the staff to help serve the Elizabethtown community.”

For area employers, KCC-LT provides a variety of services, from recruiting and screening, to employee development and retention.

One of our chief goals at the Career Center is to be a reliable partner for businesses navigating the challenges of the regional labor market, including expanding into new markets. By providing tailored support, we help businesses like Huck’s Market build strong teams that allow them to thrive and contribute to our local economy.



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Seeing their Elizabethtown store open successfully is a testament to the power of collaboration.

Founded in 1974, Huck’s Market operates locations across Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Kentucky, and Tennessee. For hiring, Wright explained that the process begins with applications submitted through the Huck’s website, followed by managers scheduling interviews, conducting background checks, and completing hiring and onboarding procedures.

Wright emphasized the value of organizations that provide career services for employers like Huck’s, noting their critical role in supporting businesses as they expand into new markets.

“It helps connect us to other existing partnerships and organizations, including Veterans organizations, and break the barrier between the new company and the community,” she said.

Now that the new location is open and fully staffed, Wright noted that KCC-LT will remain a valuable resource. She said Huck’s plans to utilize the center’s training room for new hires to complete training videos and will continue collaborating with KCC-LT to connect with prospective employees as needed in the future.

To learn more about employer services offered through KCC-LT, visit [ltcareercenter.org/employers](http://ltcareercenter.org/employers).

# BABY

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safety device (Baby Box). As long as there are no indicators of abuse or neglect, the parents are allowed to walk away with no questions asked.

The local Baby Box is located under an awning on the front wall of EMS and provides anonymity by having no camera coverage in the immediate area. Upon opening the door to the climate-controlled box, individuals are presented with a voluntary family history folder and a bassinet to place the baby inside. Once the exterior

door is closed, it will automatically lock and will not reopen; an interior door allows medical personnel to remove and secure the surrendered child.

Two minutes after the door is opened, or if the sensor detects something has been placed inside the bassinet, a silent alarm is triggered. The alarm notifies LaRue County’s 911 control center, the 911 Emergency Line, a supervisor at EMS and the Hodgenville Police Department that the box may have been used. Personnel are required to answer the call and physically check the box within three minutes of the alarm’s activation.

Any surrendered infant is immediately taken to the nearest hospital for an evaluation and any needed medical care. Parents have 30 days to contact the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services before the parental termination process begins and the child becomes a ward of the state.

When LaRue County officially opened the Baby Box in December 2024, it was one of the area’s earliest to get one, third behind Radcliff and Bardstown; otherwise, the closest location is in Shepherdsville. It was the 47th location to be placed in Kentucky and the 299th in the United States.