

Friday Night On Main



photos by Robert Moore

One Cool Weekend In Downtown Harrodsburg

Above: Chloe Franks needed a scooter to try to get to everything downtown Harrodsburg had to offer on Friday Night On Main on Friday, May 8. Hosted by the Harrodsburg-Mercer County Tourist Commission the live entertainment series will return on Friday, June 12, with live music by Jarrod Stratton at 6 p.m. and Raise One Up at 8 p.m.

Coming up next is the ATOM Fest on Saturday, May 16, in front of the Mercer County Judicial Center (224 South Main Street). ATOM Fest features three live music acts, food trucks, drinks and a lot of fun. Good Thang Lisa and Monte is scheduled to kick things off at 2 p.m., followed by the Leftovers at 4:30 p.m. and the Five Below Band at 7 p.m. The all day event is free to the public, but donations will be accepted with proceeds going to Honor Flight Kentucky.

Below left: Austin Lathrem made sure to bring enough for everybody on Friday, May 8.

Below right: Aubri Togue and Ryan Moore were nice enough to pose for the photographer Friday night in downtown Harrodsburg.

Bottom: The band Men of a Certain Age kept the crowd at Olde Town Park entertained with some classic hits from the 80s.



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in reserves.

On Tuesday, Judge Steele said the budget also includes a 2.7 percent cost-of-living allowance for county employees as well as an allocation to fund a code enforcement board.

The budget also includes \$400,000 in local funding for road improvements. While assembling the budget, Steele said they learned state road funding was being cut \$200,000 this year, as well as \$200,000 next year. State funding for roads comes from the gas tax. Last week, Gov. Andy Beshear declared a state of emergency in response to rising fuel prices and issued an order temporarily lowering the state's motor fuels tax by 10 cents, from 26.4 cents per gallon to 16.4 cents per gallon. Beshear's executive order also prevents a two-cent automatic increase that was to take effect on July 1.

The governor has said the state gas tax reduction could save Kentuckians about \$27 million per month. It also limits the money the state and local governments use for road repairs, which comes from the gas tax.

On Tuesday, the fiscal court unanimously approved the budget on first reading. Steele said the budget will receive a second reading in June after review by the Kentucky Department for Local Government.

approved a change order for decking replacement on the fiscal courthouse roof. Steele said contractors had discovered issues with an exterior retaining wall. She said a temporary fix had been done, and the county had subsequently received two estimates to fix the issue.

The project to repair the roof will cost \$62,804 for the decking and \$46,713 for rebuilding the wall.

"We have to get that fixed in order to get our roof secure," Steele said.

The magistrates approved moving ahead with repairs and issuing a 50 percent down payment.

When work starts, the fiscal courthouse may need to be shut down for a whole day, Steele said.

Anderson-Dean Reorganization

On Tuesday, the Mercer County Fiscal Court gave first reading to an interlocal agreement dissolving the board of directors of Anderson-Dean Community Park and granting authority to operate the park to the Harrodsburg-Mercer County Tourist Commission.

On Tuesday, Judge Steele said the ordinance stemmed from discussions between county officials and the City of Harrodsburg over the last few years.

Steele and Daarik Gray, executive director of the tourist commission, informed the park board at a special-called

meeting last week.

Steele told the magistrates the tourist commission wants to start investing more in the park.

The Harrodsburg City Commission postponed giving the agreement its first reading at their meeting on Monday, but Steele said they may hold a special-called meeting. In addition, the tourist commission will need to approve the agreement.

Ownership of Anderson-Dean is split evenly between the county and the city. They also divide expenses equally, with the tourist commission making a substantial contribution. "This does not take ownership from the city or the county," Steele told the magistrates on Tuesday.

Broadband Update

On Tuesday, magistrates received an update on efforts to expand broadband service in the county from Phillip Brown, director of government affairs with All Points Broadband, and Khrystian Blazier, engineering manager with Congruex.

All Points entered into a formal agreement with the fiscal court to expand broadband in June 2022. The deadline to complete the \$26 million project to deliver internet service to 3,332 unserved houses and businesses in Mercer County is Dec. 31, 2026.

Shavonna Huffman, City Clerk for the City of Harrodsburg, pursuant to KRS 424.330 announces that the 2025 Delinquent Real Estate Property Tax Bills will have liens filed against them at the County Clerk's Office as of May 29, 2026. A complete list of the 2025 Delinquent Tax Bills will be published in The Harrodsburg Herald on May 21, 2026.

All real property tax bills are listed on the City of Harrodsburg's website at www.harrodsburgky.gov

The list will be available for public inspection at:

City Hall

208 South Main Street
Harrodsburg, KY 40330

Mon. – Fri. 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
(859) 734-2383

PLEASE NOTE: ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE TAX CLERK'S OFFICE PRIOR TO THE DEADLINE OF MAY 28, 2026 TO ENSURE THAT NO LIEN WILL BE PLACED ON THE PROPERTY

Questions regarding delinquent tax bills, penalties, and fees should be directed to the Property Tax Collector at (859) 734-2383 ext. 105

When submitting payment please include:

- *The taxpayer name(s) as shown on the bill
- *The map ID or parcel number if known or the address of the property

The City of Harrodsburg is not responsible for any property that has transferred title. We will advertise the delinquent list under the property owner's name in which the property was listed as of January 2025. The City of Harrodsburg is not responsible for bankruptcies that may be filed against these Delinquent Tax Bills.

Please feel free to contact our office with any questions that you may have.

Shavonna Huffman
City Clerk