

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

EVENTS
Wesley Meadows Yard Sale
Wesley Meadows United Methodist Church, located at 4341 Campbellsville Road, Hodgenville, will host an inside year sale beginning at 9 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 4 and Saturday, Sept. 5. The funds from the sale will go towards the purchase of a new church billboard in memory of Margaret Whitlock. FMI call Nancy Sprowles at 270-325-3673 or 270-528-6527.
Summer Concert Series
The 2026 Summer Concert Series End of Summer concert will be held on Friday, Sept. 4 at Creekfront Park, located at 250 Tonieville Rd, Hodgenville. Live music will be performed by Perfect Fit from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Food trucks will be on hand with various food options, and there will also be bouncy houses on site. For questions or more information, contact Chamber Executive Director Diana Walters at 270-358-3411.
Closures for Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 7
LaRue County Extension Office, Banking institutions, County and City offices, LaRue County Schools, LaRue County Herald News, USPS – no postal service
Trash service
Due to the Labor Day holiday, trash services will run on a different schedule the second week of September. Rumpke, which services Hodgenville, will pick up on Saturday, Sept. 12. Republic Services, which services LaRue County, will do pick-ups one day late – Monday routes will be picked up on Tues., Sept. 8; Tuesday routes will be picked up on Wed., Sept. 9; etc. thru the end of the week.
Breaking the Stigma
A Christian Women’s Event will be held at South Fork Baptist Church with featured speaker Julie Smith from 5-7 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 12. There is a \$5 fee at the door; a meal will be provided. Emotional healing, you are not alone. RSVP and for more information text 270-307-7171. The church is located at 4915 New Jackson Hwy, Hodgenville.
Iron Horse Festival
Rolling Fork Iron Horse Festival will take place on Saturday, Sept 12 in New Haven, KY.



LaRue County Snip & Clip Fundraiser
A fundraiser for the LaRue County Snip & Clip program will be held from 5 to 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 18 at Mather’s Mill, 2500 Tanner Rd., Hodgenville. There is no cost to attend. RSVP by visiting fohcas.org/larue-county-snip-clip/.
Good Time Cruisers Car Cruise, Swapmeet and Car Corral
Bring your cars and sale items to Creekfront Park in Hodgenville on Saturday, Sept. 19 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission and setup space is free; donations appreciated. \$500 door prize. FMI contact Tim Goodman at 270-491-0371 or Ricky Morgan at 270-405-3392.
Free Sean of the South performance
Nationally acclaimed writer and performer Sean Dietrich, better known as "Sean of the South," will help celebrate America's 250th anniversary with a free performance at Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historical Park on Saturday, Sept. 26. Accessible parking for the event will be at the Birthplace Visitor Center Parking Lot. All other attendees will park at Abraham Lincoln Elementary School, 2101 Lincoln Farm Rd., Hodgenville, and be shuttled to the Birthplace. The event is free and open to the public; however, advance registration is required. Reserve tickets at eventbrite.com/e/connections-an-evening-with-sean-of-the-south-tickets-1992848002020?aff=oddttdcreat or&keep_tld=true.
MEETINGS
Patriots, Pioneers, and Lawmen
The ATHS will meet on Sept. 4 at 7 p.m. at ECTC, Jim Owens

building, room 112 with the program Patriots, Pioneers, and Lawmen. The Shacklett or Shacklette families have been patriots, pioneers, politicians, lawmen and religious leaders. FMI call Marcia Barnes at 270-234-4541 or email mgbarnes@hotmail.com
LaRue County Extension District Board
The LaRue County Extension District Board will host a public hearing at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 8 at the LaRue County Extension Office to accept comments concerning the proposed 2026 real and personal property tax rates.
LaRue County Fiscal Court
Tuesday, Sept. 8 at 9 a.m. in the LaRue County Courthouse.
LaRue County Industrial Foundation
Monday, Sept.14 at 12 p.m. at the LaRue County Courthouse.
Hodgenville City Council
Monday, Sept. 14 at 6 p.m. at Hodgenville City Hall.
LaRue County Board of Education
The LaRue County Board of Education will host a special-called meeting at 6 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 14 at the LaRue County High School for the purpose of setting a tax rate for the 2026 property tax bills. The entity's regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, Sept. 21 at 6 p.m. at the LaRue County High School Library.
Hodgenville Tourism & Convention Commission
Thursday, Sept 24 at 8:30 a.m. in the Community Room.
NARFE
National Active and Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) will meet Sept, 14 in the Lions Club Pavilion at Freeman Lake Park. This is the chapter’s annual

picnic and begins at 11a.m. NARFE will provide Kentucky Fried Chicken and chapter members are asked to bring sides and desserts. POC Sharon Crady 270-832-8857
Celebrate Recovery
Held every Thursday evening from 6-8 p.m. at Ovesen Heights Baptist Church located at 1604 Bardstown Road in Hodgenville. FMI call 270-735-5005.
PUBLIC LIBRARY — 270-358-3851
Sept. 2: Hooked together crochet program – 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Sept. 3: Medicare – 11 a.m.; Storytime – 1:30 p.m., for children under five; Tech Bytes Drop-in hours – 2:30 to 4 :30 p.m.; Friends of LaRue County Public Library Meeting – 4 p.m.; Talavera Vase Craft – 4 p.m., elementary through high schoolers call to register; Bariatric Support Group – 5:30 p.m.
Sept. 4: Wits Workout – 3 p.m., for teens and adults.
Sept. 7: Closed for Labor Day
Sept. 8: Storytime – 11 a.m., for children under five; Apple Jar Craft – 3 p.m., teens and adults call to register; Storymatic – 3:30 p.m., for families.
Sept. 9: Hooked together crochet program – 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Sept. 10: Storytime – 1:30 p.m., for children under five; Deaf and Hard fo Hearing Awareness Program – 5:40 p.m.
LOCAL SUPPORT
The Shepherd’s Pie Food Pantry, hosted by the Magnolia Cumberland Presbyterian Church, has a giveaway at 3 p.m. every Tuesday.
The Hope Food Pantry at

Hodgenville United Methodist Church hosts a monthly food giveaway on the 4th Tuesday of the month from 4:30-6:30 p.m. The next giveaway is Sept. 22. For more information call or text Susan Phelps at 270-735-6334.Participants must show proof of income and be a LaRue County resident.
Freedoms Way Assembly of God Church in Hodgenville hosts a monthly food pantry giveaway on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. The next pick up is Sept.16. FMI, contact Pastor John Lear at 270-307-5039.
LaRue County Community Action has a giveaway one Wednesday each month from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at the LaRue County Parks & Recreation building in Hodgenville. The next giveaway will be held Wednesday, Sept. 23.
Clothing Closet — South Fork Baptist Church, located at 4915 New Jackson Hwy in Hodgenville, offers a FREE Clothing Closet option for the public from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Call Machelles McDowell for more information at 270-325-3626.

RECYCLING
Glass Recycling
The 3rd Tuesday of each month, glass recycling is available. Drop off location is at the LaRue County Road Department (across from the High School). Clear, green, brown, blue, broken china and ceramics will be accepted. No window glass is accepted. The next event is Sept. 15 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. FMI call Jill at 270-234-6619.
Recycling trailers are in the following locations for the community’s use. In Hodgenville — LaRue County Courthouse lower parking lot, 209 West High Street Hodgenville; in Buffalo — Buffalo Fire Department — 2619 Greensburg Rd.; and in Magnolia — Old School Market — 9050 New Jackson Hwy. Contact Jill Gray at 270-234-6619 with any questions. If you have an event you would like to share, bring it to our office located at 40 Shawnee Drive in Hodgenville, leave it in our outside drop box, or email editor@laruecountyherald.com

FOOD

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assistance programs such as SNAP and WIC. Feeding America believes that the quantity of households that experience food insecurity but do not qualify for SNAP “further underscores the importance of charitable food assistance.” Additionally, because everyone who qualifies for SNAP is not enrolled, the data highlights the need to both protect and strengthen

federal nutrition programs and increase enrollment. The study also identifies an annual budget shortfall for the county. Defined as the total annualized additional dollar amount that food-insecure individuals report needing, on average, to purchase just enough food to meet their food needs, the data states an additional \$1,791,000 each year is needed to eliminate food insecurity locally.
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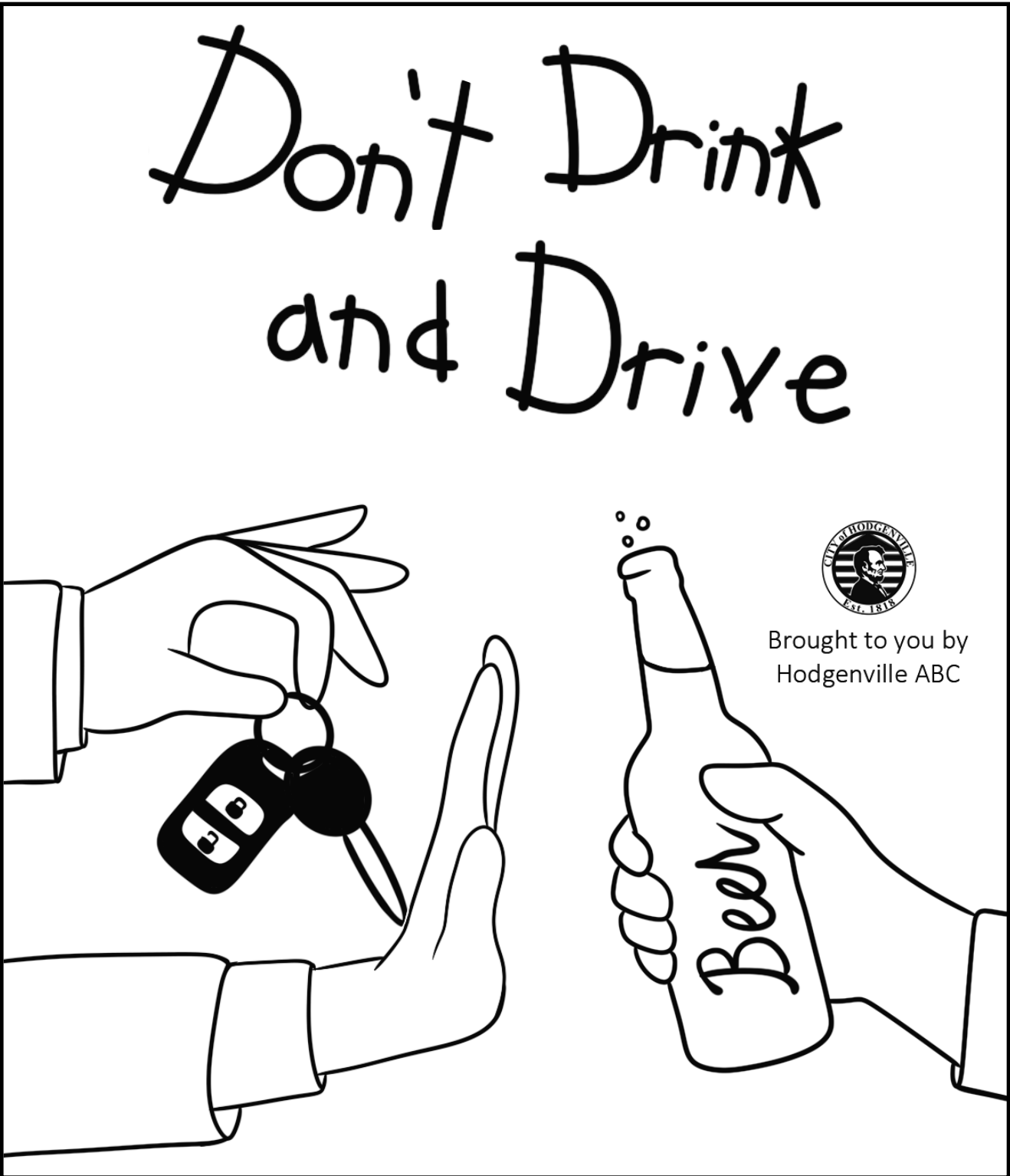
tucky’s Heartland (FAKH) is a nonprofit organization located in Elizabethtown that is dedicated to fighting hunger in central and western Kentucky by collecting and distributing food to communities in need. Despite the growing need, FAKH said it and its agency partners in LaRue County remain committed to addressing the rising levels of food insecurity in the community. “During the last fiscal year, FAKH invested nearly \$680,000 in the

county through government commodities, donated food and purchased products,” a release by FAKH states. “Working alongside six local agency partners, FAKH distributed over 415,500 pounds of food: enough to provide almost 346,300 meals to children, families and seniors facing hunger.

LOCAL RESOURCES
There are many avenues that residents of Hodgenville and LaRue County who are experiencing food insecurity can

utilize, including:
• LaRue County Community Action – a food giveaway is held on the third Wednesday of the month from 3:30 to 5:30

p.m. at the LaRue County Parks & Recreation, 200 City Park, Hodgenville; proof of income is not required to participate.



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