

News of Record

LARUE COUNTY DISTRICT COURT

JUDGE TERESA MCMAHAN-MILLER Sept. 23

Kelcie Shanelle Hodge, DOB 1994. Theft of identity of another without consent, giving officer false identifying information and three counts of fourth-degree assault (no visible injury). Defendant stipulates probable cause. Case dismissed without prejudice per LaRue County Attorney’s Office. (2026)

Jeremy Lee Butler, DOB 1981. Commercial driver license – not licensed, two counts of PT 396 Fed safety regs inspect/repair/maintenance, Part 391 of fed safety regs – qualification of drivers, no KY motor fuel users license and viol part 392 fed safety reg driving of motor vehicle. Case dismissed per LaRue County Attorney’s Office based on farm use. (2026)

Charles Jacob Combs, DOB 2003. Speeding 20 mph over limit, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt and no/expired registration plates. Alive at 25 on Dec. 30 for count one. Counts two and three dismissed based on

proof. (2026)

Stephen Hawkins, DOB 1974. Operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol (second offense). Count one amended to operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol (second offense; aggravating circumstances). Plea of not guilty entered. Pretrial conference Nov. 4. (2026)

Daniel Uzziel Herebia, DOB 2004. Failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security (first offense) and no operator’s/moped license. Failure to appear. \$500 cash bench warrant issued. (2026)

Noah Alain Ray Orr, DOB 1999. Speeding 26 mph or greater over limit and reckless driving. Plea of not guilty entered. Pretrial conference Nov. 4. (2026)

Russell L. Seward, DOB 1965. No/expired Kentucky registration receipt, no/expired registration plates, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security (first offense), no motorcycle

operator’s license and failure to notify address change to department of transportation. Plea of not guilty entered. Pretrial conference Oct. 21. (2026)

Russell Lee Seward, DOB 1965. Failure to wear seat belts and failure to produce insurance card. Recall failure to appear. Plea of not guilty entered. Pretrial conference Oct. 21. (2026)

Crystal York, DOB 1984. Speeding 26 mph or greater over limit, reckless driving and license to be in possession. Count one amended to speeding 25 mph over limit. Plea of guilty entered for amended count one. Count two and three dismissed per plea. (2026)

Megan R. Holt, DOB 1988. Disregarding stop sign and no operator’s/moped license. Plea of guilty entered. (2026)

Joseph W. Funk, DOB 1988. Fourth-degree assault – domestic violence (minor injury), first-degree criminal trespass and resisting arrest. Case dismissed with conditions. (2026)

Thomas R. Graft, DOB 1986. Third-degree fleeing or

evading police and resisting arrest. Pretrial conference Nov. 10. (2026)

Charles Matthew Maupin, DOB 1980. Disregarding stop sign, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, no/expired registration plates, possession of an open alcohol beverage container in a motor vehicle and operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol (first offense). Counts two and three dismissed without prejudice based on proof. Count five dismissed per LaRue County Attorney’s Office based on labs. (2026)

Tyler Gene McGlynn, DOB 2002. Speeding 26 mph or greater over limit. Alive at 25 on Dec. 16. (2026)

Hailey Speakmam, DOB 2001. Fourth-degree assault – domestic violence (minor injury). Plea of guilty entered. (2026)

Christopher Lee Waggoner, DOB 1978. Local county ordinance. Trial by jury Jan. 8, 2027. (2024)

Kristopher Jay Bundy, DOB 1985. Financial obligations. Recall failure to appear and bench warrant. Review Oct.

28. (2020)

Qua’Darrius Skillman, DOB 2003. No operator’s/moped license, no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure to produce insurance card, failure of nonowner operator to maintain required insurance (first offense), improper display of registration plates and failure to register transfer of motor vehicle. Recall failure to appear. Plea of not guilty entered. Pretrial conference Nov. 10. (2022)

Nelson A. Detweiler, DOB 1982. Operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol (first offense), no/expired registration plates and one headlight. Pretrial conference Oct. 21. (2026)

Joshua Joseph Jefferson, DOB 1988. Motion to revoke probation. Remand motion per LaRue County Attorney’s Office. (2024)

Donald Logan Cook, DOB 1994. Speeding 17 mph over limit. LCATS completed. Case dismissed. (2026)

Aaliyah Desiree McClure, DOB 2001. Diversion

completion. Diversion completed. Case dismissed. (2025)

Erika Rochelle Samuel, DOB 1983. Diversion completion. Diversion completed. Case dismissed. (2026)

David Michael Dingus, DOB 1973. Financial obligations. Failure to appear. \$300 bench warrant issued. (2025)

Joseph David Marotske, DOB 2005. Financial obligations. Waive fines and costs. (2025)

Richard McKellop, DOB 1997. Financial obligations. Failure to appear. \$500 bench warrant issued. (2024)

Tammy C. Reed, DOB 1969. Financial obligations. Failure to appear. \$400 bench warrant issued. (2024)

Aaron Gregory Stevens, DOB 1975. Financial obligations. Failure to appear. \$300 bench warrant issued. (2025)

Note: The above information includes a weekly listing of cases heard by the LaRue County District Court. Individuals are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty in a court of law.

JAIL LOG

Bookings at The LaRue County Detention Center from Friday, Sept. 18 to Monday, Sept. 28.

- **Amanda Danielle Wooldridge**, 39 of Hodgenville. Execution of a LaRue Co. indictment warrant for receiving stolen property valued more than \$1,000 but less than \$10,000.
- **Nathan Cole Thompson**, 40 of Bardstown. Operating a motor vehicle under the influence of a substance (first offense), vehicle headlamp/tail light color violations, careless driving, possession of marijuana (enhanced), drug paraphernalia – buy/possess

and second-degree possession of a controlled substance (drug unspecified; enhanced).

- **Eric L. Underwood**, 52 of Hodgenville. Execution of a LaRue Co. indictment warrant for staking.
- **Paul Stokley**, 36 of Hodgenville. Execution of a LaRue Co. indictment warrant for second-degree assault and first-degree persistent felony offender.
- **Zachary Tyler Barrett**, 37 of Osgood, IN. Speeding 24 mph over limit and reckless driving.
- **Victoria Dawn Shane Collins**, 30 of Hodgenville. Execution of a

LaRue Co. complaint warrant for second-degree hindering prosecution or apprehension.

- **Donnie Stotts**, 63 of Bonnierville. Execution of a LaRue Co. bench warrant for failure to appear.

Note: The above information includes a weekly list of bookings into the LaRue County Detention Center. The individuals listed in the log have been arrested and charged with a crime. All individuals arrested are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty in a court of law.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

The following property transfers are listed on deeds filed at the LaRue County Clerk’s Office in Hodgenville. FMV means fair market value and is typically based upon assessed taxable value.

Quitclaim deed. Anna L. Dobson, by and through her Attorney’s-in-Fact Dennis Lee Dobson, Robert E. Dobson and Hillary Logsdon, to Darrell R. Dobson. Eagle Mill Road, Sonora. No monetary consideration, FMV: \$1,070,000.

Quitclaim deed. Anna L. Dobson, aka Anna Dobson, by and through her Attorney’s-in-Fact Dennis Lee Dobson, Robert E. Dobson and Hillary Logsdon, to Darrell R. Dobson. Glendale Road,

Hodgenville. No monetary consideration, FMV: \$680,000.

Quitclaim deed. Anna L. Dobson, aka Anna Dobson, by and through her Attorney’s-in-Fact Dennis Lee Dobson, Robert E. Dobson and Hillary Logsdon, to Darrell R. Dobson. Big Spring Church Road, Hodgenville. No monetary consideration, FMV: \$120,000.

Alberta Heath to Tharon Blair. Greensburg Road, Hodgenville. \$214,500.

Rhonda M. Copelin to Riverbrook Investments LLC. Knob School House Road, Sonora. \$105,000.

Quitclaim deed. Neil L. Johnson and Lynn Carol Johnson to Neil L. Johnson and Lynn Carol Johnson, Trustees of the Neil and

Lynn Johnson Living Trust. Bailey Road, Magnolia. No monetary consideration, FMV: \$200,000.

Emanuel E. Miller and Rachel Miller to Abdiel Perez Medina and Jeri Ann Perez. Murrietown Road, Sonora. \$80,000.

Timothy Roy Altman, aka Timothy R. Altman, and Cherrie Marie Altman, aka Cherie M. Altman to TC Cabins LLC. North Otter Creek Road, Buffalo. No monetary consideration, FMV: \$22,000.

Nashville LLC to Madeline Jane Poirier and Jesse Alan Highbaugh. Greensburg Road, Buffalo. \$249,900.

Mark T. Lucas to Bradley Derek Hogle and Amanda Hogle. McCubbins Road, Hodgenville. \$345,000.

Voter registration deadline Oct. 5

BY VICTORIA COX
EDITOR

The last day to register to vote in the 2026 General Election is Monday, Oct. 5. Registrations must be returned to The LaRue County Clerk’s Office, located at 209 W. High St., Hodgenville, by 4 p.m., postmarked as Oct. 5 or received online at govoteky.com by 4 p.m.

The online portal to request an absentee ballot can be found at vrsws.sos.ky.gov/abrweb/. It opened on Sept. 19 and will close on Oct. 20. If you are unable to mark a paper ballot due to disability, contact the county clerk’s office to request an accessible absentee ballot. All mail-in absentee ballots must be received at the county clerk’s office by 6 p.m. on Election Day.

In-person excused absentee voting will be available Oct. 21 through 28. With the exception of Saturday and Sunday, residents can cast their vote from 8 a.m. to 4

p.m. at the clerk’s office. Requirements to be eligible include a student who resides temporarily outside his or her county; voter or voter’s spouse who has surgery or hospitalization scheduled during Early voting and Election Day; unformed service member who finds out they will be confined to a military base during Early Voting and Election Day and is not eligible for a mail in ballot; in last trimester of pregnancy; voter who temporarily resides outside the state but still eligible to vote in KY; or a person who due to age, disability or illness will be unable to attend Early voting or Election Day vote centers; and voters who will be out of the county during Early voting or Election Day.

Early in-person voting will be held at the clerk’s office from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Oct. 29 to Oct. 31. Anyone registered LaRue County voter is eligible to cast their vote during this time.

No in-person voting will be available on Monday,

Nov. 2

Election day voting will occur from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Nov. 3. LaRue County voting centers include:

- **Magnolia/Mt Sherman:** LaRue County Fiscal Court Magnolia building, 432 Mill Street, Magnolia.
- **Upton:** West Point Bank, located at 114 N. Walnut Street
- **Lyons:** Rolling Fork Christian Church, located at 2630 Lyons Station Rd, New Haven.
- **Vote Center:** First Baptist Church, located at 730 Tonieville Rd, Hodgenville.

Please note that the Magnolia/Mt. Sherman and Upton locations have changed.

More information relating to the LaRue County general election, including a sample ballot, will be published in the coming weeks. For questions or more information in the interim, contact LaRue County Clerk Rhonda Metcalf at 270-358-3544.

School Board to dismiss fraud allegations in tax petition

BY VICTORIA COX
EDITOR

Counselors for the LaRue County Board of Education are trying to voluntarily dismiss a portion of their counterclaim before the judge enters a ruling on the litigation attempting to recall the Board’s 2025 property tax levy.

Initially filed in February, the counterclaim

accuses the petition committee of fraud, forgery and violations of state law during and after the signature collection process. However, in the Thursday, Sept. 24 filing, Board attorney Grant Chenoweth states, “The Board concedes it was unable at trial to proffer evidence to demonstrate fraud by any Plaintiff.” Because of this failure, he asks the court to voluntarily dismiss only that por-

tion of the counterclaim.

The trial for the litigation was held on Sept. 8 and 9 and included more than 1,200 pages of evidence and half a dozen witnesses. Judge Charles C. Simms III has not entered a ruling as of press time.

All parties will return to the courtroom at 1 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 19 on Chenoweth’s motion. No further information is currently available.

VOTERS

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Oct. 20. In-person excused absentee voting will be available Oct. 21 to 23 and

again from Oct. 26 to 28. In-person unexcused absentee voting will occur from Oct. 29 to Oct. 31. Election day voting will occur from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Nov. 3.

Specific voting information relating to LaRue

County will be published in the coming weeks. For questions or more information in the interim, contact LaRue County Clerk Rhonda Metcalf at 270-358-3544.

GRAND

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for their return trip. Please note, due to the size of the vans, wheelchair users will need to transfer out of their chairs to ride. Chairs must be foldable for transport.

This year’s Lincoln Days Railsplitter 5K Run and Lincoln to Lincoln 10K Run will begin at 8:15 a.m. on Saturday; the Kid’s Dash will start at 8:20. All races will start at the Hodgenville Municipal Parking Area, with the 5K being an out-and-back from downtown Hodgenville while the 10K will make a loop through the Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historical Park.

The annual parade will begin at 2 p.m. on Saturday. This year, WAVE Chief Meteorologist Kevin Harned

will serve as Grand Marshal. A Nelson County native and Purdue University graduate, Harned began his television career at WAVE in 1998. He became chief meteorologist in 2010 following the retirement of his mentor, John Belski, whom Harned first met in the seventh grade.

For more than two decades, Harned has covered Kentucky weather ranging from tornadoes and hurricanes to floods and major winter storms. He has also hosted WAVE Listens, filled in on the anchor desk and currently hosts Secrets of Bluegrass Chefs. Harned is active throughout Kentucky communities, making appearances and using his hobby of auctioneering to raise money for local charities. The Bardstown-Nelson County Chamber of Commerce named him its 2012 Man of the Year.

Harned has often summed up his connection to the community simply: “Weather is my hobby and people are my passion.”

The Pioneer Games and an antique tractor show round out the events at Creekfront Park on Saturday. Musical entertainment groups will also perform live throughout the weekend.

Sunday’s festivities will kick off with a Classic & Late Model Car Show at 10 a.m. at Creekfront Park. A Community Worship Service and the Railsplitting Tournament will conclude the 2026 festivities.

A full schedule of events for Lincoln Days can be found on page A5 of today’s edition, with more specific information included on page A6. For questions or more information, call 270-358-8710 or visit lincolndays.org.

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