

Not your normal Days of Our Lives Recap

Joy Wesley continues to push a baby buggy in circles around the customer tables at Brady Pub, 24/7, only stopping to use the bathroom and change into a different tiny top meant for a Barbie doll.

Her poor baby is most likely quite dizzy and has probably thrown up 200 times from the circular motion.

Alex almost signed paternity papers for Joy's baby Kelsey, but mother Joy will not sign any papers unless Alex's wife Stephanie stays away from her for 18 years just because she shot at Joy when Joy awakened her from a nap. It's not like anybody died. Stephanie's aim is horrendous.

Kristen DiMera was kidnapped, a plan by E.J. DiMera, overheard by Lexie

Carver during one of her 100th passing out and coming to spells. The plan is to ship Kristen to Alamania to get her out of his hair, because she kinda has an annoying mean streak and tried to kill his son.

Lexie warned Kristen about the plan, so Kristen was like, "You're dying anyway, soooo...why don't we trade places?" Lexie was like, "ok."

So Kristen is tossed in a giant crate with a big, soft bean bag chair but no bathroom in the cargo area to be put on the DiMera jet plane. Lexie arrives and they talk to each other through the crate wall and sob with snotty noses and talk and talk and talk and talk until Lexie klunks out, putting a damper on the ole switcheroo plan.

The plan was foiled anyway when Chad DiMera loaned the plane to Leo Stark, local newspaper man, who can afford to fly to foreign countries because he always charged more than \$35 or \$45 for yearly subscriptions. He is flying to Alamania to look for his missing friend Gwen Rice Chex.

Meanwhile, back in Salem, E.J. DiMera's assistant, Rita, explains to him that it's inhumane to leave someone in a crate until the next jet is available. They go open the crate and alas Kristen is gone... and Lexie is lying on the bean bag, continuing with her drawwwwwnnnn out dying.

She sits up and explains that she took Kristen's place so she could go somewhere to die alone, and Kristen is long gone. EJ tells her to come home to DiMera mansion where she can hide and die in peace.

Tinkly music plays as he outstretches a hand, like a Times employee unfurling claws to snatch a customer's money.

Chad and Belle still dress up and go to restaurants to giggle and do not go to work. Like *ever*. He canceled plans to go to Italy with Belle where they had planned to find out more about the raggedy chess set Stefano willed to Marlena Evans. For all they know, he could have gotten it at Goodwill.

Chad remebered he had a couple of kids at home and one of them has an upcoming Daddy Daughter dance, thus, the trip to Italy was canceled.

Lexie is back at DiMera mansion and is barely whisked out of the room before. Cat Green slinks in wearing a skin tight dress with, oddly, no girdle or Spanx lines. Is she even human?

*Dramatic music plays
To be continued*

It's All About Community!

By SHERRY ALLISON

The time is almost here for an evening of food, fellowship, and fun. America250 Farm to Fork Dinner, sponsored by the Hickman County Chamber of Commerce is scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m. Saturday, August 22 at the Clinton Assembly of God Fellowship Hall. The event is chocked full of delicious food and great surprises lined up for dinner guests. The menu which features brisket donated by Bluegrass Prime, presented in the form of an appetizer, pork chops donated and prepared by Tosh Farms, vegetables provided by Golden Gardens, Randy and Lynne Deweese and Holder Farms, prepared by The Peery House,

The Belmont and Yani's, topped off with grand desserts prepared by the Clinton Women's Club. Of course, what dinner is complete without Kay Turner's homemade sour dough rolls. Beverage choices will come with a choice of flavored simple syrups made from local fruits by Kimberly Elks.

The Chamber has arranged for Tatum Studios to be in attendance with a flower wagon for ladies to choose flowers to make a bouquet to take home. This will be on a first come first serve basis as long as the flowers last. An America250 backdrop will be available for picture taking. Be sure and join with family and friends to pose together for a memory pic you are welcome to take with your phone cameras. Heirloom Acres is providing various house plants to decorate each guest table.

The Chamber is excited too for guests' entertainment, The Mitchell sisters, Mallie and Landrie, on violin and banjo consecutively. Mallie and Landrie are the daughters of Brett and Mattea Mitchell. Following the presentation by the sisters, the Ryker Gospel Group will present the music while everyone enjoys their meal. We are asking each guest sign the back of the ticket and to place into a drawing for door prizes. So be sure and do this to be eligible. Tickets are \$30.00 for an individual ticket and \$215.00 for a table of eight and can be purchased at Clinton Bank and First Community Bank.

Because Gaye was called to do her civic responsibility on jury duty last week, we were unable to give a heads up for movie night at the Hickman County Library this week. For those who receive their paper on Wednesday, the movie Sandlot will be shown at 7:30 p.m. August 5th. Free popcorn and drink. The Library has also announced there will be an ice cream social along with Sit A Spell from 5 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. on September 18th.

The Chamber of Commerce also set the date for the Arts and Crafts Fair to be held on November 15. More details will be forthcoming in The Times.

Some of you may have noticed the Great Banquet Coming to Clinton signs around town (See related photo). The Great Banquet is a 72-hour spiritual journey geared toward helping the attendee become closer to God. Many may recog-

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REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

Hickman County Industrial Development Authority (HCIDA) is soliciting Request for Qualifications (RFQs) from qualified architectural and engineering firms to provide professional services for a phased redevelopment project located at 117 North Washington Street, Clinton, Kentucky. Phase I includes engineering and construction administration services for the demolition of an existing structure. Phase II, subject to funding, includes architectural and engineering design services for a proposed commercial development on the site. This Request for Qualifications outlines the scope of services and information required from firms responding to this solicitation.

Firms wishing to be considered should send four (4) copies of their statement of qualifications to Gardenia Hernandez, Purchase Area Development District, 1002 Medical Drive, P.O. Box 588, Mayfield, Kentucky 42066, no later than 4:00 PM Wednesday, August 19, 2026. Responses will be ranked based upon the rating criteria in the full Request for Qualifications. The highest-ranking firm(s) will be contacted for further negotiations. Interested firms should contact Gardenia Hernandez at (270) 251-6151, or gardenia.hernandez@purchaseadd.org for a full Request for Qualifications. Attention of respondents is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed under the contract, Section 3, Segregated Facility, Section 109 and E.O. 11246 and Title VI. Minority firms are encouraged to respond. Hickman County Industrial Development Authority is an equal opportunity employer but reserves the right to reject any or all responses.

PUBLIC HEARING
2026 PROPOSED TAX RATE
PUBLIC HEARING

The Hickman County Fiscal Court will hold a public hearing on August 24, 2026 at 8:00 a.m. at the Office of the Hickman County Judge-Executive for the purpose of obtaining comments from the public regarding the proposed tax rate.

The real estate tax rate levied last year was 16.6 and produced revenues in the amount of \$488,194. This year's compensating rate is 16.4 and will produce revenues in the amount of \$523,460. The Hickman County Fiscal court proposes a tax rate of 17.0 which will produce a total of \$542,611.

Revenue expected from Personal Property is \$160,135. Revenue expected from Motor Vehicles is \$60,624 and revenue expected from Watercraft is \$1,446.

Revenue received in excess of last year's revenue will be used for operational costs associated with the Hickman County Dispatch services.

The Kentucky General Assembly requires that the Hickman Count Fiscal Court publish this notice with the above information contained herein.

The 2025-26 Hickman County Board of Education Annual Financial Report is available for viewing online at <https://www.hickman.kyschools.us/departments/finance> on the Hickman County Schools website under Departments, and then Finance tab. Questions regarding these reports should be addressed to Heather Spillman, Superintendent, or Kim Wilson, Director of Finance, at the Hickman County Board of Education, 270-653-2341.

Hickman County Fiscal Court
Ordinance 2026-02
SUMMARY BUDGET AMENDMENT

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Fiscal Year 26-27 Annual Budget and Amendment thereof. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FISCAL COURT OF HICKMAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY:

SECTION ONE: The budget for Fiscal Year 26-27 is amended to: Increase/Decrease the receipts of the following funds to include unbudgeted receipts from:

A. Receipts:

Fund	Account Number	Description	Amount
GENERAL	01-4512-000	FEDERAL 287G PROGRAM	\$115,020.57
Total Amended Revenues			\$115,020.57

B. Appropriations

Fund	Account Number	Description	Amount
GENERAL	01-5015-314	FEDERAL FUND – SHERIFF’S OFFICE	\$115,020.57
Total Amended Appropriations			\$115,020.57

SECTION TWO:
The amounts adjusting the revenue accounts in Section One are for governmental purposes.

SECTION THREE:
This ordinance becomes effective upon passage and publication. Approved by the Fiscal Court by 1st reading on July 27th, 2026. The second reading and adoption is scheduled to be held on Thursday, August 24th, 2026 at 8:00 a.m. in the office of the Hickman County Judge Executive.

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY: All interested person(s) and organizations in Hickman County are hereby notified that a copy of the county's proposed budget in full is available for public inspection at the Office of the County Judge/ Executive during normal business hours.

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LEGAL NOTICE

In accordance with Chapter 65A.080 (2), KRS 424.220, of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, the Annual Financial Report and supporting data may be inspected by the public at the Hickman County Conservation District Office located at the USDA Service Center, 205 State Route 123 West, Clinton Kentucky, between the hours of 7:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. Monday through Friday (Aug 10th-14th). The Hickman Conservation District holds its regularly scheduled monthly board meeting at 7:30 am on the 4th Thursday of each month at USDA Service Center Conference Room, Clinton Ky. All meetings are open to the public.

LEGAL NOTICE

In accordance with Chapter 65A.080 (2), KRS 424.220, of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, the Annual Financial Report and supporting data may be inspected by the public at the Obion Creek Watershed District Office located at the USDA Service Center, 205 State Route 123 West, Clinton Kentucky, between the hours of 7:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. Monday through Friday (Aug 10th-14th). The Obion Creek Watershed District holds it regularly scheduled monthly board meeting at 7:30 am on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at USDA Service Center Conference Room, Clinton Ky. All meetings are open to the public.

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JOB ADVERTISEMENT

The Hickman County Conservation District is hiring a Soil Technician and Community Liaison to assist with State & Federal programs. Must pass a federal back ground check and have a valid driver's license. Experience with Farming, GPS and Surveying would be beneficial.

Pay range is \$17 to \$26 per hour, based on experience. Part-time or Full-time is offered with benefits of 8 hours sick leave and 8 hours annual leave per month.

If interested, please drop your resume off at: Hickman County Conservation District office at 205 State Route 123W, Clinton, KY 42031, M-F 7-3:30 or email to hickmancocd@bellsouth.net

Deadline for resumes is 8-12-2026