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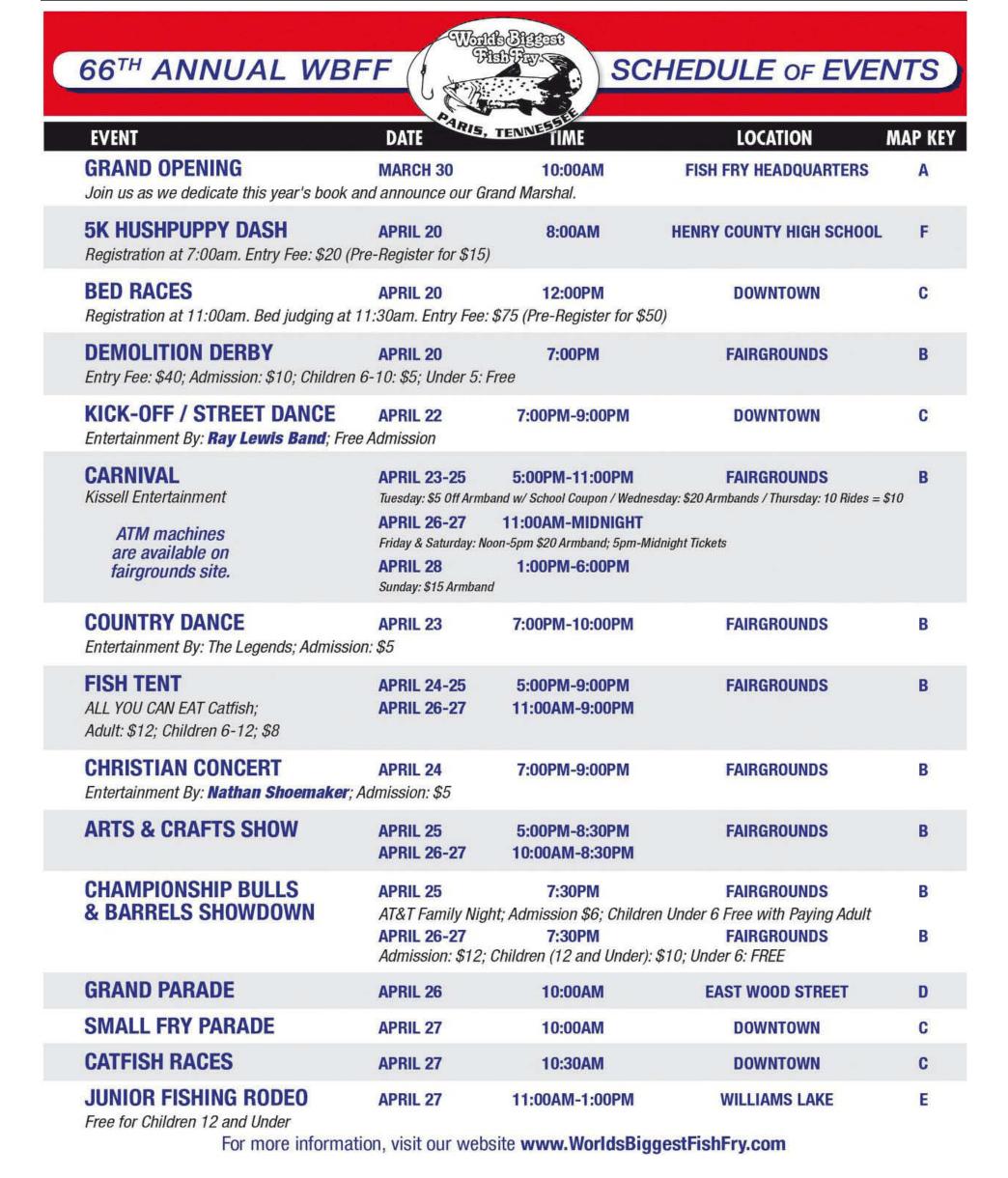


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## BED RACES

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Saturday, April 20
11AM Registration
11:30AM Judging
12PM Race Start
Entry Fee \$75
Pre-Register \$50
Downtown Paris

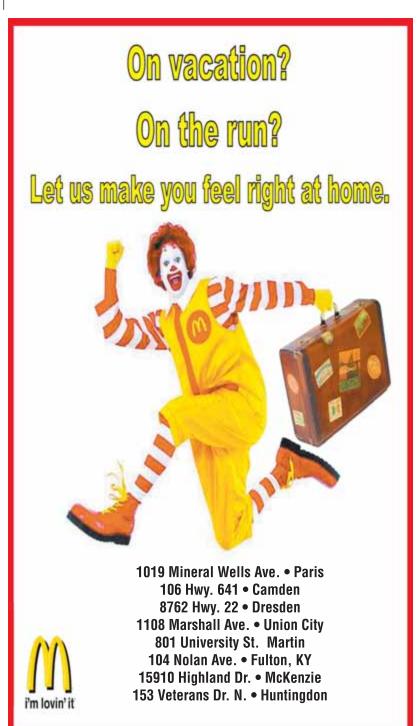
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#### Saturday, April 20

7AM Registration 8AM Race Start

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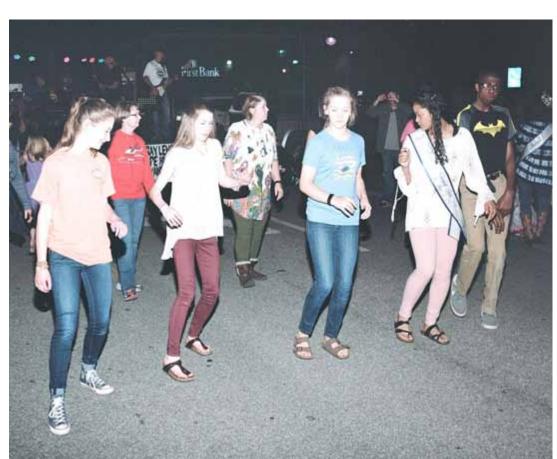


#### Saturday, April 20

5PM Gates Open
7PM Start Time
Entry Fee \$40
Gen. Admission \$10
Kids 6-10 \$5
Kids 5 & Under Free
Henry County
Fairgrounds

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## World's Biggest Fish Fry Has Something For Everyone



The statement that the World's Biggest Fish Fry, in Paris, Tennessee, has something for everyone is a true understatement! It just wouldn't be a fish fry without fried catfish but the entire week is

chock full of music, fun, parades, arts and crafts, a demolition derby, rodeo and so much more!

That pile up you see at the Henry County Fairgrounds is not an emergency situation – that's just the Demolition Derby! You don't have to rubber-neck at this crash site, it's

there for everyone to see! Cars crash 'em and smash 'em til there's only one left running. Entry fee for cars is



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\$40. Admission at the gate is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. The havoc begins at 7pm in the main arena.

Henry County Fairgrounds on Tuesday April 23rd for two big events! The day and Thursday, Carnival opens at 5pm and the Country Dance begins at 6pm. The Carnival is one of best to

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come to Paris each year with rides for the big kids, the wild adults and the little guys. There are also lots of games and Head on over to the prizes and yummy food vendors. The Carnival hours are Tuesday, Wednes-April 23rd, 24th and 25th from 5 to 9pm, Friday and Saturday, April 26th and 27th, from local bands play

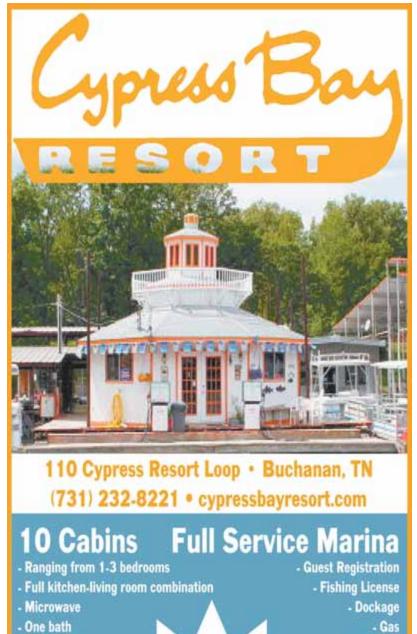
11am to 10pm, and Sunday, April 28th, from 1 to 5pm. Look for special deals on tickets and bracelets during the week and for coupons sent home in the kid's backpacks from school.

The Country Dance gets started at 6pm. It is held indoors in the Enoch Building. Your favorite

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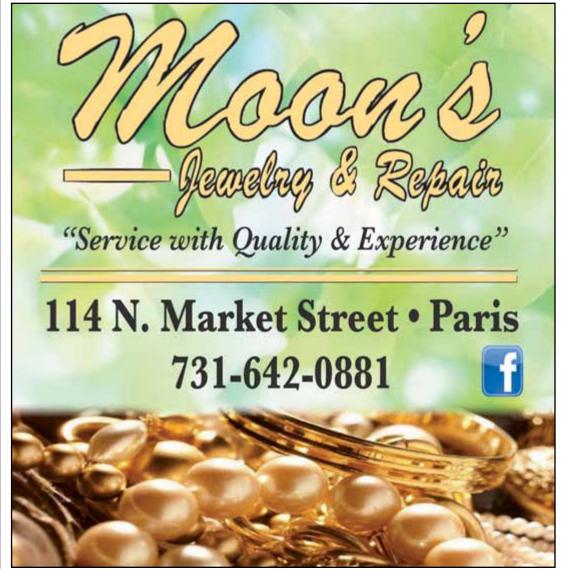
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traditional country music in the comfort of the air conditioned building. Seats and concessions are available. The admission cost is only \$5. After you have filled your belly at the Fish Tent it's time to go and fill your soul. There will be a Christian Concert under the outdoor pavilion.

Live artists perform the latest in contemporary and traditional christian music. A perfect concert that can be enjoyed by everyone in your family.

Nothing shows off the creativity of the locals like the Arts and Crafts exhibits. Located in the Enoch Building at the Henry County Fairgrounds are some of the beautiful masterpieces of our local artists. They are not to be missed. Arts and Crafts Exhibit hours are Thursday, April 25th, 5pm to 9pm, and Friday and Saturday, April 26th and 27th, from 11am to 9pm.

It is said that the World's Biggest Fish Fry Grand Parade is one of the largest in West Tennessee. It can draw nearly 50,000 people to the area. It includes professionally and homemade decorated



floats, marching bands, marching units, color guards, decorated cars, trucks and boats, beauty queens, local politicians, and so much more. It begins promptly at 10am, rain or shine. Be there early to get a good viewing spot.

Area Streets are usually closed by 9am, so keep that in mind if you are traveling from out of town to attend. Other area festivals try to rival the Fish Fry parade but they simply do not compare. You must come see it for yourself!

So much work goes into the World's Biggest Fish Fry every year— it would be a shame to miss it. So mark off on your calendar the whole last week in April and head to Paris, Tennessee. You will not leave disappointed.







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#### Monday, April 22

**7PM - 9PM** 

**Downtown Paris** 

Free Entertainment by:

Ray Lewis Band

**Rain Location:** 

**Fairgrounds Pavilion** 

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#### Tuesday, April 23

**7PM - 10PM** 

**Admission Fee \$50** 

**Entertainment by:** The Legends

**Henry County Fairgrounds** 



## Robert E. "Bobby" Cox Memorial FISH TENT



Wednesday & Thursday, April 24 -25 5PM - 9PM

Friday & Saturday, April 26 -27

Fresh Fried Catfish, French Fries, Slaw, White Beans, & Drink

ALL YOU CAN EAT \$12

KIDS 6-12 \$8

Henry County Fairgrounds





## Tons of Catfish Served at The World's Biggest Fish Fry in Paris, TN







It couldn't be called the World's Biggest Fish Fry without some delicious fried fish! That's exactly what the Jaycees serve up every year at the "Fish Tents" located at the Henry County Fairgrounds, in Paris Tennessee. They have been known to cook more than 6 tons of catfish during a 4 day frying fest. That is a lot of food!

And that doesn't even count all of the fixin's that are prepared either. What the Jaycees want you to know is when you come to the Fish Fry, you need to come hungry!

The "Fish Tent" is a term used for the new commercial building at the Henry County Fairgrounds. It is a friendly reminder of how far the

World's Fish Fry has come over the years. Once upon a time the fish was served under tents in the early days. Now it has grown so that the commercial building sometimes fills up to capacity.

Carry plates are available, but to get the full advantage of all-you-can-eat you should "dine in." \$12 will get you unlimited deli-

cious fried catfish, golden fried hush puppies and French fries, creamy mayo and tangy vinegar slaw and homemade white beans. Professional fish fryers are brought in for this special occasion and cooks from local churches provide the white beans. You meal also includes, soda, water and iced tea. To keep from waiting too long in line, the Jaycees provide



a special line just for those wanting to go back for seconds, or thirds. Or fourths? You've been told - come hungry and ready for some catfish! The World's Biggest Fish Fry may be a week long event but the Fish Tent isn't open until Wednesday, April 24th. At that time there is a special opening ceremony lead by the General Manager of the Fish Fry. A prayer is said and then traditionally the serving begins when the Hostess Princess tosses out the first hush puppy. It take a huge number of volunteers to serve all of that food. Members of local civic groups, churches, businesses and city

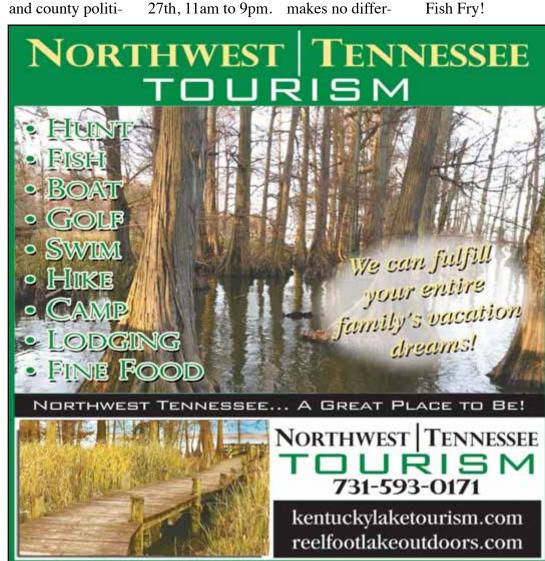


cians gladly take on the job. Serving hours are Wednesday and Thursday, April 24th and 25th , 5pm to 9pm, and Friday and Saturday, April 26th and 27th, 11am to 9pm.

Generally service ends when either the guests stop coming or they run out of catfish.

The fish is always hot and fresh. It makes no differ-

ence if you want to dine in early or come by late, the Jaycees will have supper ready for ya! You don't want to be left out of the World's Biggest Fish Fry!





## CHRISTIAN CONCERT

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#### Wednesday, April 24

7PM

Admission Fee \$5
Entertainment by:
Nathan Shoemaker
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## ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW

Thursday-Saturday,
April 25-27

Thursday 5pm - 8:30PM Friday & Saturday 10AM - 8:30PM

> Henry County Fairgrounds (Enoch Building)





## Kissel Entertainment CARNIVAL

Tuesday-Sunday, April 23-28

Tuesday - Thursday 5PM - 11PM Friday & Saturday 11AM - Midnight Sunday 1PM - 6PM

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## GRAND PARADE

Friday, April 26

**10AM** 

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Advanced Tickets \$8 • Kids 6-12 \$6
Gate Tickets \$12 • Kids 6-12 \$10
Thursday AT&T Family Night
\$6 Admission • Kids 6 & Under Free





## Fish Fry Showdown Features Lots of Bulls & Barrels

The World's Biggest Fish Fry is going to have a Showdown this year and you won't want to miss it! The Parsons & Milam Rough Stock Contractors & Promoters along with the Henry County Jaycees will present the Bulls & Barrels

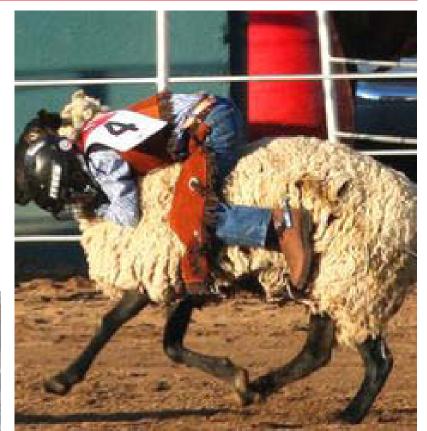
fees for each event and cash payouts for winners. Trophy buckles are awarded each night for the 1st place finisher. The Bull Riding event pays a \$500 bonus for the highest 3 night total!

The action begins on Thursday,

prices are \$12 for adults, \$10 for children ages 6 to 12. Tickets are available in advance. Adult tickets are \$8 and Children ages (6-12) are \$6.

The Jaycees are excited about having a new Showdown this year and they want everyone

to come out! So make your plans to eat some delicious catfish, visit the carnival and attend the Bulls & Barrels Showdown on April 25th, 26th & 27th, at the Henry County Fairgrounds Sports Arena, 517 Royal Oak Drive, Paris! Can't wait to see you there!!!







Showdown at the Henry County Fairgrounds as this year's big Fish Fry Sporting Event.

The Showdown will include exhilarating Bull Riding events, fast-pace Barrel Racing, lively Mutton Bustin' and the family favorite Calf Scramble. There are entry

April 25th with the AT&T Family Night. The gates open at 6pm, showtime is at 7:30pm. Family Night features special admission prices. \$6 for everyone, children under 6 with a parent or guardian are admitted free. Friday, April 26th and Saturday, April 27th, admission



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#### Saturday, April 27

10AM • Downtown Paris

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Saturday, July 27 4:00pm - 6:30pm **Downtown Paris** 

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#### Downtown Paris Hosts Several Fish Fry Events

Downtown Paris serves as host for some of the World's Biggest Fish Fry's most popular and unique events! Not only are they some of the most entertaining events of the week they are also all free and open to the public!

Before Fish Fry Week even gets started you are invited to the Bed Races on Saturday, April 20th. Teams made up of four people will decorate and race a bed on wheels around the designated downtown streets. Winners win heats and move on until there is only one bed left standing, even if the runners are ready to fall into it! This new tradition was a huge hit last year

Fish Fry Week officially kicks off with a Street

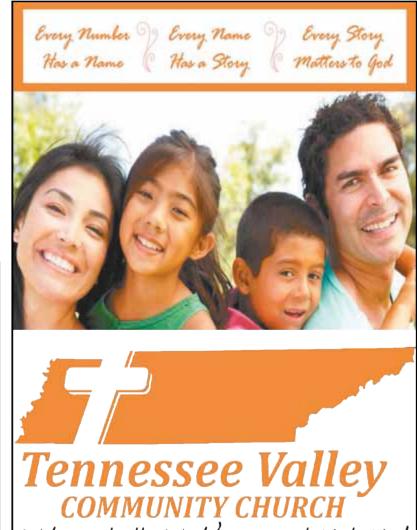
Dance on Monday, April 22nd, starting at 7pm. Local bands set up on the courthouse lawn and play music late into the night. Everyone is welcome to either dance their socks off or to bring a lawn chair and relax. It is also a great opportunity to do a little window shopping around the court square.

Saturday, April 27th is a big day for Fish Fry and downtown Paris. It gets started with the Small Fry Parade. It make be a mini-version of the big parade but no less grand. Children are dressed in homemade costumes and march while singing and playing music. Only hand pulled "floats" are allowed or pedal driven vehicles. Everyone meets and lines up at the First United

Methodist Church in downtown Paris. The Small Fry Parade circles the Court Square beginning around 10am.

Immediately following the Small Fry Parade is the Story Telling sponsored by the Paris Post Intelligencer. Elementary school children write stories about the catfish that are participating in the Catfish Races. The stories are always creative and inventive and remind us how imaginative the minds of our youth really are.

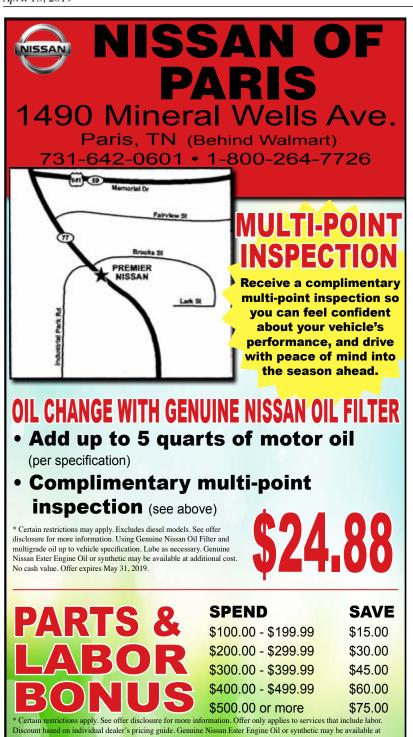




Welcome to the World's Biggest Fish Fry!
Sunday Services 8am, 9:30am, or 11 am
Youth Services: Wednesday Night 6:15pm

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After the tall tales have been told it is time for the most unique event at the World's Biggest Fish Fry – the Catfish Races.

Specially designed waterways were

built just for our swimming champs. Various members of the community volunteer to pick a catfish and hold them at the starting line of their waterway until their heat

begins. The catfish that gets to the end first moves on to the next heat. The catfish race until there is only one winner. Every precaution is taken to make sure the catfish are not harmed during this event. The winner takes home not only a the title of champion but a beautiful prize trophy!

The budding artists in our area may want to take a break from the races and come draw on the sidewalk with colored chalk. The Chalk Crawl for Kids, sponsored by the Downtown Paris Association and K and B Supplies for Success, provides free colored

chalk and artistic assistance during this event. The children are invited to draw and color in beautiful fish or anything they want. Each child also gets a strand of fish beads and a snack for participating. Bring your camera and take pics and post them of your child's fabulous art work. It only lasts til the next big rain - and it is April so that may not be long.

Check out all of the World's Biggest Fish Fry events happening the last full week in the month of April, all throughout Paris, TN. Please visit downtown Paris, they are ready to serve you!



## CATFISH RACES

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#### Saturday, April 27

10:30AM

Downtown Paris
Courthouse Lawn

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## JUNIOR FISHING RODEO

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#### Saturday, April 27

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Williams Lake

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