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FIND YOUR POT OF GOLD AT THE IRISH FESTIVAL

written by: John Wambles

Everyone will be "Kickin' It Irish Style" in Erin, Tennessee at their week long Irish Celebration. No one parties for St. Patrick's Day like they do in Houston County. They would love for you to put on your green and come join the fun March 16th through March 21st.

Festivities for the Irish Celebration actually begin the Friday before St. Patty's week! You won't find any bad luck on Friday, March 13th at the Irish Day Celebration with the Kick Off Breakfast at City Hall A tasty breakfast will be served beginning at 9am followed by the naming of the Lord High Mayor. The Irish Day Lord High Mayor is the official host of the Wearin' 'O the Green. The title of Lord High Mayor is bestowed on a local resident that has greatly contributed to the community of Erin and Houston County.

The weekend is full of activities for the 2015 Irish Celebration.

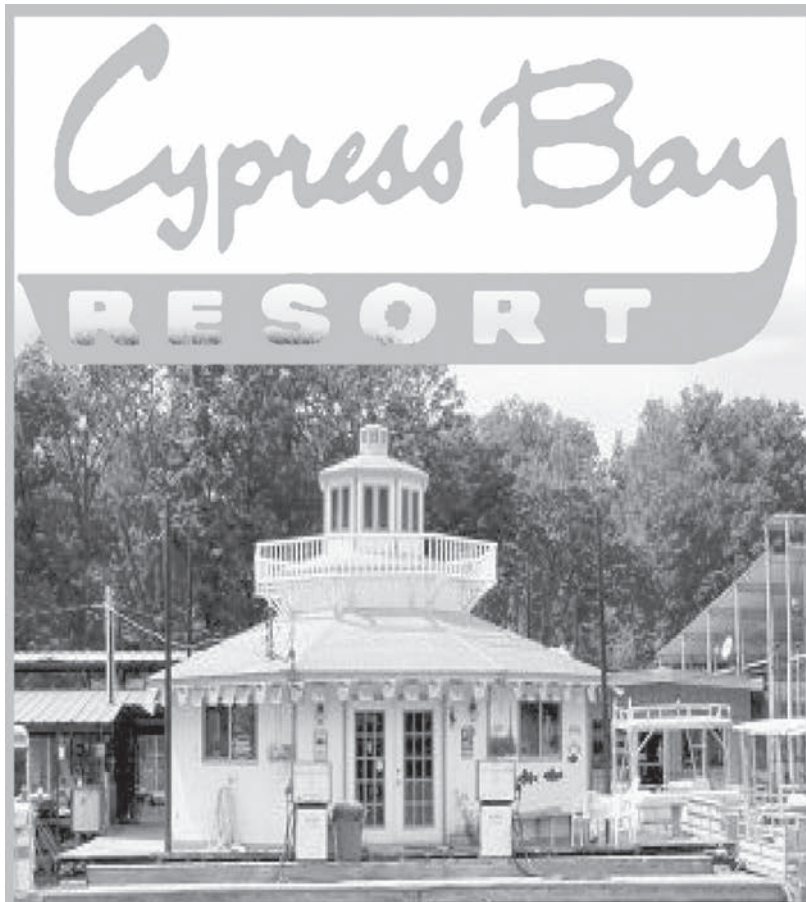
The Rotary Golf Tournament begins at 8am, shotgun start, Saturday, March 14th, at Paris Landing State Park Golf Course. Get a team together and enjoy a day on the course and possibly take home a little money and some top prizes. The Houston County Fire Fighters will host their annual 5K and Fun Run beginning at 9am, also on Saturday. For more information on the firefighters event visit www.hcfirefighters.com. Saturday evening the Houston County Coon Club will host the Shamrock Showdown UKC Event. The Bench Show begins at 6pm (\$15) and the Poor Boy Night Hunt at

7pm (\$20). The Houston County High School Band will perform a special concert at the Houston County High School Forum, beginning at 6pm. The concert is definitely a crowd favorite and free to the public.

St. Patrick's Day is Tuesday, March 17th and Erin celebrates with food, music and lots of fun. Signature Health Care will host a yummy Irish Potato Bar with all of the fixin's. They will begin serving at 11am and the cost is only \$6 per plate. Signature Health Care is located at 278 Rocky Hollow Rd. in Erin. That evening the Erin United Methodist Church on Spring Street

will feature The Red River Breeze Celtic Concert sponsored by the Houston County Arts Council. The concert begins at 7pm and the admission is free. The carnival opens on Tuesday night, as well! The Irish Celebration Carnival is held downtown on Front Street and runs through Saturday, March 21st. Wednesday and Thursday nights will feature special deals for Family Night and Friday is Dollar Night. Nothing makes a celebration fun like the rides, games and food at the carnival!

The Yellow Creek Baptist Church will host the Homecoming Jubilee Gospel Concert, Thursday night, March 19th.



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This concert has become family tradition at the Irish Celebration. It is sponsored by Solid Gospel 105 FM and will begin at 6:30pm. The Irish Banquet and Auction will begin with a social hour at 5pm and dinner at 6pm, Friday, March 20th at the

available at Erin City Hall for \$25.

The last day of the Irish Celebration is surely not the least. Events are happening all throughout the day all over the small town of Erin. The breakfast of champions, pancakes, gets the

and syrup, The Erin Nazarene Church Pancake Breakfast begins at 7:30am. They are located on Main Street. The Nazarene Church is also the place to be to line up for the Leprechaun Parade. The Leprechaun Parade is the kid's version

entries. Better get to your favorite parade spot by 10am, that's when the streets close and the line up begins for the Irish Day Celebration Grand Parade. Floats and cars will be judged at 10am and the parade rolls out down Main Street at 11am. This big green parade always sets the tone for the spirit of the day.

This year the Houston County Archives will salute the graduates of the 70's as they host reunions and open the Archives to the public. Everyone is invited to stop by and catch up and reconnect with their friends from days gone by. The Archives are located on the lower floor of the Houston County Courthouse and will be open all day Saturday, March 21st. All over town you will find delicious food, arts and crafts and lots of music for your enjoyment throughout the day. The Irish Celebration ends with a bang - literally - cars banging into

each other at the Demolition Derby. The gates open at 10am and the derby starts at 3pm at the Perdue Acoustics Show Grounds on Front Street in Erin.

Wear your green and show your Irish pride in Erin, Tennessee. They don't care if you are Irish or not, they just want you to come on over and have a good time. Make plans to see how they're "Kickin' It Irish Style" in Houston County during the week of St. Patrick's day in 2015!



Houston County High School Forum. This event is sponsored by the Houston County Area Chamber of Commerce and features a semi-formal dinner and, both, a live and silent auction of very unique items. Advance tickets are

day started for everyone. The Erin United Methodist Church Pancake Breakfast begins at 6:30am. They are located at the corner of Spring Street and Walnut and will have the pancakes hot and ready for you with milk, juice, butter

of the Grand Parade. Children will be dressed in cute costumes and floats are pulled in wagons by hand. Line up begins at 9:30am, costume and ride judging begins at 10:30am. The parade committee requests no last minute

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Discovery Park Hosts Titanic: the Artifact Exhibition

UNION CITY, TN- Titanic: the Artifact Exhibition is on display at Discovery Park of America from January 31st through May 2nd. The Exhibition stars more than 200 actual objects recovered from the ship's wreck site. This exhibit is Discovery Park's first traveling exhibit, and is produced by

Premier Exhibitions out of Atlanta. RMS, Titanic, Inc., is a wholly owned subsidiary of Premier and was granted exclusive rights to recover the artifacts from the wreck site by court order in 1994 (reconfirmed in 1996). The exhibit is sponsored exclusively by First State Bank, and will be located in the ATA Traveling Exhibit Hall inside Discovery Center.

According to CEO Jim Rippy, Discovery Park plans to have one or two traveling exhibits each year. "When we built Discovery Center, we built a special 4,000 square foot room just for traveling exhibits". The room was built to Smithsonian standards including dust free and temperature controlled features. "By offering a secure, controlled environment, we have the opportunity to bring more compelling exhibits

to Discovery Park," Rippy added.

Along with dramatic room re-creations and in-depth research of the ship's passengers and crew, objects on display in the Exhibition tell one of the world's most compelling stories. Every aspect of the ship's brief history is included in the exhibit; from its conception and construction to

the tragic events of the maiden voyage and the passengers who make her story so poignant.

The exhibit is educational and exciting, offering one of the most compelling opportunities to learn about this historic event. The story has applications across all curricula including science, math, history, social studies, lan-

vast array of tools and programs designed to enrich the Titanic story for students and teachers.

"In addition to entertaining and educating our regular guests at Discovery Park, we are hoping that schools will take advantage of the unique opportunity of having an exhibit of this caliber so close by, and will bring students here on field trips to see the Titanic Exhibit," Rippy said. "To have something like this in rural West Tennessee is amazing. We are so hopeful that the people of this area and this region will show support by attending the Exhibition!"

Upon entering the exhibit, each guest will receive a Boarding Pass with the name of an actual passenger who was on the Titanic. The Boarding Pass will tell where the person traveled from and where they were going, whether the



its encounter with the iceberg that changed so many lives forever. Visitors will come face to face with history as the Exhibition connects them to

guage arts, reading and fine art. The Education Department at Discovery Park has worked closely with the Premier Education team to develop a

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passenger stayed in a 1st, 2nd or 3rd class cabin, why the passenger was traveling and other interesting facts about the passenger. While going through the exhibit visitors can imagine what it was like to board this amazing, brand new, practically unsinkable ship. Guests will learn about the difference in treatment of 1st and 3rd class passengers. And guests will be exposed to amazing details like the cost of a first class ticket. (The two most luxurious suites were located on B deck and were a staggering \$4,500 dollars; approxi-

mately \$103,000 today!)

Park officials estimate that a trip through the Exhibition will take approximately 45 minutes for most guests. Some might take longer if they wish to read all the educational information and watch all the videos available. At the end of the tour, each visitor will have the opportunity to see if the passenger's name on the Boarding Pass that they received at the beginning is on the list of survivors or the list of those who did not survive. In addition, there is an opportunity to have

a picture made that can be purchased at the end of the experience as a keepsake.

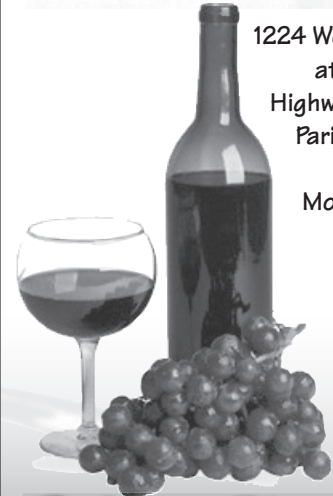
Titanic: The Artifact Exhibition will be open to the public during Discovery Park of America's regular hours: Tuesday through Sunday from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. After gaining admission into the park, the cost of visiting the Titanic Exhibit is \$7.00 for a non-member; \$6.00 for Discovery Park members, anyone 65+ and groups of 20 or more and \$5.00 for school groups and children ages four through 12. Anyone three

and under can go through the exhibit with a paying adult, free of charge.

In addition to The Titanic, Discovery Park of America offers monthly wine and paint classes, clay classes and animal education classes. Park officials say that Discovery Park has plans for helicopter rides, singer songwriter events, the second annual cardboard boat regatta, visits from PBS characters, a Car & Bike show, concerts, a BBQ cook-off, a chili cook-off, an air show, a beer fest, wine tasting events, a special Alvin York exhibit,

a Polar Express event, Santa and an expanded Christmas exhibit in 2015. The complete calendar is now available on the website.

Discovery Park is located at 830 Everett Blvd. in Union City, TN. To find out more about The Titanic or the park, you can visit the website at www.discoveryparkofamerica.com. The park is open Tuesdays through Sundays from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and is a unique blend of history, science, architecture, art and fun.



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Save Lots of Money with Proper Boat Maintenance

written by: Vern Gaylord

I have found, after 59 years of being in business, that people do not do preventive maintenance on their boats and motors like they should. There are a few things a person can do, that over the lifetime of their boat, could save them a lot of money.

In the winter time, people do not winterize their motors and lower units. They leave water in the gear case and in the motor causing major damage. When water is left in the motor it freezes and cracks the block. Spending \$200 to have it properly winterized could save you anywhere from \$2,000 to \$6,000. Water freezing in the lower unit can break it, as well. A \$100 service could save you \$500 to

\$1,500 on a repair job.

Oil is the lifeblood to an outboard motor. Using outboard manufacturer's motor oil could save you thousands of dollars on a rebuild. Manufacturer's oil has special ingredients to lubricate decarbonized motors. A lower unit should have the oil checked and changed at the end of every season.

People will sometimes run their boats out of the water causing the shortening of the life of the impeller. A \$150 repair can save you thousands of dollars on a rebuild.

Before storing your boat for the winter be sure to put a good gas stabilizer in the gas. You should add it to the fuel

the last time you use your boat before you pull it out of the water so that the gas with the stabilizer gets into the whole fuel system protecting

the fuel pumps and carburetors.

Boats stored for a long time should have the batteries removed. The batteries should be charged and their

water checked before storing. You should also have your prop removed to make sure there is no monofilament around the prop shaft. Also, check

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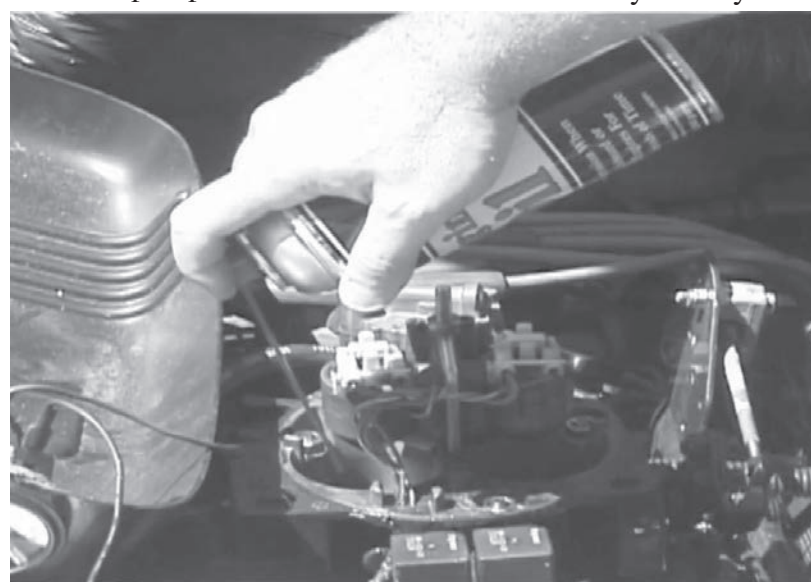
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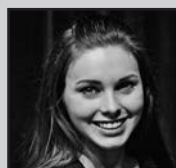
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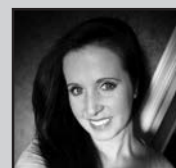
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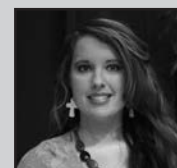
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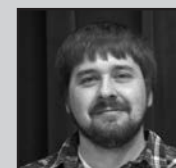
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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

DAY	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Saturday, March 28, 2015	10 AM	Headquarters Grand Opening 731-644-1143	East Wood Street
Saturday, April 18, 2015	8 AM (Register 7 AM)	5k Hushpuppy Dash Entry fee \$20 or \$15 Pre-register	HCHS
	7 AM - 9 AM	Horse & Mule Farm Pull - Weigh in	Fairgrounds
	10 AM	Horse & Mule Farm Pull - \$5	Fairgrounds
	7 PM	Demolition Derby - Entry fee \$35 Gate admission: adult \$10; children 6-10 \$5; under 5 free	Fairgrounds
Monday, April 20, 2015	7 PM - 9 PM	Kick-Off/Street Dance - Free - Ray Lewis Band Sponsored by Flex Fitness of Paris	Downtown
Tuesday, April 21, 2015	5 PM - 11 PM	Carnival - Belle City	Fairgrounds
	7 PM - 10 PM	Country Dance - \$5 - Commonwealth	Fairgrounds
Wednesday, April 22, 2015	5 PM - 9 PM	Fish Tent - ALL YOU CAN EAT - \$12 adult; children 6-12 \$8	Fairgrounds
	5 PM - 11 PM	Carnival - Belle City	Fairgrounds
	7PM - 9PM	Christian Concert - \$5- Sponsored by Western District Baptist Association	Fairgrounds
Thursday, April 23, 2015	5 PM - 8:30 PM	Arts & Crafts Show	Fairgrounds
	5 PM - 9 PM	Fish Tent - ALL YOU CAN EAT - \$12 adult; children 6-12 \$8	Fairgrounds
	5 PM - 11 PM	Carnival - Belle City	Fairgrounds
	7:30 PM	IPRA Rodeo Family Night - \$5 Sponsored by AT&T	Fairgrounds
Friday, April 24, 2015	10 AM - 8:30 PM	Arts & Crafts Show	Fairgrounds
	10 AM	Grand Parade	East Wood Street
	11 AM - 9 PM	Fish Tent - ALL YOU CAN EAT - \$12 adult; children 6-12 \$8	Fairgrounds
	11 AM - 5 PM	Carnival - Belle City	Fairgrounds
	5 PM - midnight	Carnival - Belle City	Fairgrounds
	7:30 PM	IPRA Rodeo - \$10 adult; children 6-12 \$8 Sponsored by Revel Logging, LLC	Fairgrounds
Saturday, April 25, 2015	10 AM	Advance tickets @ Fish Fry Headquarters \$8 adult and \$6 children 6-12	
	10 AM - 8:30 PM	Small Fry Parade Arts & Crafts Show	Downtown Fairgrounds
	10:30 AM	Catfish Races	Downtown
	11 AM - 1 PM	Jr. Fishing Rodeo - Free	Williams Lake
	11 AM - 5 PM	Carnival - Belle City	Fairgrounds
	5 PM - Midnight	Carnival - Belle City	Fairgrounds
	11 AM - 9 PM	Fish Tent - ALL YOU CAN EAT - \$12 adult; children 6-12 \$8	Fairgrounds
	7:30 PM	IPRA Rodeo - \$10 adult; children 6-12 \$8	Fairgrounds
Sunday, April 26, 2015	1 PM - 6 PM	Carnival - Belle City	Fairgrounds

Worlds Biggest Fish Fry Is a Henry County Family Tradition

written by:
John Wambles

It's not just a fish fry, in Henry County it is the World's Biggest Fish Fry! Come the last week in April, Parisians cook up tons of delicious catfish, hushpuppies and all the trimmings. The Paris Henry County Jaycees invite you to come and dance, ride, rope, and eat at this years world famous event.

The grand opening of the World's Biggest Fish Fry Headquarters, on Saturday, March 21st, is the beginning of the information highway for all of the festivities. The Fish Fry Book is available that day with a listing of all of the events, times, dates and locations, as well as, the cost for each. Excitement surrounds the

grand opening due to the fact that is when the Grand Marshall of the parade is officially announced. The Jaycees also reveal who the Fish Fry Book is dedicated to. Each year the Grand Marshall is a celebrity with local ties to Henry County and the book dedication is one of the Jaycees highest honors that they bestow on any resident in this community.

Souvenirs are also available for purchase at the Fish Fry Headquarters.

The Fish Fry of yesteryear used to be a tidy little event wrapped up in a couple of days with some cooked fish and a few carnival rides. Now it is a full blown extravaganza that lasts for more than a week with all kinds of different activities that is sure to please everyone in your family. The Fish Fry fun begin at sun up on Saturday, April 18th and doesn't end until sundown! Get your blood pumping and start your day with some exercise at the Hushpuppy Dash

and 5K. It starts at the Henry County High School at 8am. Participants can come early and register that morning. The Horse and Mule Pull begins at 10am in the arena at the Henry County Fairgrounds. If you want to watch the weigh-ins before the big event they begin at 7am. The strength and skill of these animals can only be believed when you witness it yourself. The day ends with the exciting Fish Fry Demolition Derby at the Fairgrounds. The worst looking car is usually the last one still moving at the end of the night. The car entry fee is \$35 and gate

admission is \$10. Children under the age of 5 are free when accompanied by an adult.

They love to dance at the Fish Fry. But keep in mind, it's more boot scooting than boogie shoes, but still a whole lot of fun! The Kick Off Street Dance is one of many events that are held in Downtown Paris. The stage is set up on the Court House lawn and the grass is your dance floor! The music tends to make you want to get up and get moving with current country hits and some good ole rock & roll. There is no charge for this event and the music begins at 7pm, Monday, April 20th, the

first official day of Fish Fry Week! The Country Dance is on Tuesday night, at the Henry County Fairgrounds, 7pm. Admission is \$5 per person. The music at the Country Dance is more like traditional country, perfect for couples dancing or to just take a seat with friends and give it a listen.

The Carnival opens on Tuesday night. What was once just a ferris wheel and a merry-go-round in a parking lot has now grown to gravity defying rides for the greatest of thrill seekers. There are also lots of games and food vendors. Who can walk the



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boardwalk without eating a corn dog or a candy apple? No One! The carnival opens at 5pm Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 21st-23rd and at 11am on Friday and Saturday, April 24th and 25th, and at 1pm on Sunday, April 26th. Check the Fish Fry Book for arm band specials and special ticket prices all throughout the week.

The World's Biggest Fish Fry is all about that fish, 'bout that fish, 'bout that fish! The Fish Tent opens on Wednesday night! Don't worry about the line because the volunteers know how to serve that catfish fresh and hot and fast. You don't want to miss the tradition of seeing the Hostess Princess toss the first hushpuppy out to her dad or which organization volunteered to be the first to serve. And you surely don't want to miss that world famous golden fried catfish! For only \$12 you can get all you can eat, too! That price includes, catfish, of course, hushpuppies, fries, cole slaw, white beans and an ice cold Pepsi to wash it down with. The Fish Tent is open on Wednesday and Thursday, April 22nd and 23rd from 5 to 9pm, and Friday and Saturday, April 24th and 25th, from 11am to 9pm. The Fish Tent is actually the new building at the Henry County Fairgrounds, it's easy to find, you can't miss it. The Christian Concert is also on Wednesday night, admission is \$4.

The IPRA Rodeo starts kicking up dust on Thursday,

March 23rd, at the Henry County Fairgrounds Arena. Thursday night is Family Night with special pricing for the whole family. The rodeo starts at 7:30pm, gates open at 7. The rodeo features all of your favorite riding events like



calf roping, barrel racing, bull riding, bronc riding and more. Admission on Family Night is \$5, children under 5 are free when accompanied by an adult. The rodeo continues on Friday, April 24th and Saturday, April 25th, starting at 7:30pm. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$8 for children.

The Arts and Crafts Show also opens on Thursday, March 23rd. Exhibits feature everything from hand made quilts to yard art to over the couch paintings. You can also find some of your favorite local products on sale. The Arts and Craft Show is in the Enoch Building at the Henry County Fairgrounds. The Arts and Crafts Show hours are Thursday, April 23rd, 5 to 8:30pm, Friday and Saturday, April

24th and 25th, 10am to 8:30pm.

The official Fish Fry Day is Friday, March 24th. Schools are closed and visitors travel from all over northwest Tennessee and Kentucky to see the World's Biggest Fish Fry's

Tennessee. There are competitions for best float and best marching band. East Wood Street is closed around 9am so you better be where you want to see the parade by that time. The parade starts moving about 10am. Tune into WRQR AM1000

World's Biggest Fish Fry is Saturday, April 25th. It just so happens to be the same day as the Small Fry Parade, the Catfish Races and the Jr. Fishing Rodeo. The Small Fry Parade is held in Downtown Paris and begins at 10am. The younger residents of Henry County come out in adorable costumes and hand pulled decorated floats and march around the Court Square. It is a sight you do not want to miss. Immediately following the Small Fry Parade are the Catfish Races. Catfish train all year long for their big day at the races. Come out and cheer on your favorite handlers as they release their catfish in the specially built water lanes. Talk about the big one getting away - this big one has no where to go but to the finish line! The Catfish Races are held on the Court House Lawn in Downtown Paris. The last event of the World's Biggest Fish Fry is the Jr. Fishing Rodeo. Everyone

heads to William's Lake with their fishing poles and their bait to try and catch as many fish as they can. There are several prizes that cover many categories. Win or lose, everyone has a good time at the Jr. Fishing Rodeo. This event begins at 11am, Saturday, April 25th.

It takes an organization like the Paris Henry County Jaycees, along with hundreds of volunteers, to make an event the size of

the World's Biggest Fish Fry happen. This community is proud of their efforts and invites you to come take part in making history as they continue holding the World's Biggest Fish Fry in Paris, Tennessee. Fish Fry "Week" begins Saturday, April 18th and runs through Sunday, April 26th, don't miss it! Always get a Fish Fry Book and double check prices and times of events.

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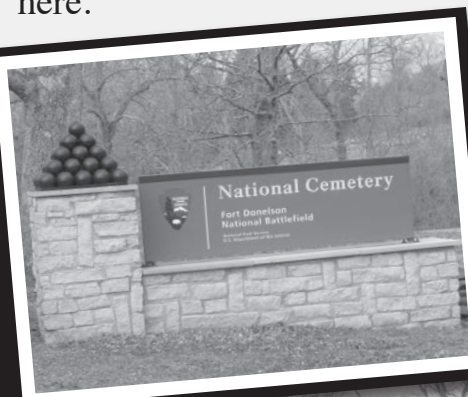
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Fort Donalson is a MUST SEE! General Ulysses S. Grant, upon the surrender of Confederate Fort Donalson wrote; "Fort Donalson will hereafter be marked in Capitals on the map of our United Country...". The Union victory at Fort Donalson changed the course of the Civil War. Visitors to the Fort will be amazed at the history contained within the 6-mile self guided tour of the Battlefield and visitor center. The handicap accessible and child friendly Visitor Center is open 8 am to 4:30 pm daily and contains a bookstore, museum, Civil War artifacts and various exhibits exploring the Civil War. Located 120 Fort Donalson Shores Road, Dover, TN phone: 931-232-5706. A schedule of events may be found at www.nps.gov/fodo/planyourvisit/events.html.

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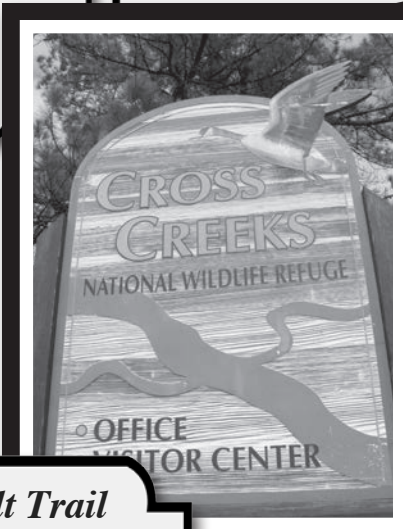
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The Houston County Celtic Quilt Trail guides visitors through the natural beauty of the town and countryside featuring 17 stops along the way. The trail salutes the Celtic history of the area and the art of quilting. Three of the beautiful quilt blocks were designed by Philomena Duncan, a renowned quilter. The trail begins at the "Crossroads" intersection of Highways 49 and 13. A stops guide may be found online: celticquilts.wordpress.com/trail-stops-2/ or celticquilts.wordpress.com/map/. While traveling along the quilt trail, visitors may also enjoy the many historic landmarks this area offers including the lime kiln s erected around 1871, Danville Landing, The circa 1780 Loftin Log Home and the Valley View Century Farm. Houston County is also home to the 7-mile Wells Creek Basin, one of the largest meteor impact craters in North America. More information on all the historical sights and the rich Irish history of Houston County is available by contacting the Houston County Chamber of Commerce, 6 South Spring Street, Erin, TN 37061 or by phoning the Chamber, 931-289-5100.



State Exhibit Planned for Local Heritage Center

written by: John Wambles

The Heritage Center is Paris and Henry County's local history museum. They have a busy calendar planned for the spring and summer and invite you to be part of the learning and the fun.

Take a step back in time as you enter the beautiful building known as Cavitt Place, where the Heritage Center calls home. Cavitt Place is a two story mansion built in 1916 and influenced by the revival

of the Italian Renaissance. In its glory days, Cavitt Place was called the "Jewel in the Crown of Paris." It is now the perfect setting to display exhibits of local and statewide history.

Paris and Henry County's own History of the Fish Fry is one of the most popular exhibits every year. Past Fish Fry books, photos of the fish tents and the grand parade and various souvenirs are displayed



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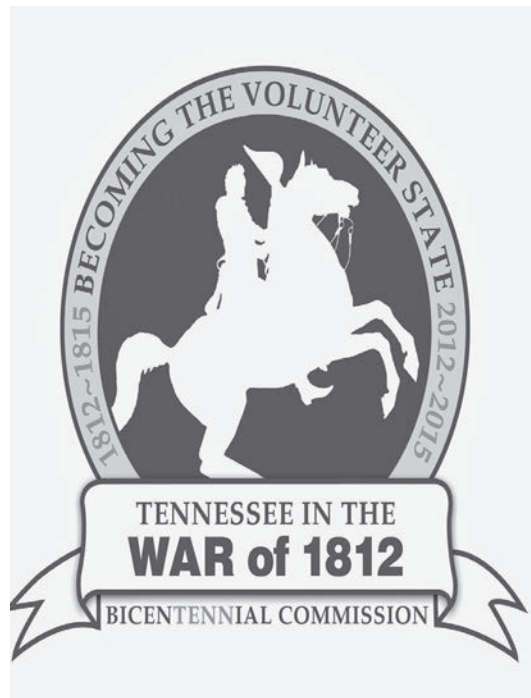
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celebrating the world's biggest event of this kind. The Celebration of Fish Fry will open around the first of April and run through May. For many Henry County residents this is a pleasant trip down memory lane and is an event you don't want to miss.

The Annual Quilt Show, featuring quilts hand made and owned by Henry County residents, will begin April 11th and run through May 9th. The Quilt show is both an exhibit and a competition. There is a judging process and prizes and ribbons are awarded. Those that appreciate the work that goes into making a quilt and the preservation of the art will want to visit this exhibit.

The Tennessee State Museum's exhibit titled "Becoming the

Volunteer State: Tennessee in the War of 1812" will come to the Heritage Center July 31st through September 12th. This traveling exhibit is not to be missed. It commemorates the 200th anniversary of the War of 1812 and the subsequent battle of New Orleans in 1815. This war made significant changes to the American landscape by opening up access to western territories for settlement and expanding trade opportunities. Most experiences of this caliber would require a trip to Nashville to the State Museum. Henry County is fortunate that the Heritage Center was chosen as a stop for this exhibit.

Portraitist and photographer Joe Routon will be the feature exhibit

in September. "Around the World with Joe Routon" will include photos of people and places from his travels through thirty-five countries around the world. The Grand Opening and Reception for the photo display will be at 2pm, September 20th. The exhibit will run through October 31st. All proceeds from photos sold will benefit the Heritage Center.



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Murray, Kentucky's Freedom Fest is more than your typical Fourth of July Celebration. It is a three day extravaganza that includes lots of music, delicious food, a lively street fair, a grand parade and, of course, fireworks! The festivities get started Friday, July 3rd and last all weekend long.

Downtown Murray comes alive Friday Night kicking off the events for Freedom Fest. The Opening Ceremonies begin at 5:45pm with announcements and music on the Main Stage set up on the Court Square. The Street Fair opens at this time, as well. All around

The Paris-Henry County Heritage Center is located at 614 N. Poplar Street in Paris, Tennessee. It is open Tuesday through Friday, 10am to 4pm and on Saturday, 10am to 2pm. All exhibits at the Heritage Center are free of charge. Additional parking is located behind the center at the North Market Street entrance. There is also a convenient entrance with a

ramp for those needing assistance. The Heritage Center is always in need of members and volunteers. To donate your time and your money contact Director Norma Steele at (731) 642-1030. The local history museum can not exist without your support. Please attend the exhibits, volunteer your time and donate as you can to support the Paris-Henry County Heritage Center.

Celebrate Independence Day the Red, White & Blue Way!

downtown you will find merchants with sale items set up on the sidewalk. Come hungry, too, vendors will have all kinds of delicious treats available. The patriotic music for the evening's Block Party will keep everybody rocking and rolling and is provided for Freedom Fest by Independence Bank. Guests, 21 years of age and older, may enjoy some cold beverages at the Freedom Fest Patio. Don't worry about the heat, the sun will be going down soon. Come early and party with everyone in downtown Murray. Independence Day, Saturday, July 4th, is full of

activities for the entire family. Start the day moving and shaking at the Primary Care 5K Run that begins at 7am. Those that may like a little less activity in the mornings may want to just go and have breakfast at the Gary Taylor Memorial Breakfast, beginning at 7am at the First United Methodist Church. A hearty breakfast of eggs, bacon, juice and all the fixin's is the best way to start your day. The Street Fair opens bright and early on Saturday morning at 8am, in downtown Murray. Besides all of the sidewalk sales, arts and crafts and yummy food,

now there is an inflatable fun park set up, known as the Kid's Zone. There will be bouncy houses and huge slides waiting

Street in Murray. The Grand Parade will start rolling at 9:30am. Be there to cheer on your favorite entry to an all American

of everything that a festival has to offer. The inflatable playground will be there for the kids. There will also be

of the evening. The Murray Bank Family Night in the Park begins at 6pm. Music will add to the fun of Family Night

patriotic songs that we all used to sing in grade school. Remember the good ole days and sit back and enjoy the music as it fills the night air. The concert will lead right up to the evening's main event, the fireworks display. The sky will light up with explosions of red, white and blue as the rockets red glare bursts in mid air! Both the young and the young at heart love a big fireworks show and the Briggs and Stratton Fireworks Extravaganza will not disappoint.

If the last two days of events haven't worn you out then how about taking a swim on Sunday?! Nothing is more revitalizing than a cool swim on a hot July day. Culver's Day at the Pool is from 1 to 6pm and there is no charge for admission. A

refreshing swim is a fitting end to a busy three day event. A tentative schedule that is set this early in the year for an event in July will surely have changes. For the most up-to-date information visit tourmurray.com for the latest information closer to the Fourth of

July or you can contact their office by calling (270) 761-6792. Everyone looks for a unique way each year to celebrate America's birthday. You won't find a community that puts forth more effort than Murray, KY on Independence Day. Give them a visit this year!



for kids of all ages. Kid's Zone and the Street Fair will be open until 1pm.

Patriotism is always the theme of the Freedom Fest's Grand Parade. Automobiles and floats will be decorated in red, white and blue for the joyous occasion. Bands will march to patriotic music and costumes of famous early Americans will be spotted all around. Parade line up will begin at 8am on 10th

victory. After the parade, head over to the Murray State University Stadium for the Top Gun Cruise-In Car Show. The Cruise-In will feature your favorite classic cars plus your modified modern works of mobile art. The Top Fun Cruise-In Car Show begins at 4pm, Saturday, July 4th.

One of the most popular events of Murray's Freedom Fest is Family Night in the Park at Central Park. Family Night features the best

face painting and make and take arts and crafts. The Petting Zoo will have your favorite farm animals like furry bunnies and goats. There will also be a pony ride for the little cowboys and cowgirls. All around the park games will be set up and lots of prizes will be given away. As always, there will be plenty of food everywhere you turn! Corn dogs and burgers, cotton candy and soft drinks will be the delicacies

when the Town and Gown Community Band begins performing at 8pm. This community band spends many hours practicing and learning the



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The Chamber of Commerce's Water Poker Run Defines Summer Fun

written by: John Wambles

Play your cards right and you could be a big winner at the Paris Henry County's Chamber of Commerce Annual Water Fun Run. Hundreds of Poker Run fans gather on the third Saturday in July on Kentucky lake for the biggest event of the summer. All you need to participate is some kind of watercraft,

the \$20 registration fee and a sense of adventure. If you have the luck of the catfish you could take home a grand prize of \$1,000!

The Chamber's Water Fun Run is one of the most unique Poker Runs you will ever participate in. The run gets started at 9am on Saturday, July 18th, on

Kentucky Lake. Your goal for the day is to visit the designated resorts around the lake and collect stamps on your Fun Run Poker sheet. Each stop will have a different stamp. There is even a "floating stop" on the lake, infamously known as the Party Boat. The more stops you make the more

stamps you get. The more stamps you get the more cards you get to draw at the dealer's table. In the last few years, players have been able to draw as many as nine cards. This number is determined by the number of resorts participating in the Poker Run and the number of stops that the

Poker Runner is able to make. From those cards you can pick your best hand of five cards to submit for consideration to our Poker Experts. The best hand of the day takes home the top prize. At the finish line there is even a chance to "purchase" an extra card to ensure that you have an even better hand

either. The Water Fun Run features experienced card dealers and "professional" Poker Gurus to help you find your best hand from the cards you are dealt. Besides the top prize of \$1,000, there are cash prizes for second best and third best hand, too! The Water Fun Run also has Goody Bags, party favors and some fabulous door prizes!

One of the fun parts of the Water Fun Run each year is the cool theme. Last year at the Cheeseburger in Paris-dise Event all of the

of year you are at the lake, it is fun to spot the neon colored tee shirts from previous Fun Runs all over the place! Tee shirts will be available for purchase at the Chamber when the entry packets go on sale. If - and that's a big if - there are any left, they will be on sale the day of the event. Hint, hint get your tee shirt as soon as possible.

Water Fun Run Entry Packets usually go on sale around the middle of June. The cost is \$20 at the Chamber office and \$25 the day of the event and available at participating

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Don't let not knowing how to play a good game of Poker stop you

participants got a delicious grilled burger with a slice of pineapple! Everyone wore Leis for Luau on the Lake and the Chamber lost count of the number of Skippers and Gilligans that were dressed up for the Gilligan's Island theme. The tee shirts are way cool, too! Any time

resorts. Get a group together and Fun Run as a team or set out on your own. Whichever you do make it a day to remember. For more information about the Chamber's Water Fun Run, or any of their other fun and exciting events, contact them at (731) 642-3431.



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Checklist of Essentials for Every Fisherman

When the temperature outside starts rising many a fishermen cannot wait to hit the lake. But, don't get in too big of a hurry, make sure you have a few essential items that will make your fishing experience less stressful and more fun!

First and foremost renew your Fishing License! There are several types of licenses offered, but a general hunting and fishing license is only \$28. That fee will seem very small compared to the fines you can rack up if caught fishing without your license. Don't take the chance, be smart from the get go. There are exemptions and free fishing days, even free fishing weeks, check them out with your local Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency. Remember fishing is the most fun when you keep it legal. Sometimes bag limits and minimum catch sizes are afterthoughts when you are on the water. Keeping an inexpensive plastic ruler and a digital lip grip scale on hand

will help solve those problems. Both items will be well worth their investment in the long run.

Nothing cuts a fishing trip shorter than not having extra line and hooks. If you have ever been fishing and not tangled your line on a log or lost a hook to the "big one" that got away you can call yourself lucky! If you're out of line and can't find any more hooks then there's nothing left to do but go home. Spending a few dollars can save the day! You can fish without bobbers and sinkers but they are a very simple and inexpensive way to make your job a whole lot easier. It's a lot easier to kick back and relax on the shore watching a bobber than keeping a constant grip on your fishing pole for any pull on the line. Fishing is suppose to be relaxing, make it easy on yourself and watch a bobber!

Many a fisherman will debate live bait versus artificial bait. But if you have the young or

the queasy joining you on the water why sweat it. A plastic worm or a fishing lure is less messy and, unless you are a pro, a lot easier to snag on a hook. Some pros will even argue that the more vibrant colors or the flashy metal will attract some species of fish more than others. You may be wanting to enjoy your day of fishing but coming home empty handed is no fun either.

A good pair of needle nose pliers are good to have with you when fishing. Why fight with the fish to get the hook out of him. Make it easy on yourself and just cut the end off of the hook. You will surely be glad you have a pair handy if you are trying to get the hook out of you. Pulling the sharp metal end of that hook back through your skin is not only painful but can be dangerous. Also, a pocket knife or nail clippers can be used as a line cutter. Sometimes that line is so hung up that you don't want to waste quality fishing time getting it free. Cut

it loose and move on. You were smart enough to bring extra line with you any way!

No matter what activity you participate in you always want to be mindful of your own personal safety. When you are fishing from a boat, always wear your life jacket.

Casting rods can sometimes throw you off balance. Wet clothes can quickly tire anyone, even a skilled swimmer. Keep a first aid kit in your boat. Hooks, fish fins, branches, and all other things in the wild can cause cuts, scrapes and scratches. The

water and the fish you are handling are full of various types of germs and bacteria. An untreated cut can turn into a nasty infection if it isn't immediately treated. In the least, your first aid kit should include, waterproof bandages, waterproof tape, aspirin and antiseptic spray or cream. A sturdy pair of gloves will help avoid some of those cuts. Putting on non-slip gloves before removing a fish from the line can not only make the task easier but more sanitary. And last but not least, don't forget the

sunblock. Getting a painful sunburn can happen before you know it, especially if you are preoccupied by your rod and reel. Hats with wide brims, sunglasses and lip balm can also be used to help protect you from the sun's powerful rays.

Northwest Tennessee is a fisherman's dream come true. Keep the dream of bringing home the "one" that didn't get away with a few "must have" tools to make your experience successful and fun! Happy Fishing!!



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Tennessee National Wildlife Refuge Has New Visitors Center

written by: Teresa Jones

The Tennessee National wildlife Refuge's new visitor center is a wonderful place to explore and con-

nect with nature. Whether hunting, fishing, hiking or viewing wildlife, the refuge offers endless activities

for visitors of all ages. The most important mission of the Refuge is to teach visitors about wildlife and the

natural resources of the area. Although refuge staff encourages visitors to connect with nature through exhibits,

signs, brochures and electronic media, one of the best ways to connect is through communication and viewing wildlife in their natural habitat without disturbing the environment.

Established in 1945, the area was first created for migratory birds to feed, rest and nest and has since been managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The refuge now covers three units and expands 65 miles along the Tennessee River. The three units include Big Sandy, Duck River and Busseltown. Migrating birds are drawn to the refuge as a result of the abundance of crops, vegetated wetlands, shrub and forest lands that have been set aside for them.

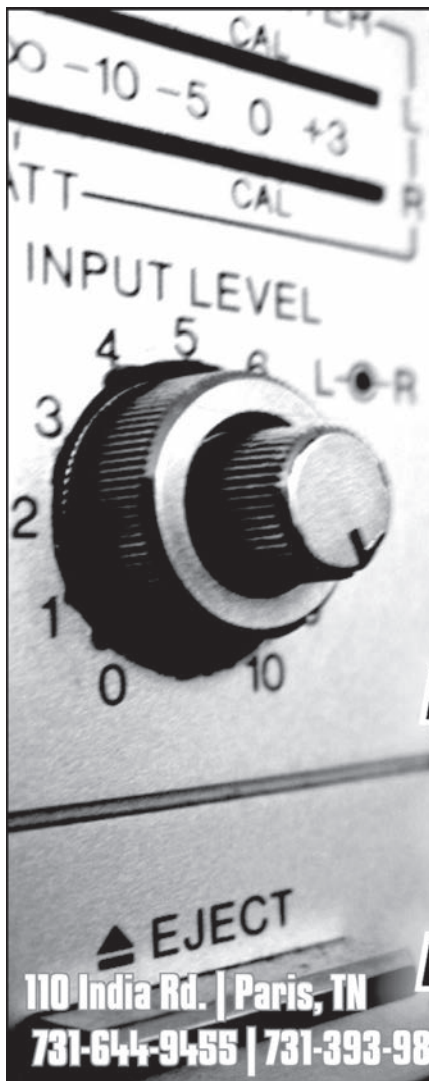
The refuge offers a safe haven for many species of animals including 51 mammals and 89 reptiles. Endangered species such as the elusive Pip-

ing Plover, as well as white tail deer, raccoon, squirrels, foxes, beaver, wild turkey and rabbits have also taken refuge on the property. It is also home to 306 of the 409 recorded species of birds found in Tennessee making wildlife viewing one of the most popular activities for most visitors. With the new observation decks and photography blinds, the refuge is photographer's dream come true!

Many recreational activities such as canoeing, hiking the 2 trails and hunting are also popular among visitors. As one of the most gratifying fishing destinations, the refuge offers multiple boat ramps and fishing decks. Although there are currently 144 species of fish found in the refuge waters, crappie, bass and catfish remain among the most popular catch for area anglers. For more information on fishing the

refuge visit www.fws.gov/refuges/fishingguide/.

The refuge staff hopes everyone will come enjoy the new visitor center and be sure to bring the kids! There are many interactive exhibits and a kid's observation deck for the little ones to enjoy observing the wildlife. The staff hosts many free events throughout the year. The most recent in February where children built their own birdhouses. The visitor center also houses the Blue Heron Nature Book Store where all proceeds from sales go to support the refuge. The visitor center is open Monday through Saturday 8 am to 4 pm and is only a 15 minute drive from Paris. From Highway 79 North, take Oak Grove Road South and follow the signs. For more information visit www.fws.gov/refuge/tennessee or phone 731-642-2091.



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Win Big Bucks at the Benton County 30 Mile Yard Sale

written by: John Wambles

The 30 Mile Yard Sale in Benton County has been called "yard sale heaven" by those that love to partake in bargain hunting. Every year, during Labor Day weekend, you can follow the Bargain Highway and are guaranteed to find some fantastic deals that you would never be able to find anywhere else!

The 30 Mile Yard Sale officially begins Saturday, September 5th and runs through Labor Day, Monday, September 7th. But for those of you that haven't shopped before, yard sales start popping up as early as Wednesday night and

unofficially open on Friday morning.

The 30 Mile Yard Sale route is nicknamed the Bargain Highway and it runs from Interstate 40 to the Henry County line. It navigates its way through the towns of Camden, Holladay and Big Sandy, by way of Highway 641, Highway 192 and Highway 69. The official hours are dawn to dusk on Saturday, 1pm to dusk on Sunday and dawn to dusk on Monday. Yard sales that may be open on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday make their own hours.

How would you like to win some cash? Who

wouldn't? Look for signs all along the route they say Register To Win \$1,000. The Benton County Chamber of Commerce sponsors the cash give away each year and uses the registration slips as a way to barometer where the yard sale visitors are coming from. You can stop by their office, on Highway 641, in Camden to pick up a map of designated yard sales that have registered as an official cash give away site.

The 30 Mile Yard Sale isn't just about people getting rid of their unused items, it is also about raising money for many charitable

organizations. Churches, sports teams, civic groups and various non-profit organizations, sell donated items and food to raise money for their cause. So when you visit, please bring plenty of nickels, dimes, quarters and dollar bills, the more yard sales you visit the more money each organization can make. Every cent counts when you're fundraising!

Because the 30 Mile Yard Sale attracts so many people, you can find a lot more for sale than just old junk from the back of the closet.

The yard sale also brings out some savvy business people that use this opportunity to market their business and services. You can find beautifully crafted quilts, restored antique furniture and dishes, hand made arts and crafts and various collectibles. You may even find big ticket items like automobiles, motorcycles and farm equipment. If it can be pulled outside in the yard and have a for sale sign put on it, it can be sold!

While in town make sure and take a little time to

sight see. You can visit the memorial site where country music star Patsy Cline's plane went down. Visit the world famous Eva Beach or take a drive up to see the Folklife Museum on the top of Pilot Knob over looking the beautiful Kentucky Lake. You definitely want to visit as many of the family owned restaurants in town. Enjoy some home cooking while you are away from your home. Benton County is also where you will find the famous Freshwater Pearl Farm that was featured on a television

documentary. Even if you feel like taking a break from shopping there is still plenty to do in Benton County.

Labor Day seems so far away from today, but you know how time flies. Start searching in those closets now and pricing the items to sell. Then when the time comes just sit back, enjoy the end of summer's warm days and collect the cash. Benton County's 30 Mile Yard Sale is September 5th through the 7th with early bird sales on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. They hope to see you there!



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March 13
Wine & Paint
painting class, wine tasting
Discovery Park of America, 6 pm
Union City, TN

March 16 - 21
Irish Day Celebration
parade, music, food, arts & crafts
Erin, TN

March 19
Clay Class
arts and crafts
Discovery Park of America, 6pm
Union City, TN

March 21
Volunteer/Friends Members Refuge Tour
tours of Britton Ford, Big Sandy Peninsula, Duck River bottoms
Tennessee National Wildlife Refuge Visitor's Center, 9am
Springville, TN

April 4
WMUF/WLZK & Peddler Annual Easter Egg Hunt
candy, prizes
Ogburn Park, 10am
Paris, TN

April 5
Easter Sunday

April 11
Helicopter Rides
Discovery Park of America
Union City, TN

April 16
Clay Class
arts and crafts
Discovery Park of America, 6pm
Union City, TN

April 17
Wine & Paint
painting class, wine tasting
Discovery Park of America, 6pm
Union City, TN

April 18
Old Time Bluegrass and Fiddlers Jamboree
music, competition, food
Holladay School, 1pm
Holladay, TN

Animal Track Identification
educational presentation, hike
Tennessee National Wildlife Refuge Visitor's Center, 1pm
Springville, TN

April 20 - 26
Paris Henry County Jaycees' World's Biggest Fish Fry
carnival, parade, fish fry, arts & crafts, rodeo, demolition derby
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May 2
Citywide Yard Sale
yard sales, food
Murray, KY

All About Songbirds
educational presentation
Tennessee National Wildlife Refuge Visitor's Center, 1pm
Springville, TN

May 8
Wine & Paint
painting class, wine tasting
Discovery Park of America, 6pm
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May 9
Bruceton In May
BBQ contest, music, games, arts & crafts
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May 10
Mother's Day

May 16
Puryear Day
carnival, parade, food, arts & crafts
Puryear, TN

Downtown Saturday Market
farmer's market
Court Square, 7am-noon
Murray, KY

May 21
Singer Songwriter Night
music, entertainment
Discovery Park of America
Union City, TN

Clay Class
arts and crafts
Discovery Park of America, 6pm
Union City, TN

May 23
Downtown Saturday Market
farmer's market
Court Square, 7am-noon
Murray, KY

May 25
Memorial Day

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May 26
Downtown Cruise-In
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May 30
Downtown Saturday Market
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Court Square, 7am-noon
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Union City, TN

June 6
Downtown Saturday Market
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June 13
Downtown Saturday Market
farmer's market
Court Square, 7am-noon
Murray, KY

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June 18
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Union City, TN

June 19
Wine & Paint
painting class and wine tasting
Discovery Park of America
Union City, TN

June 20
Downtown Saturday Market
farmer's market
Court Square, 7am-noon
Murray, KY

June 23
Downtown Cruise-In
car show, entertainment
Downtown Court Square, 5:30pm
Paris, TN

June 27
Downtown Saturday Market
farmer's market
Court Square, 7am-noon
Murray, KY

Insects and Butterflies
Glenn Lee
Tennessee National Wildlife Refuge Visitor's Center, 1pm
Springville, TN
July 3 - 4
Freedom Fest
parade, carnival, games, food, music, fireworks
Murray, KY

July 4
Independence Day

Rides, Music, Fireworks
Discovery Park of America, all day
Union City, TN

Cottage Grove Freedom Fest
parade, food, carnival, games
Cottage Grove, TN

Paris Henry County Jaycees' Fireworks Display
Paris Landing State Park

Downtown Saturday Market
farmer's market
Court Square, 7am-noon
Murray, KY

Top Gun Car Show
car and truck show
Stewart Stadium, all day
Murray, KY

July 11
Downtown Saturday Market
farmer's market
Court Square, 7am-noon
Murray, KY

July 16
Clay Class
arts and crafts
Discovery Park of America, 6pm
Union City, TN
July 17
Wine & Paint
painting class and wine tasting
Discovery Park of America, 6pm
Union City, TN

July 18
Paris Henry County Chamber of Commerce Water Fun Run
poker run on Kentucky Lake, 9am-4pm
Paris Landing State Park

Downtown Saturday Market
farmer's market
Court Square, 7am-noon
Murray, KY

July 25
Downtown Paris Association Ice Cream Social
ice cream, music, car show
Court Square
Paris, TN

Downtown Saturday Market
farmer's market
Court Square, 7am-noon
Murray, KY

Canoe/Kayak at Duck River Bottoms

canoe ride, contact
TN Wildlife Refuge Visitor's Center, 9am
New Johnsonville, TN

August 1
Downtown Saturday Market
farmer's market
Court Square, 7am-noon
Murray, KY
Top Gun Car Show
car and truck show
Stewart Stadium, all day
Murray, KY

August 2 - 9
Henry County Fair
carnival, food, livestock show, pageant
Henry County Fairgrounds
Paris, TN

August 8
Downtown Saturday Market
farmer's market
Court Square, 7am-noon
Murray, KY

August 14
Wine & Paint
painting class and wine tasting
Discovery Park of America, 6pm
Union City, TN

August 15
Downtown Saturday Market
farmer's market
Court Square, 7am-noon
Murray, KY

August 20
Clay Class
arts and crafts
Discovery Park of America, 6p
Union City, TN

August 22
Banding Hummingbirds
Cyndi Routledge, Tennessee National Wildlife Refuge Visitor's Center, all day
Springville, TN
Downtown Saturday Market
farmer's market
Court Square, 7am-noon
Murray, KY

August 25
Downtown Cruise-In
car show, entertainment
Downtown Court Square, 5:30pm
Paris, TN

August 29
Downtown Saturday Market
farmer's market
Court Square, 7am-noon
Murray, KY

September 4-7
30 Mile Yard Sale Bargain Highway,

dawn to dusk
Benton County, TN

September 4
Commercial Bank's Noon on the Square
music, food
Cour Square, noon
Paris, TN

September 5
Downtown Saturday Market
farmer's market
Court Square, 7am-noon
Murray, KY

September 7
Labor Day
Labor Day \$10 Tickets
Discovery Park of America
Union City, TN

September 11
Commercial Bank's Noon on the Square
music, food
Cour Square, noon
Paris, TN

Wine & Paint
painting class and wine tasting
Discovery Park of America, 6pm
Union City, TN

September 12
Downtown Saturday Market
farmer's market
Court Square, 7am-noon
Murray, KY

September 17
Clay Class

arts and crafts
Discovery Park of America, 6pm
Union City, TN
September 18
Commercial Bank's Noon on the Square
music, food
Cour Square, noon
Paris, TN

September 19
Pioneer Day
exhibits, food, games, music
Henry, TN

Downtown Saturday Market
farmer's market
Court Square, 7am-noon
Murray, KY

September 25
Commercial Bank's Noon on the Square
music, food
Cour Square, noon
Paris, TN

September 25-27
Eye Full of Paris Weekend
arts & crafts, music, food, demonstrations
Court Square
Paris, TN

September 26
Arts Round The Square
art exhibit, music, food

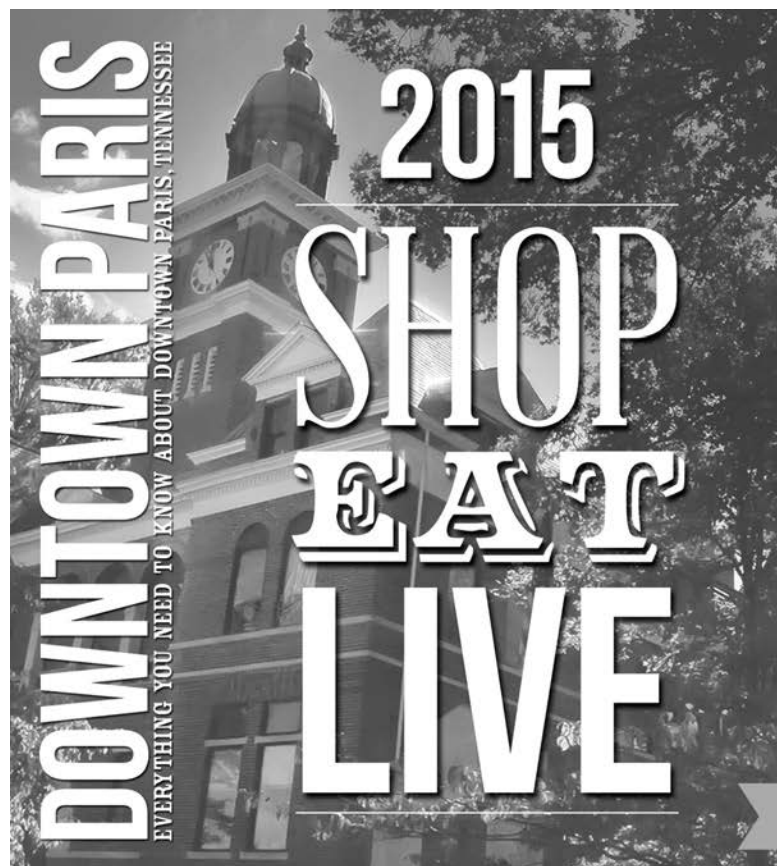
Court Square
Paris, TN
Back to the Old 23rd Fundraiser
entertainment, food
contact Tennessee National Wildlife Refuge Visitor's Center
Big Sandy Peninsula

Downtown Saturday Market
farmer's market
Court Square, 7am-noon
Murray, KY

October 3
Holy Cross Catholic Church Oktoberfest
arts & crafts, flea market, food, music
Henry County Fairgrounds
Paris, TN

October 17
70th Anniversary of the TNWR Celebration
entertainment, food
Tennessee National Wildlife Refuge Visitor's Center, all day
Springville, TN

October 24
Spooktacular
Halloween, trick or treating, games, contests
Downtown Court Square
Paris, TN



MARCH
8-April 2 23rd Annual Photo Showcase at the W.G. Rhea Library
3 Retail Therapy Event Downtown 4-6
17 St. Patty's Day Luncheon at First Christian Church

APRIL
4-May 4 30th Annual Artists Showcase at W.G. Rhea Library
17 DPA Fashion Luncheon at the Paris Country Club
20-25 World's Biggest Fish Fry Week
20 Street Dance Downtown, 7 pm
24 World's Biggest Fish Fry Parade
25 Sketch Crawl 10am to noon
25 Small Fry Parade 10 am
25 Catfish Races 10:30 am
25 Carl Perkins Center Crappie Tournament at Paris Landing
25 Concert in the Vineyard at Paris Winery 6 to 10 pm

MAY
1 Spring Gathering at First United Methodist Church 11 to 1
9 Fancy Nancy at the W. G. Rhea Library 2-4
16 Dartin' Downtown 5K Run 8 am
25 Memorial Day Ceremony on the Court Square
26 Downtown Cruise In at 5:30

JUNE
8 Summer Reading Program registration begins at W. G. Rhea Library
7-13 Downtown Paris Week
7-13 Downtown Paris Art Walk
23 Downtown Cruise In at 5:30

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