

Main Street Monday!

June 15, 2026

It has been a very busy past few weeks! We closed out Preservation Month by attending the Ida Lee Willis awards. This annual award program, hosted by the Ida Lee Willis Foundation and the Kentucky Heritage Council / State Historic Preservation Office, recognizes outstanding contributions to historic preservation throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky where Carrollton Main Street director was awarded the Service to Preservation Award.

Ida Lee Willis was the first state historic preservation officer. Craig Potts is our current SHPO and has served in that role since 2013.



Columbia Art House board members Hal Sullivan and Jeff Canter who was also a long time Paducah Main Street board member were presented the Grassroots Preservation Award for the Columbia Art House, Paducah



Fundraising efforts are on-going for the restoration. You can learn more and donate at columbiaarthouse.org

From Ida Lee we moved on to welcoming our KY Main Street directors, board members, and others to our in person training that was delayed due to the winter weather.

We filmed our Summer Shopping video with Greg Smith from the Tourism, Arts, & Heritage cabinet who always does a fabulous job. We will share when it is up and running. We had a great networking lunch to honor Sam.

Then we held our Main Street awards! An official press release will be coming this week and we will share it on our KY Main

It's hard to imagine KY Main Street without Sam, but we're excited to celebrate a retirement that has been so richly deserved. Sam has served as a leader and mentor to us all for 25 years. He will continue to serve as he becomes a member of the Kentucky Main Street Association, a 501C3 organization that supports the work and partners with the state program.

View a little of Sam's career on Page 2

If you'd like to send him a note you can email him at cmaintst@carrolltonky.net before June 30 or mail him a note to P.O. Box 761, Carrollton, KY 41008





Caroline Reece-Maysville, Jill Dotson-Pikeville, Celia Shoffner-Middlesboro & Blaine McDonald- Paducah assisted in the filming of our video with Greg Smith.



Directors and board members including our Jr. MS director, Gracie, will also have a starring role in the video.



Experienced directors, 10 years or more, shared their “what I wish I had known” and “what I’d do differently” with a Q&A session for directors.



We learned from our peers. Tracy Robinson, Guthrie shared From Vision to Economic Impact. Transformation Strategies.



We learned from the experts. Award winning journalist and KHC board member, Tom Eblen shared a new strategy for telling your story.



Projects are not the Strategy! Projects create activity... Strategy creates outcomes!

We enjoyed a special lunch at the Glitz Restaurant inside the fabulous Irish Acres Antiques in honor of Sam.

The owners Emilie McCauley and Jane DeLauter were quest speakers in the past and shared how they became a destination business. It is a wonderful adaptive reuse project in the former Nonesuch Elementary School. Go for lunch or just a visit and let them know we sent you!



Gracie is the Jr. Main Street director in Beattyville. She takes her job seriously and is always willing to help. Teaching and letting our youth participate builds our future community leaders!



Beattyville



It takes a village! Pikeville Main St. board prepared for their annual Dinner in White FUNdraiser that took place on the 13th.



A special group of volunteers assisted in the planting and beautification of downtown.

A few shots from the awards program. It was a different vibe this year as we gathered at Equus Run Winery to enjoy the beautiful outdoors. Directors assisted in presenting awards and attendees learned about great projects and fabulous volunteers. Thank you to all who attended and congrats to all the winners! More next week.



Pikeville



Shelbyville



Maysville



The Venue was lovely and Bree's Kitchen was our caterer.



LaGrange director, Sarah Garret, assisting with presentations.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Please share this opportunity with individuals or firms who may be qualified to provide the expertise and services needed to continue bringing this building back to its former glory. As an anchor building within the community, its preservation and revitalization play a vital role in supporting downtown investment, celebrating local heritage, and inspiring future growth.



The Kentucky River Area Development District (KRADD), located in Hazard, Kentucky, on behalf of the **City of Beattyville**, is seeking qualified contractors to provide **window assessment and repair/rehabilitation services** for the **Beattyville WPA Building Window Project**, located at 337 Main Street, Beattyville, Kentucky.

The Beattyville WPA Building is a historic two-story municipal structure constructed in 1939 by the Works Progress Administration (WPA) and located within the Beattyville Historic District. The City of Beattyville is seeking qualified firms with demonstrated experience in historic window restoration and rehabilitation to provide evaluation, recommendations, and pricing for various treatment options, including repair, rehabilitation, selective replacement of deteriorated components, and other preservation-sensitive approaches. All work shall be performed in accordance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties.

This project is anticipated to be funded in whole or in part through an **EPA Brownfields Cleanup Cooperative Agreement**. Contract award and project implementation are contingent upon funding availability and compliance with applicable federal, state, and local requirements. All work performed under any resulting contract must comply with applicable federal regulations, including but not limited to 2 CFR Part 200, Davis-Bacon Act requirements, and Build America, Buy America provisions, as applicable.

An RFP packet containing project information, scope of work, and selection criteria may be obtained by contacting **Jennifer McIntosh**, Associate Director of Community and Economic Development, Kentucky River Area Development District, by phone at **606-436-3158** or by email at jennifer@kradd.org.

Proposals from interested firms will be accepted until **4:00PM EST/3:00PM CST on Monday, July 6, 2026**. Proposals must be submitted as **six (6) hard copies** and delivered in a **SEALED envelope or SEALED box** clearly marked:

"SEALED PROPOSAL- Beattyville WPA Building Window Project"

Proposals must be submitted to:

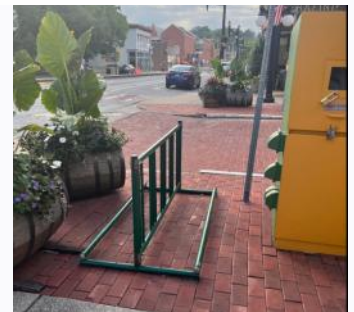
Kentucky River Area Development District
Attn: Jennifer McIntosh
941 N Main Street
Hazard, KY 41701

A pre-bid site visit is scheduled for June 18, 2026 to ensure a level of familiarity with the project specifics and locality. This meeting will be held at 11:00AM EST/10:00AM CST at the Beattyville City Hall located at 28 Railroad Street, Beattyville, KY 41311. Questions regarding this solicitation must be submitted **in writing** by email no later than Monday, June 22, 2026; 4:00 PM EST/3:00 PM CST. Responses, if issued, will be provided by addendum to the City of Beattyville's website, by June 26, 2026; 4:00 PM EST/3:00PM CST.

This solicitation is being conducted to fulfill the procurement requirements of federal funding agencies, including the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The City of Beattyville and the Kentucky River Area Development District are Equal Opportunity Employers and encourage participation by all qualified firms. Minority-owned, women-owned, small, and disadvantaged businesses are encouraged to submit proposals.

Did you know that dedicated trails and bike-friendly towns attract visitors who spend heavily on lodging, food, and gear? According to Better Bike Share homes near dedicated bike paths and walkable neighborhoods consistently see higher resale values. However, we have to make the bike parking accessible. There is a reason this bike rack is empty.

A friend posted this photo recently. This is why downtown design is important.



★ **ONE BIG CELEBRATION!** ★

DUE TO THE JULY 4TH HOLIDAY & BUSY TIME OF YEAR,
WE ARE COMBINING OUR JUNE & JULY CRUISE-INS INTO

1 HUGE Event!

**BEATTYVILLE MAIN STREET
FAMILY FUN DAY
& CRUISE-IN**

★ **CARS, COMMUNITY & FAMILY FUN ON MAIN!** ★

STAY HEALTHY, HAPPY & DRUG-FREE!

**Saturday
JUNE 27**

A BIGGER & BETTER EVENT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

A DAY OF FAMILY FUN!

- ★ CLASSIC CARS & CRUISE-IN
- ★ INFLATABLES
- ★ FOOD TRUCKS
- ★ LIFE-SIZE GAMES
- ★ MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT

Lots of happenings around the network. We'll list all the America 250 celebrations in our next editions.

FREEDOM FEST

FREEDOM FEST 2026 SCHEDULE

Vendor Set Up | 1:30 p.m.
 Freedom Fest Begins | 5 p.m.
 Bounce Houses (First Street) | 5-9:30 p.m.
 Gospel Stage (First Street) | 5-9:30 p.m.
 Freedom Fest Pageant (Moonlight Stage) | 6-8 p.m.
 Cave Run Symphony Brass Band (Old PD Steps) | 6:30 p.m.
 Midnight Patrol (Postal Square) | 7 p.m.
 Music at Battson-Oates Commons | 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.
 Featuring Blackwater Revival (Doobie Brothers Tribute) | 8 p.m.
 Fireworks | 9:30 p.m.
 Festival Ends | 10 p.m.

AMERICA 250 | MOREHEAD | SOWAN COUNTY | MOREHEAD | St. Claire | MOREHEAD ROWAN COUNTY

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE 28TH ANNUAL

CARROLLTON RIVER SWEEP

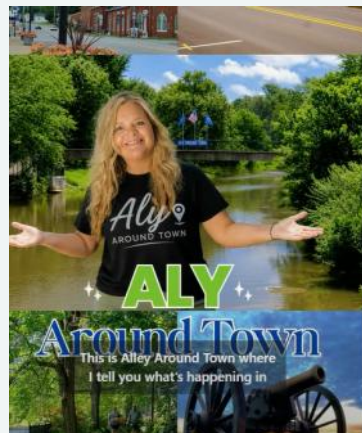
SATURDAY JUNE 20TH

REGISTRATION AT 8:30AM
 EVENT STARTS AT 9:00AM
 LUNCH SERVED AT 12:00PM

LOTS OF PRIZES TO BE WON!

- POSTER CONTEST WITH \$100 WINNER PER AGE GROUP
- LARGEST GROUP \$100
- MOST UNIQUE ITEM FOUND \$30 IN DOWNTOWN DOLLARS

THANK YOU TO OUR CO-SPONSORS THE AMERICAN LEGION AND THE CARROLL COUNTY FAIRBOARD FOR PROVIDING LUNCH AND CATERING!



Here is another way to know what is going on! Aly and Blaine share live on the Perryville and Paducah Main Street pages! Check them out!

DOWNTOWN Maysville

IT'S WHERE TO SPEND YOUR SUMMER

FOLLOW MAYSVILLE MAIN STREET FOR MORE

COMMUNITY EVENTS ALL SUMMER LONG

05 JUN	Summer Sounds Concert	05 JUNE	Hi-Fi Honey Lower Market
13 JUN	Maysville Uncorked	04 JULY	Nightflyer Band Limestone Park
04 JUL	Summer Sounds Concert	10 JULY	Soul Pocket Lower Market
10 JUL	Summer Sounds Concert	07 AUG	Dangerous Jim and the Sims Vinyl Countdown Lower Market
11-12 JUL	Gus Macker Basketball Tournament	04 SEPT	Vinyl Countdown Lower Market
18 JUL	Brews on the Bricks		
24 JUL	M2M Paddlefest Concert		
07 AUG	Summer Sounds Concert		
14-15 AUG	Maysville Oktoberfest		
29 AUG	Chrome & Cruise Car Show		
04 SEP	Summer Sounds Concert		
05 SEP	Pickers & Grinders		
11-13 SEP	Saint Patrick School Fall Festival		
25-26 SEP	Pig Out		

FREE OUTDOOR CONCERT SERIES

COME HANGOUT WITH THE HEART OF SCOTTSVILLE

JUNE 27TH 6:30PM

BOWLING GREEN HOT RODS V.S HUDSON VALLEY RENEGADES

Sat, Jun 27 at 7:30 PM EDT
 Bowling Green Hot Rods Community Organization Night
 Bowling Green, KY

Think about who your partners might be.

They may not be in your community. Scottsville will be batting 1,000 when they hang out with the Bowling Green Hot Rods on June 27th.

Not that any Kentuckian needs to be reminded, but it is Bourbon Week and Bardstown is celebrating big! Make plans to visit and support the locally owned businesses!



And you can end the week with a toast to Summer!



FRIDAY NIGHT Sound Bites
LIVE MUSIC | FOOD TRUCK | MAYOR'S PARK

**Late Night Shopping, Dining, & Music
Mayor's Park 6pm-8pm**

- APRIL 17- THE GOOD FOLKS
- MAY 15- TARAOKÉ KARAOKE
- JUNE 19- CHASING JUDAH
- JULY 17- THE LEFTOVERS
- AUG 21- CHRIS BRADLEY, DARREN PATRICK, AND KEN CROCKETT
- SEPT 11- KALEB CECIL & HOTEL WHISKEY

Kasey Willott Van Vactor
State Farm
502-348-4104



Another new business in downtown Murray! You can find them next to Imagination Alley!



We also want to thank our Public Works departments who do so much for our communities. From snow removal, garbage pick up, and hanging flowers and banners. We greatly appreciate you!

Pictured is part of the Springfield team.

EXPLORE KENTUCKY MAIN STREETS

Bardstown • Beattyville • Campbellsville • Carrollton • Guthrie • Grayson • LaGrange • Maysville • Middlesboro • Morehead • Murray • Paducah
Perryville • Pikeville • Pineville • Salyersville • Scottsville • Shelbyville • Springfield • Taylorsville • Tri-Cities (Cumberland, Benham, & Lynch) • Williamsburg



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