

EARLY DAYS

TEN YEARS AGO
June 2025

The Campbellsville Police Department presented the Inaugural “Arrest of Local Celebrities.” The event was aimed toward raising funds for the Lake Cumberland Children’s Advocacy Center, which is used as a bridge between law enforcement and children who are victims of crime. It raised around \$5,000 about \$2,000 more than their initial goal.

Campbellsville Independent Schools’ employees who are retiring were honored at a luncheon. Those attending were Annette Jefferson, Anthony Farris, Donna Gaddis, Marilyn Martin, Ellen Bell and Carol Tucker.

Taylor County’s annual Relay for Life event took place at Taylor County High School. Despite the showers early on in the day, the event saw great weather and raised more than \$50,200 to fight cancer.

G.E. and Louise Gray of Campbellsville celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary on June 23, 2015.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
June 2005

After three years of planning and fundraising, Campbellsville

University broke ground for a new school of nursing.

Sam Evans, a cancer survivor, was the recipient of a \$1,000 scholarship from Mid-South Division of the American Cancer Society.

Richard Kenneth and Ina Fern Humphress of Elkhorn celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, June 18.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
June 1995

Army Staff Sgt. James L. Bland played a role in the military’s largest air defense training exercise dubbed “Roving Sands 95.”

Dr. David Emmanuel Goatley is closing one chapter and opening another as he prepares to leave First Baptist Church and begin a position at the Memphis Theological Seminary.

Stacy Harkless of Campbellsville has been named a United States national award winning in English and science.

Girl Scout Troop 222 visited Discovery Land in Louisville to celebrate being the top selling troop in the 1995 cookie campaign for the Elizabethtown Service Center. The troop sold 2,888 cases of Girl Scout cookies. Donna Corbin was troop leader. Co-leaders were Phyllis Sallee and Teri Chandler.

FORTY YEARS AGO
June 1985

Jo Weeks, Louise Russell, Marguerite Minor and Anna Jean Rattcliff were in Louisville and visited Churchill Downs.

Sandra Davis Gootee graduated from Midway College with an associate degree in nursing.

William E. Perkins was promoted to second shift foreman in charge of fabrication at Signet Systems Inc. in Harrodsburg.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
June 1975

Donna Squires, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Patterson of Campbellsville, was named to the Dean’s List at Western Kentucky University with a 4.0 standing.

Ruben Baldock was a patient in the Methodist Hospital in Louisville.

Bennie Clark returned home following hospitalization and surgery.

Ryan Scott Spowles was born to Coleman and Mazetta Spowles, Star Route, Campbellsville, on June 6.

SIXTY YEARS AGO
June 1965

Richard A. Sanders of Camp-

bellsville had been initiated into active fraternity in Phi Delta Theta national society fraternity of Centre College in Danville.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Ratcliffe and daughter, Jane, left for a visit with relatives in Texas. They also plan to go to the west coast on a vacation tour of several weeks.

Edward Winston McGuire received the Master of Arts degree from Western Kentucky State College on Friday, June 4.

SEVENTY YEARS AGO
June 1955

Three Taylor County men left in an induction call. They were David White, Joe A. Rucker and Douglas H. Jones.

Bids for the construction of a jail and office building for Taylor County were scheduled to be received and opened by Taylor County Fiscal Court.

Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Squires of Route 2 celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary June 19 with an open house.

Otis Farmer, 54, died Monday, June 13 at the Rosary Hospital after being ill for about four weeks.

Mrs. Grace Foley Massey, 51, died Saturday, June 12, at Norton Infirmary in Louisville.

EIGHTY YEARS AGO
June 1945

The Campbellsville School Board accepted the resignation of John A. Jones and naming Prof. T.F. Hamilton to the position of superintendent of city schools.

Coca-Cola will be affected by the further curtailment in supply of sugar because the manufacturer of that popular drink will not compromise with the use of substitutes. However, an equitable system of rationing will be maintained during the shortage, according to a representative of the local bottling works.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wade are the parents of a son, Bernard, born at their home at Elkhorn.

Mrs. Russell Smith, Whitewood, underwent a tonsillectomy at the office of Dr. L.S. Hall.

NINETY YEARS AGO
June 1935

An orchestra consisting of the sons and daughters of the legion and auxiliary was being formed here.

HUNDRED YEARS AGO
June 1925

Work is now being done on the Campbellsville and Columbia Road by the State Highway Commission.

Second time's a charm for Sanders-Johnson elopement

The Sanders family came to Green (now Taylor) County prior to 1800 when Thomas arrived here from Loudan County, Virginia, and acquired land on Pitman Creek. The family continued to thrive in Taylor County for many generations.

When Lucille Sanders was born in 1907, she was a seventh-generation descendant of Thomas, with ancestors like Henry Sanders Sr., Elijah Sanders and Easten Sanders. Ancestors, however, were far from the 16-year-old’s mind in January of 1925. Her heart and mind were fixed on matrimony. Nothing fancy. Just a quick jaunt to Jeffersonville, Indiana, to make things official.

Little did Lucille and her 22-year-old boyfriend, Raymond Johnson of Columbia, suspect that their plans would achieve statewide attention.

According to the front page of the Jan. 6, 1925, Courier Journal, Lucille’s father, John Asper Sanders, had learned of the couple’s plans. According to the Louisville paper, Lucille’s father had contacted the police chief in Jeffersonville, notifying him that his daughter was only sixteen years old and too young to marry.

As a result, the couple was not only found in the nick of time, but Lucille was held at the police station until her father and mother arrived. To avoid any legal complications, John Sanders also brought the county judge and county sheriff from Campbellsville to help reclaim this daughter.

While waiting in police headquarters, a reporter assigned to the police beat, saw Lucille and “was struck by her good looks.” He proceeded to interviewed her “for as long as she would talk to him.” Lucille told the reporter “that this had been the first time she had tried to get married ... but it wouldn’t be her last.”



VIRGINIA GRAVES

Her elopement saga was covered in Lexington and Marion County as well as Louisville. It was not covered in Campbellsville newspaper accounts.

Lucille was as good as her word. Six months later, now 17, the Central Kentucky News Journal announced the following: “Miss Lucille Sanders, of this city, and Raymond Johnson of Columbia, were recently united in marriage at Jeffersonville. Directly after the ceremony the couple left for Akron, Ohio, where Mr. Johnson has a position.”

According to the social section of the CKNJ, three months after their marriage, the couple returned to Campbellsville to visit families. That and other mentions of family visits indicate no hard feelings between Lucille and her parents.

Raymond worked for Goodyear the entire time the couple lived in Akron. They had one child, Elsie. Sometime between 1940 and 1944, the family moved to Corydon, Indiana. There Raymond was a farmer.

Lucille and Raymond were married for 41 years until Raymond died from a sudden heart attack at the age of 66. Lucille lived to be 82 years old, and Elise died in 2019 at age 93.

Why elope to Jeffersonville?

You probably won’t have to look far in your own central Kentucky family tree to find an ancestor who eloped to Jeffersonville.

Indiana was considered a hot destination to elope if one lived in the central and northern part of Kentucky. In the late 19th century, Kentucky had stipulations requiring a marriage license and that the couple be 18 years of age or have parental consent.

That was not the case in the Hoosier state where a couple could get married without delay, so long as they could find an officiant to marry them. While “officially” the state had an 18-year-old requirement

for marriage, it was easy to get around. Shrewd entrepreneurs saw an opportunity ... and “marriage mills” began to spring up in several Indiana border towns as early as the 1870s ... and the businessmen themselves became justices of the peace.

The businesses functioned like today’s wedding chapels. Open 24/7, they offered services and amenities a betrothed couple might want or need, such as an onsite marriage license, rings, flowers, clothing and lodging for the wedding night.

In the early days of its matrimonial trade, Jeffersonville businesses drummed up trade by hiring “runners” to meet railroad and steamship passengers that came from Louisville and to hand-out business cards to young love-struck couples. Runners also served as a “witness” who would “swear” to a person being old enough to wed.

As business boomed, runners became more competitive. Some businesses hired women to ride the steamboats from Kentucky to Jeffersonville for the purpose of identifying unwed couples ... getting friendly with them ... and endorsing their employer’s place of business.

Not everyone was enamored with Indiana loose marriage laws. Officials, concerned citizens and religious leaders concerned with sexual immorality, high rates of divorce and sexually transmitted diseases made numerous attempts to tighten the state’s marriage statutes. As early as 1895, legislators tried and failed to pass stricter laws on age and marriage license applications.

During the Great Depression, Indiana’s marriage business suffered. In Jeffersonville, five justices of the peace joined forces to cut costs by opening a combined marriage parlor strategically located close to the new bridge from Louisville. By eliminating competition, the elope-

ment entrepreneurs raised the price of a wedding from \$2.50 to \$3 and no longer needed to hire run-

ners to drum up customers.

All attempts to curtail Indiana’s wedding prac-

tices failed until 1938 when their Supreme Court

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HOUSING

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR:

- Campbellsville Public Housing
- Section 8

Federally subsidized, eligible applicants pay 30% of adjusted income

Housing Counseling Available

For details call: (270) 465-3576 or pickup application packet at 400 Ingram Ave.

EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY

LEGAL NOTICE

TAYLOR COUNTY FISCAL COURT
“ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS”

Windows, Doors, and Railings at Taylor County Courthouse (old Courthouse)

The Taylor County Fiscal Court will receive sealed bids for the following repairs:

Replacement Windows

Replacement Doors

New Railings

Until Friday, July 11, 2025 at 10:00 am. If you have any questions on specifications, please contact the Taylor County Judge Executive’s office during the hours of 8:00am-4:30pm Monday thru Friday at either 270-465-7729 or at 203 North Court Street. The county reserves the right to reject any and all bids for any reason.

Requirement to place bid: Proof of Performance and Payment Bond and bids must be sealed.

TAYLOR COUNTY DISTRICT COURT LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Melvin Roy Mosley of Columbia, Kentucky has qualified as Executor of the Estate of Brenda Parks, of Campbellsville, Kentucky on this day May 19, 2025. All creditors must file claims by November 19, 2025. Fiduciary represented by Hon. John D. Bertram of Campbellsville, Kentucky. Susie Skaggs, Taylor Co. Circuit Court Clerk.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Leslie Ann Corbin, of Campbellsville, Kentucky has qualified as Executrix of the Estate of Vera Bower Ware, of Campbellsville, Kentucky on this day May 20, 2025. All creditors must file claims by November 20, 2025. Fiduciary represented by Hon. John D. Bertram of Campbellsville, Kentucky. Susie Skaggs, Taylor Co. Circuit Court Clerk.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Danny Dale Underwood, Jr., of Columbia, Kentucky has qualified as Executor of the Estate of Danny Dale Underwood, Sr., of Campbellsville, Kentucky on this day May 21, 2025. All creditors must file claims by November 25, 2025. Fiduciary represented by Hon. Nathan Williams of Campbellsville, Kentucky. Susie Skaggs, Taylor Co. Circuit Court Clerk.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Linda McMahon of Campbellsville, Kentucky has qualified as Executrix of the Estate of Eugene McMahon, of Campbellsville, Kentucky on this day May 21, 2025. All creditors must file claims by November 21, 2025. Fiduciary represented by Hon.

John D. Bertram of Campbellsville, Kentucky. Susie Skaggs, Taylor Co. Circuit Court Clerk.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Gregory Johnson and Cynthia Gowen, both of Campbellsville, Kentucky has qualified as Co-Executors of the Estate of David Lewis Johnson, of Campbellsville, Kentucky on this day May 29, 2025. All creditors must file claims by November 29, 2025. Fiduciary represented by Hon. Elmer J. George of Lebanon, Kentucky. Susie Skaggs, Taylor Co. Circuit Court Clerk.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Gregory Johnson and Cynthia Gowen, both of Campbellsville, Kentucky has qualified as Co-Executors of the Estate of Norma Jean Johnson, of Campbellsville, Kentucky on this day May 29, 2025. All creditors must file claims by November 29, 2025. Fiduciary represented by Hon. Elmer J. George of Lebanon, Kentucky. Susie Skaggs, Taylor Co. Circuit Court Clerk.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Willard Wise and Angela Wise, both of Campbellsville, Kentucky, has qualified as Co-Executors of the Estate of Gladys Roberts, of Campbellsville, Kentucky on this day June 5, 2025. All creditors must file claims by December 5, 2025. Fiduciary represented by Hon. John D. Bertram of Campbellsville, Kentucky. Susie Skaggs, Taylor Co. Circuit Court Clerk.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Jenna

Wethington of Campbellsville, Kentucky has qualified as Administratrix of the Estate of Barbara Williams, of Campbellsville, Kentucky on this day June 11, 2025. All creditors must file claims by December 11, 2025. Fiduciary represented by Hon. Wesley E. Bright of Campbellsville, Kentucky. Susie Skaggs, Taylor Co. Circuit Court Clerk.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mary Cox of Lebanon, Kentucky has qualified as Executrix of the Estate of Charles Edward Murphy, of Campbellsville, Kentucky on this day June 17, 2025. All creditors must file claims by December 17, 2025. Fiduciary represented by Hon. Craig Cox of Campbellsville, Kentucky. Susie Skaggs, Taylor Co. Circuit Court Clerk.

William Lee Jacob, Executor of the Estate of Junior Ray Graham Thompson has filed final settlement this May 29, 2025. A hearing for confirmation and approval will be held July 9, 2025. Any exception to such settlement must be filed before that time. Susie Skaggs, Taylor Co. Circuit Court Clerk.

Anthony Glen Willis, Administrator of the Estate of Thyra B. Willis has filed final settlement this June 10, 2025. A hearing for confirmation and approval will be held July 16, 2025. Any exception to such settlement must be filed before that time. Susie Skaggs, Taylor Co. Circuit Court Clerk.

NFHS

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NFHS rules publications,” NFHS Director of Officiating Services Dana Pappas said in a news release. “We want to ensure that high school leaders have easy and reliable access to playing rules and resources, ultimately leading to a better game experience for the millions of student-athletes across the country.”

Developed in partnership with RefReps, an officiating

education technology and curriculum company, this online platform allows users to purchase rules publications in 18 sports displayed in a mobile-friendly format. New features will allow users to customize their publications with bookmarks, highlighting and notes.

“The NFHS has provided the foundation of knowledge for officials and game participants in high school sports nationwide for more than 100 years. We’re proud to partner with them to bring that tradition into a new era,” said Kyle Armstrong, the

founder and CEO of RefReps. “With the launch of NFHS Digital, we’ve applied what we’ve learned to deliver more than just a digital rules book. Alongside the NFHS, we’ve created a powerful technology platform for the future of officiating and rules knowledge across all sports.”

In addition, state associations and officials’ organizations will be able to assign publications to groups of officials, providing quick online access to NFHS rules.

For more information, go to nfhs.org/nfhsdigital.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Lebanon Enterprise newspaper in Lebanon, KY, is seeking a
FULL-TIME REPORTER/PHOTOGRAPHER.

Applicants need to be able to write well-written, interesting, accurate, informative, and timely sports, feature, general news, and hard news stories as assigned. Photograph and process images on deadline that work with written text to illustrate news, sports or feature stories for print and online editions of the newspaper.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- College degree in journalism, English, related field or equivalent experience
- Understanding of journalistic ethics and legal/libel knowledge is helpful
- Effective organizational and time management skills
- Ability to work on tight deadlines
- Good communication skills
- Initiative to pursue news/feature/photo opportunities
- Sharp sense for news photography; keen eye for photos, strong sense of ethics.
- Ability to write effective, accurate cutlines.
- Proven adaptability and initiative.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

- Cover assigned beats and breaking news with timely stories and photos.
- Taking photos and editing them with Adobe Photoshop and offering ideas for page design and performing page design using pagination software.
- Contribute photo ideas daily.
- Develop photo-story projects.
- Participate in news budget meetings, and project planning meetings.
- Process photos for publication using PhotoShop.
- Write effective, accurate cutlines

Interested individuals should send their cover letter and resume’ to
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