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Photo courtesy of Mary Reed Runyon. Taken in beautiful Hatfield, KY, scenes like these can be found in every corner of Hatfield-McCoy feud country

Where Beauty Abides & Hospitality Flows...

When it comes to fun, recreation and scenic locales, Pike County rivals the finest vacation destinations anywhere. The landscape is surrounded by towering mountains with lush foliage and vegetation that provide spectacular views throughout the year.

In Pike County, Kentucky, each season presents its own breathtaking color show. In the spring, the hillsides are a myriad of colors as the dogwoods and redbuds bloom alongside other flowering trees. During summer, the deep green of the trees provides a background for an expanse of wildflowers from jack-in-the-pulpit to wild roses. For fall, the mountains blaze with colors as the green trees give way to leaves of gold, red, copper brown and russet. Finally, in winter, the dauntless, ever-faithful pine trees thrust swords of green through bare trees that glisten with thick blankets of white snow.

For generations Pike County, Pikeville and Eastern Kentucky have been a region rich in history, endurance, unique expression and colorful life styles.

To be a part of the authentic experience of Pike County, come by for an extended visit.



"Where Beauty Abides & Hospitality Flows!"



Photo courtesy of Larry Epling. Taken at Bob Amos Park of Pikeville, KY. Bob Amos Park features a wealth of activities from horseback riding to hiking and biking trails



The City of Pikeville is located in the heart of the central Appalachian Mountains. It is a progressive community that has experienced tremendous growth over the last 10 years, while retaining a warm, small town atmosphere. Each April, over 150,000 people pour into Pikeville for Hillbilly Days, the second largest festival in KY. There are many things to see and do in Pikeville from tours of the Historic Hatfield and McCoy feud to numerous outdoor activities. At Bob Amos Park, visitors enjoy walking, hiking and mountain bike trails, baseball and softball fields, tennis and basketball courts, paintball and our modern R.V. Park. The Bob Amos Equestrian Trail is our newest addition, which features a 2.5-mile cross country trail ride and barn with stables and riding ring. The Hatfield-McCoy River Trail offers canoe, kayak and tube rentals for an 8-mile, family friendly section of the Levisa Fork River that flows through the largest engineering project in the U.S., the Pikeville Cut-Through.

There is no doubt that you will not find a friendlier place than my hometown, Pikeville, KY. We look forward to having you visit with us. - Pikeville City Mayor Frankie Justice



Welcome to Pike County

Pike County is one of the most beautiful places on earth, with inspiring mountaintops nestled among the rhododendrons, wildflowers, giant ferns, dogwoods and redbuds. Pike County offers an abundance of breathtaking views and is a place where deer, bears and elk roam. The Russell Fork River is known around the country as a white water rafting destination. Our great county also boasts the Hatfield-McCoy Trail, the Big Sandy Heritage Museum and two national award-winning exhibits right in the courthouse, the Pike County Heritage Hall and Veterans Hall of Honor.

Simply put, Pike County has something to offer everyone, and with three major highways serving the area, getting here is easy. Come and visit Pike County!

God Bless,

Hon. Wayne T. Rutherford
Pike County Judge-Executive



White water, hiking, biking, horseback riding & more



Thrill seekers from across the country make the trip to the Russell Fork River for extreme white water kayaking

Photo courtesy of Shannon Christy

Parks, Rivers, Lakes & Trails



Russell Fork white water rafting

Russell Fork White Water | Each year, thrill seekers from all around gather to Elkhorn City for an adrenaline rush with Russell Fork white water rafting and kayaking. During the weekends of October you can expect vivid fall colors and various levels of white water rapids, ranging from class II to IV in the upper and lower sections of the

Russell Fork, to the mighty Class III to V white water areas, lovingly known as El Horrendo, Walk the Plank, Fist and so on. With 16 miles of free-flowing white water between Haysi, VA and Elkhorn City, KY, the Russell Fork River is an excellent place to go on an adventure. Russell Fork white water has plenty to offer experienced and novice rafters and kayakers alike, so plan your visit to the Russell Fork rapids today and prepare for unforgettable thrills. Elkhorn City, KY 41522.

(276) 530-7044 or RussellFork.info



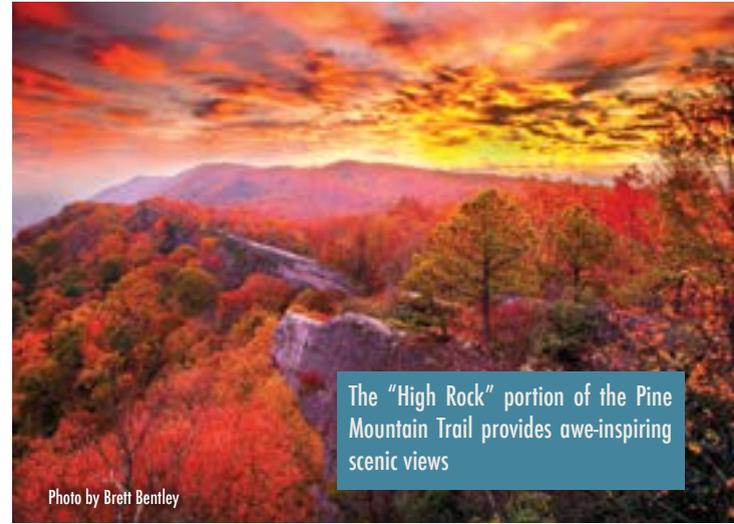
Entrance to the "Climax" section of the Russell Fork white water rapids

The Russell Fork River | For those who wish to take a more casual stroll down the river, the Russell Fork is as relaxing as it is fierce. A significant portion of the river is perfect for a calm kayaking and canoeing experience year round. Elkhorn City, KY 41522.

(276) 530-7044 or RussellFork.info



Kayaking on the Russell Fork River



The "High Rock" portion of the Pine Mountain Trail provides awe-inspiring scenic views

Photo by Brett Bentley

Pine Mountain Trail | The Pine Mountain State Scenic Trail will be utilized as a segment of the proposed Great Eastern Trail that will link existing trails in the Appalachian Mountains into a new, long distance trail stretching ultimately from Alabama to New York. Due to its location in the more remote areas of the Appalachians, hikers can expect a more primitive back country experience, providing an alternative to the relatively crowded Appalachian Trail. There are over 65 miles of beautiful trails for hikers to enjoy, complete with two shelters which can be found along the Highlands section for use by backpackers. Carson Island Road, Elkhorn City, KY 41522. TourPikeCounty.com/Pine-Mountain-Trail

Pike County Horse Trail System | The beautiful Pike County Horse Trail System features a series of interconnected trails that make for a truly unique experience. Twice a year, Pike County holds an official trail ride that draws hundreds of horseback riding enthusiasts with their horses in tow into the beautiful mountains of Pike County for a day of fun. Aside from designated hunting seasons, the trail is open year-round. 2028 Lick Creek Road Lick Creek, KY 41544. (800) 844-7453



Pike County Horse Trail System



tubing down the Big Sandy River

Hatfield-McCoy River Trails | Each weekend, April through October, Hatfield-McCoy River Trails offers a wide assortment of outdoor activities for individuals and groups. Stop by the Pikeville Pond for a relaxing ride on a paddle boat or grab a tube and float down Pikeville's own "lazy river." Bob Amos Drive Pikeville, KY 41501. (800) 844-7453 or fb.com/HatfieldMcCoyRiverTrails

Parks, Rivers, Lakes & Trails cont.



Bob Amos Park Complex is a wonderful place to enjoy the scenery

Bob Amos Park | Bob Amos Park is the number one outdoor recreational park in Eastern KY. With several miles of walking, hiking and mountain biking trails, six tennis courts, two softball and baseball fields, two basketball courts, a paintball court, walking track, modern RV park, soccer complex and special needs accessible playground, Bob Amos Park is one of Kentucky's most versatile outdoor recreation

centers. New for 2014 is the Bob Amos equestrian park, featuring a 19-stall barn, ADA accessible riding ring and 2.5 mile cross country-riding trail. Horseback riding rentals are also available. Also new for 2014 is a single-track primitive hiking trail that stretches for several miles. Bob Amos Park is conveniently located within five miles of your favorite hotel lodging. 424 Bob Amos Dr. Pikeville, KY 41501. (800) 844-7453



A perfect view of the world's second largest earth removal project, the Pikeville Cut-Through

Breaks Interstate Park | Known as "The Grand Canyon of the South", Breaks Interstate Park is home to a 180 million year old, 1650 foot deep canyon that is the largest canyon east of the Mississippi. The Breaks Park contains more than 13 miles of hiking trails with various degrees of difficulty. For those of you who enjoy a day out on the water, visit the Breaks Interstate Park's Laurel Lake, a 12 acre stretch of clear blue water, or the 2 acre Beaver Pond, both stocked to the gills with a flourishing population of bass and bluegill. Rent a pedal boat and take your family out on the lake for a day of relaxation or enjoy an exhilarating day at the new water park. There is a wealth of things to see and do at the Breaks Interstate Park, so while visiting Pike County, make sure you pay nature a visit!



Photos courtesy of Breaks Interstate Park



Scenic locales at Breaks Interstate Park

627 Commission Cir.
Breaks, VA 24607.
(276) 865-4413 or
BreaksPark.com



Grants Branch Park provides visitors a perfect place to relax and have fun with friends and family

Grants Branch Park | This one-of-a-kind, 11.3 acre body of fresh water is the site of a former coal slurry impoundment. In the late 1990's, the property was donated to Pike County after all environmental and safety conditions set forth by regulators were met or exceeded. Grants Branch Park now features two large shelters complete with cookers, pure water stocked full of fish, a large pre-cut cabin, a nature trail, and a handicap accessible fishing pier. 50 Grants Branch, Pinesfork, KY 41555. (606) 353-3825



Grants Branch Park's large pre-cut cabin is available for reservation, perfect for weddings and parties

Fishtrap Lake State Park | Fishtrap Lake provides a multitude of activities for the casual and serious outdoors enthusiast. When hunting season is in full swing, expect to find plenty of deer, fall turkey and more. During the summer recreation season, the lake is 16.5 miles long and has a surface area of 1,131 acres. Come and enjoy boating, skiing, hiking, fishing, camping and picnicking. 2204 Fishtrap Rd. Shelbiana, KY 41562. (606) 437-7496



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Enjoy the perfect outdoor experience

Outdoor Activities



YMCA offers the thrill of paintball with causal play and leagues

YMCA Paintball | The YMCA of Pikeville offers plenty of thrills all year round with paintball. Open Saturdays, 11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Sundays from 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. you and your friends can do battle on the YMCA's enclosed paintball course. Paintball guns and equipment are available for rental. Call for sanctioned paintball league play dates and times. 424 Bob Amos Dr. Pikeville, KY 41501. (606) 433-9622

Elk Viewing | Over 6000 elk can be found within a 13-county area in eastern Kentucky. Pike County is home to a significant portion of these elk, with a thriving population that can be found throughout several different locations. Visitors increase their chances of discovering elk during the early morning hours, so grab your camera and binoculars and plan your trip today! (800) 844-7453



Pike County features a large elk population

Elk Run Golf Course | Nothing beats a relaxing day out on the course. Elk Run Golf Course is the place to be for 18 holes of relaxation, competition and fun. Hone your skills on this challenging public golf course that is surrounded by picturesque mountainous beauty. Enjoy a fully stocked pro shop, snack bar and practice green. Club Rental is available as well, simply give Elk Run Golf Course a call and they will take care of all your needs. 26 Hurts Branch Rd. Pikeville, KY 41501. (606) 437-0339 or ElkRunGC.com



Elk Run Golf Course offers 18 challenging holes of golf

Hatfield McCoy GeoTrail | Geocachers who would like to go on an scenic adventure will find the wildly popular Hatfield McCoy GeoTrail to be the perfect destination for GPS treasure hunting. With hundreds of caches scattered about a variety of locations, from elegant historic downtown areas to beautiful outdoor wildernesses, Pike County is a geocaching hotspot for those who wish to add a heavy dose of nature to their hunt. Caches are available at varying difficulties, give us a call for details. (800) 844-7453 or HatfieldMcCoyGeotrail.com



Geocaching in Pike County is a scenic adventure



Some of Kentucky's Best Festivals & Events...



Pike County Horse Trail Ride



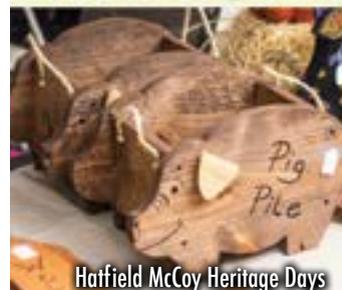
Hillbilly Days



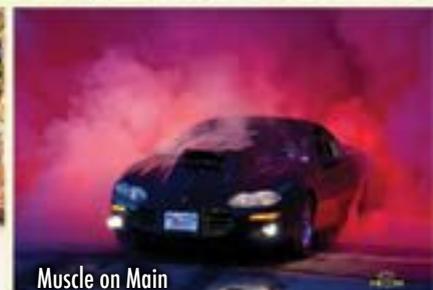
Bushwhacking on the Russell Fork



Russell Fork White Water



Hatfield McCoy Heritage Days



Muscle on Main

Are Found in Pike County

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The Big Sandy Heritage Center features life-like mannequins of feudists Randolph McCoy and "Devil Anse" Hatfield

Museums

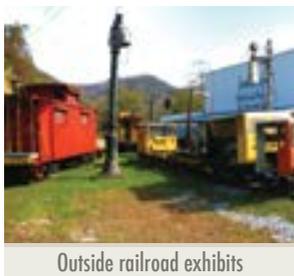


Daniel Boone mannequin

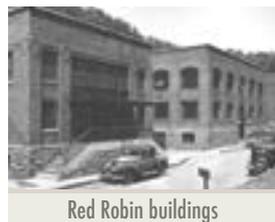
773 Hambley Blvd. Pikeville, KY 41501. (606) 218-6050 or BigSandyHeritage.org

Big Sandy Heritage Center | There is a wealth of history to be discovered at the Big Sandy Heritage Center. Come and see the tools utilized by our ancestors to tame the wilds of Appalachia. Meet Randolph McCoy and "Devil Anse" Hatfield (or at least their mannequins) and learn of the trouble between their two families that entralls America to this day. See items from the Civil War era and hear the stories that shaped our country.

Elkhorn City Railroad Museum | Train lovers of all ages will enjoy the more than 1000 pieces of railroad memorabilia featured at the Railroad Museum, including two cabooses, velocipedes, motor cars, antique uniforms and equipment. Each item tells a colorful story of the railroad industry's illustrious past. 100 Pine St, Elkhorn City, KY 41522. (606) 754-8300



Outside railroad exhibits



Red Robin buildings

Stone Heritage Museum | Featuring a wide variety of artifacts from Appalachian history, such as old photographs, artwork, mining memorabilia, publications, baseball items, antiques and much more. 1355 Pond Creek Rd., Pikeville, KY 41567. (606) 237-5100, (606) 237-6099 or StoneHeritageInc.org



Photo courtesy of Larry Epling

Each Memorial Day weekend, Elkhorn City hosts one of Kentucky's fastest growing Civil War reenactments, Bushwhacking on the Russel Fork

Historic Locales

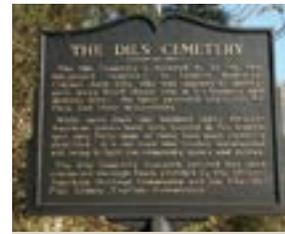
Civil War Sites | Pike County is rich in Civil War history. Colonel James A. Garfield, the 20th President of the United States, was sworn in as Brigadier General in the Union Army at the Pikeville City Park in January of 1862 by Squire Charles of Pike County. Kentucky was a hotly contested territory during the Civil War, and our county has many tales to tell concerning the conflict that hewed our nation in two. (606) 218-6050



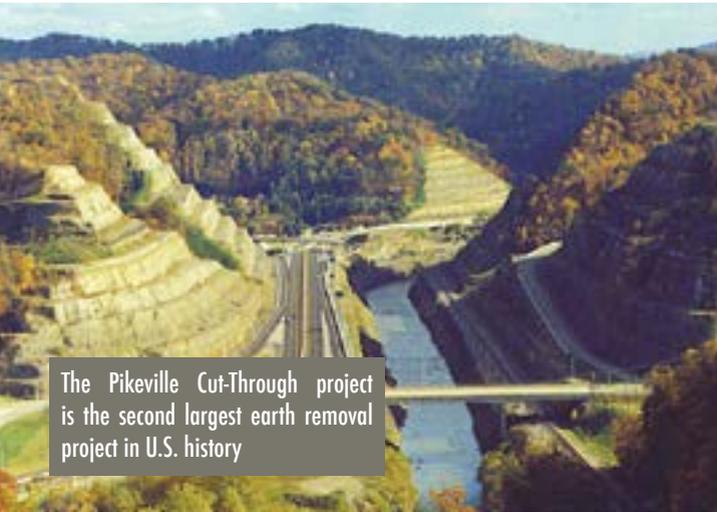
James A. Garfield

Unknown Soldiers Grave | Located on KY Rt. 80, in close vicinity to the Breaks Interstate Park, is the site of where an unknown Confederate soldier was laid to rest. The Unknown Soldier, who is honored alongside his comrades and Union enemies each year during the Bushwhacking on the Russel Fork Civil War reenactment, was slain in May of 1865. KY Rt. 80, Elkhorn City, KY 41522

Historic Dils Cemetery | While by its nature a somber place to visit, the Dils Cemetery is a must see destination for lovers of history. The Dils Cemetery is listed on the National Register of Historic Places as part of the Hatfield-McCoy Feud Historic District. Prominent members of the McCoy family, including Randolph McCoy, are buried at the cemetery. It is also the first known cemetery in Eastern Kentucky to be fully integrated. If you decide to go on the Hatfield-McCoy Driving Tour, or simply enjoy history, take a trip to the Dils Cemetery while you visit. 104 Chloe Rd., Pikeville, KY 41501. (800) 844-7453



Dils Cemetery



The Pikeville Cut-Through project is the second largest earth removal project in U.S. history

Historic Locales cont.

Pikeville Cut-Through and Scenic Overlook: An Engineering Marvel | The Pikeville Cut-Through Project is an astonishing engineering wonder that has been called “the eighth wonder of the world” by The New York Times. Spearheaded by former Mayor William C. Hambley, the Pikeville Cut-Through Project officially began in November of 1973 with the purpose of relieving the barrage of flooding that the City of Pikeville experienced each year prior. The Cut-Through Project also provided the City of Pikeville with more room for development, due to the



Dr. William C. Hambley

relocation of the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River away from downtown Pikeville, and relieved the City of congestion caused by the railroad and the three major highways that passed through it.

The Cut-Through Project was completed in four phases spanning 14 years and cost approximately \$80 million. The project created a three-quarter-mile-long channel through Peach Orchard Mountain, in order to provide a path for railroad tracks, the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River and U.S. Highway 23, 460, 119 and KY 80. A total of 18 million cubic yards of earth were moved during the entire project which filled the empty riverbed, creating a total of 400 acres of usable land for Pikeville City’s expansion. The Pikeville Cut-Through Project is a unique engineering feat that provides a shining example of cooperation among agencies on a federal, state and local level.



Dr. Hambley Memorial

The Pikeville Cut-Through project was a huge accomplishment for former Mayor William C. Hambley. Because of his unsurpassed leadership quality and ability to bring together over 20 federal, state and local agencies to accomplish this lofty goal, a monument was erected in the Pikeville City Park as a tribute to the man who moved a mountain, Mayor William C. Hambley.



Hatfield-McCoy River Trails, Pikeville

Located on Bob Amos Drive, the Cut-Through overlook sits atop a majestic mountain surrounded by beautiful scenery and the Bob Amos Park, which features a rubberized oval walking track, hiking trail, horseshoe arena area, tennis courts, basketball courts, soccer fields, baseball fields, and a YMCA. Hatfield-McCoy River Trails is also located near the overlook and on weekends features canoeing, paddle boating, tubing, as well as a paintball field. For a day of fun, consider having a picnic at the Cut-Through and plan for an enjoyable day of lush scenery and outdoor adventure. 424 Bob Amos Dr. Pikeville, KY 41501. (800) 844-7453

Historic Downtown Pikeville Walking Tour | The City of Pikeville features five wonderful districts that are listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Pike County visitors and locals can often be found taking a leisurely stroll down Main Street, taking in the classic beauty of downtown Pikeville and enjoying our hometown atmosphere. Main Street, Pikeville, KY 41501. (800) 844-7453



Photo (left) courtesy of Larry Epling.



City of Pikeville downtown locales



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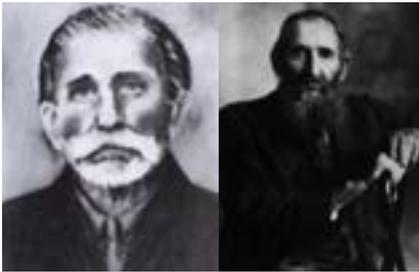


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National Geographic Channel's "Diggers" found many artifacts, such as bullets, at the Randolph McCoy homeplace in Blackberry, KY

Historic Locales cont.



Randolph McCoy and "Devil" Anse Hatfield

Hatfield-McCoy Feud Sites & Audio Driving Tour | Explore the historic sites of "America's Most Famous Feud" with the Hatfield-McCoy Audio Driving Tour. Visit the actual locations of the feud that almost led to an all-out war between Kentucky and West Virginia.

The Hatfield-McCoy Driving Tour Guide CD is a perfect companion for this historical adventure as it provides you a detailed map of the feud sites, high quality narration for each site as well as historical background. There is no better time than today to learn about one of history's most interesting and dangerous tales. Plan your Hatfield-McCoy Tour today! 831 Hambley Blvd. Pikeville, KY 41501. (800) 844-7453

Hatfield and McCoy Feud Guided Tour | Pike County Tourism CVB is providing guided tours of the Hatfield-McCoy City feud sites, lead by tour guides, some of which were featured on the History Channel documentary "America's Feud: Hatfields & McCoys". These tours give visitors an opportunity to ask questions and learn more about the feud while seeing many significant feud locations. Each tour lasts approximately two hours. Seating availability is limited for each tour. 831 Hambley Blvd. Pikeville, KY 41501. TourPikeCounty.com/Hatfields_and_Mccoy. (800) 844-7453



Tour the Pikeville City Feud Sites

Historic Pauley Bridge | The beautiful Pauley Bridge is a classic bridge that provides a serene view of the Big Sandy River, and is a popular spot for visitors to get a photo or take a short walk. This wooden bridge is now closed to vehicular traffic, but is still intact and makes for beautiful



Pauley Bridge is a great place for photos

photos. It spans the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River. At one time, before the development of the Pauley Addition, the bridge ran from South Mayo Trail to a vacant area. This earned it a place in Ripley's Believe It Or Not as "the bridge that went nowhere." Pauley Bridge, Pikeville, KY 41501



Snivley Chapel

Snivley Chapel | Built in 1853 on land obtained from Martin and Sarah Lesley, Snivley Chapel is the oldest church building in Pike County. Reverend W. J. Snivley, for whom the church was named, was serving as minister for the church's congregation, which had been meeting in various locations prior to its construction. Commune

with history today! 9807 Highway 194 West Pikeville, KY 41501. (800) 844-7453

Veteran's Hall of Honor and Heritage Hall | The Veteran's Hall of Honor is an award-winning exhibit that was established by the Pike County Fiscal Court to honor those who defend our country's freedom. The exhibit showcases war memorabilia contributed by Pike County veterans, as well as flags representing each branch of the United States Armed Forces and a database of almost 500 individuals who have served our country's military. The Heritage Hall, which neighbors the Veteran's Hall of Honor, spotlights Appalachian culture with unique memorabilia from our county's rich past. Pike County's prehistory (Native Americans), agriculture, industry, politics, famous people, law enforcement, coal mining memorabilia and much more are on display. 146 Main St., Pikeville, KY 41501. (606) 432-6289



Veteran's Hall of Honor

Historic Locales cont. & Genealogy Research

Pike County Courthouse | Employees of the Pike County Courthouse have a passion for preserving our County's rich history. Our courthouse contains massive volumes of records that have been meticulously maintained and kept in perfect order. These records include copies of marriage licenses, deeds and much more, all available for a nominal fee.



Pike County Courthouse

Stop by the Pike County Courthouse and learn the interesting stories of our ancestors today. 146 Main St., Pikeville, KY 41501. (606) 437-7496



Arrest warrant for Anderson Hatfield

Pikeville Public Library | The Pikeville Public Library offers a wide variety of media that tell the stories of Pike County's history. Pikeville Public Library features a Kentucky section with hundreds of books about the people, places and families of Pike County. Also available is a large database containing marriages, birth and

death dates, as well as microfilm machines containing historic copies of the Appalachian News-Express, and a computer lab with subscriptions to ancestry.com. When it comes to genealogy research, a visit to the Pikeville Public Library is essential. (606) 432-1285

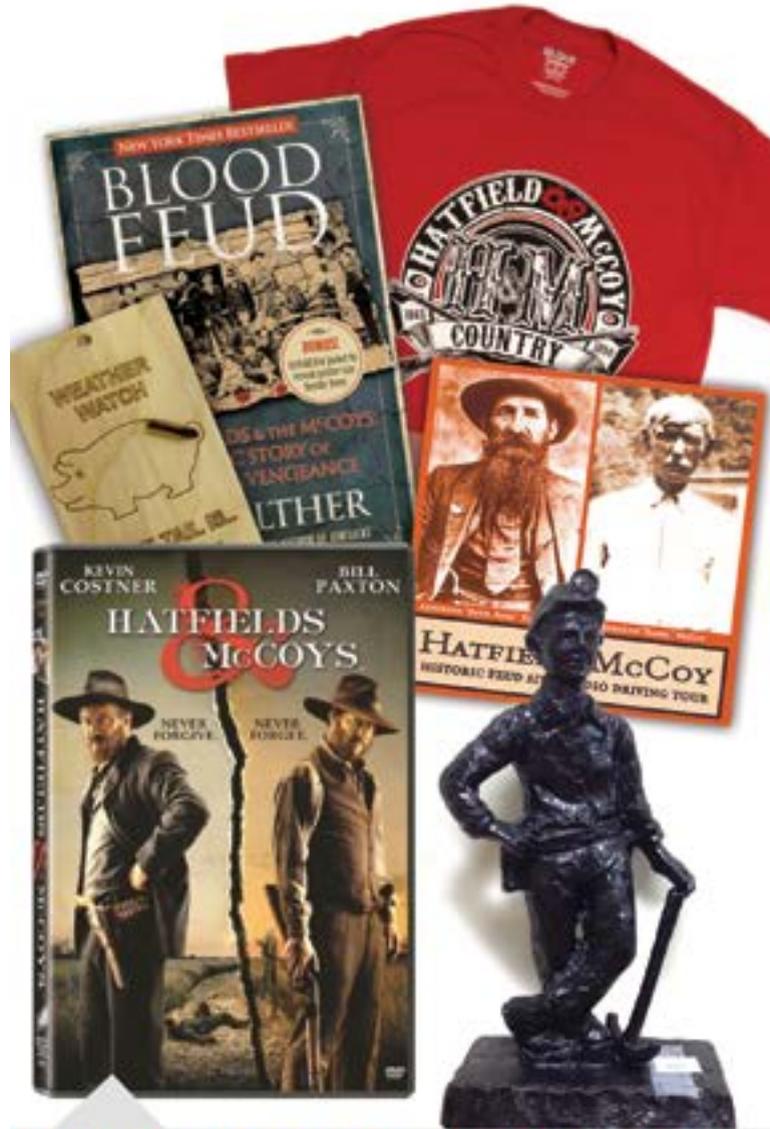
Randolph McCoy Well | One of the Hatfield-McCoy Feud Tour's most important sites, the Randolph McCoy homeplace features the well where the McCoy family drew water, as well as an outline of where the McCoy cabin once stood, before the Hatfields attacked and burnt it to the ground. National Geographic Channel's "Diggers" explored the property and found many artifacts that most likely came from the attack that claimed so many McCoy lives. Visitors are welcome to come and discover for themselves how the infamous attack may have come about, and see the beautiful property that was once home to the McCoy clan. 4087 US Hwy. 319, Hardy, KY 41531. (800) 844-7453 or TourPikeCounty.com



Allara Library

Allara Library, University of Pikeville | Allara Library of the University of Pikeville contains a sizeable collection of books, microfilm, census records, family histories and much more. Staff are also available to answer all your questions concerning how to conduct research and where to find information about your family history. 147 Sycamore St., Pikeville, KY 41501. (606) 218-5617

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ACT features a variety of shows throughout the year, ranging from musicals to drama and comedy

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Live Entertainment



Blood Song: Story of the Hatfields and the McCoy's

Artists Collaborative Theatre inc. (ACT) | Artists Collaborative Theatre is one of Kentucky's most successful community theatres, taking home top accolades each year and winning more awards than any other community theatre in the state. The theatre's mission is not only to entertain, but to educate the Appalachian region in all aspects of the performing arts. Their most recent hit

production *Blood Song: The Story of the Hatfields and the McCoy's* by Chelsea Marcantel is considered the most historically accurate portrayal of the feud, and is performed not only at their theater in Elkhorn City, but also at the new Hatfield McCoy Park in McCarr, KY, where the feud actually took place. 207 N. Patty Loveless Drive, Elkhorn City, KY 41522. (606) 754-4228 or Act4.org

Main Street Live | It is no wonder that the Appalachian Mountains have yielded so many monumental artists, as music is not only a treasured pastime to our people, but it is the very foundation of our culture. It was not uncommon for families to gather together on the front porch after a long day of hard work to sing and play mountain music long into the evening. On the first and third Friday



Main Street Live features diverse genres of music, from bluegrass to country, gospel and rock

of each month, from June 1st through October 1st, visitors can enjoy the music of the mountains from a wide variety of genres at Main Street Live. Each Main Street Live event is held on Pikeville Main Street, Pikeville City. 126 Main Street, Pikeville, KY 41501. (606) 444-5284 or (800) 899-2489



The Eastern Kentucky Exposition Center brings big shows, nationally known talent, sporting events and conventions to Pike County

Eastern Kentucky Exposition Center | From family friendly shows such as Disney on Ice and the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus, to thrilling rodeos, wrestling events, concerts and more, the Eastern Kentucky Expo Center provides a spectacular variety of entertainment for the young and the young at heart. This multi-purpose facility regularly features critically acclaimed entertainment, such as Carrie Underwood, Darius Rucker, The Band Perry, Billy Currington, Brantley Gilbert, Lynyrd Skynyrd, Tim McGraw, Sugarland, Larry the Cable Guy, Sinbad, WWE and TNA wrestling, and many more. The East Kentucky



Tim McGraw at the Expo



The Expo features a variety of sporting events

Expo Center is also home to a wide variety of sporting events too, such as BMX, mixed martial arts, monster trucks and the 2011 NAIA basketball National Champions, the University of Pikeville Bears. With a variety of special events throughout the year, be sure to reserve your tickets soon and enjoy top quality shows by today's hottest entertainers and talent. 126 Main Street Pikeville, KY 41501. (606) 444-5500 or EastKyExpo.com

Bear O'Fair Project | The Bear O'Fair Project features hand painted bears that have been placed throughout Pikeville City. Each bear has their own colorful character that makes them unique, such as Hillbilly Bear, Astro Bear, Coal Miner Bear and more. Get your map at Pike County Tourism CVB and see how many of these wonderful bears you can find. 831 Hambley Blvd., Pikeville, KY 41501. (800) 844-7453

Crafts, Music & Culture



Country music legends
Dwight Yoakam and Patty Loveless

US 23 Country Music Highway | Pike County's musical culture is the stuff of legend. Being home to widely known multi-award winning superstars such as Patty Loveless, Molly O'Day and Dwight Yoakam, and neighboring the home place of the queen of country music, Loretta Lynn, Pike County houses a hotbed of talent that has defined and redefined music over the past several decades. Music is a way of life in Pike County, and with so many stars rising from the beautiful mountains of Eastern Kentucky, there is no wonder that US 23 has been officially titled "Country Music Highway." Join the thousands of travelers each year that make the pilgrimage to these beautiful places that so many country music superstars call home and take with you cherished memories that will last a lifetime and more. **KY US 23.**

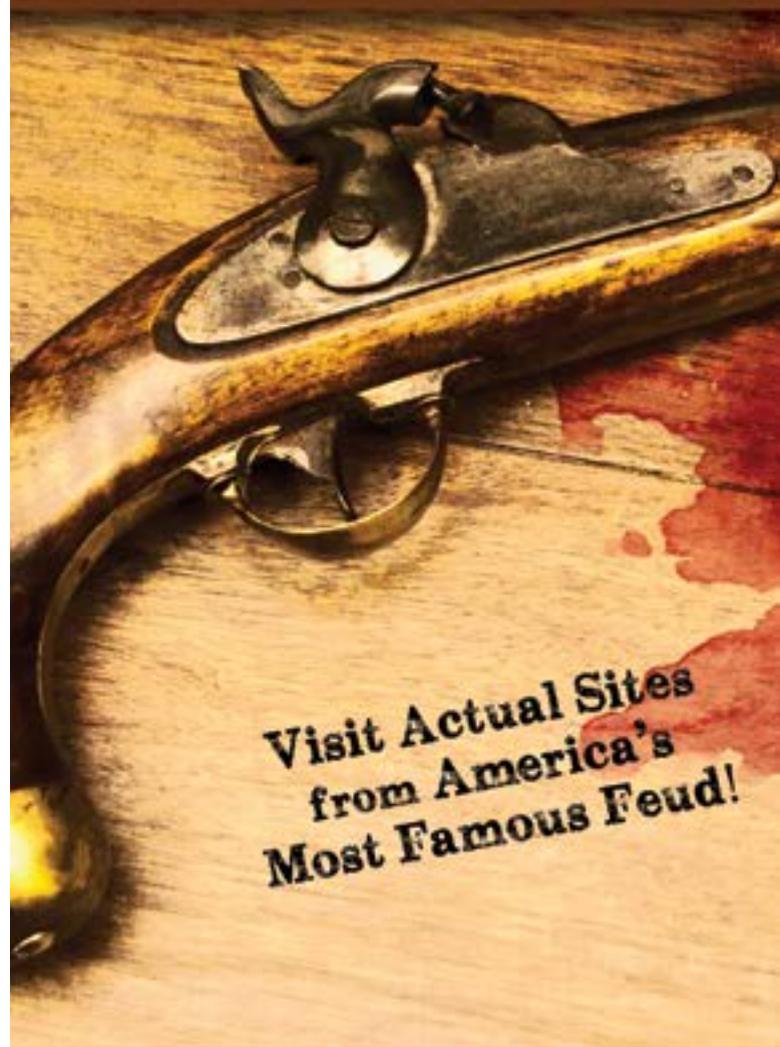
Jenny Wiley Theatre | One of Eastern Kentucky's most beloved theatres is coming to Pikeville City in 2014. Featuring professional talent, Jenny Wiley Theatre is known for its mastery of a wide range of theatre classics such as *Annie*, *Oliver*, *The Sound of Music*, *Peter Pan* and *Grease*, as well as new favorites such as *FEUD Part 1: The Story of Johnse Hatfield and Roseanna McCoy*. 2014 will also see the continuation of the FEUD story with *FEUD Part 2: Firebrand - The untold story of Tolbert McCoy*, as well as a follow up to *Church Basement Ladies*, one of their most popular comedies, with *A Second Helping: the Church Basement Ladies Sequel*. Jenny Wiley Theatre also provides educational opportunities to help further enrich Eastern Kentucky's already thriving talent pool. Be sure to purchase tickets early to these critically acclaimed shows, as they sell out quickly. **Corner of 2nd and Division Streets, Downtown Pikeville, KY 41501. (606) 886-9274 or JWTheatre.com**



Jenny Wiley Theatre's popular play "FEUD Part 1: The Story of Johnse Hatfield and Roseanna McCoy" by Michael Ross Albert

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Carnivals, car shows, motorcycles, food, live music



Hillbilly Days takes place each year in April, and is Kentucky's second largest festival

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January-December

Artists Collaborative Theatre inc. (ACT) | Artists Collaborative Theatre features 13 critically acclaimed productions each year with an award-winning cast of local talent. 207 N. Patty Loveless Drive, Elkhorn City, KY 41522. (606) 754-4228 or Act4.org

Eastern Kentucky Exposition Center | The Eastern Kentucky Expo Center hosts concerts and events from nationally known talent throughout the year, including motorsports events, professional wrestling, cultural events and conventions. 126 Main Street, Pikeville, KY 41501. (606) 444-5500 or EastKyExpo.com

April

Hillbilly Days | For more than 35 years, Pike County has been home to one of the most outrageous festivals in America, Hillbilly Days. With goofy outfits, crazy hillbilly limousines, and a host of interesting characters, this is one festival you cannot miss. Hillbilly Days is a fundraiser to benefit the Shriners Hospital for Children in Lexington, Kentucky. Downtown Pikeville, KY 41501. (800) 844-7453 or HillBillyDays.com

May-October

Muscle on Main | Three time award-winning Muscle on Main is a two day event that features high powered hot rods and classic cars. Scheduled for the second weekend of each month, May through October, MoM begins with a Friday night block party with food and live music, from 6-10:00 p.m., followed by a cruise-in on Saturday afternoons on Main Street, Pikeville, and drag racing in the Riverfill at 6:00 p.m. Main Street Pikeville, KY 41501. (606) 424-6403 or MuscleOnMain.com



See hot rods, classic cars, drag racing and more

Farmer's Market | Arrive early for your pick from a variety of fresh produce grown by regional farmers. No preservatives, no additives, just fresh vegetables. Stop by the Farmer's Market, open every Wednesday and Saturday, May through October. 148 Trivet Drive, Pikeville KY 41501. (606) 432-2534



Fresh produce is available at the Farmer's Market

May

Apple Blossom Festival | Celebrating the glory of springtime, the Apple Blossom Festival features craft booths, music, local art, delicious food and the awe-inspiring beauty of the Appalachian mountains. Come and see the wonderful dogwood and redbud in full bloom. Elkhorn City, KY 41522. (800) 844-7453 or ElkhornCity.org

Bushwhacking on the Russell Fork | Memorial Day Weekend brings Civil War enthusiasts from all over to Pike County for Bushwhacking on the Russell Fork. Come and see Civil War era attire, weapons and tools, and learn the stories of the war that ripped our nation in two from those who lived it. Elkhorn City, KY 41522. (606) 424-6132 or TourPikeCounty.com/Bushwhacking-on-the-Russell-Fork/

Pike County Horse Trail Spring Ride | Each Spring and Fall, riders come into Lick Creek by the hundreds for a trail ride at the scenic Pike County Horse Trail System. The Spring trail ride is scheduled for May, feel free to call for date and times. 2028 Lick Creek Road, Lick Creek, KY 41544. (800) 844-7453

June



The Marrowbone Junction, Pike County

Annual Shelbiana Railroad Reunion | Commemorating the C&O Railroad and honoring its retired employees, the Shelbiana Railroad Reunion is a chance for old friends to get together and reminisce about the glory days of the Railroad

industry. Join us on the last Saturday in June as we celebrate our railroad heritage with live music, old photos, great food, railroad exhibits and fond memories. Grace Baptist Church, 160 Grace Trail, Pikeville, KY 41502. (800) 844-7453

Hatfield-McCoy Marathon & Half Marathon | Marathon runners have plenty to be excited about with the Hatfield-McCoy Marathon. From the 26.2 and 13.1 mile runs to the kid's Once Around The Block Mini Marathon, the Hatfield-McCoy Marathon has options for all ages. 28093 US Highway 119, South Williamson, KY 41503. (606) 257-5026 or HatfieldMcCoyMarathon.com

July



Hillbilly Christmas In July's efforts are focused on bettering children's lives

Randy Jones Memorial Ride for the Kids | Take part in a Harley Davidson motorcycle ride like none other! Organized by Hillbilly Christmas In July, a local organization that raises funds for the Shriners Hospital for Children in Lexington, Kentucky, the Randy Jones Memorial Ride for the Kids is your opportunity to enjoy the open road with all your buddies, and give to a great cause that helps many children from our area get the medical assistance they need. The day before the ride, there will be live music, refreshments and fun for the

whole family at the local Harley-Davidson of Pikeville. See the website for details on dates and times. 190 South Mayo Trail, Pikeville, KY 41501. (606) 433-5807 or HillbillyChristmasInJuly.org

July Jam | Featuring local and nationally known Christian rock bands, July Jam is more than just a rock concert, its an experience that will change your life. Visit the website for more information on artists, dates and times. The concert is free and open to anyone to enjoy, so come and take in the beautiful weather and great music. Pikeville City, Pikeville, KY 41501. (800) 844-7453 or JulyJam.org



July Jam combines fast paced rock music with a spirit that changes lives

September



Hatfield McCoy Heritage Days features a variety of events with a feud theme

Hatfield and McCoy Heritage Days | The feud is over, let the fun begin! Hatfield and McCoy Heritage Days is coming to Pikeville and Pike County, Kentucky, Labor Day weekend. Expect plenty of friends, food, and fun during this highly anticipated event. You don't have to be a Hatfield or a McCoy to attend, everyone is welcome!

Craftsmen will be displaying their skill during the event, with basket weaving demonstrations, a quilt showcase and more. Music lovers will enjoy a special concert at the Eastern Kentucky Expo Center, a gospel sing and three stages of music featuring local artists. Come and immerse yourself in history, outdoor adventure, crafts and more! Pike County and Pikeville City, KY 41501. (800) 844-7453

Tri-State Gospel Sing | Enjoy an assortment of gospel's most talented artists with the Tri-State Gospel Sing, Labor Day weekend. Call for details on schedule and featured artists. 627 Commission Cir. Breaks, VA 24607. (276) 865-4413

October



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Pond Creek Reunion, Stone Kentucky

Pond Creek Reunion Open House | The Pond Creek Reunion Open House gives visitors a chance to meet new people, reconnect with old friends and see artifacts drawn from America's illustrious history. Mark your calendar for this wonderful event, we hope to meet you there. 1355 Pond Creek Road, Pikeville, KY 41567. (606) 237-5100, (606) 237-6099 or StoneHeritageInc.org

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Russell Fork White Water Rafting & Kayaking | Every Saturday and Sunday during the month of October, thrill-seekers from across the nation come to the Russell Fork River for white water rafting and kayaking in the beautiful Appalachian mountains. Located in the Elkhorn City and the Breaks Interstate Park area, the



Russell Fork white water ranges from class II to beyond class IV

Russell Fork River provides rafters and kayakers with varying degrees of challenge, from class II and below to class IV or higher rapids. Bring your gear and prepare for an outdoor adventure like none other! 2204 Fishtrap Rd. Shelbiana, KY 41562. (606) 754-5080 or RussellFork.info

November & December

Holiday Season Events | When the holiday season arrives, Pike County lights up with celebration. During this time of year, Pikeville Medical Center hosts a "Winter Wonderland", complete with a nativity scene and live animals. Also each year, Artists Collaborative Theatre in Elkhorn City produces a holiday special with an award-winning cast that will delight you with wonderful music and holiday cheer. Call or visit our website today and learn what is being offered this holiday season!

(800) 844-7453 or TourPikeCounty.com



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