

9th District News & Notes Newsletter

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Police Body Cameras Update



Dear 9th District Neighbor,

Recent events have led to calls nationwide for more cameras worn by police officers. Lexington Police began exploring body cameras in 2013. Multiple cameras were tested in 2014 and 2015. Lexington Police have been monitoring national activity and body-worn camera trends over the past two years. To date, little re-

search is available to help law enforcement decide whether and how to implement the use of body-worn cameras. <u>But the related concerns and questions are many</u>.

I applaud Chief Barnard and Lexington Police for not rushing into a program that is complex in nature and very expensive. The recent emergence of police body-worn cameras has already had a impact on policing across the country and the



impact will only increase as more departments adopt the emerging technology. Clearly, once a police agency goes down the road of deploying such technology—and the public comes to expect the availability of the video records—it will become increasingly difficult to scale back such a program. There are many factors to consider and lessons to be learned, including the challenges of developing sound policies and practices and implementing effective training while being sensitive to related privacy concerns and efficiently handling the massive file storage that is needed and open records requests that come with such a program.

Training for Lexington officers and sergeants in Patrol and Special Operations will likely occur this June with gradual deployment also starting in June and a rollout of approximately one-hundred (100) cameras at a time to evaluate the impact on infrastructure. I will keep you updated as events warrant.



Lexington Police <u>Mounted Patrol</u> Officers demonstrated the use of police horses at the Rolex 3-Day event this past weekend.

Extra Police Patrol. Lexington Police have recently been conducting extra patrols related to car break-ins in the 9th District. The patrols occurred around the clock over a period of approximately one month. During the extra patrols, officers located a male subject trying to open doors on Halifax and also performed field investigations on four individuals on Twain Ridge. With the warmer weather now here, please keep an eye out for any suspicious activity and ALWAYS report it to Police at (859) 258-3600. The extra Police patrols will continue on the third shift (10 p.m. to 6 a.m.), but unfortunately, some neighbors continue to leave their vehicles unlocked and leave valuables in plain view. This only serves to encourage such criminal activity and attracts the wouldbe thieves to our neighborhoods. Don't make it easy for them— LOCK YOUR DOORS AND DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES IN PLAIN VIEW.

Parks & Recreation. With warm weather now here, Parks & Recreation offers a variety of outdoor programs and activities that will appeal to all ages. Learn more about swim lessons, pool passes, summer camps, and more by <u>clicking here</u>. Get out and play!

My best always,

Councilmember Jennifer Mossotti represents the 9th Council District of Lexington, which is comprised of a portion of Clemons Heights/Clemons Grove, and Copper Run, Copperfield, Higbee Mill, Magnolia Run, Monticello, Pickway Corner, Plantation, Robinwood, Southpoint, Stonewall Community, Stonewall Equestrian, Wellington, Willow Bend, Willow Oak, Wyndham Downs, Wyndham Meadows, and Wyndham Ridge neighborhoods. She and her husband Ron have lived in the 9th District for the past 35 years. For more information, visit: <u>http://www.lexingtonky.gov/index.aspx?page=364</u>



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Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government

Jim Gray Mayor

May 2, 2016

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Homelessness declining in Lexington; local investments paying off

Homelessness has declined more than 26 percent in Lexington since 2014 and chronic

homelessness has been cut in half according to data released today by the city's Office of Homelessness

Prevention & Intervention.

"These data show our major investments in homelessness and affordable housing are making an impact," Mayor Jim Gray said. "We still have much work to do, but Lexington is on the right path to ensure this is a Great American City, where everyone can find access to affordable housing and the necessary supports and opportunities to thrive."

Data released today is from the 2016 Point In Time

Late-breaking news

Mayor Gray announced the city learned this morning that Lexington has received a \$333,323 federal grant for Rapid Rehousing, rental assistance to help people leave shelters and the streets for permanent housing. Community Action Council will operate the program. The city coordinated and submitted the grant application.

Count conducted in January by the Office of Homelessness. Dozens of volunteers visited more than 60

locations, including homeless shelters, to count and survey people experiencing homelessness.

FOLLOW MAYOR GRAY: <u>www.facebook.com/JimGrayLexKY</u> <u>www.twitter.com/JimGrayLexKY</u> 200 East Main Street • Lexington, KY 40507 • (859) 425-2255 • www.lexingtonky.gov HORSE CAPITAL OF THE WORLD

The 2016 count found 1,064 people living on the streets, in shelter or in transitional housing on the night of January 27, 2016. That reflects a decrease from 1,453 people in 2014 and 1,258 in 2015.

Other highlights from the data include a more than 50 percent decrease since 2015 in people meeting the definition of chronic homelessness, which is someone with a disability who has been homeless for more than a year or has had four or more separate incidents of homelessness in three years that total a year or more.

"We also believe we have nearly ended veteran homelessness in Lexington," said Charlie Lanter, director of the city's Office of Homelessness. "For two years now we have found just one or two veterans on the street and we've seen the number of vets in shelter decline by almost half and even further since this count was conducted."

Since 2014, the city of Lexington has invested heavily in homelessness prevention and intervention and affordable housing. The city allocates \$2 million annually to an Affordable Housing Trust Fund and the Office of Homelessness receives \$750,000 to develop innovative and sustainable solutions to homelessness.

In less than two years the Office of Homelessness has supported a Housing First Pilot Project, creation of a Mental Health Court, startup of an Emergency Family Housing Program, and initiation of a Street Outreach Project, among other interventions.

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Charlie Lanter, director of the Office of Homelessness, announces Lexington homelessness is down 26 percent since 2014 and chronic homelessness has been cut in half during a press conference May 2, 2016.

Lexington CPAAA #1 in Nation



The Lexington Division of Police Citizen Police Academy is number one in the nation—again! The Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association (CPAAA) took home top honors at the National Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association Awards event this past week in Utah.

The organization was named "Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association of The Year." This is the fourth time Lex-

ington's Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association has clenched the number one spot among hundreds of other organizations of its kind.

The CPA gives citizens insight into the professionalism of officers and the day-to-day operations of the Division. Citizens get class room style lessons and hands-on demonstrations about: driving techniques, robbery and homicide investigations, building searches, K-9 officers, police ethics, the Bomb Robot, the 911 Center, the Mounted Unit and many more topics.

Way to go!

For more information, visit: http://www.lexcpaaa.org.

1580 Higbee Mill Road Update

At the April 28th meeting of the City's Planning Commission held here at City Hall, the proposed Wynndale Subdivision development plan (DP 2016-39) for <u>1580 Higbee</u> <u>Mill Road</u> was postponed until the upcoming May 12th Planning Commission's Subdivision Items meeting. (1:30 p.m. at 200 East Main St., 2nd foor.) The revised plan, which now proposes a development of apartments, was originally postponed inadvertently without first being heard at the Commission's regularly scheduled Subdivision Items meeting, which is the normal procedure and required by ordinance. The Planning Commission therefore has now postponed hearing the matter until after the Subdivision Items meeting scheduled for May. The next PC meeting is May 26th.



Thinking about starting some new home improvement projects this spring? Here are some quick tips to remember:

- A permit from the Division of Building Inspection is required before a structure may be built, moved, added to or structurally altered.
- A permit is also needed for installation of a swimming pool, construction of a driveway or fence or major remodeling of a home.
- Before issuing a permit, the Division of Building Inspection will review plans to make sure they conform to the zoning ordinance and building code.
- Please call the division at (859) 258-3770 to find out if you need a permit, before you begin any home improvement.
- ✓ Underground utilities should always be located before any digging is done. Contact Kentucky Underground Protection at 1-800-752-6007 before you begin!

Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant Program

Reminder: Stormwater Quality Projects Class A **Neighborhood Grants** applications are due on May 13th. Class B Education Grants are also due on May 13th. Visit <u>www.lexingtonky.gov/incentives</u> for application documents, contact information, examples of previously awarded projects and more information. The Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant Program provides financial assistance for projects in the community that improve water quality, address stormwater runoff and educate citizens about our waterways. The expected budget for FY 2017 is \$1.35 million. Projects will be scored and ranked based upon project impact, project team and other factors. The Water Quality Fees Board, a citizen's board appointed by the Mayor, will review all recommendations and make the final selection on all grant awards.



Read more here: <u>http://www.lexingtonky.gov/index.aspx?page=2119</u>.

New Community Corrections Recruit Class Graduates

Welcome to the new Community Corrections recruit class 16-02 who graduated on Friday, April 8th. Class members were as follows:

Front Row (left to right) Teresa Manigrasso Johnathan LaFollette Mahmoud Elhity Clayton Bunnell Andrea Bolin

Back Row (left to right) Joshua Ward Noah Tuttle Ova Smith Andrew Schickler Mary Rivera



Police to Conduct Free Multi-Housing Seminar



Local Planning Committee

The Fayette County Board of Education is accepting nominations until May 11th, 2016 for business and community leaders to serve on the school district's Local Planning Committee (LPC). Members of the committee will be responsible for the development of a District Facility Plan for the Fayette County Schools that will assist in determining future school facility construction priorities and major renovation needs. The Board of Education will select three (3) members from nominations received to serve on the Local Planning Committee. Residence in the school district is a requirement. Submit nominations, including a letter of agreement to serve on the committee to: L.P.C. Search Fayette County Board of Education, 1126 Russell Cave Rd. Lexington, KY 40505. Attn.: Myron Q. Thompson, FCPS. The Lexington Police Department would like to invite rental property owners, managers, and maintenance personnel to their 2016 Spring Crime Free Multi-Housing Seminar.

It's a FREE day and a half seminar with great speakers. Steven Marshall who is a well known local attorney will be there along with personnel from Code Enforcement, the Fire Department, Tennant Services, a Narcotics Detective, and Gang and Crime Prevention Officers.

It will be held May 18th-19th at the Lexington Police Department's West Sector building, 1795 Old Frankfort Pike.

Wednesday will be from 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. and includes a FREE lunch. Thursday will be a short day and will run from 8:30 a.m.- 11:45 a.m. Participants will receive a certificate of completion at the end of Thursday.

This seminar is the first of three parts of the Crime Free Multi-Housing Program.

The second seminar is a CPTED (Crime Prevention through Environmental Design) survey of the rental property. There are a few minimal standards to be met first and then the property receives a certificate that can be hung in the office noting its Crime Free Muli-Housing Program status. The third part is a "safety social" in which an officer comes out to the property to talk to the residents about different crime prevention tips. The best thing about the program is it is all FREE!

For a registration form or more information, please e-mail <u>CFMHprogram@lexingtonpolice.ky.gov</u>

See something suspicious? Be a good neighbor. Report it to the Division of Police at 258-3600 or 9-1-1 in the event of an emergency.

Lexington Police Launch Text-A-Tip Program

The Lexington Police Department recently announced the availability of Text-a-Tip, a tool for citizens to anonymously submit crime-related information. Anyone with information about a suspect or an incident can text LEXPD in the body of the message followed by the tip information and text it to CRIMES (274637).

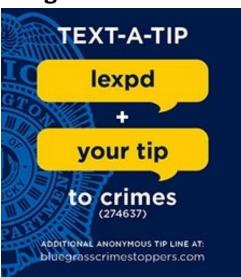
Chief Mark Barnard said the Text-a-Tip service is a proactive way for citizens to help prevent and solve crimes. Members of the group Sisters and Supporters Working Against Gun Violence (SWAG) advocated for the program.

Text-a-Tip allows people who may be hesitant in contacting police directly to participate in fighting crime in our city. Tips can help ultimately bring suspects to justice and can provide some closure to victims' families. Citizens are encouraged to report information about any illegal activity, such as unsolved cases, theft, vandalism, the sale and distribution of drugs, or information about crimes that are being planned in the community or in schools. Text-a-Tip can also accept video or picture files with the message.

The Text-a-Tip service works the same way as the anonymous tip phone line (859) 253-2020, and website managed by the non-profit Bluegrass Crime Stoppers, Inc. Tipsters who text information that leads to an arrest could potentially receive a reward up to \$1,000. Since Blue Grass Crime Stoppers was founded in 1980s, anonymous tips have led to nearly 2,700 arrests and more than 8,200 cases cleared.

Lexington's Text-a-Tip service and Bluegrass Crime Stoppers are both powered by TipSoft, a third-party company that has worked successfully with more than 900 law enforcement organizations across the country. When a person submits a tip, they are sent a random system-generated code or "alias." The alias allows the tipster to carry on an anonymous two-way conversation with investigators without speaking directly to an officer. Neither the police department nor Bluegrass Crime Stoppers can find out the identity of the tipster unless the person chooses to reveal it.

The Text-a-Tip service is free and requires no purchase or download to participate, however standard messaging rates and other fees may apply. In an active crime or emergency situation, citizens should call 9-1-1.



Participating in Annual City Budget Review Process



I recently held a meeting along with Vice Mayor Kay and Councilmember Fred Brown with Lexington's Division of Fire and Emergency Services Command Staff this past month to review Public Safety budget needs for FY 2017.

For Fire, the focus in the current proposed budget is on facilities and equipment, including \$5.2 million for a new fire station in Masterson Station to improve service to that growing part of our city—our 24th station and the first new in fire station since 2005.

Also in the Mayor's Proposed Budget is more than \$2 million for repairs of fire stations and other needs and almost \$3 million for replacement fire vehicles.

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Public Safety Budget Review Meeting with Police



Mayor Gray's Proposed Budget for FY17 includes twenty (20) new police officers. With this addition, the division's authorized strength will grow to 600—the highest it has ever been.

In all, twenty-three (23) new full-time positions are proposed for Police, including a civilian position that will oversee and maintain the division's new body cameras. Funding of \$600,000 is also included in the new proposed budget to purchase the cameras, matching the \$600,000 that Council approved in the current City budget.

There is also funding in the Police budget for new vehicles, a new canine facility and the replacement of many of the division's aging Taser equipment.

FilmSlang Film Festival Accepting Entries

The Lexington Public Library and Lexington Film League are seeking submissions for the 7th Annual **Filmslang Film Festival**, which will take place October 6th-9th at the Central Library's Farish Theater. Awards and prizes will be given for feature film, documentary, short film, Kentucky film, and student film. Submissions should be made via FilmFreeway (<u>filmfreeway.com</u>) or by DVD mailed to Lexington Public Library, ATTN: Filmslang, 140 E. Main St., Lexington, Ky. 40507. Entries must be submitted by July 31st. For a complete list of rules, visit the Filmslang submission site at <u>filmfreeway.com</u>.







Save Lives. Stop Red-Light Running.

Happening at Shillito Park on June 2nd

Discover scuba diving at Shillito Park pool on June 2nd, at 7:00 p.m. The cost is \$25 per person and the session is open to ages 13 and over, in partnership with New Horizons Scuba Diving Center.

To register, call (859) 225-4073 or email <u>kblack@lexingtonky.gov</u>.





Dr. Humbaugh New Health Commissioner

The Lexington-Fayette County Board of Health has unanimously approved the hiring of Dr. Kraig Humbaugh as Commissioner of Health. Dr. Humbaugh, who is currently the senior deputy commissioner of the Kentucky Department for Public Health, will begin his post in Lexington in June. Dr. Humbaugh replaces the late Dr. Rice C. Leach, who died April 1st, 2016, at age 75 following a battle with cancer.

For additional information, visit <u>www.lexingtonhealthdepartment.org</u>.

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VOLUME IV, ISSUE 5 Council Committee of the Whole Budget Retreat

Each spring, the Council conducts a City Budget Retreat meeting to review and discuss the Mayor's Proposed Budget. This year's meeting took place in mid-April. As the Mayor has noted, priorities and needs change from year to year.

The cornerstones of each City budget are public safety, economic development, parks, basic services, and efficiency. The Mayor and the Council strive to ensure that tax dollars are used wisely and that transparency and accountability meets citizen expectations.

The current projection of operating fund revenues for 2017 is \$345 million. Of note, 10.7% of the proposed budget is committed to debt service, a manageable ratio as low interest rates continue.



Be aware of each other. We're on this road TOGETHER!

Scam Alert

Scam Alert: As posted recently on Nextdoor.com:

"WARNING OF SCAM!! I just got a call and they said I should have received a letter for grand jury selection appearance. He was very convincing. He said that 23 people didn't come in and with so many not coming in, they suspected there was an error at the clerks office and they didn't get mailed out. He said that I should call him back and then I had two hours to get there. He even gave me a Limestone address. However, they called from a cell number. I always ask a lot of questions because I want to find out and learn about situations. Our daughter suggested I call the sheriff's office first. When I called the sheriff and checked it out they said it was a SCAM. The real sheriff's office said when you call them back, they ask for your debit or credit card number and then they take money out of your account. I would have immediately known something was up if I called back and they asked for that, but some might have given even that info! The sheriff's office suggested I warn my friends and neighbors of this scam, so here is your warning. Don't fall for it. Hang up on them."

If you hear of an active scam, please e-mail me at <u>imossotti@LexingtonKy.gov</u>.



Community Health & Safety Survey



The Lexington Community Health Improvement Plan, or LEX-CHIP, wants to hear from you. LEX-CHIP is a group of community partners who are collecting public input on the top health and safety issues in Lexington. You can get involved by completing a survey to identify the most-pressing issues. You must be 18 years of age or older to participate. ALL information is ANONYMOUS unless you choose to submit your contact information to be entered in a drawing to win one of three \$150 Wal-Mart gift cards. LEX-CHIP looks forward to your participation. You can access the survey here:

English: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LFCHDCHIP

Spanish: https://es.surveymonkey.com/r/SPANLFCHDCHIP

Neighborhood Block Party May 14th



The neighborhoods of Robinwood, Stone Creek, and Monticello will host a block party for neighbors at Southern Heights Baptist Church on Clays Mill Road (between Merrimac and Monticello) on Saturday, May 14th from 11:00 am-6:00 pm.

There will be music, food, square dancing, and games "for ages 2-92."

Neighbors of these three neighborhoods do not have to be a current member of their respective neighborhood association to attend.

Neighbors are invited to come for the fun and stay for the friendship!

Biotech Startup to Establish New Lexington HQ

Hera BioLabs Inc., a biotech startup providing genetically specialized products and services for scientists and pharmaceutical researchers has announced that it will establish a new headquarters in Lexington.

Established in 2015 as a spinoff of Lexington-based Transposagen Biopharmaceuticals Inc., Hera will move its current seven employees from the University of Kentucky campus to its new facility. Jack Crawford, Hera CEO, said he expects to open the new location this summer. They plan to create 23 jobs with an investment of \$1.8 million.

To encourage the investment and job growth in the community, the Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority preliminarily approved the company for tax incentives up to \$300,000 through the Kentucky Business Investment program. For more information on Hera BioLabs, visit www.herabiolabs.com.

Source: Commerce Lexington



Health Dept.: Never Leave Children Alone in Vehicle

An average of 38 children die each year after being left in a hot car. A child's body temperature can increase three to five times faster than adults and heat stroke begins when the body passes 104 degrees. Reaching an internal temperature of 107 degrees can be deadly. Symptoms include red, hot and moist or dry skin, no sweating, a strong rapid pulse or a slow weak pulse, a throbbing headache, dizziness, nausea, confusion, being grouchy or acting strangely. Simply cracking a window or parking in the shade doesn't make a car significantly cooler. Heat stroke deaths have occurred when the vehicle was parked in the shade. It's also important to remember that it doesn't have to be the hot months of summer to be dangerous—a car can reach 110 degrees inside when outdoor temperatures are only in the 60s. In 52 percent of the cases, the child was forgotten by the caregiver, and in 29 percent of the cases, a child got into the vehicle on their own.

Tips:

• Make a habit of checking your back seat.

• When strapping a child into a car seat, leave a reminder like a cell phone, briefcase, purse or even your left shoe in the back with them.

• Write a note and place it on the dashboard of the car, or set a reminder on your phone or calendar. There's also a Baby Reminder app for iPhones.

• Call a spouse, family member or friend after you drop the child off to make sure you didn't forget.

• After parking your car, lock it. Children who get inside an unlocked vehicle can become trapped.

• Look before you lock your car.

• Never let a child play in an unattended car.

If you see a child in an unattended vehicle, call **911**. If they are in distress due to heat, get them out as quickly as possible. If water is available, cool the child rapidly by spraying them with cool water, but never use an ice bath. If the child is unresponsive (not breathing or no heartbeat), start CPR immediately and continue until emergency officials arrive. For more information, be sure to visit <u>www.usa.safekids.org/heatstroke</u> or <u>www.wheresbaby.org</u>.



- A: Avoid heatstroke-related injury and death by never leaving your child alone in a car, not even for a minute.
- C: Create reminders by putting something in the back of your car next to your child such as a briefcase, a purse or a cell phone that is needed at your final destination.
- T: Take action. If you see a child alone in a call 911.
 - them with you. It's the law.

Kentucky has passed a "**Look Before You Lock**" law that allows people to rescue kids trapped in cars without prosecution.

For more information, visit:

www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB16.htm.

Learn Hands-Only CPR from Lexington Fire Dept.

Do you know CPR?

If you would like Lexington's Division of Fire & Emergency Services to come to your organization or place of business and teach a group of 20 or more people Hands-Only CPR, e-mail them at:

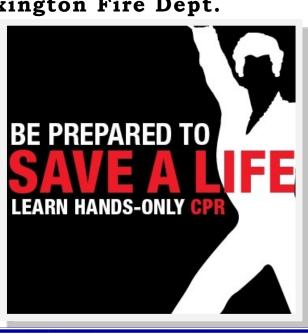
lfd-communityservices@lexingtonky.gov

Or call (859) 231-5662.

Hands-Only CPR is CPR without mouth-to-mouth breaths. It is not a certification class and you will not receive a CPR card, but you will learn the proper hand placement, rate, and depth to perform quality chest compressions on an unresponsive subject in order to increase their chances of a positive outcome in the pre-hospital setting.

Learn more about the Lexington Fire Department by visiting:

http://www.lexingtonky.gov/index.aspx?page=31.



Learn the "Fayette County Quick Facts." Visit: <u>http://www.thinkkentucky.com/cmnty/QuickFacts.aspx?cw=53</u>.

Water Quality Report Now Available



The 2015 Consumer Confidence Reports—or Water Quality Reports—for Kentucky American Water's service areas are now available.

The reports, provided annually in the spring with data pertaining to the previous calendar year, are available on Kentucky American Water's website at <u>www.kentuckyamwater.com</u> via the Water Quality & Stewardship link, and searchable by customer zip code.

The Consumer Confidence Report is an annual performance measure of the quality of water supplied by Kentucky American Water against the compliance standards established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Kentucky's Division of Water. The report describes drinking water sources, water tests conducted, substances detected, and the levels of those substances. Commonly asked questions and the associated answers concerning drinking water are also included. In addition to viewing reports online, customers may also request a hard copy by contacting the company's customer service center at (800) 678-6301.

Source: Kentucky American Water Co.

New Twist to the Telephone Tech Support Scam



LEGAL NOTICE is hereby given that a SPECIAL MEETING of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council will be held on May 10th, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, 200 E. Main St., Lexington, Ky. for a PUB-LIC HEARING on: An Ordinance changing the zone from a Professional Office (P-1) zone to a Neighborhood Business (B-1) zone, for 0.95 net (1.25 gross) acres; and from Planned Neighborhood Residential (R-3) zone to a Professional Office (P-1) zone, for 0.25 net (0.29 gross) acre, for property located at 3600 Palomar Centre Drive and 2101 Palomar Trace Drive (a portion of), including a dimensional variance (Solar Eclipse, LLC; Council District 10).

The FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) has produced Scam Alerts in the past advising the public of an ongoing telephone scam in which callers purport to be an employee of a major software company. The callers report the user's computer is sending error messages and numerous viruses have been detected. The caller convinces the user to give them permission to run a program allowing the caller to gain remote access. The caller advises the virus can be removed for a fee.

Intimidation tactics used in this scam have influenced victims to pay fees associated with the removal of alleged viruses. It has been reported to the IC3 an individual who paid the required fees, later received a call advising the victim the funds paid for the services went to India and were used to purchase weapons for ISIS. The call came with an additional request for money to remove the victim's name from a black list.

In a new twist to the tech support scam, cyber criminals attempt to defraud using another avenue. The scam is executed while a user is browsing the Internet. In this scenario, a website being viewed provided a link to articles related to popular topics. The user clicked the link and was redirected to a website that produced a window that advised the user's computer had been hacked. Another window was displayed that contained a telephone number to obtain assistance. The user reported all attempts to close the windows were ineffective. Upon calling the number for assistance the user was connected with an individual claiming to be an Apple or Microsoft representative. During the process the user's web browser was hijacked. Restarting the computer in an attempt to regain access to the Web produced another message with a different telephone number to obtain assistance. If you are a victim of this scam or a similar scheme it is suggested that you:

- File a complaint at <u>www.IC3.GOV</u> and notify your bank/credit cards, etc. and also notify Lexington's Division of Police at (859) 258-3600.
- Resist the pressure to act quickly and be cautious of clicking on unknown links.

City Events Occurring in May—Mark Your Calendar!

On Saturday, May 14th from 9 a.m.—2 p.m., residents will be able to safely shred unwanted documents and papers at no cost. Bring your papers to 1631 Old Frankfort Pike. This is a free service to all Fayette County residents.

There is a limit of five (5) bags or boxes of paper per vehicle, and it is requested any plastic binders or binder clips be removed.

On Saturday, May 21st from 8 a.m.—noon, Fayette County residents will be able to collect up to one free truckload of mulch. The material is made from yard waste picked up by the City. Mulch is distributed on a first-come, first-served basis, and can be picked up at 1631 Old Frankfort Pike.

Take advantage!



TEXTING TAKES YOUR EYES OFF THE ROAD FOR 4.6 SECONDS.

At 55 MPH, that's like driving an entire football field blindfolded.

Fire Safety Fest to Take Place in 9th District

Lexington Fire Department's Fire Safety Fest is planned for Wednesday, June 22nd from 9:00 a.m.-4 p.m., and is a completely FREE event that will teach citizens of all ages many fire safety topics.

Everything is FREE including food, snacks, fire safety challenges, and games.

The Lexington Fire Department wants you to come have a great time and learn fire safety with your family and friends.

All events will take place in the parking lot located of Sky Zone Lexington at 3644 Boston Road in the Millpond Shopping Center off Man o' War Boulevard.



Adult Co-Ed Kickball Summer League Forming



The Division of Parks & Recreation offers an adult co-ed kickball summer league with games played at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays at Woodland Park.

The cost is \$125 per team. Registration will take place from May 1st- 20th.

Call (859) 288-2915 for more information or visit the Parks & Recreation website:

http://www.lexingtonky.gov/index.aspx?page=198

Swim Lessons Registration for Children Now Open

From the City's Public Information Office:

The importance of swimming lessons for water safety can't be overstated, especially for children. Parks & Recreation offers classes for youth throughout the summer. (Adult classes take place later this summer.)

Online registration is now open. You can also register in-person from noon – 7 p.m. at Picadome, 469 Parkway Drive. The cost for lessons is \$25 per person, per session.

For more information, visit: <u>http://www.lexingtonky.gov/index.aspx?</u> page=203.



Mark Your <u>Calendar</u>! Find Event Details <u>Here</u>.



Community Calendar

Founders Day at McConnell Springs
Bluegrass Classic Stockdog Trials
Kentucky Sheep and Fiber Festival
Summer Nights in Suburbia
Free Friday Flicks at Jacobson Park

May 21st
May 18th-22nd
May 21st-22nd
May 27th-Sept. 9th
June 3rd-24th

Swingin' on Short	June 4th	
Bluegrass 10,000 Foot Race	July 4th	
Ballet Under the Stars	August 4th-7th	
Opera Under the Stars	August 13th	
Woodland Art Fair	August 20th-21st	
Doggie Paddle	Sept. 10th	
Festival Latino de Lexington	Sept. 16th-17th	
Little Goblins Galore	October 15th	

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Remember to... ✓ lock your car ✓ take valuables with you

Quick Reference:

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By mail:

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Useful Telephone Numbers:

LexCall (City Hall) **Police** (Non-emergency) Fire (Non-emergency) Before You Dig **City Garbage Collection** Columbia Gas of KY Fayette County Clerk Fayette County Sheriff Health Dept. Humane Society Ky. Utilities Ky. American Water Report a Pothole Senior Citizen Center Time-Warner Cable Traffic Hotline Veterans Affairs Hotline Voter Registration United Way

258-3600 231-5600 811 425-2255 or 311 800-432-9345 253-3344 252-1771 252-2371 255-9033 255-0394 800-678-6301 800-728-2448 or 311 278-6072 514-1400 258-3830 800-273-TALK (8255) 255-8683 211

311 (or 425-2255)

ecall 311 or 425-2255 YOUR ONE CALL FOR CITY HALL

Use **LexCall** to request a service, offer a suggestion, ask a question, share your opinion, register a complaint or even pass on a compliment relating to City services and events. When you call LexCall at 3-1-1 during regular office hours (Monday–Friday, 8 a.m.–6 p.m.) you can speak to a friendly, knowledgeable person. LexCall is your one call to reach City Hall. There is also a handy smartphone App you can use. Learn more about LexCall here: <u>http://www.lexingtonky.gov/index.aspx?page=3441</u>.

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The Lexington-Fayette County Health Department's Low-Cost





THURSDAY, MAY 5, 2016 6-9 PM DOUGLASS PARK, 726 GEORGETOWN ST, LEXINGTON, KY 40511

\$3 rabies shots. All cats must be in a carrier and all dogs must be on a leash. Animal licenses also available: \$8 for altered animal license (PROOF OF SPAY/NEUTER REQUIRED); \$40 for unaltered animal license. **Clinic date subject to change in the event of inclement weather.**

Thank you to our partners:









FBI FRAUD ALERT



IF YOU ANSWER "YES" TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS, YOU MAY BE GETTING SCAMMED!

Are you about to cash a check from an item you sold on the Internet, such as a car, boat, jewelry, etc?

* Is it the result of communicating with someone by email?

* Did it arrive via an overnight delivery service?

Is it from a business or individual account that is different from the person buying your item or product?

* Is the amount for more than the item's selling price?

Are you sending money overseas?

* Did you win an international lottery you didn't enter?

* Have you been asked to pay money to receive an inheritance from another country?

Are you receiving a commission for accepting money transfers through your bank and/or PayPal account?

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To report an online crime, go to:

www.IC3.gov

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DON'T BE A VICTIM OF IDENTITY THEFT!



9AM-4PM 3644 Boston Rd - Millpond Center

FREE FOOD 12PM-4PM

Hot Dogs, Chips, Cotton Candy, Snow Cones FREE Interactive Fire Safety Challenges -Fire Hose Target Challenge -Fire Truck Rides -Smoke Trailer

Discounted Jump Passes for Sky Zone Trampoline Park (limited availability- tickets must be pre-purchased to receive discount) \$10 for 60 minutes (9AM-12PM) \$12 for 60 minutes (12PM-4PM)

Tickets purchased at the door will be regular price (\$14 for 60 min) Sky Zone Jump Passes can be purchased at www.skyzone.com/lexington



Protect Yourself, Protect Lexington

from Zika Virus and other mosquito related diseases

By knowing how to control mosquito breeding areas and how to protect yourself from being bitten, you can join us in preventing Zika Virus and other diseases being spread locally.

Help Eliminate Mosquitos

Here are a few ways you can get rid of standing water and reduce the number of mosquitoes around your home or property.



Eliminate standing water in buckets, birdbaths, toys, puddles, etc.



Dispose of old tires, trash, and building materials.



Fix leaky faucets and outdoor hoses that are dripping water.



Clean your gutters so water runs freely.



Repair screens and windows to keep mosquitoes out.



Maintain hedges, shrubs, and tall grass to eliminate resting locations.

Protect Yourself

Follow these simple steps to protect yourself, family, and friends from Zika and other viruses.



Apply insect repellent when you're outdoors. Always follow manufacturer directions for using repellents (especially on pregnant women and small children).



Avoid activities in areas with lots of mosquitoes when going outdoors.



Wear long pants, long sleeve shirts, and socks to help protect from bites.







@KYHealthAlerts @EnviroHealthKY @CHFSKY www.healthalerts.ky.gov 859-231-9791



Neighborhood Garage Sale Saturday, June 4th 8 a.m.—2 p.m. Rain or Shine Sponsored by your Plantation Neighborhood Association.

Be sure to tell your neighbors. And, if they are not members of the association please suggest for them to check us out at http://plantationassoc.wix.com/plantation

The Dunbar Memorial Garden's seventh annual Native Plant Sale

Saturday, May 7, 2016 - 10am to 2pm Dunbar High School Main Pavilion - 1600 Man O' War



•Bee balm •Coreopsis •Coneflowers •Goldenrod •Wild bergamot •Blue Star •Allium •Rattlesnake master •Sunflowers •Asters •Compass Plant •Cup Plant •Blue false indigo •and more

•Small quantities of native grasses, tree seedlings and shrubs will also be available•

Priced from \$2 to \$20 - cash only please!

Why grow native? Native plants thrive in our clay soil. They need little care and no chemical treatments. Resistant to drought, disease, and pests, they help preserve and improve our environment by providing the best possible food source for our native wildlife!

All proceeds from this sale support the continued care and maintenance of the Dunbar Memorial Garden and other projects of the Jesse Higginbotham Technology Trust, Inc.

This event sponsored by the Dunbar Beta Club and the Jesse Higginbotham Technology Trust. Visit our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/jhigginbothamtechtrust for more information and other plant varieties as they are added.

Event will be held rain or shine!



Recycle Responsibly!

What should I put in my blue cart?

1. Cardboard

- packing boxes
- cardboard tubes
- tissue boxes
- shirt boxes
- shoe boxes
- pizza boxes
- cereal boxes

Boxes should be flattened. Please, no boxes treated for the refrigerator or freezer. (Example: sode or frozen meal boxes)

2. Cans

- steel food cans
- aluminum beverage cans
- juice and soda cans
- metal aerosol cans

Empty and rinsed.

3. Plastic Bottles & Jugs

• #1 and #2 bottles and jugs

Empty and rinsed. No lids or caps. Please, no plastic bags or plastic film.

Glass bottles and jars, any color.

Please, no Pyrex or plate glass.



4. Paper

5. Glass

- white paper
- colored paper
- envelopes
- calendars

- brown paper bags
- newspapers
- magazines
- phone books





For more information call LexCall at 311 or (859) 425-2255 or visit LiveGreenLexington.com



Recycle Responsibly!

What shouldn't I put in my blue cart?

Some items can damage the recycling center's equipment or present a danger to employees. Put the following items in your green cart or dispose of them using the alternative method indicated.

1. Plastic Items

No plastic bags, wrap or film. Plastic bags can be recycled at many grocery and department stores. No lawn chairs, laundry baskets, trash cans, toys, blinds or buckets. If items are unbroken, donate them to a local charity.

2. Hoses and Cords

No garden hoses, bungee cords, extension cords, holiday lights, ropes or leashes. Extension cords and holiday lights can be recycled at the Electronic Recycling Center at 1306 Versailles Road.

3. Tarps and Clothing

No tarps, blankets or clothing. Items that are in good condition can be donated to a local charity.

4. Metal Items and Tanks

No hangers, swing sets, cookware, knives, chains, scrap metal, propane or helium tanks or compressors. Metal items can be dropped off at the Lexington Recycling Center at 360 Thompson Road.

5. Car Parts and Tires

No car parts, tires or batteries. Free collection of 4 off-the-rim tires is available to residents. Call LexCall at 311 or (859) 425-2255 to schedule a pick up. Batteries can be recycled at Batteries Plus for a small fee.

6. Needles and Syringes

Needles and syringes should be secured in a coffee can or milk jug and put in your green cart.

7. Electronics

Electronic items such as TVs, computers, cell phones, radios or microwaves can be dropped off at the Electronic Recycling Center.

8. Yard Waste

Leaves, brush, small branches and grass clippings should be placed in your gray yard waste cart.



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CAR SHOW TO SUPPORT CAMP NELSON HONOR GUARD

Sunday, June 5, 2016 10am – 3pm



Registration 10 AM TO 1PM PUBLIC WELCOME Site: VA Medical Center Leestown Rd Lexington KY



CARS, MOTORCYCLES and TRUCKS WELCOME!!!

ICEMAN'S D.J. SERVICES

See <u>www.icemancruisin.net/</u> for registration forms or call

Danny Jones (859) 299-1685 or email JAGJ01@msn.com

Free admission to public ... 50/50 raffle (1PM)... trophies ... music, food and MORE. Judging closes at 2PM.

EARLY REGISTRATION THRU May 1, 2016 \$15.00	May 2 nd thru day of show \$20 registration
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Name		Address	
Club	Make	Model	Year

DASH PLAQUES TO FIRST 100 REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED Veteran? yes or no

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO <u>CAMP NELSON HONOR GUARD</u> (a 501©3 program) MAIL ENTRY FORM AND CHECK TO DANNY JONES, 689 KINGSTON ROAD, LEXINGTON KY 40505

Camp Nelson Honor Guard and VA Medical Center are not responsible for any damages.





Lexington Fire Department Smoke Trailer and Hands Only CPR Event

When: June 8th, 2016 Location: 2524 Nicholasville Road Time: 10:00am-3:00pm



Come learn about fire safety and get low and go in our state of the art fire safety trailer!