



9th District News & Notes Newsletter

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Projects Update; Wellington Event



Dear 9th District Neighbor,

Earlier this year, the Council voted to allot a portion of the City Budget Fund Balance to each individual Councilmember to utilize for discretionary projects.

Here follows a list of various projects that I authorized for 9th District improvements:

- Higbee Mill Park sidewalk construction to connect the current Clays Mill Road sidewalk to the Higbee Mill Park walking path. Status: In design phase.
- Wellington Park Pedestrian Bridge to install the bridge and connect it to the current park walking path. Project complete.
- Shillito Park Pedestrian Bridge Replacement. Status: Winter design and Spring build.
- Shillito Park Baseball Field Dugout Replacement. Status: Fall Design with Spring build.
- Shillito Park Playground Design. Status: Spring design. Assessing feedback from Jacobson Park Playground. Public hearing to be scheduled.
- Shillito Park Football PA System. Status: Obtaining quotes. To be operational for football season.
- Stonewall Park Water Fountain. Status: Parks & Recreation currently working with Parks' Maintenance to install.
- Wellington Park Bathroom Screen. Status: Fall design.
- Wellington Park Sensory Garden Project Phase II. Status: Winter design.

Other projects are still being reviewed for consideration.



Delores Taormina



Joanne Bell

*A memorial dedication will occur to pay tribute to late Stonewall residents **Delores Taormina** and **Joanne Bell** on **Tuesday, September 20th at 10:00 a.m. at Wellington Park**. These tenacious ladies (some might say pioneers!) were instrumental in Stonewall neighborhood's successful challenge of the 450-acre RJ Reynolds Development Zone Change for Reynolds Road in 1997. The rain or shine event will also mark the completion of Phase 2C of the Clays Mill Road Widening Project and will celebrate the installation of the new pedestrian bridge at Wellington Park. (See page 2.) The event is open to the public and everyone is invited to attend. Please join us.*



Man o' War Boulevard Traffic Improvement. The City's Division of Traffic Engineering will be undertaking a project this fiscal year that they believe will improve off-peak hour operation of traffic signals along Man o' War Boulevard. This project includes added vehicle detection for the Man o' War traffic, which should allow traffic on side streets and in left turns to be served more often. They anticipate completion of the project before Winter.

As always, I welcome your feedback and input at any time on any matter of concern. Enjoy the Fall! My best,

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, Pinnacle, 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 info, visit: <http://www.lexingtonky.gov/index.aspx?page=364>.

Don't forget the upcoming deadline - September 30th - for the 46th Environmental Commission Award Nominations.

Lex., KY “Top 10 Least Expensive to Start Businesses”

As reported by Entrepreneur, in a recent study by SmartAssets, Lexington is ranked as a “Top 10” Least Expensive City to Start a Business. As noted on their website, to find the cities with the lowest startup costs, SmartAsset looked at 80 of the largest U.S. cities. They ranked each city after adding up the costs that a new company would cover in its first year of operation, including filing fees, legal and accounting fees, payroll costs and the cost of utilities.

Lexington was ranked #8 among cities with the lowest startup costs. SmartAsset noted:

“Business filing fees in Lexington are relatively low. You would only need to pay \$95, on average, to file as an LLC or a corporation. Legal and accounting costs are also lower here than they are in any other city in our analysis.”

Small businesses who choose to move to Kentucky or expand there might be able to take advantage of some of the incentives offered by its economic development finance authority, like tax credits.”

Rank	City	Filing Fees	Office Space	Utilities	Legal & Accounting	Payroll	Total
1	Chattanooga, TN	\$ 207	\$ 15,200	\$ 1,852	\$ 3,822	\$ 204,360	\$ 225,442
2	Wichita, KS	\$ 128	\$ 14,720	\$ 1,703	\$ 3,555	\$ 211,952	\$ 232,057
3	Greensboro, NC	\$ 127	\$ 16,890	\$ 1,511	\$ 3,926	\$ 209,872	\$ 232,326
4	Columbia, SC	\$ 173	\$ 16,300	\$ 1,729	\$ 3,324	\$ 211,016	\$ 232,541
5	Knoxville, TN	\$ 207	\$ 16,210	\$ 1,852	\$ 4,375	\$ 209,976	\$ 232,620
6	Little Rock, AR	\$ 45	\$ 16,140	\$ 1,615	\$ 3,397	\$ 212,680	\$ 233,877
7	Memphis, TN	\$ 207	\$ 18,860	\$ 1,852	\$ 4,149	\$ 209,456	\$ 234,524
8	Lexington, KY	\$ 95	\$ 17,120	\$ 1,815	\$ 3,131	\$ 212,784	\$ 234,945
9	Orlando, FL	\$ 98	\$ 22,400	\$ 1,675	\$ 5,069	\$ 207,272	\$ 236,513
10	Winston-Salem, NC	\$ 127	\$ 16,890	\$ 1,511	\$ 4,695	\$ 214,760	\$ 237,983

Table shows expected costs during the first year of business for a startup with a 1,000 square foot commercial office and five full-time employees.

Source: SmartAsset.

LFUCG Employees Win EMMY Award



LFUCG employees Neil Noah and Sherelle Roberts Pierre.

Great work by LFUCG employees Neil Noah and Sherelle Roberts Pierre, who took home an Emmy in early August from the [National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences - Ohio Valley](#).

The National Academy of Arts and Sciences - Ohio Valley Chapter is dedicated to recognizing and encouraging excellence in television.

Be sure to catch their touching piece “**Hope: In the Face of Addiction**” on Time Warner Cable on GTV3 or [YouTube](#).

Hope: In the Face of Addiction is a collection of harrowing stories of people struggling with drug addiction and the effects on their lives and those of their families and friends.

Told from a first-person perspective, this compelling story offers a candid look at the drug addiction epidemic, but also offers hope to those seeking a way out.

Way to go, Neil and Sherelle! Congratulations on receiving such a prestigious award.

Wellington Bridge Project: From Surplus to Service

Here are before (2013) and after (2016) photos of the pedestrian bridge at Wellington Park. What was once surplus and “forgotten” has been moved and is now an integral part of the park’s walking trails. Thank you to Parks & Recreation for making this project a reality. A dedication ceremony will occur on Sept. 20th at 10 am.



9th District Neighbor of the Month: Heather Nicoulin

Diane Monahan with the Clemens Heights/Clemens Grove Neighborhood Association has nominated Heather Nicoulin for this month's 9th District Neighbor of the Month.

"I would like to nominate Heather Nicoulin from the Clemens Heights/Clemens Grove Neighborhood Association for the Good Neighbor of the Month award for the 9th District, since she have done several things I think we should recognize.

She canvassed door to door to get the 3-way traffic stop at Clemens Drive and Old Higbee Mill Road, plus the 3-way stop at Clemens Drive and Twain Ridge Road. She is a Block Captain for the Neighborhood Association and disseminates information on any events we participate in, plus she is attending the Citizens Police Academy and spoke about her involvement at our recent association meeting. She walks the neighborhood daily and keeps an eye on things going on in our subdivision.

She is employed full-time at The Coffee Pub on Harrodsburg Road at Elkhorn Village, and has volunteered extensively at Garden Springs Elementary, Beaumont Middle, and Dunbar High Schools. Heather and her husband Joe are the parents of 3 sons (2 of them are twins), and has held various offices with the Parents of Twins and Multiples Club. She is an involved, concerned citizen for our community, and has made Lexington a better place for all of us!"

Congratulations, Heather on being the September Neighbor of the Month! Thank you for all that you do for our community.



Heather Nicoulin. Photo provided.

Recognize a neighbor!

Send your Neighbor of the Month nomination to jmossotti@LexingtonKy.gov.



Greenways Update Meeting with City Planning Staff



Lexington has a comprehensive greenway network that the City manages. Greenways are corridors of land and water that serve as connectors for wildlife and people.

In late August I met with Commissioner Derek Paulsen and staff from the City's Division of Planning to receive an update on the City's greenways management.

The Division of Planning will provide an update to the Council at the November meeting of the Planning & Public Safety Committee.

To read or download the [Lexington-Fayette County Greenway Master Plan](#), [click here](#).

Lexington Police Practice ATV Training at Shillito



You may have recently noticed an ATV roaming around at Shillito Park. It was all part of Lexington Police performing ATV training.

As Lexington Police noted on their Facebook page, “Even work can fun sometimes!”

Photo courtesy of Lexington Police Department.



Help keep our streets and roads in good condition, report potholes to LexCall at 3-1-1 (or 425-2255) or report it online at <http://lexcall.lexingtonky.gov>.



**Save Lives.
Stop Red-Light
Running.**

Town Branch Commons Briefing

Recently I met with Commissioner Dowell Hoskins-Squier and Administrative Officer Jonathan Hollinger of Planning, Preservation & Development to receive an update on the [Town Branch Commons Project](#). Lexington was one of 40 entities selected by the U.S. Department of Transportation to receive grant funding in 2016. The City will receive \$14,095,887 to be used to complete the more than 3.8 miles of downtown trails that will ultimately connect two major trail systems., the [Town Branch Trail](#) and the [Legacy Trail](#).

Construction is slated to begin in 2018 and the entire trail system is planned to be completed in 2020. The estimated cost of the entire project is \$35.5 million. The City has earmarked \$10 million in bond money at this point.



Consolidated Plan Public Hearing for Public Comment



A Public Hearing will be held on Monday, September 12, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers on the second floor of the Government Center at 200 East Main Street. The purpose of the hearing is to obtain citizen comment on the housing and community development needs of Lexington-Fayette County for development of the City’s Consolidated Plan for submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in 2017.

Application forms for the 2017 application round will be available both in paper format at the public hearing and on the Grants and Special Programs website beginning on September 12.

For more information, visit the website:

<https://www.lexingtonky.gov/dep.../grants-and-special-programs>.

Source: LFUCG Division of Grants and Special Programs

Lexington is so International Y’all

Global Lex – the city’s office of multicultural affairs – celebrated its one year anniversary on August 28. The center welcomed local and international citizens, immigrants, refugees and visitors from all different backgrounds during its inaugural year, close to 3,000 in all.

The international art gallery at GLOBAL LEX has featured exhibits from Middle Eastern artists, the Confucius Institute, and 13 local artists with foreign roots.

Currently, the center is featuring authentic Japanese works on loan from the Honorary Consul of Japan, David Carpenter, the executive director of the Japanese/American Society of Kentucky. Lexington (and all of Kentucky) has strong ties to Japan – both economically and culturally—and the center’s current exhibit highlights some of the traditional art and wardrobe pieces from the eastern country.

In its first year, GLOBAL LEX has also hosted many informative speakers and events, including a “Turkish Coffee Night” and a “Q&A on Syrian refugees.”

On a day-to-day basis, the center serves LFUCG and the entire community by providing multilingual assistance, cross-cultural education, citizenship classes, multilingual ESL Driver’s Safety, and a connection to trained interpreters and international communities throughout the city.

Lexington is home to people who speak more than 154 different languages, and who currently make up 18 – 20 percent of the total population. Unprecedented growth of the international population reached nearly 300 percent in just this past decade. International investment, international students, and international academics and visitors from around the world bring a wealth of economic and cultural diversity to Lexington.

We’re proud our city’s diversity and thank GLOBAL LEX for their efforts to assist, celebrate and join together the range of cultures Lexington has to offer.



Source: LFUCG Government Communications Office

U.K. Football “Game Day” Press Conference



U.K.'s first home football game of the season will kick-off at 7:30 p.m. this Saturday, September 3rd at Commonwealth Stadium. U.K. and City officials held a press conference on Tuesday, August 30th, regarding related traffic issues and game day changes.

For details on directions to Commonwealth Stadium, parking regulations, traffic, shuttle info, tailgating policies, and what's new for 2016, visit: <http://ukathleticsgameday.com/football/parking>.

To view the 2016 U.K. Home Football Schedule, [click here](#).

Go Big Blue!

Scam Alert Involving Person Claiming to be Police

The Lexington Police Department is warning citizens of a phone scam involving someone who claims to be a police officer.

Recently, two individuals contacted the police department in reference to a possible scam. According to the complainants, an individual identifying himself as a sergeant with the Lexington Police Department called them, stating that a family member had been involved in a traffic accident and that they would need to send money.

Detectives with the Financial Crimes Unit followed up with the information and contacted the suspect via telephone and were able to ascertain the following information:

The suspect called from a number with an 866 area code and identified himself as Sergeant Christopher Wallace. “Sgt. Wallace” advised that the victim’s daughter was in a traffic collision on I-64 while talking on her cell phone. She was transported to a hospital where she received stitches in her mouth and was unable to talk. The scammer then said that due to the fact that she was talking on a cell phone while driving, the daughter was going to be taken to jail for a charge of “Reckless Endangerment,” unless a fine of \$1,400 was paid within 20 minutes.

The suspect provided a local bank location in order to transfer money to the district attorney and detectives were told to call back when they arrived at the bank with the money. Once detectives called back, they were advised that one of the people in the collision had died and that the charge was now going to be involuntarily manslaughter. Money would now need to be transferred via Western Union (Money in Minutes) to an attorney in New York.

This investigation is ongoing. Fortunately, the two victims who reported the scam did not send money.

As a reminder, the Lexington Police Department will never contact anyone via telephone and ask that money be sent via a third party money processor such as Western Union or MoneyGram. If you get a call like this, just hang up. Do not provide any personal information or send money and be sure to report it to Police at (859) 258-3600 as soon as possible.

Source: Lexington Division of Police



Next Citizen Police Academy Begins September 9th

Would you like to learn more about how police officers perform their duties and how the department serves the community? Have you wanted to learn more about accident reconstruction, crime scene processing or narcotics investigation? How about executing an armed building search or riding in a police cruiser?

You can do these things and more by participating in the Lexington Citizen Police Academy. This free course will begin on September 9th.

The Citizen Police Academy is a dynamic 12-week program designed to foster better communication between citizens and police through education. This program is comprehensive, covering a different area of the department each week.

The academy is open to anyone 18-years-of-age or older who either lives or works in Fayette County and has no felony convictions.

Classes are limited to 24 citizen attendees.

Course Curriculum:

- Narcotics/VICE Investigations
- Criminal Law
- Patrol Procedures
- K-9/Bike Patrol/Mounted Patrol
- Emergency Response
- Media/Public Relations
- Accident Reconstruction
- Criminal Investigations
- Crime Scene Processing
- Family Abuse/Juvenile Procedures
- Community Services
- Crime Stoppers
- Defensive Tactics
- Firearms Automated Training System
- Tactical Traffic Stops

A vital part of the Academy is participation in role playing and scenarios. These simulations will provide an opportunity for a unique “hands-on” learning experience. Students will also have the option, on a voluntary basis, to tour with a patrol officer, a CPR course, and take a tour of the Fayette County Detention Center.

Visit here for more information and to register:

<https://www.lexingtonky.gov/citizen-police-academy>

Photos by Rob Bolson



Know a Good Neighbor?



Do you have a neighbor who deserves recognition for their contributions to the community? It only takes a few minutes to email me a nomination so that I can recognize them here in the 9th District newsletter to let them know they are appreciated! Maybe they shovel leaves for others? Or volunteer in the community? Or go out of their way to help others in some other fashion?

Let's recognize them!

Email me at jmossotti@LexingtonKy.gov.



Lexington Police Joins National Crackdown on DUIs

If you choose to drink and drive in Lexington – beware. The Lexington Police Department is joining law enforcement throughout the nation for the “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” campaign, August 19-September 5.

The strong nationwide impaired driving crackdown will include high-visibility enforcement, high-profile events, and will be supported by national paid advertising, creating a comprehensive campaign to curb impaired driving.

“We aggressively watch for impaired drivers year-round,” said Sgt. Randall Combs. “But by joining this effort, we will make Lexington’s roadways safer for everyone during the heavily-traveled Labor Day holiday.”



According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), on average, there is one alcohol impaired driving-related fatality every 51 minutes across America. High-visibility enforcement such as the “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” campaign reduces alcohol-impaired driving fatalities by as much as 20 percent.

In Kentucky in 2015, there were 761 driving-related fatalities, 89 more than 2014. Of the 761 fatalities last year, 388 were not buckled up and 143 of those fatalities involved alcohol. During the 2015 Labor Day “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” campaign, law enforcement officers made more than 1,400 drugged and drunken driving arrests from Aug. 19 through Sept. 7.

“We hope the campaign will serve as a reminder that those who choose to drink should never get behind the wheel,” Sgt. Combs said. “But if someone does choose to drive while drunk, we will arrest them. No warnings. No excuses.”

In 2015, the Kentucky legislature passed Senate Bill 133, requiring repeat DUI offenders to blow into an ignition interlock device installed on their vehicle. The vehicle will not start if the person’s blood-alcohol concentration exceeds a 0.02 level.

First-time DUI offenders are not required to have the device installed unless there is an aggravating circumstance, such as speeding or driving drunk with a child in the car.

Adding one more tool to combat drinking and driving, the Kentucky Office of Highway Safety partnered with Mobile Life Solutions last year to develop a free “Drive Sober Kentucky” application that may be downloaded at www.DriveSoberKY.com.

The app contains phone numbers to taxi and limousine services and sober ride programs, along with a one-touch dial feature to report a drunken driver and information about the designated driver HERO campaign. If a local taxi, limousine or sober ride program would like to participate but is not included in the app, send contact information to info@driversoberky.com.

“Driving impaired is simply not worth the risk, so don’t take the chance,” Sgt. Combs said. “Remember, we will be out in force, so ‘Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over.’”

For more information, visit the “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” Campaign Headquarters at www.nhtsa.gov/drivesober.



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Lexington Police Re-Launch D.A.R.E. Program



Officer Bige Towery knows a few things about crime prevention and talking to kids about the dangers of drugs and alcohol. He's taught the D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program since 1999 and is assigned to the Lexington Police Department's community services section. Towery says what worked back then doesn't always translate to younger generations.

"Times have changed. The media influences have changed. When I started teaching D.A.R.E. in 1999, we didn't have issues with social media and some of the influences and pressures the kids have now."

So when the police department brought back D.A.R.E. after a five-year hiatus, the curriculum was updated. This past spring a pilot program was launched at Booker T. Washington Intermediate Academy, with Officer Towery and Officer Michael Burton teaching the 10-week course to fifth graders. Each week the discussions ranged from drugs to violence to cyber bullying and more.

"Really it's about making good decisions," Towery said. "We talked about basically how to say no to different things. We talked about peer pressure and how to deal with that."

Fifth grade teacher Kim Adams said it was important for students to have those conversations before making the jump to middle school. She's seen former students get mixed in with the "wrong crowd" because they didn't know how to say no.

"They're exposed to so much more on the TV, on the internet, social media. I'm hoping that these kids have a little more ability to make good decisions because of D.A.R.E.," Adams said.



For 11-year-old Jason Akwa, the most interesting part about the weekly lessons with Officers Towery and Burton was the D.A.R.E. box, where students could submit questions.

"We got to ask them anything," Akwa said. "I liked it very much."

Some things with D.A.R.E. haven't changed, though. Towery still sees the impact of relationship building and how that resonates beyond school.

"As a D.A.R.E. officer—whether it's 1999 or it's today—when we go into classrooms, we are either the first police officer that a kid has interacted with or this is the first positive interaction that a child has seen with an officer. They see us in a different light."

It's not unusual for Towery to meet someone he taught in the D.A.R.E. program years ago. Some have even gone on to become police officers. And with Lexington Police coming back to Booker T. Washington Elementary again this year, there will soon be more D.A.R.E. graduates.

"I love it. I believe in it," Towery said. "Are we going to keep everybody off drugs or from making bad decisions? No. But if we make a difference with some, and we know we do, then it's worth it."

Ocean Cruise Scam



Attorney General Andy Beshear has issued a scam alert to help Kentuckians avoid being swindled by a free ocean cruise scam.

Kentuckians are reporting a phone call claiming they have won a free cruise. The caller, who often pretends to be a travel agent, says in order to accept the free cruise, the consumer must make a deposit or pay an upfront booking fee. The caller claims the deposit is "no risk" and is fully refundable. Once the deposit is made, however, the phony agent makes off with it and never provides the cruise.

Beshear said not all cruise deals are a scam, and offers tips to help you spot and avoid a scam:

Be suspicious of winning a prize you never signed up to receive. Watch for high-pressure tactics where a caller wants you to act quickly. Study company and travel agent reviews online and consider any negative reviews. Ask for booking and reservation confirmation numbers directly from the cruise company rather than the travel agency or agent. Avoid using a wire transfer, gift cards or cash to pay a deposit. Verify the travel agency is registered to do business in Kentucky on the Secretary of State's website.

You should report travel scams to the Attorney General's Consumer Protection hotline at 888-432-9257. Sign up for Scam Alerts by texting the words KYOAG Scam to GOV311 (468311) or enroll online atag.ky.gov/scams and select text message or email alert.

Protect Your Family from Carbon Monoxide Poisoning

Safety Tips

- Have your home heating systems (including chimneys and vents) inspected and serviced annually by a trained service technician.
- Never use portable generators inside homes or garages, even if doors and windows are open. Use generators outside only, far away from the home.
- Never bring a charcoal grill into the house for heating or cooking. Do not barbeque in the garage.
- Never use a gas range or oven for heating.
- Open the fireplace damper before lighting a fire and keep it open until the ashes are cool. An open damper may help prevent build-up of poisonous gases inside the home.
- Install battery-operated CO alarms or CO alarms with battery backup in your home outside separate sleeping areas.
- Know the symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning: headache, dizziness, weakness, nausea, vomiting, sleepiness, and confusion. If you suspect CO poisoning, get outside to fresh air immediately, and then call 911.

Know the Symptoms of CO Poisoning

Because CO is odorless, colorless, and otherwise undetectable to the human senses, people may not know that they are being exposed. The initial symptoms of low to moderate CO poisoning are similar to the flu (but without the fever). They include:

- Headache
- Fatigue
- Shortness of breath
- Nausea
- Dizziness

Source: [Consumer Product Safety Commission](#)



Elbow Room Reminder



For those who receive City waste management collection service, Lexington’s Division of Waste Management asks that you “Leave us some elbow room when you put your carts out! Please leave 3 feet of space between carts and other objects, such as mailboxes and trees.”

Click the photo above for a [brief video](#).

Mark Your [Calendar!](#) Find Event Details [Here](#).



Doggie Paddle	September 10th
Festival Latino de Lexington	September 16th-17th
The Bourbon Chase	October 14th
Little Goblins Galore	October 15th
Thriller & Halloween Parade	October 29th
Downtown Christmas Parade	December 6th

Reduce the Likelihood of Being a Victim of a LFA



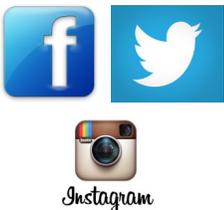
Lexington Police receives more than 4,000 reports of car break-ins annually with the stolen property valued at over \$2,000,000 dollars.

Police refer to it as “LFA,” larceny from auto. With summer in full swing, an unfortunate related issue is a traditional uptick in vehicle break-ins. The majority of vehicle break-ins occur outside homes, in driveways or on the street in front of the victim’s home. Thefts from vehicles can be drastically reduced when people lock their car doors and stop leaving valuables inside their vehicles. Leaving items on display, whether in or on a dashboard or in a mounted cradle or sitting on the passenger seat is an open invitation to opportunist criminals.

You should lock your doors, remove all items of value, completely close all vehicle windows, park in a well-lit area when possible, use outdoor lighting if possible, record the serial numbers of all valuables, and be sure to report any suspicious activity or crimes to Lexington Police at (859) 258-3600. If you have a neighborhood association or safety watch program in your area, I encourage you to get involved. Take advantage!

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 Rob Bolson

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 Telephone: 859-425-2564

LFUCG Website: www.LexingtonKy.gov

Useful Telephone Numbers:

LexCall (City Hall)	311 (or 425-2255)
Police (Non-emergency)	258-3600
Fire (Non-emergency)	231-5600
Before You Dig	811
City Garbage Collection	425-2255 or 311
Columbia Gas of KY	800-432-9345
Fayette County Clerk	253-3344
Fayette County Sheriff	252-1771
Health Dept.	252-2371
Humane Society	255-9033
Ky. Utilities	255-0394
Ky. American Water	800-678-6301
Report a Pothole	800-728-2448 or 311
Senior Citizen Center	278-6072
Time-Warner Cable	514-1400
Traffic Hotline	258-3830
Veterans Affairs Hotline	800-273-TALK (8255)
Voter Registration	255-8683
United Way	211



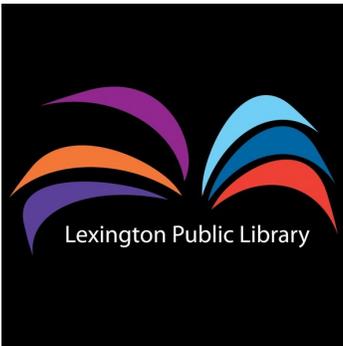
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#Listen #Watch and #Read at Lexington Public Library



Each month, the Lexington Public Library curates podcasts, YouTube videos, and books to focus on a new topic.

You can take in a few or take in them all. Simply choose which ones you want, then join the conversation.

They'll meet to discuss while sipping coffee paired with café snacks.

September 2016 Topic: Adulting

Tuesday, 9/13, 7:00 pm at [Beaumont Library Branch](#)

Wednesday, 9/14, 7:00 pm at [Barnes and Noble](#)

For more information on the September content, [click here](#).



Create Your Safety Profile

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**HIDE
YOUR THINGS**

**LOCK
YOUR CAR**

**TAKE
YOUR KEYS**

If you have had items stolen from your vehicle or garage, report it to the Lexington Division of Police at 258-3600.

IF YOU SEE SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY, CALL 911

WWW.KENTUCKY911.COM

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GOOD NEIGHBOR TIPS

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!



A *Adventure* bringing **WARENESS**

AN EVENT TO BRING AWARENESS TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING

\$50 FOR A GROUP OF 5

Additional \$5 per person added to group

Groups may not be larger than 8 people

Contact Jewellan Morrison or visit our website to register

Contact: Jewellan Morrison 859.509.6421

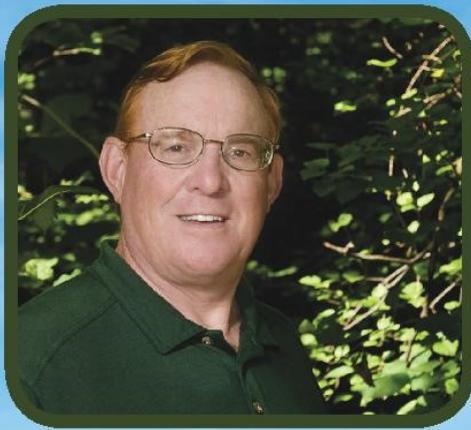
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www.un-shackledbylove.org

Join us at the **Lyric Theater** for a fun day of racing through downtown Lexington on a scavenger hunt. There will be prizes for the first 3 teams who finish. All proceeds are to benefit Unshackled by Love, a non-profit organization that helps women out of addiction and human trafficking. See our website for more details and to sign up! Hope to see you there!!!

September 17, 2016

Starts @ 10:00 AM



Lexington's Urban Forest: Remnants of an Ancient Landscape

Dr. Tom Kimmerer, Chief Scientist, Venerable Trees, Inc.
Scientist, Author, Photographer

• **FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC** •
Wednesday, September 7TH
6:00PM - 8:00PM

Reception:

6:00PM - 7:00PM

- Displays, light refreshments, and conversation
- Contact us if your organization would like a table:
UKnTrees@uky.edu

Presentation:

7:00PM - 8:00PM

Discussion:

8:00PM - 8:30PM

Location:

Fayette County Extension Office
1140 Red Mile Place, Lexington, KY 40504



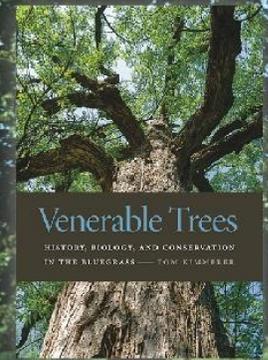
The Field Course:

Saturday October 1, 9am-12pm

Location - Fayette County

Registration - \$20, Students - \$5

Details visit www.venerabletrees.org



"Venerable Trees"
Available for purchase

Lexington, along with other urban areas of the Bluegrass and Nashville Basin, has an extraordinarily large population of very large trees that predate the settlement of the region. As the city grew, the woodland pastures that characterize the region were gradually developed, leaving behind groups of remnant trees. These trees are subject to the abuses of an urban existence and the population of large old trees is in steep decline. With few exceptions, they not being replaced with appropriate species. The ecosystem services provided by these huge trees, and their potential for mitigating climate change, are deserving of more attention in urban forestry planning and management.





FIRE PREVENTION FESTIVAL

MASTERTON STATION PARK



OCTOBER 2, 2016
2:00-6:00pm

FREE:

Vision/Hearing Screenings
Pony Rides/Petting Zoo
Fire Truck Rides
Kids Combat Challenge
Kasey the Fire Dog
Bouncy Houses
Bike Rodeo
Food and more!



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AT COLDSTREAM PARK

September 9, 2016



FREE RACE T-SHIRT
TILL SEPTEMBER 1ST

REMEMBER KENTUCKY'S FALLEN FIRE & POLICE

REGISTER ONLINE AT RUNSIGNUP.COM



4.03 MILES IS RAN FOR EACH OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE MEN & WOMEN THAT DIED IN 911. EACH STEP ALSO REMEMBERS OUR YEARLY FALLEN OFFICERS AND FIREFIGHTERS FROM THE LOCAL COMMUNITY ACROSS THE SCENIC VIEWS OF COLDSTREAM PARK.

4.03 MILE RUN/WALK STARTS @ 7PM
TIMED RACE BY JOHNS RUN WALK SHOP. PROCEEDS GO TO THE KENTUCKY FALLEN FIGHTERS MEMORIAL & UK CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

SPONSORED BY: FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN FIREFIGHTERS
IAFF LOCAL 526 & EMTPKY

\$20 REGISTER UNTIL
SEPTEMBER 1ST
FOR A FREE T-SHIRT

\$25 REGISTER THROUGH
SEPTEMBER 9TH
WITH PRINTED FORM

**PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE
SEPTEMBER 8, 2016**



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The Pumpkin Run

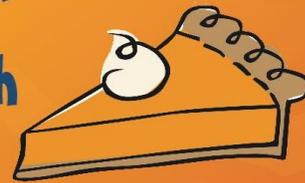


2016

easterseals
Cardinal Hill

**Saturday October 29th • Race Starts 9:00 am
Wellington Park • Lexington, KY**

**Celebrate Your Finish With
A Piece of Pumpkin Pie**



**Family fun for all abilities! • Costume Contest • Trick or Treats
Chip Timed 3k • Medals for top finishers overall and age categories**

All proceeds benefit the Easter Seals Cardinal Hill Adaptive Recreation Program



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email: cindy.jacobelli@cardinalhill.org • Phone: 859-246-8816



Aug. 23, 2016
9 a.m.

Health department releases September mosquito-spraying schedule

To help control mosquitoes as part its "Fight the Bite: Day and Night" campaign, the Lexington-Fayette County Health Department will continue to conduct mosquito-spraying activities throughout the summer.

The schedule for September 2016 is:

Time	Thursday September 1
3:00 AM-6:00 AM	40502, 40515, 40517

Time	Tuesday September 6	Wednesday September 7	Thursday September 8
3:00 AM-6:00 AM	40505, 40516	40504, 40510, 40511	40503, 40515

Time	Tuesday September 13	Wednesday September 14	Thursday September 15
3:00 AM-6:00 AM	40505, 40511	40502, 40509	40503, 40508, 40513, 40514

Time	Tuesday September 20	Wednesday September 21	Thursday September 22
3:00 AM-6:00 AM	40502, 40515, 40517	40505, 40516	40504, 40510, 40511

Time	Tuesday September 27	Wednesday September 28	Thursday September 29
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3:00 AM- 6:00 AM	40503, 40515	40505, 40511	40502, 40509
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* Portions of the above-listed zip codes are treated during the scheduled spray route. To view the scheduled spray routes, please visit www.lexingtonhealthdepartment.org.

For scheduled spraying to occur, the wind speed must be less than 10 mph, the temperature must be greater than 55° F and there can be no rain or dense fog.

The Lexington-Fayette County Health Department uses Duet, a spray produced by Clarke Mosquito Control. Duet features a component that stimulates resting mosquitoes in trees and foliage, causing them to fly into the air and come into contact with the spray's mosquito-killing agent, sumithrin. Duet has been rigorously tested for human and animal safety and is registered for outdoor residential and recreational areas. Humans can go outside immediately after Duet is sprayed, and the product is not corrosive or staining, so there should be no damage to cars or houses.

The following steps can also help you avoid being bitten by mosquitoes:

- **Be aware of peak mosquito activity times.** The hours from dusk to dawn are peak mosquito activity times. Use insect repellent when outdoors especially during peak activity times, including early morning hours. Look for EPA-labeled repellants containing active ingredients, such as DEET, IR3535, Picaridin (KBR3023) or oil of lemon eucalyptus (p-menthane 3,8-diol). Apply repellent according to label instructions. When weather permits, wear light-colored long sleeves, long pants and socks when outdoors. Mosquitoes can bite through thin clothing, so spraying clothes with repellent containing permethrin or another EPA-registered repellent helps prevent bites.

- **Mosquito-proof your home and yard.** Fix or install window and door screens. Mosquitoes lay their eggs in standing water. Cover or eliminate empty containers with standing water. Limit the number of places around your home for mosquitoes to breed by getting rid of items such as tires, buckets, barrels and cans. Refresh the water in your pet's water dishes and birdbaths at least every five to seven days.

The Lexington-Fayette County Health Department also conducts surveys in neighborhoods around Lexington to identify standing water problems that can serve as a location for mosquitoes to lay their eggs. Elimination of standing water is the ultimate goal, but in areas where standing water cannot be eliminated the water can be treated to kill mosquito larvae with a chemical called a larvicide. The mosquito spray used by the health department only affects adult mosquitoes that are in the air at the time of spraying.

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Lexington Fire
At
"Women in the Fire Service"

Hosted By

Fire Chief Kristin Chilton



Lexington Fire Department

Fire Training Center 1375 Old Frankfort Pike



6:00 PM
to
8:00 PM
June 14th
July 25th
Sept 13th



Dinner Included



Free Childcare

Call or Text if you can join us: (502) 295-1311



Join us for the 2nd Annual [Raven 10K](#) Trail Run on Sunday, October 2, 2016. This is Central Kentucky's premiere 10K trail race at the beautiful Raven Run Nature Sanctuary. Cost: \$45.

Run as an individual or take grab a friend and compete as a 2 person team in 3 divisions (Male, Female, Mixed). For this competition we'll tally your two times and winners in each division will win a FREE RACE REGISTRATION to a future RaceRise race (Our race timing partners).

This 10K race will take place at Raven Run Nature Sanctuary. Participants need to contend with grassy meadows, hard-packed dirt, and natural trails consisting of mud, rocks, roots, ruts, walnuts, buckeyes, wet leaves and very narrow stretches.

Enough variety and elevation changes to challenge everyone; not to mention the unique experience of wildlife roaming within reach of the runners. Proceeds from the race will go towards a grant system to be used by city schools to offset the costs of transporting kids to the park.

As this is a nature sanctuary no pets will be allowed on the run. Walkers welcomed! Come enjoy this wonderful space to walk, run and enjoy nature!

To sign-up, visit: <https://runsignup.com/Race/KY/Lexington/TheRaven10K>

Online registration end Thursday, September 29th.

Raven Run is a unique, 734-acre nature sanctuary located just outside of Lexington. The park borders the Kentucky River and provides a great place for hiking and wildlife viewing. Ten miles of trails pass through meadows, woodlands and streams characteristic of the inner Bluegrass. Historic remnants of early 19th century settlers can also be found throughout the park.