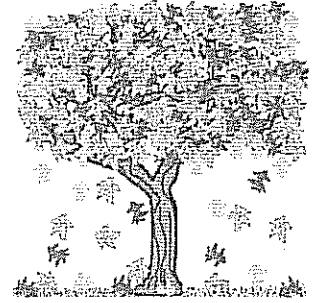




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City Clerk
tglahn@isoc.net

City Web Page
www.cityofwilder.com

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

City Council Meetings - 1st & 3rd Monday of Every Month at 7:00 PM

City Council Meetings can be viewed on Insight Channel 16.

Wilder Planning & Zoning - 4th Monday (as needed) at 7:00 PM

Senior Citizens Meeting - 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7:30 PM

Wilder Vol.Fire Dept Drill - 1st,3rd,4th Monday of the month at 7:30 PM

Wilder Vol.Fire Dept Bus. Mtg - 2nd Monday of the month at 7:30 PM

Wilder Vol.Fire Ladies Aux. - 4th Monday of the month at 7:00 PM

SPECIAL DATES

October 8, 9,10 - Citywide Yard sale

October 31, 2010—Halloween 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

November 19, 2010—Turkey Raffle

November 25th & 26th—City Building Closed

CITY SERVICE REFERENCE NUMBERS



CITY BUILDING 581-8884

POLICE DEPT. 581-8863

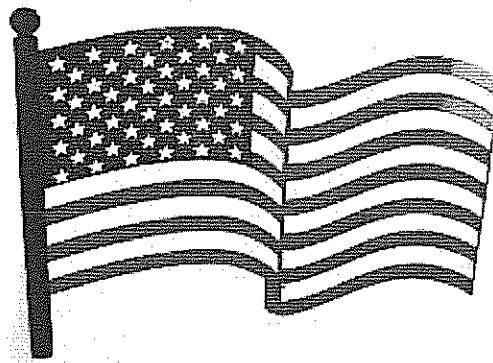
FIRE DEPT. 431-5884

MAINTENANCE 581-9515

RUMPKE 472-7339

NORTHERN KY
WATER DISTRICT 578-9898

SANITATION
DISTRICT 578-7460



PLEASE KEEP OUR MEN AND
WOMEN SERVING IN THE ARMED
FORCES IN YOUR THOUGHTS
AND PRAYERS

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Out of Control SKUNKS



IN NORTHERN KENTUCKY

Skunks are members of a unique family of mammals that possess -scent glands that can eject oily, foul-smelling musk. They are represented by five species found throughout most of the United States and into southern Canada and northern Mexico. In Northern Kentucky, the familiar “polecat” that many people encounter with their noses first is the **striped skunk**. These house cat-sized animals thrive in a wide variety of habitats and may occur in large populations in suburban areas. Skunks successfully live near people because we create highly desirable environments for them. With short, powerful legs and large, clawed feet, skunks can transform a small chipmunk burrow or undetected sink-hole into a cave- like dwelling in a suburban yard in a matter of minutes. Several generations of skunk families are often raised under porches, sidewalks, driveways, decks and sheds for years without the homeowner ever suspecting that their homes have been harboring black and white striped tenants..

Skunks are not picky eaters. Their diets may include vegetation, small rodents, insects, garbage, and pet food. During the spring and summer months, earthworms, grubs, crickets, grasshoppers and beetles are favorites and are readily available in lawns across our region. Their calling cards are the small funnel or cone-shaped holes dug in our yards. Other delicacies including garbage, spillage from bird feeders, compost piles and outdoor pet food bowls are favorite buffet “diners” for skunks.

Adult skunks begin breeding in **mid February to late March**. Males travel in search of females, and may fight aggressively over them, often spraying one another. This is when many “neighborhood sprays” take place and our noses are treated to the strong, often overpowering musk that interestingly, is the basis for some of the sweetest smelling perfumes! Skunks bear their young during the **first part of May through early June**, with usually only 1 litter annually. Litters typically consist of 4 - 6 kits, but may have as few as 2 or as many as 16! The kits stay with the female until autumn when they are mature enough to fend for themselves. The female then evicts them from the den in preparation for the next breeding season. Young skunks spray without much provocation, so some “neighborhood sprays” take place during summer and fall while these juveniles are out and about. Young females are capable of having their first litter their next spring, as yearlings.

Skunks become a nuisance when their spraying, digging and feeding habits conflict with humans. To reduce problems, homeowners need to make their homes and yards undesirable to skunks. They can do this by securing compost piles and birdfeeders, keeping pet food inside and sealing trashcans. In order to keep skunks from denning under buildings, homeowners should seal off all foundation openings with wire mesh, sheet metal or concrete, taking precautions not to trap the animals inside.

Many species of wildlife at one time or another require management actions to reduce conflicts with people, property, and pets. In many cases wildlife species have found a way to co-exist with their human neighbors. However, sometimes conflicts do arise where action is needed to protect the wildlife, humans, pets or property.

The goal of *Out of Control Wildlife* is to alleviate the problems that sometimes occur when wildlife and humans come into conflict and cannot co-exist. By providing sound information about wildlife and their habits, we can help homeowners make the best decisions to minimize their conflicts with wild animals.

If you have an issue with skunks or any other wildlife and need professional assistance, please call *Out of Control Wildlife* and ask about our \$10 off discount for residents of the City of Wilder, or stop by the City Building for one of our brochures. Be sure to visit our website at OutofControlWildlife.com.



Vikki Rawe – Owner
Out of Control Wildlife, LLC
859-635-0037

WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS

Mr. Bernard Sandman

743 Johns Hill Road

Ms. Laura Vergamini and Ms. Rayann Whistel

440 Lakeview Drive

Ms. Sarah Arnett

340 Timber Ridge Drive

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance No. 10-0901-Levying an Ad Valorem Tax Rate for the year of 2010. Establishing the rates therefore and adopting the Campbell County Tax Commissioner's Assessment on said property and providing for a tax lien against all taxable property in the city to secure the payment of said taxes.

Ordinance No. 10-0902- An Ordinance closing a certain Public way in the city of Wilder, Kentucky.

SYMPATHY

To the family of Wanda Reis.

To the family of Robert Buechel.

To Harold "Bo" Knight and family on the death of his wife Trudy.

CITYWIDE

October 8th, 9th, and 10th



This is an annual event to assist citizens in perhaps making money on items that would be routinely disposed of. No license is needed and all fees on this annual event are waived.

Contact the city building if you wish to be placed on a participation list which will be displayed at the city building and firehouse. An ad will be placed in the newspaper indicating the participating streets provided we are notified on Monday, September 28th.

2010 PROPERTY TAX BILLS

Property Tax Bills will be mailed on September 30th.

Bills due by November 30, 2010

Dear Citizens of Wilder,

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for giving me the distinct privilege of representing you on city council over the past 4 years. During that time and in the midst of a downward economy, Wilder has experienced continued economic growth, a decrease in property taxes, and outstanding levels of service from all of our city departments. Earlier this year, we saw the opening of the Hampton Inn Hotel at AA/I-275, and later this year, the Mellow Mushroom eatery on Town Drive (next to Dairy Queen) will be opening. Furthermore, one of our industrial type businesses has plans in the next year for a sizeable expansion, adding more growth to the city's economic landscape.


I am excited for what 2011 will bring, and if re-elected, I will continue to be an advocate for you on council making sure that Wilder continues to be a leading community in Northern Kentucky. Please do not hesitate to call me (859.581.8884) with any questions, comments or concerns.

On November 2nd, I respectfully ask for your continued support and vote.

Sincerely,

David S. Martin

David S. Martin for Wilder City Council



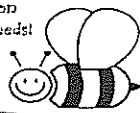
TRICK—OR—TREAT
Sunday, October 31st
5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

All About Kids Child Development Center

Programs currently offered:

- ☑ Preschool
- ☑ Summer Camp for school kids
- ☑ Kindergarten—Coming soon

We focus on Individual Needs!



Day, evening & weekend childcare available!

Now enrolling children ages 6 weeks to 12 years!

Our experienced staff includes:

- × Professional Educators
- × Registered Nurse

For more information

Owned and operated by Tina Ansara, a life long resident of Northern Kentucky

Striving to provide a happy, loving, safe, creative & fun atmosphere in which to learn and grow!

Call (859) 781-9666

1157 Steffen Lane
Wilder, Kentucky 41076
Across from the Town & Country Sports Center
On the AA Highway at the Wilder exit off of I-275

TURKEY RAFFLE TICKETS

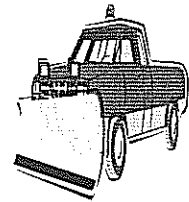
The fireman will be going door to door distributing raffle tickets for the annual Turkey Raffle. Your donation is greatly appreciated.

SMOKE DETECTORS

The fire department will be going door to door checking smoke detectors and replacing batteries.



SNOW & ICE REMOVAL



REMINDERS:

PARK CARS IN DRIVEWAY DURING AND/OR AT SNOW AND ICE STORM ADVISORY. This allows streets to be completely cleared and also helps keep the plow from piling snow around parked cars.

CUL-DE-SAC– Do not park in the cul-de-sac during inclement weather. The truck with the snowplow cannot make turns when cars are parked in the cul-de-sac. Please conform.

PROCEDURE FOR SNOW REMOVAL:

The hilly areas are the first streets to be cleared. We then proceed to clear the level areas. Please note that Three Mile Road, Mooock Road, Licking Pike, and Johns Hill Road are state roads and are not maintained by the City of Wilder. If you have a problem or questions regarding these roads, please call the Kentucky Department of Transportation at 341-2700.

John Verax
Public Works Director

WILDER FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL TURKEY RAFFLE



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2010

5:30 P.M.

Wilder Municipal Building

520 Licking Pike

RAFFLES * DOOR PRIZES * GAMES

Food by Ladies Auxiliary

LOTS OF FUN

Support your Fire Department

DESSERT DONATIONS GREATLY APPRECIATED

Robert "Bob" Arnold Candidate for Mayor



Residents of Wilder:

I sincerely appreciate you considering me for the office of Mayor in our city. Since 1994, I have been a resident at 43 Wesley Drive where I live with my wife, Wendy, and our daughters. I also maintain a law office in the white farmhouse on Licking Pike next to the Super Value (formerly the Ameristop).

While I have been active in many community and civic organizations, this is my first time running for public office.

We are very fortunate to live in a community that has many wonderful assets. We have a nice mix of terrific neighborhoods. We have an industrial base that helps keep taxes low. We have access to major highways. We have a new city building with a nice park. We have an excellent and qualified group of city council members. However, with so much, we have done so little for residents and there is so much more we can do for the benefit of ALL residents.

If elected as Mayor, I will immediately reach out to gather input on the interests and concerns of each resident. I will create sub-committees of the city council and empower them to take action to address these interests and concerns. Likewise, I will work with council to bring community programs to the city that will be of interests to all residents, especially our senior population.

I will also work to greatly enhance the use of technology to share information with residents. This will include upgrading the city website and utilization of the email system. As part of this upgrade, I will provide transparency of the financial records of the city so that each of you can see where and how your tax dollars are being spent.

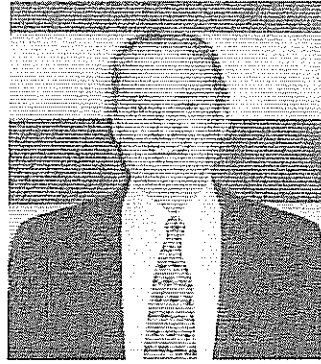
Lastly, our city is positioned to have an active voice in addressing county and regional issues. I pledge to play a leadership role in dealing with development and road projects that affect our city.

I have the educational background and professional experience to move our city forward in a positive way. I pledge to make better use of city resources to benefit all residents.

You can call me directly anytime to discuss matters of our city at 859-802-7407 or email me at bob.arnold@fuse.net. I appreciate your consideration and ask for your vote on November 2nd.

*Thank You,
Bob Arnold*

To my fellow citizens of Wilder. Wilder has been my home for over 40 years. In that time, my wife Norma and I have raised two sons and enjoy two grandchildren. I attended Lees College, Northern Kentucky University and Ohio Mechanical Institute.



Stanley Turner

MAYOR
CANDIDATE
INCUMBENT

For approximately thirty-five (35) years I have been involved in some form of city government. Twenty (20)+ years serving in planning and zoning and four (4) years as city council member. What an honor and privilege it has been to serve as your Mayor and lead our city for the last 8 years. This has been one of the most satisfying and rewarding periods in my life. I am truly grateful and humbled to be able to serve our great city.

In that time we have seen many changes. Wilder has grown from a small rural farming community to a thriving business oriented city. With proper planning and good location, we have been fortunate to attract and keep a diversified business development. This business development has provided the city with resources to in my opinion have the finest police department, fire department, public works department and administrative staff in the Greater Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky region. Wilder also is fortunate to have one of the lowest tax rates in the region which makes this a great place to live.


With the cooperation of a great City Council some of the many accomplishments we have been able to bring to the city include: Expansion of the city infrastructure, new water and sewer lines, a new fire station at the south end of the city, and a new fire engine and fire boat. In addition to these improvements, the city has expanded the business community as well. New businesses such as the Hampton Inn, Andrews Laser Works, Longnecks, Bluegrass Excavation, Town and Country Sports Complex and others, bringing many new jobs and services to the city. I am also proud to say that Cincy Magazine out of 100 cities in the area rated Wilder as the 7th best place to live in the Greater Cincinnati Area.

All of this has been accomplished with no increase in taxes in the last 7 years. While most cities are facing budget deficits and struggling with the need to raise taxes, Wilder has seen job growth and has been able to freeze the tax rate. In fact, the property tax rate this year was even lowered.

With your continued support and the help of city council I will continue to lead our city in a manner we all can be proud of.

So with my sincere thanks for your previous support I am again asking for your vote of confidence on November 2nd.

Sincerely,


Stanley Turner
Mayor

My door is always open and no problem is too small. I can be reached any time at Home (859) 441-8347 or on my Cell Phone (859) 240-9302 or at the City Building (859) 581-8884