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WILDER EXCHANGE

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MAINTENANCE 581-9515

Rumpke 800-828-8171

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WATER DISTRICT** 578-9898

**SANITATION
DISTRICT** 578-7450

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

City Council Meetings can be viewed on Spectrum Channel 200, Cincinnati
Bell Fiopics channel 806 or www.campbellmedia.org

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

Wilder Vol.Fire Dept Drill - Every Monday at 7:30 PM

SPECIAL ACTIVIES

May 17, 18 & 19 2019—City Wide Yard Sale

June 8, 2019—KidsFest

June 3 - July 19, 2019—Recreation Program

July 4, 2019—City Building Closed



HAVE A SAFE SUMMER!

WORKING TOGETHER TO BUILD A BETTER TOMORROW

Wilder Recreation Summer Program

When: June 3, 2019 to July 19, 2019

Who: Wilder Residents ages 7-15

Where: City Building (downstairs)

Time: 11:00-4:00

* see following page for more details



WANT TO MAKE EXTRA CASH??

Bartenders needed for city functions.

Please contact the city building for more information 859-581-8884

Wilder Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary

I would like to thank all those who helped out with the Fire Department's Annual Fish Fry fund raiser and the City's Easter Egg Hunt. Both events were a great success. We could not do it without the continued support of our firefighters and volunteers.

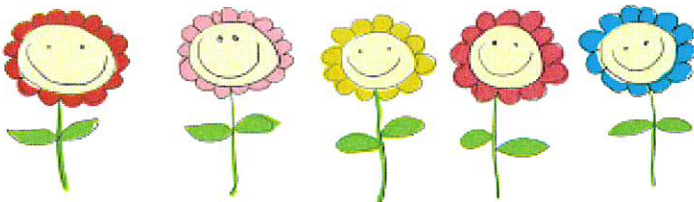
Now we can start to focus on the next big annual events, Flag Raising in September and the Turkey Raffle in November..

Thanks again to all those who helped out and to those who continue to support the City and the Fire Department.

Carla Neyman
President

A Friendly Reminder

As we enter the summer months please keep in mind the proper ways to dispose of construction debris like concrete and mortar. Also please dispose of paint properly by drying up paint with cat litter or sand. Thank You!



The City of Wilder Police Department Proudly Presents

KIDSFEST 2019

June 8th at 10:00 a.m.
Wilder City Building

Food

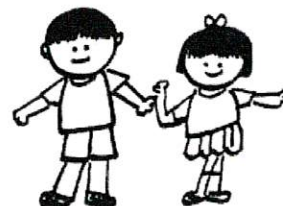
Fun

&

Prizes

If you are unable to attend,
but wish to contribute, send donations to
Chief Williams C/O KidsFest.
Due to the size of the event, all Children
Must be accompanied by an adult.

Please help us make this year's event
the best ever!

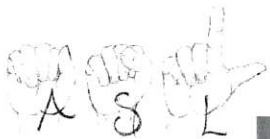


Wilder Recreation Department

The City of Wilder provides a day camp for all students 7 to 15 years of age. Camp starts on Monday, June 3 and will continue through Friday, July 19. The hours are from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. However, we do have some extended days because of varying activities, so you'll want to check the weekly news letters for changes in schedules. Below is a list of some activities that are offered throughout the summer.

Free lessons offered once to twice a week

- Guitar & Ukulele
- Sign Language
- Knitting & Crochet



Outdoor Activities



- Kickball
- Scavenger Hunts
- Obstacle Courses
- Water balloon toss



Weekly Field Trips



- Movies
- Swimming
- Bowling



Fun in the Kitchen

- Decorate your own Cookies
- Make Pizza Muffins
- Make Slime and Gooney Gunk



Arts and Crafts



- Painting
- Drawing
- Variety of craft kits and activities

Games, Games, and More Games



- Variety of Board Games
- Video Games
- Cards



Grill Outs



WELCOME TO SUMMER AT THE WILDER RECREATION DEPARTMENT!

Wilder Recreation Summer Program

- When:** From June 3, 2019 to July 19, 2019
- Who:** This program is available for Wilder residents from the ages of 7 – 15. All children participating in the program must be registered with the Recreation Department.
- How:** Registration forms are available at the information desk at the Wilder City Building or on the City Website.
- Activities:** The summer recreation program includes field trips to various locations. Other activities available are video games, arts and crafts, field games, water games, music, and board games. Lessons available include: crochet, guitar, ukulele and sign language. Children may want to check the schedule for Extended Camp Days that happened periodically throughout the summer. There may be changes or additions to the summer camp schedule, so check weekly at the Recreation Center.
- Staff:** The staff this year consists of Bill Turner, Angelic Boyers, and Sharon Beatsch. All are either current or retired teachers. Also joining us again this summer will be Autumn Creekmore.

We hope you have a safe and happy summer!

NOTE TO PARENTS:

The program is not a day care center. Children are supervised while at the Center but they are free to come and go as they please. If you have children attending, let them know your rules. Also note that children must sign in and out and are responsible for keeping all facilities clean.

Recreation Director Bill Turner

Wilder Recreation Department

Name of Child: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Age _____

Address: _____

Parents' / Guardians' Name: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Emergency Contact Information: (used if parent is unreachable)

First:

Second:

Name

Name

Home Phone

Home Phone

Cell or Work

Cell or Work

Relationship to Child

Relationship to Child

Are there any medial or physical conditions that we should be aware of? _____

Do you give permission to us to include pictures of your child (taken during recreation activities) on the Wilder Recreation website, along with information about our program and pictures of other children?

Please circle one: YES or NO Parent initial _____

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I, _____, give the Wilder Recreation Department permission to obtain medical treatment for my child, _____, in the event that an emergency arises and I cannot be reached or notified immediately. I understand that the above phone numbers will be called before any emergency treatment is administered.

Parent Signature

Date Signed

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On behalf of _____, we the parents/guardians, by signing do hereby agree to assume sole responsibility as to any and all possible injuries that may arise, as a result of said child engaging in the various athletic and recreational activities conducted by the City of Wilder's Recreation Department. We also give the recreation staff permission to transport our child in the City of Wilder's bus and /or in their personal vehicles.

We, the undersigned, agree to hold the City of Wilder, its Recreation Department and staff, free from any liability, as a result of any injuries that may be sustained by our child, arising from the activities mentioned above.

Signature of Legal Parent/Guardian

Date



General Grill Safety:

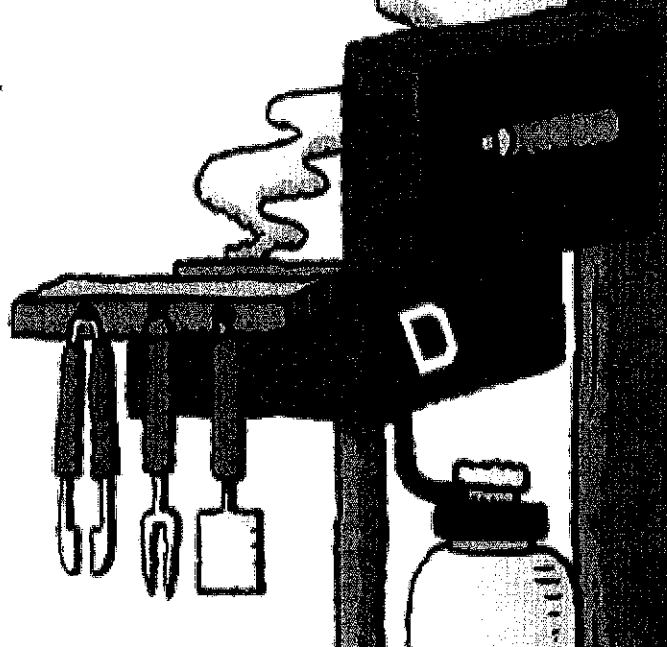
- Do not place an operating grill next to your house.
- Place grills where they will not tip over or ignite objects above them.
- Keep grills away from open windows and doors.
- Do not use grills under awnings or carports.
- Do not place within 15 feet of combustible material.
- Dorm residents **MUST** use designated picnic areas.

Charcoal Grill Safety:

- Only apply lighter fluid on coals before fire is ignited.
- **NEVER** use gasoline to start a fire.
- Always soak coals in grill with water after cooking.
- Store unused charcoal coals in dry, well-ventilated area.

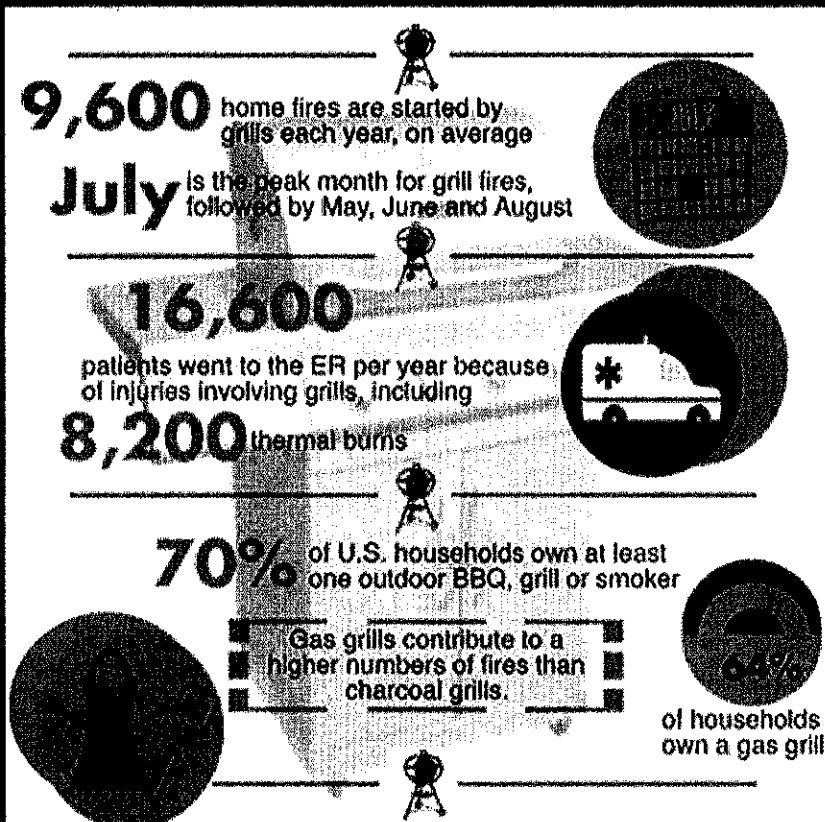
Gas Grill Safety:

- Always store outside when gas bottle is connected.
- Ensure no gas leaks. Prior to each use, check hoses and regulators.
- Check igniter switch for operation prior to turning on.
- Use caution when igniting grill.



GRILLING STATISTICS

from NFPA



Sources:
NFPA's "State of the Barbecue Industry" consumer survey
NFPA's 2016 "Research Report"

Barbecue grills, turkey fryers and fire pits must be at least 15 feet away from structures when in use. Never use grills or fire pits under porches or overhangs. They should not be placed near a structure until completely cooled. Allow ashes from grills and firepits to completely burn out and cool prior to discarding them and please never place ashes on your deck or in any combustible type bags.

If you have any questions, please call the Fire Station at 859-431-1440

From the desk of the Chief of Police

Drive Safe
to
Arrive Safe!

Throughout my career I've seen countless avoidable accidents. If only drivers would adhere to a couple simple safe driving habits, they could have been avoided. Of course, one of the main factors is always speed but today we see more and more accidents contributed to distracted driving. Whether it's talking on the phone, texting or trying to find a good song on your playlist, there seems to be less focus on driving and more on our personal lives when we get behind the wheel. Please understand the enormous amount of responsibility we all take on every time we operate a vehicle, although many seem to take this for granted. Not only do we owe it to ourselves but our families and everyone else on the road to be responsible and safe when driving. So, the first tip, as obvious as it may sound, is please pay attention at all times.

Another simple safety tip is, stop following too close. Try to remember your driver's manual and back off to a safe distance (2 seconds) when a vehicle is in front of you. To put in perspective, at thirty five (35) miles per hour, you are traveling nearly fifty (50) feet per second. Just imagine what can happen in such a short period covering that distance. There are countless occasions I'm not even able to see the front headlights of the vehicle behind me, in my rearview mirror. Obviously, this is entirely too close and causes numerous senseless accidents that are easily avoidable.

Finally, I want to mention a very important safety tip, which will help prevent many senseless and avoidable accidents. We all need to yield to stopped emergency vehicles and for that matter even disabled motorists on the side of the road. Fortunately, this is now a law but in my opinion it shouldn't have had to be. When you see an emergency vehicle stopped at road side, you are obligated to change lanes or slow to a safe speed if you cannot safely make the lane change. Unfortunately, numerous pedestrians and emergency personnel are killed every year throughout the country, being struck by passing vehicles. First responders risk their lives on a daily basis but, these situations should not be one of those risks.

So, if you can adhere to just a few tips that will ultimately become safe driving habits, you, your families and everyone else on the road around you will be much safer when operating a vehicle on our roadways today. I truly hope you really think about these suggestions and impart them on to your children, other family members and even friends.

Sincerely and Respectfully,

R. Andrew Williams
Chief of Police

From the desk of the City Clerk

As a friendly reminder, all businesses within the City of Wilder need to obtain an occupational license. You can find the forms on line at www.cityofwilder.com under the forms tab. You may also come to the city building for the forms as well. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 859-581-8884

***Thank You,
Juanita Schlutz
City Clerk/Treasurer***

From the desk of the City Administrator

STEEL PLANT NOISE

The city has been receiving a number of calls recently regarding noise at the steel plant. The steel plant is a heavy industrial business vital to the city and the Northern Kentucky economy. Unfortunately a byproduct of this type of business is noise. Working together on a solution to satisfy all involved is a goal of both the city and steel plant.

The city and management at the steel plant are committed to find and abate as much of the noise as possible. In order for the steel plant to isolate the areas, time, days and processes making the noise the city and the steel plant are asking that complaints about noise be directed to the guard office at the TMK-IPSCO plant. The number to call is 859-292-6060. Advise the guard that you would like to make a noise complaint. Information will be requested from the caller about the noise so that management can eventually find a solution to remedy as much noise as possible.

Please be patient as we work together with the steel plant to resolve this issue.

From the desk of the City Administrator cont

ASSISTANT CITY ADMINISTRATOR

As of May 1, the city has an assistant city administrator. Assistant Fire Chief Chuck Norris has a new title. Chuck will now be assisting the city administrator with many of the city day to day operational issues. This will give the city administrator time to work on some new goals of the city as well as several new projects about to begin. We have plan for a new fire station next to the city building and a major renovation of the park behind the city building.

The assistant city administrator will be handling the supervision of the public works department and city property maintenance. In addition, he will be handling daily operational issues such as permits, complaints, business license checks and many other tasks. To contact Mr. Norris please call the city building 859-581-8884 or emailing cnorris@cityofwilder.com.

GRASS AND WEED COMPLAINTS

It's that time of year we start seeing yards not maintained and grass growing out of control. The city has a property maintenance code as well as nuisance ordinances that gives the city, in extreme circumstances, the right to cut unkempt properties and file liens to recover costs of cutting the grass. If you see properties that are not maintained, or in some other disrepair, please contact the Assistant City Administrator.

From the Office of the Mayor

Easter Egg Hunt

Despite the dreary weather, the Easter Egg Hunt event was a great success. Thanks to all the families who were able to attend. We added a grill out / lunch to the program this year and hope to make it even a bigger and better community event next year. Also, special thanks to the City staff that worked so hard to make the event possible.

Grants

As you likely know, the City has conducted a study of how best to improve our Parks and Recreation programs. We are now in the process of planning a "make-over" of both Fredricks Landing and Veteran's Memorial Park as well as looking at the best places and ways to extend our bike / walking trails. There are a few grants available for these types of upgrades and we are actively working to apply for these grants.

Road Conditions

If you have traveled up Johns Hill Road, you are keenly aware of the deteriorating condition of parts of that road. The City has made continuous calls to the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, and in the last newsletter encouraged residents to do the same. On a few occasions their workers have temporarily patched the road, but it has provided little relief to those, including me, who travel that road on a regular basis. Also, the intersection at Licking Pike and I275 continues to be a problem.

In an attempt to address these and other problem areas, I instructed Terry Vance, Wilder City Administrator, to set up a meeting for us with the KY Transportation Cabinet. That meeting is set for May 21st. I will be inviting Campbell County Judge Executive Steve Pendery, State Senator Wil Schroder, and State Representative Dennis Keene to join me in that meeting. I am hopeful our collective voices will lead to action and thus safer travel on our roads in Wilder.