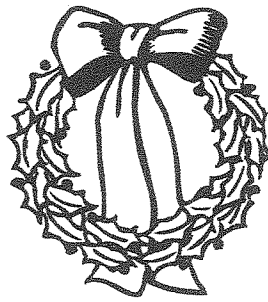


*Merry Christmas*

*&*

*A Joyous New Year*

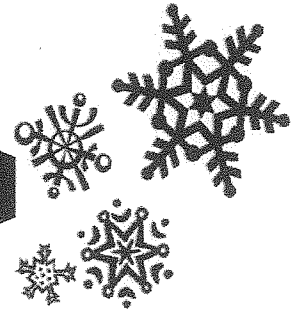


*Dear Citizens:*

*On behalf of the City Council & Employees  
of the City of Wilder, I wish you all the  
joys of the season and all the best in the  
New Year.*

*Stanley Turner*

*Mayor*



# WILDER EXCHANGE

**WILDER EXCHANGE**  
November/December  
2014  
ISSUE

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## 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

December 1st at 7:15 p.m.-Tree Lighting Ceremony

December 21st—Santa Is Coming Via Fire Truck

December 24th & 25th -City Building Closed

January 1st—City Building Closed

## CITY SERVICE REFERENCE NUMBERS



CITY BUILDING 581-8884

POLICE DEPT. 581-8863

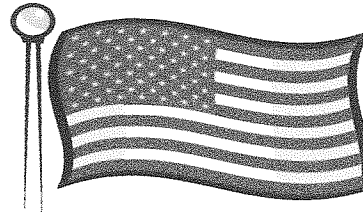
FIRE DEPT. 431-5884

MAINTENANCE 581-9515

REPUBLIC SERVICES 513-771-4200

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

[www.cityofwilder.com](http://www.cityofwilder.com)

# Santa Is Coming

To Wilder  
Via Fire Truck  
Throughout the City  
Sunday, December 21st  
Time: 1:00 to 5:00 PM



For More Information Call 431-5884

If weather is bad, (Snow, Rain/Sleet) please bring your child to the city building between 1:00 & 5:00 to pick up the children's candy and visit with Santa.

Sponsored by: Wilder Volunteer Fire Dept

## Sentinel Santa

The Sentinel Santa Fund-Raising program is sponsored by the Sentinel neighborhoods off Johns Hill Road. This is our 23rd year of neighborly giving. The funding goes directly to the Brighton Center's outreach programs for needy young teens, young adults and young families in transition. If are able to donate before the holidays, your donations are so greatly appreciated. The Homeward Bound and Independent Living Programs are active all year round and our funds are gratefully accepted at any time. Thank You again! Shelia and Tom Horan Donations to: Brighton Center, Inc. P.O. Box 325, Newport KY 41071. Please add Sentinel Santa to your memo line.

### Just a reminder

Property Taxes are due November 30, 2014



### TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

The Tenth Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony will be held on December 1st immediately following the 7:00 council Meeting.

Everyone is invited to come and join us to kick off the Holiday.

Hot chocolate & cookies will be served.

Also this year Santa will be attending the ceremony to visit with the children! Complimentary pictures will be taken and can be picked up at the city building.

### CHRISTMAS DECORATING CONTEST

Once again, the City of Wilder will sponsor a Home/Condominium decorating contest. The city has selected a panel of judges who will be viewing the homes in the city the week of December 16th to the 20th. Prizes are as follows:

#### Single Family Homes

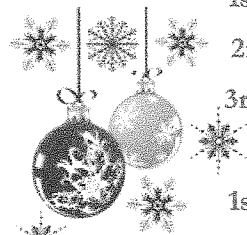
1st place—\$75 gift card

2nd place-\$50 gift card

3rd place—\$25 gift card

#### Condominium

1st place—\$75 gift card



If you wish to have your home be nominated or another home, please have your home lit up and/or decorated during the above dates and submit or call the city building with the nomination. The winners will be notified and asked which restaurant they prefer their gift card to be from in Wilder.

## WVFD Ladies Auxiliary

Another year is quickly coming to an end and I want to thank everyone for your help and support. We had a prosperous and fun year. From our wonderful Fish Fry to our record breaking Bluegrass Festival. All of this years events had great turn outs.

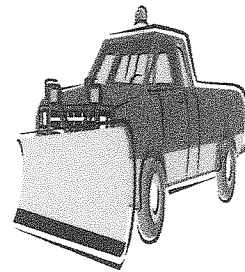
I would especially like to thank the member of the Ladies Auxiliary for doing an excellent job. Also a special thanks to all who volunteer at our events.

Now on to 2015, we are already gearing up for the upcoming Fish Fry's. We hope to see you there!

Happy Holidays to all our Wilder friends and neighbors!

Norma Turner  
President, WVFD Ladies Auxiliary

### **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, Mook 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.

Public Works

## FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

As Mayor one of my favorite duties is to prepare an annual update to the resident's about what's going on in the city.

### FINANCES:

Let me start off by saying the city is in good financial shape. With the exception of the debt on the city building, the city is totally debt free. Based on our current repayment plan, the city building will be paid off 5 years earlier than originally expected in early 2017 instead of 2022 saving the city an additional \$76,514.

### PROPERTY TAXES:

Property tax bills are out and due by November 30, 2014. I am pleased to report that we have not raised taxes again this year. The tax rate has not been raised in over eight years. Wilder's 2014 tax rate will remain \$2.00 per \$1,000 valuation. Wilder still maintains the lowest combined property tax rate in Campbell County. In addition, the city has re-negotiated the current waste contract which will ensure that waste fees will only see a minimal increase over the next three years.

### BUSINESS COMMUNITY:

Growth and expansion of area businesses is going great. The business community remains strong in Wilder. Several businesses are adding to their existing facilities while new businesses are moving to Wilder. One thing for certain, Wilder is a place that businesses like to call home and we are certainly proud of our business community and wish them continued success and prosperity.

### STREET REPAIRS:

The city is continuing with a fairly aggressive street repair program. All public streets in the city are on a planned schedule for repairs. If you see something you think we need to know about or if you would like to know the future plans for your street please feel free to contact the city building for more information.

### BIKE TRAIL:

The City of Wilder in conjunction with Vision 2015 and the Licking River Greenway have started a portion of the bike trail that will run along the Licking River in Covington, Wilder, Newport and Taylor Mill. The first phase of the trail in Wilder is already complete and begins at the Wilder City Building. It currently runs to Frederick's Landing with the next phase about to begin that will run through Frederick's Landing. For more information on the Licking River Greenway please visit <http://www.lickingrivertrail.org/wilder/>

### RATED BEST PLACES TO LIVE:

Cincy Magazine has once again ranked Wilder one of the Best Places to live in Greater Cincinnati. Coming in at number 32 Wilder ranks in the top 50 best places. Something we should all be proud of.

I would like to compliment all of the city departments on an outstanding job keeping the city operating smoothly on a daily basis.

One final note: during the winter months if there are any seniors or anyone with special needs who need assistance during bad weather, don't hesitate to call our police department. They will be more than happy to assist you in any way they can. And as always, my door is always open and you can call me at home 859-441-8347 or on my cell phone 859-240-9302.

MAYOR STANLEY TURNER

