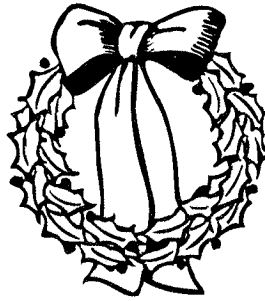


Merry Christmas

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A Joyous New Year

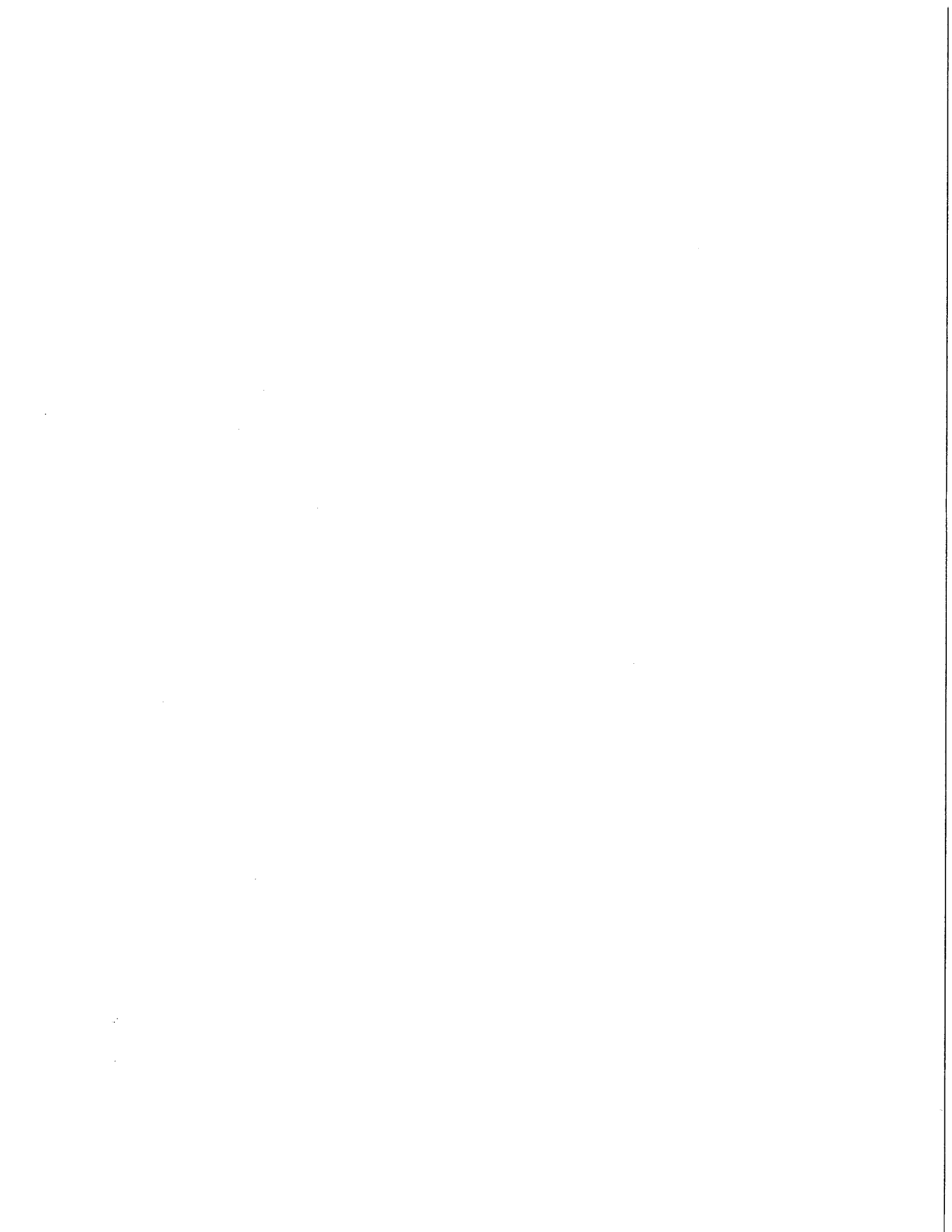


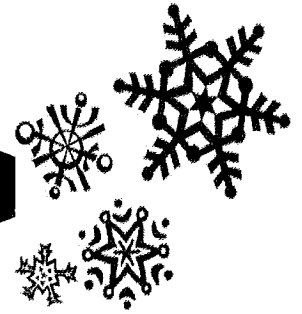
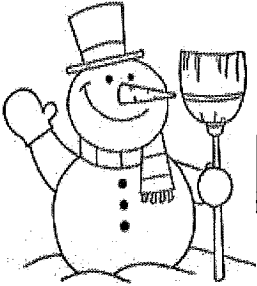
Dear Citizens:

*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





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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 Spectrum channel 200, Cincinnati
Bell Fioptics channel 806 or www.campbellmedia.org
Wilder Planning & Zoning - 4th Monday (as needed) at 7:00 PM
Wilder Fire Dept Drill - Every Monday 7:30-10:00 PM

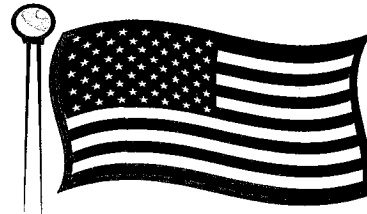
SPECIAL DATES

December 3th at 7:15 p.m.-Tree Lighting Ceremony
December 16th—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
- RUMPKE 800-828-8171
- 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

City Web Page
www.cityofwilder.com

Santa Is Coming

To Wilder
Via Fire Truck
Throughout the City
Sunday, December 23rd
Time: 1:00 to 5:00 PM



For More Information Call 431-5884

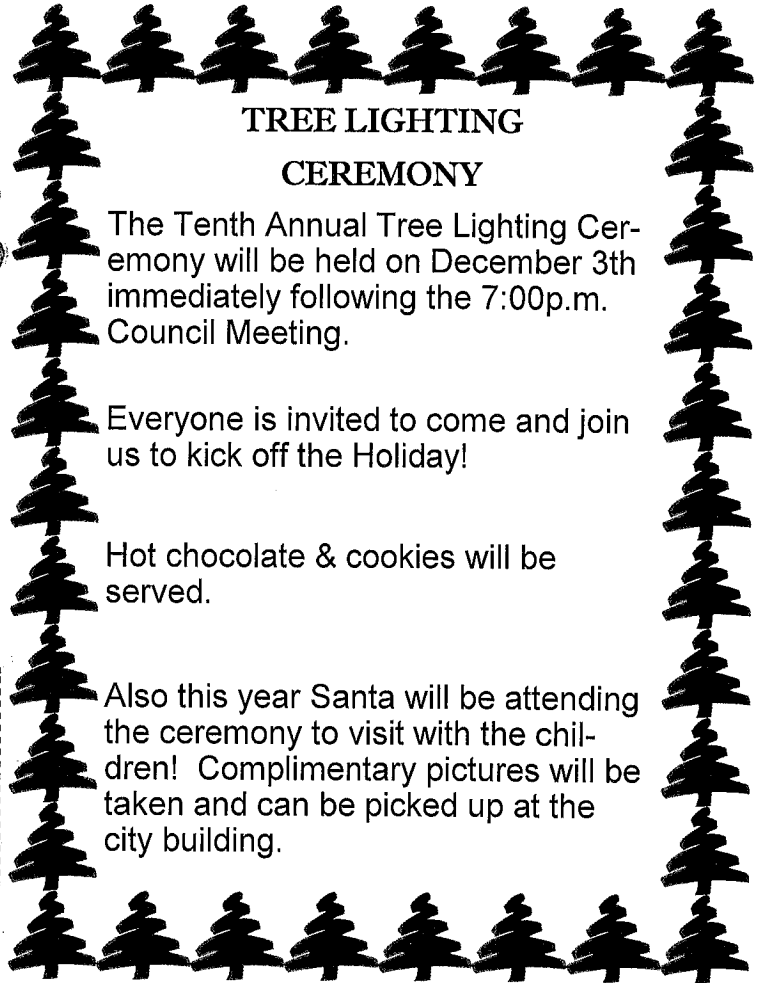
If weather is bad, (Snow, Rain/Sleet) please bring your child to the city building between 1:00 & 5:00 to pick up the children's candy and visit with Santa.

Sponsored by: Wilder Fire Department

Sentinel Santa

The Sentinel Santa Fund-Raising program is sponsored by the Sentinel neighborhoods off Johns Hill Road. This is our 27th year of neighborly giving. The funding goes directly to the Brighton Center's outreach programs for families in need. If are able to donate before the holidays, your donations are so greatly appreciated and also accepted throughout the year. Thank You again! Sheila and Tom Horan Donations to: Brighton Center, Inc. P.O. Box 325, Newport KY 41071. Please add Sentinel Santa to your memo line.

ANOTHER TURKEY RAFFLE HAS COME AND GONE. WE ARE BLOWN AWAY BY THE AMOUNT OF SUPPORT FROM OUR CITIZENS AND MULTIPLE BUSINESSES THAT DONATED ITEMS FOR THE RAFFLE. WITHOUT YOUR SUPPORT THIS FUNCTION WOULD NOT EXIST. THE WILDER FIRE DEPT WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU AND WISH EVERYONE A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY SEASON



TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

The Tenth Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony will be held on December 3th immediately following the 7:00p.m. 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 17th to the 21st. Prizes are as follows:

Single Family Homes

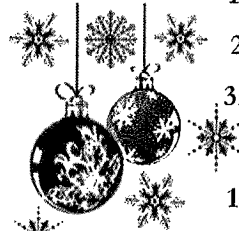
1st place—\$75 gift card

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.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

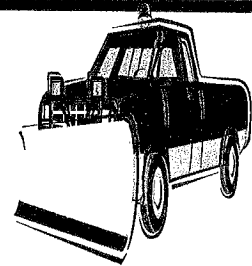
Holiday trash pick up will be
on
December 26th. And January
2nd... Please leave TRASH
AND RECYCLING BINS out
as Rumpke will be collecting
them.

***SPECIAL THANKS TO THE
LADIES AUXILARY***

***AS PRESIDENT OF THE LADIES
AUXILARY, I WOULD
LIKE TO TAKE THIS
OPPURTUNTIY TO
ACKNOWLEDGE AND THANK A
GROUP OF HARD WORKING
LADIES WHO DEDICATE THEIR
TIME AND ENERGY TO THE
CITY OF WILDER***

NORMA TURNER

**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, Mooch 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

Happy Holidays from the Wilder Police Department

Theft Prevention and Advice

To help keep our city as safe as possible, we want to remind all residents that this is the time of year for more burglars and thieves to be roaming the neighborhoods, looking for easy targets. Something as simple as leaving your garage door open for an extended length of time provides them with a very tempting and actually, quite easy mark for thefts to occur. Also, many more packages are delivered for the holidays, so if you are expecting a delivery and know you will not be home, make arrangements for a neighbor or friend to secure it. These type thefts have become extremely common especially this time of year.

We encourage residents to stay vigilant and always keep your homes and vehicles secure and report anything suspicious to police. Day time burglaries are surprisingly common, however, most people associate them with night. In the day, it is easy to overlook suspicious activity and thieves know this as well. Generally, they will knock on a door and once they are sure the resident is not at home, they will break in. It may only take two or three minutes to gather numerous valuable items and they're gone.

We would be happy to provide suggestions to anyone who may have security concerns. Please understand, we must work together to keep Wilder safe. Also, check our Facebook page for updates and other important information. When calling, understand, we are not always in the office to answer. If your call is urgent but not considered an emergency, please call the dispatch number provided below.

Have a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!

R. Andrew Williams

Chief of Police

Office 859 581-8863

Dispatch (for immediate contact)

859 292-3622

***All Wilder residents are invited to a
Farewell Gathering for
Mayor Stanley Turner.***

Saturday December 29th, 2018

Open House 2pm - 6pm

***Presentations and Honors will begin at
4:00pm***

At the Wilder City Building.

Hope to see you there.



LIVING WITH URBAN COYOTES

Coyotes (*Canis latrans*) are a member of the dog family. *Canis latrans* means "barking dog." This highly adaptive species was originally considered native only to the western two thirds of the United States, but landscape alterations and the elimination of large predators have allowed it to expand its range throughout North America. Thick dense fur can sometimes make coyotes appear larger than they really are. Their primary diet is made up of small rodents, but coyotes are opportunistic and will consume a vast array of foods including birds and insects, fruit and vegetables, human garbage and compost, outdoor pet food and small free-roaming pets.

Coyotes are at home in a variety of habitat types and will den in burrows, under downed trees, in thick brambles and culverts. While coyotes are most active between dusk and dawn, they can be seen at any time of the day. Generally shy and wary of humans, they can also be quite curious and will often observe human activity from what they perceive to be a safe distance. They will protect active dens from predators including other coyotes and dogs. Despite widespread efforts to reduce coyote populations, coyotes have managed to survive and thrive in and among human populations. Sightings have been on the increase recently. While most frequently sighted near natural areas, coyotes have also been seen deep into the urban interior. By providing accessible garbage cans, compost bins, outdoor pet bowls and free-roaming pets, humans have inadvertently promoted urban coyote populations.

Coyotes typically do not present risks to humans and with a few behavior modifications we can learn to coexist and appreciate the animal that Navajo sheep and goat herders referred to as "God's dog."

Coyotes and Pets

Coyotes are opportunistic and will prey upon free roaming cats and small dogs. The best prevention is to keep pets under control either indoors, on a leash or within a fenced yard. The only way to truly protect pets is to keep them contained or under direct control whenever they are outdoors. Coyotes have a compensatory, density dependant breeding rate. Killing coyotes disrupts population structure causing more coyotes to breed and have larger litters. Coyotes will also quickly fill into vacated habitat from

adjacent areas. For these reasons eradication efforts frequently lead to increases in local coyote populations.

Reducing Human-Coyote Conflicts

- **Never deliberately feed a coyote** or other wild mammal.
- **Securely cover garbage cans** and compost bins.
- **Remove fallen fruit from yards.**

- **Eliminate opportunities for rats** to breed in and around your yard.
- **Never deliberately approach a coyote** and teach children to respect all wildlife from a distance.
- **Keep house pets indoors** and allow only controlled access to the outdoors (fenced yards and leashes). Always keep pets in from dusk to dawn when coyotes are most active.
- To prevent coyotes from entering your yard consider **removing unnecessary brush**, installing a motion-sensitive lighting system, or installing a coyote proof fence. To be effective fences must be at least six feet tall, have no openings greater than four inches and should extend flush with the ground.
- If you do not want coyotes around your home, **let them know that they are not welcome**. If you see a coyote, shout and make noise, wave your arms.

This information was reprinted and copied from the Audubon Society of Portland Oregon. It is available along with other information at www.audubonportland.org.

For more information about Kentucky Rules and Regulations you may contact the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Office at www.kdfwr.state.ky.us or by calling 1-800-858-1549

Farewell Wishes from Mayor Turner

Greetings to all of my fellow residents and to the business community of Wilder. Let me start by saying how happy and proud I am to have served the City of Wilder as Mayor for the last 16 years. I have devoted 40 years of public service to the city as Mayor, Councilmember and Planning Commissioner. While the election didn't turn out the way I had hoped, I am confident that I am leaving the city in great shape. I would like to thank everyone who worked on my campaign and supporters who stood by me over the years. I will truly miss the friends and contacts I've made over the years

City Financial Position: One accomplishment that I am most proud of is the city was able to become debt free. With hard work and determination, we developed a pay as you go policy for big ticket items and eliminated the only debt the city had for the city building 14 years early saving the city \$1,858,889.

Administration: To our City Administrator, Terry Vance I would like thank him for keeping the city growing through the years. Keeping Wilder a place you want to call home. I would also like to thank our City Clerk/Treasurer Juanita Schultz, Assistant City Clerk Karen Schlipf and Receptionists Jane Haney and Maureen Hale for all they have done to keep the city running smoothly.

Public Projects: Under my administration, the city practically eliminated areas of the city without water or sewer. Some of these areas were difficult to provide these much needed services but with good planning and successfully applying for state and federal funds, the city provided water and sewer utilities though out the city. Street replacement has also been aggressively performed throughout the city. By maintaining a strong commitment to maintaining our city streets, the city's infrastructure is in fine shape.

Fire and Police Departments: Under my leadership, the city has added more full time fire and police positions to protect our city. We have always maintained the best and latest equipment and provided our first responders with what they needed to do their jobs. I am proud of each and every first responder and feel I am leaving the city in good hands.

I have devoted many years to this great city that I call home. I had many items that I just didn't have time to complete.

Last but not least, I would like to thank my wife Norma for her hard work and dedication to me and the city for countless hours spent in support of all the fund raisers. Also to the Wilder Ladies Auxiliary for the great support they have given to me and the city. Thank you for always being there.

In closing I would like again point out how successful the city has been over the past 16 years and I am confident that things will continue to look good for the foreseeable future.

I hope everyone has a wonderful holiday season Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Best wishes and God Bless the City of Wilder (My Old Kentucky Home).