



# WILDER EXCHANGE

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November/December  
2019

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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 Fiopics channel 806 or [www.campbellmedia.org](http://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

November 22nd—Turkey Raffle

November 28th & 29th—City Building Closed

December 2nd at 7:15 p.m.-Tree Lighting Ceremony

December 22nd—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

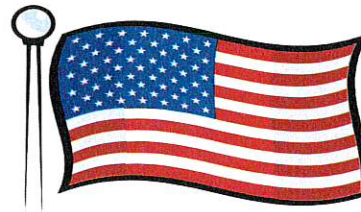
**FIRE DEPT.** 431-5884

**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

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## Santa Is Coming

To Wilder  
Via Fire Truck  
Throughout the City  
Sunday, December 22nd  
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 28th 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.

### Welcome New Residents

Kim and Robert Lewis

Amber and Diane Winekauf

Jordan and Michael Simmons

Jaehong Chung

Kimberly Burgess



### TREE LIGHTING

#### CEREMONY

The Eleventh Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony will be held on Dec. 2nd 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 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 nominate your 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.

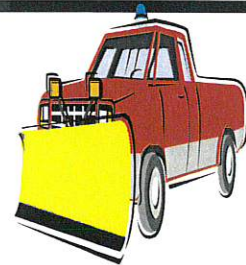
**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Holiday trash pick up will be on December 24th. And December 31st... Please leave **TRASH AND RECYCLING BINS** out as Rumpke will be collecting them.

*A SPECIAL THANK YOU THE LADIES AUXILARY, WHO HAVE DEVOTED THEIR TIME AND ENERGY TO WORK ALONG SIDE THE FIREFIGHTERS TO ASSIST THEM IN A GREAT AND SUCCESSFUL FISH FRY THIS YEAR. THIS TRULY COULD NOT BE DONE WITHOUT THEIR SUPPORT.*

*THE LADIES AUXILARY, AND MYSELF WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO OUR ANNUAL TURKEY RAFFLE ON FRIDAY NOVEMBER 22ND.  
PRESIDENT,  
CARLA NEYMAN*

# SNOW & ICE REMOVAL



**REMINDERS:**

**PARK VEHICLE 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

# SD1

Managing Northern Kentucky's  
Wastewater and Storm Water



## *Keep storm drains clean from debris this fall*

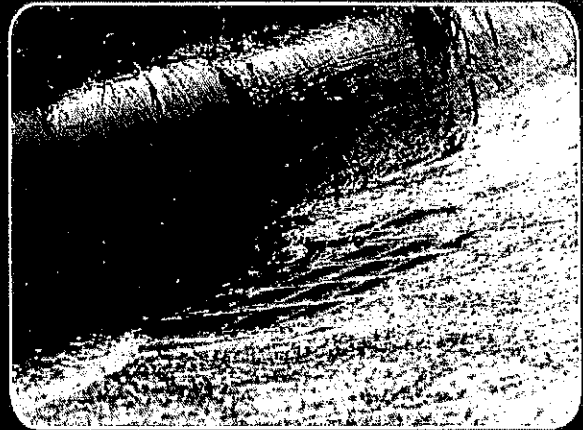
Catch basins, or storm drains, on the side of the road carry rainwater to Northern Kentucky's creeks and rivers. Pollutants and debris that wash into these basins when it rains are not usually carried to one of SD1's treatment plants for cleaning, but instead are conveyed to a nearby waterway. Once in our creeks and rivers, chemicals, yard debris, litter and dirt can degrade the quality of the water we rely on for drinking water and recreation. Autumn leaves and other debris can also clog storm drains, making these structures less effective at limiting erosion and flooding. These issues create safety hazards and costly property damage.

You can help prevent these issues and keep our waterways clean by following the tips on the back.



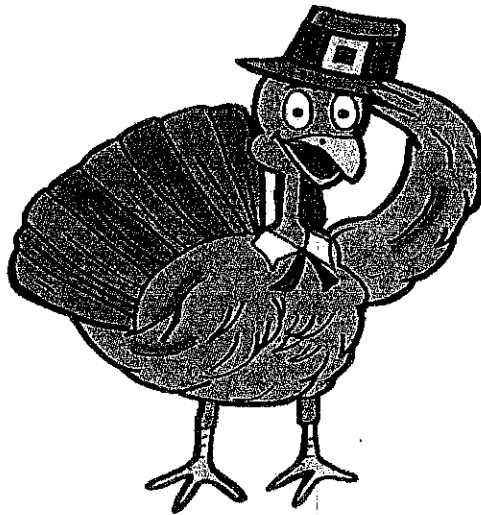
### *Remember these tips to help protect public health, property and the environment:*

- ▶ Don't sweep your grass clippings, leaves and other debris in the street.
- ▶ Dispose of all waste properly in trash receptacles or recycling bins.
- ▶ Use fertilizers and pesticides sparingly on your yard and landscaping.
- ▶ Never dump, pour or wash oil, chemicals, paint, yard debris, trash or other substances down a storm drain.
- ▶ During the winter months, shovel ice and snow on your property away from storm drains to help maintain a clear opening.



For more helpful tips and information about  
how to prepare for heavy rainfall, visit:  
[sd1.org/rainevents](http://sd1.org/rainevents)

**WILDER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
ANNUAL TURKEY RAFFLE**



**NOVEMBER 22, 2019  
5:30 P.M.  
AT THE WILDER CITY  
BUILDING**

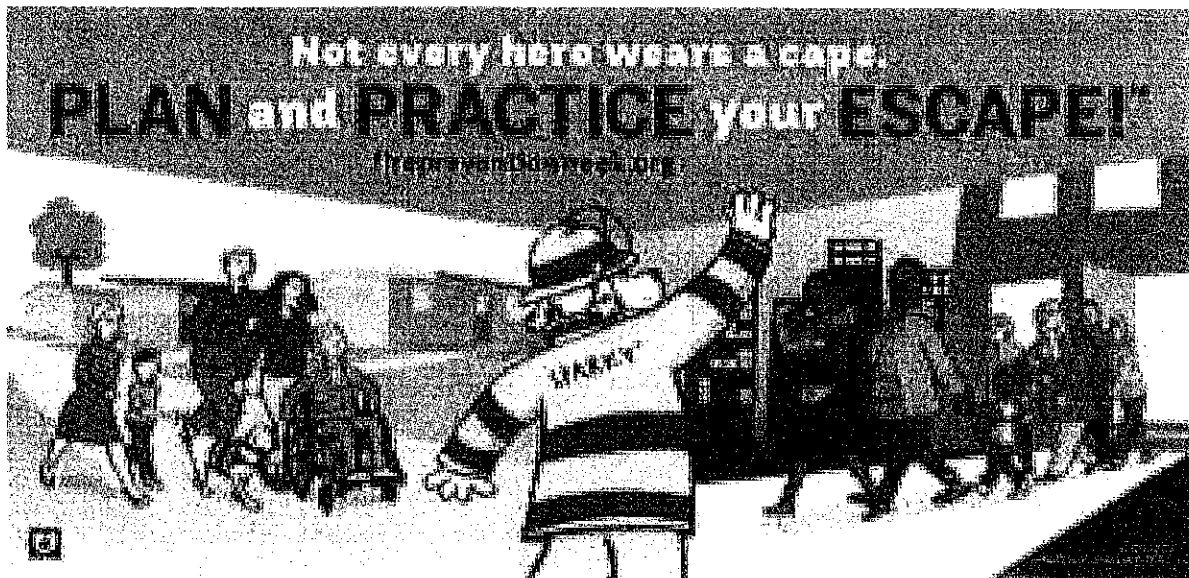
**FOOD, GAMES AND FUN FOR  
THE ENTIRE FAMILY!!**

**FOOD SPONSORED AND  
PREPARED BY  
THE WILDER FIRE  
DEPARTMENT  
LADIES AUXILIARY**



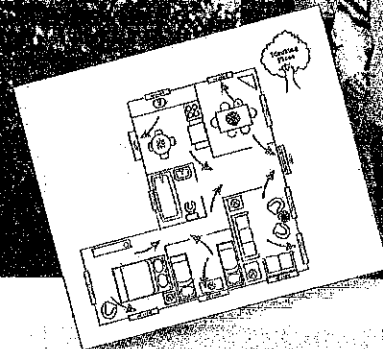
## Fire Prevention Week 2019!

This year's Fire Prevention Week focus is on having a family escape plan if there is a fire or emergency at your home. Knowing what to do, having a plan, and practicing that plan makes sure your family is prepared in the event a fire happens. Have a meeting place away from the road that everyone knows where to go and able to relay information to the Firefighter's that are coming to help. If you or your family have any questions or concerns, please contact the Fire Dept at 859-431-1440. Have a safe Holiday Season and always be prepared!



# Escape Planning

Plan Ahead! If a fire breaks out in your home, you may have only a few minutes to get out safely once the smoke alarm sounds. Everyone needs to know what to do and where to go if there is a fire.



## SAFETY TIPS

- »» MAKE a home escape plan. Draw a map of your home showing all doors and windows. Discuss the plan with everyone in your home.
- »» KNOW at least two ways out of every room, if possible. Make sure all doors and windows leading outside open easily.
- »» HAVE an outside meeting place (like a tree, light pole or mailbox) a safe distance from the home where everyone should meet.
- »» PRACTICE your home fire drill at night and during the day with everyone in your home, twice a year.
- »» PRACTICE using different ways out.
- »» TEACH children how to escape on their own in case you can't help them.
- »» CLOSE doors behind you as you leave.

## IF THE ALARM SOUNDS...

- »» If the smoke alarm sounds, GET OUT AND STAY OUT. Never go back inside for people or pets.
- »» If you have to escape through smoke, GET LOW AND GO under the smoke to your way out.
- »» CALL the fire department from outside your home.

## FACTS

- ❗ A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat, and fire. Install smoke alarms inside every sleeping room and outside each separate sleeping area. Install alarms on every level of the home. Smoke alarms should be interconnected. When one smoke alarm sounds, they all sound.
- ❗ According to an NFPA survey, only **one of every three** American households have actually developed and practiced a home fire escape plan.
- ❗ While **71%** of Americans have an escape plan in case of a fire, only **47%** of those have practiced it.
- ❗ **One-third** of American households who made an estimate thought they would have at least 6 minutes before a fire in their home would become life-threatening. The time available is often less. And only **8%** said their first thought on hearing a smoke alarm would be to get out!



Your Source for SAFETY Information

NFPA Public Education Division • 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169

## Holiday Season Safety Tips!

With the holiday season rapidly approaching, we have to remember not everyone is thinking about turkey dinners and family gatherings. Sadly, the holiday season is a busy time for criminals as well. Here are a few reminders to keep your family safe:

- **Phone calls pressuring you to pay back taxes, outstanding tickets, arrest warrant fees, or anything else with gift cards (Apple, ITUNES, Wal-mart, Amazon) are always scams.** There have been several incidents recently, where our residents have lost thousands of dollars to scams. These individuals operate outside the United States, using computer software to generate local phone numbers that show up on your caller ID, and request gift card numbers over the phone. Prosecution, or recovery of funds, is nearly impossible in these incidents. If you receive a call requesting any type of funds, which seems out of the norm, call the police department BEFORE doing anything. We can help you determine if the caller is a scam. Our senior citizens are routinely targeted, make sure you remind them to be cautious with these type of calls.
- **KEEP YOUR CAR DOORS LOCKED.** This is the time of year people tend to have gifts or large sums of cash with them for shopping. Locked doors deter most thieves, as long as you don't have purses, firearms, computers, or other high value items left out in plain sight.
- **Don't advertise on trash day.** Make sure you destroy or break down boxes for high value items. Don't leave large boxes at the curb, showing passing motorist what new electronics you purchased.

These tips can help keep you safe from criminals, but we also need to keep ourselves safe from Mother Nature. Bread and milk season is upon us. Now is the time to check your vehicles. Do you need new tires or wipers before the snow and ice arrives? Is your battery ready for the sub-zero wind chills? Do you have an emergency kit in case you get stranded? Blankets, lighter, jumper cables, windshield scrapers, flashlights, and a bag of kitty litter or absorbent material to help with traction, are just a few items that can come in handy in an emergency. As always, if you have any safety questions, just give us a call, (859) 581-8863 for non-emergency issues.

Sincerely,

Chad Martin  
Wilder Chief of Police





***From the Desk of City Clerk***

Property and Tangible Taxes were mailed out the week of September 16th. If you have any questions, or did not receive your tax bill please call city building.

Anyone doing business in the City of Wilder needs an occupational license. Please find the form on our website - [cityofwilder.com](http://cityofwilder.com) or call the city building with any questions.

Juanita Schultz  
City Clerk

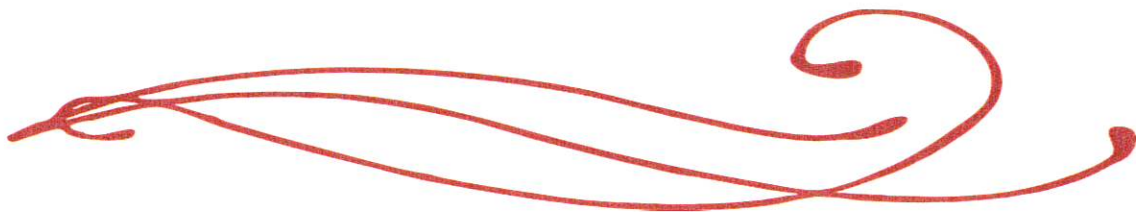
***From the Desk of City Administrator***

**ON STREET PARKING**

Recently the city has been receiving a lot of calls concerning parking on city streets. Below are a few of the rules and regulations regarding City of Wilder Ordinances about on street parking.

- ◆ Parking in excess of 72 hours in one location is prohibited. (Cannot leave vehicle parked in one location for more than three days)
- ◆ No parking in areas marked with yellow paint
- ◆ All vehicles must be registered and operable if parked on city streets. (Valid license/registration required and vehicle must be running and able to move under own power)
- ◆ Parking must be in the same direction of travel. (No parking the opposite way on streets)
- ◆ Obey no parking signs. (Most streets only permit parking on one side of the street. The streets are marked as to which side of the street parking is permitted)
- ◆ Be courteous to your neighbors and the mail carriers. (While this is not in the ordinances it becomes a problem when mailboxes are blocked and people park too close or even block neighbor's drive-ways. Parking in and around cul-de-sacs can also pose problems for larger vehicles especially school buses and fire trucks/ambulance)

The city is in the process of evaluating all city streets for parking issues including missing signs, parking violations etc. Please let us know if you have any particular parking issues, concerns or complaints. Call the city building at 581-8884 or the Wilder Police Department at 581-8863. Parking problems will be addressed when possible with warnings prior to citations being issued.



From the desk of  
Mayor Robert A. Arnold

### Holidays

This is the last Newsletter of 2019, so as we enter the holiday season, I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday as well as health and happiness throughout the coming year.



As you can read in other parts of the newsletter, there are several Holiday activities that take place throughout November and December. I would invite all of you to attend the Fire Department's Turkey Raffle on November 22nd. The Ladies Auxiliary does a fabulous job in preparing the food and the proceeds support our first responders. Also, the Christmas tree lighting ceremony in the lobby of the City building is always a fun event for the kids who get to meet Santa to kick off the Holiday Season in the City.

Also, in the spirit of the holiday season, please take a moment to share a kind comment or check in on a neighbor, friend, or loved one to brighten their day.

### Ground Breakings

We celebrated 2 ground breakings in September and October, the new fire station next to the City building and the park behind the City building. Both were really well attended with many families coming to the park ground breaking. While I know our first responders are excited about seeing their new home rise from the ground, it was a real joy to see the excitement of the kids who attended the park event. Both will be completed by mid-summer next year and the new features of the park will transform that area to a true community gathering spot. I would also like to thank the City employees for their hard work in making these events run so smoothly. Also, I am very grateful to the other community leaders who showed up to support these projects.

### Senior Programs

With the assistance of Assistant City Administrator Chuck Norris, we are trying to develop some fun programs and activities for our senior population in the City. Chuck and I will be meeting with a few residents to come up with some ideas. We would like to get this started shortly after the first of the year so if you have any ideas or would like to take the lead in spearheading a fun activity please reach out to me by calling the city building at 859-581-8884 or emailing me at [rarnold@cityofwilder.com](mailto:rarnold@cityofwilder.com).



*Bob Arnold*, Mayor