



WILDER EXCHANGE

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WATER DISTRICT

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DISTRICT

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, Altafiber 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 ACTIVITES

May 14th - Mother's Day

May 10th, 24th, June 7th & 21st—Active Aging Exercise Hour at the City Building

May 19th, 20th & 21st- City Wide Yard Sale

May 27th—Splash Pad Opens

May 29th—City Building Closed—Memorial Day

June 5th – July 21st—Kids Summer Program Begins

June 18th— Father's Day

June 20th—Kids Municipal Power Hour

HAVE A SAFE SUMMER!

CHECK US OUT ON FACEBOOK

The City of Wilder, Kentucky

WILDER'S BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

SPOTLIGHT

Barleycorn's Brewhouse proudly brews its own beer in-house and offers a top-notch sports bar experience with a local twist! Located in the historic Wilder firehouse, their brand-new location is the first brewery of the beloved Barleycorn's brand, which has been a local favorite for nearly 50 years.

But that's not all – they've got some exciting news! They just expanded their parking lot and now offer a huge lot, so you never have to worry about finding a spot when you come to visit.

But Barleycorn's Brewhouse is not just a sports bar! They also offer a delicious menu full of mouth-watering options that pair perfectly with their craft brews. And if you're looking for some fun during the week, they have trivia night on Mondays at 7-9 PM and live music on Tuesdays at 6-9 PM. Plus, they have drink specials and happy hour throughout the week from 3-6 PM.

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Barleycorn's Brewhouse

FUN TIDBIT ABOUT BARLEYCORN'S BREWHOUSE

"Our team takes inspiration from local landmarks and history to create unique brews that you won't find anywhere else. For example, our newest creation, the Route 9 Lager, is named after the very road our brewery sits on. Trust us, it's Double A Mazing, and we can't wait for you to try it!" ~Shane Trego, Brewmaster

WILDER'S BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT CONT.

SPOTLIGHT

"We take pride in crafting our own signature beers, which you won't find anywhere else. Whether you're in the mood for a light and refreshing local IPA or a rich and full-bodied stout, we've got something for every beer lover's taste" said Shane Trego, Brewmaster. Barleycorn's Brewhouse also offers multiple screens throughout their sports bar, so you won't miss a minute of the action when your favorite teams take the field. Their delicious menu will tantalize your taste buds, with something for everyone, whether you're in the mood for classic pub fare or something a bit more elevated.

Barleycorn's Brewhouse also offers outdoor seating for those who want to enjoy the warmer weather. Lastly, Barleycorn's Brewhouse participates in our FIRST FRIDAY, SHOP LOCAL initiative, offering 15% off of items at their retail shop with proof of Wilder residency.

So what are you waiting for? Go and experience the best of local brews, delicious food, and sports at Barleycorn's Brewhouse.



**Barleycorn's
Brewhouse**

**LOCATED AT
402 LICKING PIKE
WILDER, KY 41071**

Active Aging Fitness Program for ALL



Active Aging Fitness Classes

CHAIR YOGA- *Low Intensity, Low Impact*

Incorporates sitting & standing yoga exercises, using the chair to increase flexibility, strength & balance while decreasing muscle/joint stress.

FIT SENIOR- *Low to Medium Intensity, Low impact*

A more advanced senior class that combines "F"lexibility, "I"mprove balance, & "T"oning of the muscles with motivating music to keep moving!

Classes will be held every other Wednesday at 10AM for a 9 class session. Classes are as follows: 4/26, 5/10, 5/24, 6/7, 6/21, 7/5, 7/19, 8/2 & 8/16

Meet the Instructor

Julie has been teaching group fitness for 42 years. 17 of those years she spent as the Group Fitness Coordinator at Town & Country right here in Wilder. She is a certified personal trainer and has various group fitness certifications. Before her career as a fitness instructor, Julie was a professional dancer with

the Detroit Dance Company. She has taught ballroom dancing and later became a Bengal Cheerleader that took her to the XXIII Super Bowl. We are super excited to have her lead our residents in Chair Yoga and Fit Senior Classes that will be offered twice a month.



5 Reasons to stay active

- Working out increases bone health
- Building strength prevents falls & improves balance
- Staying active promotes Heart & Cardiovascular Health
- Staying active reduces Hypertension
- Exercise helps with managing body weight

Wilder Rec 2023

Regular Camp Activities



The seven-week summer camp is for ages 7-15 and will run from June 5, 2023 - July 21, 2023. Regular camp hours are 11AM - 4:00PM. Spots are limited to 30 campers. Register at www.wilderky.gov , for questions call 859-581-8884. This program is free to residents that reside within the Wilder City Limits. Residents will get priority registration.

Weekly Themes

Each week there are special activities planned based on the theme of the week. These activities will be listed on the weekly newsletter.

Mystery



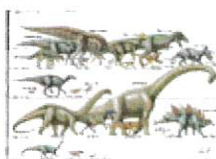
Magic



Disney



Insect Prehistoric



Hawaiian





Wilder Residents Only
Ages 5-10

The City of Wilder is offering a morning for our youth to learn about how their local city government works. This session is designed to help empower and support the future leaders of our city. Parents and children are invited to join us for our Municipal Power Hour event.

*lite snack and souvenir given at the end of presentation.

Please call to reserve a spot for your child as space is limited. 859-581-8884

Presented by The City of Wilder

Summer Safety Tips



Keep these tips in mind as you and your family enjoy summer vacations, camping, family reunions, picnics and the Fourth of July.

Fire safety



Build campfires at least 25 feet away from tents, shrubs and anything that can burn.



If you want to see fireworks, go to a public show put on by experts. Sparklers can reach 1,200 F and cause third-degree burns.



Use propane, charcoal and wood pellet barbecue grills outdoors only. Indoor use can cause a fire or carbon monoxide poisoning.

Place your grill well away from siding and deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches. Do not store or use a grill on a porch or balcony.



Use chimineas, outdoor fireplaces, and fire pits outdoors only and at least 10 feet away from your home or anything that can burn.

Summer Safety Tips



Activity safety



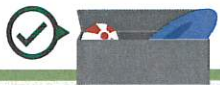
Never swim near a boat, marina or boat launching ramp.



Always use U.S. Coast Guard-approved life safety jackets.



Adults need to stay with children when they are around water.



Keep the pool and deck clear of floats, balls and toys after you get out of the pool.

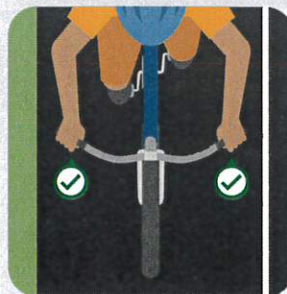


Always swim with a buddy.



Always wear a bike helmet and bright clothes when cycling so people can see you. Put reflectors on your bike.

Ride with both hands on the handlebars. Ride in single file with traffic. Stop at all stop signs and obey traffic lights.



MAY 19TH, 20TH & 21ST



CITY WIDE YARD SALE

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. An ad will be placed in the newspaper indicating the participating streets provided we are notified by Friday, May 5th at noon. 859-581-8884

From the desk of the City Clerk

With spring in the air and summer right around the corner our outside shelters at Frederick's Landing and the City Center Park are filling up quickly. Please visit our website or call us for information. We do NOT take reservations over the phone. Payment must be received to reserve your spot.

City Center Park Concession Stand will be opening soon. Open limited hours, weather permitting.

To reserve the Pickleball Courts please call 859-581-8884.

Have a safe and healthy spring and summer!

Thank you,

Juanita Schultz

City Clerk/Treasurer



WILDER FIRE/RESCUE

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FIRE CHIEF DOUG NEYMAN

Jacob Melville

Jake was raised in Southgate Kentucky and comes from a long line of public service. His Grandfather was Police Chief and Mayor for the city of Southgate and his father was an Assistant Chief of Southgate Fire Department and councilmen for the city of Southgate. Jake, fortunately for us, felt the need to serve along with his brother and joined the Southgate Fire Department as a junior Firefighter when he was 14.

Jake became a certified Firefighter and paramedic and started serving the city of Wilder in January of 2015, he was then hired fulltime in January 2019. Jake has been a great asset to the department. He is responsible for keeping our hose in working order and became a Scott air pack technician to be able to maintain our air packs saving tax dollars and keeping us mission ready. Last summer Jake furthered his knowledge by becoming a Technical Rescue Technician.

When Jake is not at the firehouse, he enjoys riding his side by side and enjoying nature. He is slated to marry his Best Friend Malia in May of this year and add Husband to the many titles he holds. Join us in thanking Jake for his diligent efforts to provide the best care to the residents of Wilder day in and day out. And wish him the best in his upcoming marriage.

Respectfully

Captain Jeff Lang

Wesley Bowling

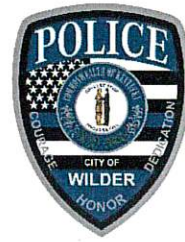
Wes was raised in Ft. Thomas Kentucky he attended Highlands High School where he played football. He entered the workforce as an electrician and through mutual friends joined Southgate Fire Department as a volunteer, he quickly realized that he was wanting to make a career out of the fire service. He became an EMT and certified firefighter and then began working part time for us in 2022. Wes has plans of attending paramedic school soon.

Wes is one of our newest hires and we couldn't be more pleased, his laid-back personality makes him a pleasure to work with day in and day out. He is in the final stages of becoming an Engineer and is really the definition of team player, if we need someone to cover a shift with little to no notice Wes is always willing to help out.

When Wes is not Serving the residents of Wilder he enjoys socializing with his friends from high school who are now all firemen as well, but his favorite thing by far is being a new dad, he enjoys watching his baby continue to grow and figuring out how to be parents together with his girlfriend Olivia but we're sure they are doing great.

From the desk of the Chief of Police

Wilder Police Officer Spotlight



This newsletter I would like to spotlight two additional Wilder Police team members.

OFFICER RYAN MILLER

Officer Miller was born in Lexington, Ky and went to school in Mason County. He graduated Mason County High School on June 1, 2013. On June 3, 2013 he left home to begin 13 weeks of Recruit Training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island and would serve as a rifleman in the infantry.

In late 2017 Officer Miller would begin his Law Enforcement career in Norfolk, Virginia attending the Norfolk Police academy class 102. Officer Miller has been with the Wilder Police Department since January 2020. Aside from the day-to-day duties of a Police Officer, He is also the departments Defensive Tactics Instructor, a member of the Crisis Intervention Team and maintains the department Humvee you may see during inclement weather.

You can usually identify me by the big smile I always have. I have recently become a new father which takes up most of my spare time but I love every minute of it. I have felt a calling to serve from a young age rather it be through extra-curricular activity in high school, The Marine Corps and now law enforcement. I continually strive to better myself personally and professionally so I can better serve the City of Wilder and entertain my friends with some sick guitar riffs that I've learned from my Dad. When I'm not too busy being Dad myself that is.

*Sincerely,
Chad Martin
Chief of Police*

SGT. MICKEY COLLINS

I started my law enforcement career in 1992 in Tennessee. I moved to Kentucky in 2001 and continued my career as a Kentucky officer.

I have been employed with the Wilder Police Department since 2009. Prior to that I was with the Campbell County Police Department, Southgate Police Department and the Clark County Sheriff's Department.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my time with Wilder, they have allowed me to expand my career development above and beyond the normal training requirements. By doing this I have gained several certifications and have been on specialized units some of which include; collision reconstruction, less lethal instructor (Taser & Pepperball weapons) Swat team, special investigative response team, and field training officer.

I was given the opportunity of supervision within the department and moved up to the rank of sergeant in 2021. This has been an excellent learning experience not only with supervision but also assisting with day-to-day operations on the administrative side.

The City of Wilder is a great community and I am proud to be a part of it.

From the Office of Mayor

Dear Wilder Residents,

It is hard to believe it's that time of year for another update on the city. I continue to focus on day-to-day tasks but have also had some notable accomplishments & relevant activities to share.

- ✓ Early in March, I opted into another **Opioid settlement** Wilder qualified for on behalf of our first responders. Details to follow.
- ✓ Working with council, a resolution was passed verifying the **Board of Adjustment** members.
- ✓ Engaged & worked in concert with each Program Official to help **jump-start key initiatives**:
 - **Special Projects** – Councilwoman Meiser – Park courts & Petting Zoo – Family Day
 - **Beautification** – Councilwoman Decker – Landscaping bid secured – April, 2023
 - **Roads & Infrastructure** – Councilman Profit – With the City Administrator, performed an assessment of city roadway & gave his recommendation on a remediation plan
 - **Property Disposal/Acquisition** – Councilman Murphy – participated in a team meeting to determine a development or leasing strategy for city-owned properties.
 - **Economic Development / Communications** – Councilman Blankenship collectively with Councilman Murphy worked on the above task & did an excellent job of improving on the look & quality of the city newsletter, The Wilder Exchange.
 - **Parks & Recreation** – Councilman Williams assisted the staff & me by giving input to & supporting the suggested calendar of events for 2023. Big help at the Easter Egg Hunt.
- ✓ Continued meeting with various **Wilder business owners** – the key to a strong city – business partnership
- ✓ Approved the engineering plans for another set of **pickle ball courts** to replace the sand volleyball area. This addresses two issues. 1) Sand is not good for the Splash Park or existing basketball / pickle ball courts. 2) There is a growing demand from the highly active, pickle ball community.
- ✓ Organized the **Active Aging Fitness Program for All** – supporting Wilder's valued partner, Town & Country, we are offering 9 fitness sessions, Wednesdays, 10:00 – 11:00, starting 4/26. Schedule is published on the website. Donated prizes for achieving class milestones will be given. This is targeted for anyone who wants to make their health & well-being a priority.
- ✓ Launched the second phase of **First Friday – Shop Local** campaign with a personal invitation to the businesses to participate in the program. It was met with excitement & appreciation.
- ✓ Engaged with the county on a critical economic development opportunity which will lead to **jobs & revenue** growth for our city.
- ✓ In concert with the City Administrator, developed & presented to council a viable path to replacing the aging **fire engine**. Having gained council's approval, it will be ordered soon.
- ✓ Met several **amazing residents at various city events**, the Lenten Fish Frys, Bobby Mackey's & the Easter Egg Hunt, to name a few.
- ✓ Created the **Celebrate City Government Day** for Wilder's youngest residents, June 20th.

More to follow.....your friend and mayor,

Valerie A. Jones

