

Wilder Exchange



Wilder Exchange
September/October
2023

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**CITY BUILDING
HOURS**
8 a.m.— 4 p.m.

CITY SERVICE REFERENCE NUMBERS

CITY BUILDING	859- 581-8884
POLICE DEPT.	859- 581-8863
FIRE DEPT.	859- 431-5884
MAINTENANCE	859- 581-8884
Rumpke	800- 828-8171
NORTHERN KY WATER DISTRICT	859- 578-9898
SANITATION DISTRICT	859- 578-7460

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- ◆ City Council Meetings - 1st Monday of Every Month at 6:30 p.m.
3rd Monday, as needed
- ◆ 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 p.m.
- ◆ Wilder Vol.Fire Dept Drill - Every Monday at 7:30 p.m.

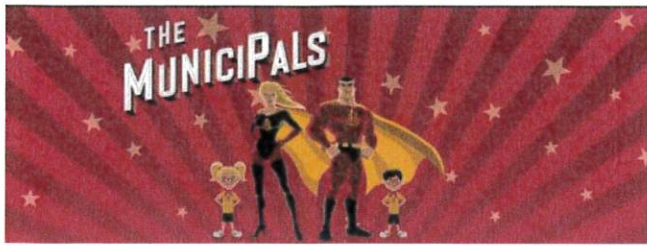
SPECIAL DATES

- September 1, 2023— First Friday Shop Local
- September 4, 2023—City Building Closed
- September 10, 2023 — Annual Flag Raising –12:30 p.m. at Memorial Park
- September 13, 2023 — Cyber Security Seminar 6 p.m.
- September 16, 2023— Music Fest 2 p.m.—6 p.m.
- September 19, 2023—Financial Planning Seminar 11 a.m.—1 p.m.
- September 22, 23, & 24, 2023—Annual City Wide Yard Sale
- October 1, 2023— Great Pumpkin Hunt Begins
- October 4, 2023— Medicare Seminar 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
- October 17, 2023— Financial Planning Seminar 11 a.m.—1 p.m.
- October 31, 2023—Halloween 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

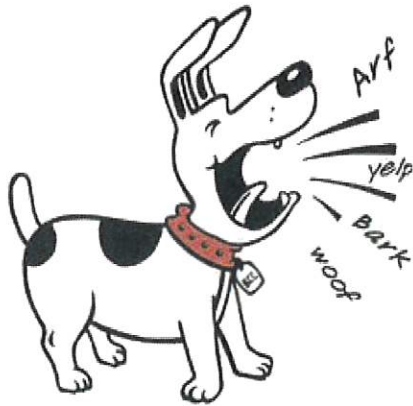


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SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES IN
YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

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Kentucky League of Cities Board of Directors adopted a resolution declaring September as City Government Month in Kentucky. This yearly celebration recognizes the important role cities play in building Kentucky's economy and improving the quality of life for citizens.



Please be mindful of those around you. Wilder does have an ordinance regarding habitual barking

§ 91.05 HABITUAL BARKING PROHIBITED.

No person shall harbor, keep, or permit a dog owned by him or which is under his control, which by loud and frequent or habitual barking, howling or yelping, causes annoyance or disturbance to other person or persons living or having the right to be in the vicinity so as to hear said barking, howling or yelping.



**ANNUAL CITY WIDE YARD SALE
SEPTEMBER 22nd, 23rd, & 24th**

This is an annual event to assist citizens in perhaps making money on items that would routinely be disposed of. NO license is needed and all fees on this event are waived. Contact the City Building by Friday, September 15th, before noon, if you wish to be placed on the participation list which will be displayed at the City Building. An ad will be placed in the paper indicating participating streets.

Friday, September 1st

FIRST FRIDAY SHOP LOCAL

*See participating
Businesses below



Bambooz

Subway

Barleycorn's Brewhouse

Longnecks Sports Grill

Key Storage

Wilder Storage

Performance Chiropractic

*Terms and conditions on the following page

First Friday Shop Local Participating Businesses

Bambooz

501C Licking Pike, Wilder KY 41071 phone# (859)261-7555

- Offering 10% off entire bill with proof of Wilder Residency.

Subway

1412 Gloria Terrell Drive, Suite 1, Wilder, KY 41076 phone# (859)360-2181

- Offering 10% off entire bill.
- Must let the Sandwich Artist know you are there for First Friday Shop Local.
- This deal can NOT be used with other offers, coupons or discounts.

Barleycorn's Brewhouse

402 Licking Pike, Wilder, KY 41071 phone# (859)291-2739

- Offering 15% off of items at their retail shop with proof of Wilder residency.

Longnecks Sports Grill

1009 Town Drive, Wilder, KY 41076 phone# (859)291-5664

- Offering 15% off entire meal
- Alcoholic Beverages Excluded
- Must show proof of Wilder residency

Key Storage

206 Vine Street, Wilder, KY 41071 phone# (859)757-0211

- New customers will be offered a \$50.00 discount for each of the first (2) months of their lease.
- In order to qualify for the discounts, the customer must bring in a written copy of the coupon offer at the time of rental OR show on phone.
- The offer will have an initial expiration date of 12-31-2023.
- The coupon can't be used with any other offers or discounts.
- In order to qualify for this discount of two months, the first two months' rent must be paid in full at the time of rental.

Wilder Storage

91 Banklick Road, Wilder, KY 41076 phone# (859)444-6688

- New customers will be offered a \$50.00 discount for the first month of their lease.
- In order to qualify for the discounts, the customer must bring in a written copy of the coupon offer at the time of rental OR show on phone.
- The offer will have an initial expiration date of 12-31-2023.
- The coupon can't be used with any other offers or discounts.

Performance Chiropractic

419 Licking Pike, Suite B, Wilder, KY 41071 phone# (859)360-0664

- Free Recovery Room use. This includes use of Normatec compression systems
<https://nkychiropractor.com/recovery-room/>
- 25% off Products (excludes Hypervolt)

ARC ELECTRIC AIR CONDITIONING AND HEATING INC.

SPOTLIGHT

Arc Electric Air Conditioning and Heating, has been serving the Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky area for nearly 60 years. From the very beginning up until now, Arc Electric has always been a family-run business.

The company was founded in 1953 by Robert Manning. Robert served his country during the Second World War as a member of the Navy. After the United States emerged victorious, Robert returned to Kentucky, where he put the electrical skills he had learned during the war to use by founding Arc Electric Air Conditioning and Heating.

Sensing a growing need for quality HVAC contractors in the Tri-state area, Arc started to expand the business significantly. In the early '80s, they moved to their current location at 141 Beacon Drive in Wilder, Kentucky. In the Tri-state area, Arc Electrical Air Conditioning and Heating has become a household name.



Arc Electric,
Air Conditioning & Heating Inc.

**Commercial,
Residential &
Industrial**

**141 BEACON DRIVE
WILDER, KY 41076
859-441-7161**

" We believe we owe our success to the fact that we focus first and foremost on providing an excellent quality of service to each and every customer. We achieve this with our high-quality craftsmanship and our vigorous work ethic."

Cyber Security Seminar

September 13, 2023
6 p.m.

Topic: AI and Cyber Security

Mayor Jones would like to remind all families that Campbell County embraces childhood literacy with Dolly Parton's Imagination Library sending free monthly books to children under 5.

Families who live in Campbell County can sign up their children, from newborn to age 5, online at <https://imaginationlibrary.com/usa/affiliate/KYCAMPBELL/> or at any of the Campbell County Library branches. Dolly Parton's Imagination Library will send each enrolled child a new book every month. You will begin to receive books eight to ten weeks after you register. The books are absolutely free to you and yours to keep. There is no cost or obligation to your family.

The purpose of the program is to help children become "reading ready" by the time they start kindergarten. Research supports that lifelong benefits are gained when reading skills develop early in life. Parents and caregivers can use books to help children develop good reading habits. Campbell County Imagination Library is an investment in the future of our children and our community.

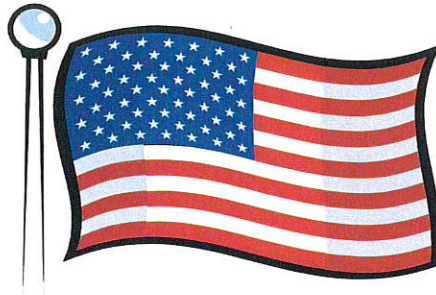


YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO THE
FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL FLAG RAISING CEREMONY

SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

12:30 p.m.

Veteran's Memorial Park Shelter
Located at the south end of The City Center Park



We look forward to seeing you at
Wilder's Fifty- Eighth Annual Flag Raising Ceremony
(Light lunch will be served at 1 PM)

Please call the city building office at 859-581-8884 if you have any questions.

City of Wilder's

Music Fest 2023



**BOBBY
MACKEY**



**JUKEBOX
MEMORIES**



**STRAY
BULLET
BAND**



**SOUTHERN
HIGHWAY**



**EVENT MC
HD AINSWORTH**

SEPT. 16, 2023

CITY CENTER PARK

2 PM- 6 PM

**FOOD, DRINKS AND
HILLBILLY MOONSHINE
FOR PURCHASE**

Dont forget to bring a lawn chair

FREE

Financial Planning Seminar

This seminar will help you learn how to:

- * Prepare for your financial future
- * Explore retirement options
- * Leave a legacy for your family
- * Generational planning and taxes



DATE: SEPTEMBER 19TH & OCTOBER 17TH

TIME: 11 AM - 1 PM

**LOCATION: 520 LICKING PIKE,
WILDER, KY 41071 (LOWER LEVEL)**

HOSTED BY THE CITY OF WILDER

Presenter:

Marc Barone

WoodmenLife

Financial Representative



There will be a light lunch and drink provided for the event so please contact (Juanita or Karen) at 859-581-8884 to reserve your place.

FREE Medicare Seminar +

Medicare choices can be complicated. Many individuals are frustrated and confused about their options.

Join our FREE informational seminar led by Medicare Coach Anita Berry to walk you through the process.




Anita Berry
Owner of "Your
Medicare Plan Coach"

October 4, 2023
11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

Hosted by the City of Wilder

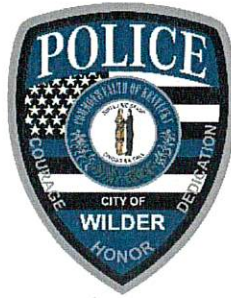


**FOR MORE INFORMATION
& TO RESERVE A SPOT CALL**

 859-581-8884

 520 Licking Pike, Wilder KY 41071

From the desk of Police Chief:



Wilder Police Officer Spotlight

We are halfway through the department and for this newsletter we would like spotlight the following officers:

ADAM PEAK

Born in Cynthiana, Kentucky I grew up with and was very close to my older brother that chose Law Enforcement as a career. Doing ride-alongs with him along with being a Christian, an Eagle Scout, and raised to respect others; I knew that I wanted to serve and build into communities. My heart for service lead to attending Eastern Kentucky University and majoring in Police Administration with the sole goal of joining the profession of Law Enforcement.

While attending EKUI met my wife, Alexis. We have been blessed with two amazing children. I began my profession in Winchester, KY only to be drawn to Northern Kentucky a few years later to serve the citizens of Fort Thomas. Since coming North and gaining more understanding how various communities and governments function along with honing in on my values and what truly motivates me to be the best officer and servant I can, I found that my family at the Wilder Police Department have given me a home to be proud of.

SGT. JACOB ZINK

I grew up in Elsmere, KY and attended Simon Kenton High School. I went on to attend Union College where I played on the men's soccer team and earned a degree in criminal justice. I married my wife Amy in 2013 and we now have three kids.

I started my law enforcement career in 2010 with the city of Cold Spring and started with the Wilder Police Department in 2018. In addition to my patrol duties, I am also a firearms instructor and assigned to the Northern Kentucky SWAT Team.

Sincerely,
Chief Chad Martin



WILDER FIRE/RESCUE

522 LICKING PIKE • WILDER, KENTUCKY 41071

PHONE 859-431-5884 • FAX 859-581-0823



FIRE CHIEF DOUG NEYMAN

Wilder Fire Department Employee Spotlight

Lieutenant Casey Krentz

Casey was born and raised in Fort Thomas, KY and graduated from Highland High School in 2002.

Casey Lives in Ohio with his wife Katy and son Liam and there German Shepard Harley.

Casey started in the fire service as a Firefighter Explorer with the Cincinnati Fire Department. Shortly after graduating high school, Casey joined the Bellevue-Dayton Fire Department as a Volunteer Firefighter, following in his father's footsteps who was a Volunteer Firefighter for Fort Thomas Fire Department as well other relatives who were Volunteer Firefighters for Bellevue-Dayton Fire Department. Casey was hired as a part-time firefighter/EMT in 2004 with Wilder. Casey worked hard and continued his education at the University of Cincinnati and obtained his Paramedic. In 2010 Casey started his first full-time job as a Firefighter/Paramedic with Taylor Mill Fire Department before being hired full-time with Wilder Fire Department as a Firefighter/Paramedic. In 2011, Casey left us at Wilder to go full-time with Bellevue-Dayton where he spent 7 years as a Firefighter/Paramedic. In 2017, Casey was returned to Wilder where he has now become a Lieutenant/Paramedic.

While Casey is dedicated to his job, he's also dedicated to his family. In his off time, he enjoys hanging out with family and friends. On Saturday's he loves watching his son play football. He enjoys spending time outside sitting by the fire, fishing with his son, and taking his dog on long walks. Every year, his family and friends vacation together in his childhood vacation spot in Ocean Isle Beach, NC.

Lieutenant Krentz is very dedicated to and an asset of the Wilder Fire Department and the citizens of Wilder.

Doug Neyman

Fire Chief

BE HALLOWEEN Safe

Halloween is a fun, and spooky, time of year for kids. Make trick-or-treating safe for your little monsters with a few easy safety tips.



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HALLOWEEN FIRE SAFETY TIPS

- »» **When choosing a costume**, stay away from long trailing fabric. If your child is wearing a mask, make sure the eye holes are large enough so he or she can see out.
- »» **Provide children** with flashlights to carry for lighting or glow sticks as part of their costume.
- »» Dried flowers, cornstalks and crepe paper catch fire easily. **Keep all decorations** away from open flames and other heat sources like light bulbs and heaters.
- »» **Use a battery-operated** candle or glow-stick in jack-o-lanterns. If you use a real candle, use extreme caution. Make sure children are watched at all times when candles are lit. When lighting candles inside jack-o-lanterns, use long, fireplace-style matches or a utility lighter. Be sure to place lit pumpkins well away from anything that can burn and far enough out of the way of trick-or-treaters, doorsteps, walkways and yards.
- »» **Remember** to keep exits clear of decorations, so nothing blocks escape routes.
- »» **Make sure** all smoke alarms in the home are working.
- »» **Tell children** to stay away from open flames including jack-o-lanterns with candles in them. Be sure they know how to stop, drop and roll if their clothing catches fire. (Have them practice, stopping immediately, dropping to the ground, covering their face with hands, and rolling over and over to put the flames out.)

If your children are going to **Halloween parties** at others' homes, have them look for ways out of the home and plan how they would get out in an emergency.

Did you know?



Decorations are the first thing to ignite in **900** reported home fires each year. Two of every five of these fires were started by a candle.

Name of Organization

Contact Information



Your Source for SAFETY Information

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

From the desk of Fire Chief:



That time of year again!

As a yearly reminder for your safety and that of your family, be sure to change the battery in your smoke detector and run a test. It has been proven through many research studies that working smoke detectors with proper placements have saved countless lives.

If you are unsure about your current smoke detectors placement or workings please contact us for information.

Wilder Fire Department
522 Licking Pike
859-431-1440

From the desk of City Clerk:



Summer has wrapped up and now we are gearing up for Tax season. 2023 Taxes will be going out the beginning of October. Also as a reminder, bills are mailed to the home owner. If you have an escrow account you are responsible to forward your bill to the escrow company once you receive it. It is the homeowners responsibility to make sure their property tax is paid. 2023 Property tax is due by November 30, 2023, anything after that is considered late and will accrue penalty and interest accordingly. Any questions please feel free to call the city building at 859-581-8884

To view the city's 2022/2023 Annual Report please go to our website at www.wilderky.gov You will find it at the top menu bar.

We hope everyone enjoyed the summer at the City Center Park as much as we did. The last day for the Splash Pad features to operate is Monday, September 4, 2023. We look forward to seeing everyone next summer!!



FROM THE DESK OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR:

STREET REPAIR UPDATE:

The city is currently preparing bid specifications for several different street repairs throughout the city. In the past, the city would replace entire streets that needed replaced. For the most part, most of the city streets are in pretty good shape. This year, we are taking a different approach and will be strategically hitting some of the bad spots on several streets. These repairs are only meant to hold off major replacement for a 3 to 5 year timeframe. The bid specifications will also permit the city to apply the unit price on asphalt or concrete to other streets if the contracted price does not exceed what the city has budgeted. Areas on streets are marked with white paint but may need to be expanded during construction.

Currently, portions of the following streets are in the plan to repair:

Town Drive at intersection with AA Highway and Gloria Terrell Drive (by Thornton's) Asphalt Repair.

Guardian Drive. Repairs around catch basins on both sides of the street. Concrete Panel Replacement.

Colonel Pointe Drive. Area around catch basin and in cul de sac. Concrete Panel Replacement.

South Street. Areas in front of fire station to Andrews Way.

Andrews Way. Asphalt from South Street to area being repaired/restored by Water Contactor

St. Johns Lane areas where asphalt has dropped.

Vine Street where asphalt repairs are needed.

Plum Street near intersection of Interstate Entrance Road

Aspen Pines Ct. Intersection with Aspen Pines Drive. Intersection needs repaved.

If there is construction on your street please be patient with the contractors. There will be an inconvenience during construction. Also, please be mindful of workers working in the roadways for their safety. School bus service and garbage collection **will not** be interrupted.

Asphalt repairs can be driven on shortly after pavement work is complete while concrete work takes up to 28 days to reach the full strength. Please do not remove barrels or traffic cones from areas of repair. This should only be done by the contractor. Driving on newly placed concrete may result in premature failure of the repairs.

Finally, the city will be putting a crack sealing contract out to bid for resealing of joints on concrete streets and cracks on asphalt streets. This work may be ongoing through the fall and into spring.

Please feel free to call the city building 859-581-8884 if you should have any questions.

Terry Vance
City Administrator

Dear Wilder Residents,

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your support of the many city events the staff diligently plans and organizes. The Kentucky League of Cities said it best, "Community events are a form of tourism. They are incentives to draw people in from outside of Wilder". When people visit our city, they dine at our restaurants, purchase gas at our gas stations and stay at our hotels. Attracting people to the city is economically beneficial to the businesses which in turn benefits the city. Oftentimes, businesses donate money to lessen the cost of an event so we can continue to offer them. The city's parks & recreational activities are important and accent our community.

Where did it begin?

The city building was planned to be the heart of the community designed with many uses in mind from civic functions to emergency management services. In the late 90's, former Rep. Jim Callahan procured a \$500,000 grant during its construction specifically for a community center which would offer many recreational events and allow groups to rent and use the lower level hall. He and the city administration, at the time, had an exciting vision for Wilder. Over the past 23 years, the hall & park have served as the location for a number of group meetings, business affairs and enjoyable things for families to do.

Fast forward, an aesthetically, beautiful city center park is constructed.

I recall during the design phase of the new fire station, four years ago, discussion around the best use of the remaining land and the need to revitalize the park area. The parks & recreation committee envisioned a number of new amenities to attract more people to the city. The game of pickle ball was the up-and-coming sport transcending all ages. Splash Pads, complete with a concession stand, were becoming more popular for families and kids. The larger rentable shelters for celebratory and festive gatherings perfected the objective. Each amenity was designed for appeal, demand and usage.

Why?

The City Center is the "hub" of Wilder. Like other cities, I & the team recognize the importance of recreational activities, useful educative seminars and community-oriented events to the economic vibrancy of our city. Programs like concerts, movie nights, touch-a-truck, Muncipals Day, petting zoos, fitness classes and informational seminars are becoming more common. Providing these opportunities increases awareness of our city to those in surrounding areas. The indirect, economic benefits of these out-weighs the nominal costs. Using a cost-versus-benefit analysis will always be the standard.

A vibrant, active city provides value in many ways. For example, municipal revenues grow in a stimulated environment. Talented applicants for jobs abound when there is a diverse range of indoor and outdoor activities. And businesses appreciate the exposure.

Your participation at the events and enthusiastic support of the programs are deeply appreciated by me, council and the entire staff. We work in concert to offer the finest events for the benefit of the community.

I look forward to meeting you and seeing you soon at the next occasion.

With gratitude, your mayor and friend, Valerie