### WILDER EXCHANGE

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CITY SERVICE REFERENCE NUMBERS



**CITY BUILDING** 

581-8884

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581-8863

FIRE DEPT.

POLICE DEPT.

859

431-5884

MAINTENANCE

859 581-8884

BestWay Disposal

Call city

building

**NORTHERN KY** 

WATER DISTRICT 578-9898

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SANITATION

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DISTRICT

578-7460

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

City Council Meetings - 1st Monday of Every Month at 6:30 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 Vol. Fire Dept. Drill - Every Monday of the month at 7:30 PM-10 PM

#### SPECIAL DATES

January 1, 2025—City Building Closed

January 3rd & February 7th—First Friday Shop Local

January 13, 2025—Coffee & Talk

January 20, 2025—City Building Closed-Martin Luther King Jr. Day

February 17, 2025-City Building Closed-Presidents day



PLEASE KEEP OUR MEN AND WOMEN SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS



CONGRATULATIONS 1st place— 488 Stevens Hill

CHRISTMAS 2nd place-730 Johns Hill Rd

DECORATION 3rd place-18 Wesley Dr

WINNERS 1st place Condo- 10 Creekwood
Unit #10

SCAVENGER HUNT

The City Of Wilder would like to thank everyone who participated in the 5th annual Snowman Scavenger Hunt. It was a huge success. We look forward to next years hunt. Participants who turned in their forms were put in a drawing to win a gift certificate. Winners listed below.



Glen & Paula Baldridge
The Fangman Family
The Middendorf Family
The Toll Family
Jennifer Werner

Becky & Jack Becker

Paula Kidney

### **Business Spotlight**

#### **SPOTLIGHT**

If you're craving a taste of authentic Indian cuisine, look no further than Maharaja Indian Restaurant! Located right here in Wilder, Maharaja is dedicated to bringing the vibrant and rich flavors of India to your plate. With a menu that features mouthwatering favorites like chicken tikka, tandoori chicken, chapati, curries, masalas, and much more, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

Maharaja also caters to diverse dietary preferences, offering an array of delicious vegan and vegetarian options. Their professional chefs take pride in crafting each dish with fresh, authentic ingredients, ensuring every bite delivers an unforgettable Indian culinary experience.

Whether you're exploring Indian food for the first time or you're a seasoned fan, Maharaja Indian Restaurant offers a warm and welcoming atmosphere that makes every meal special. Stop by today and enjoy the best Indian cuisine Northern Kentucky has to offer!

They are conveniently located at the south end of town.

1007 Town Drive.

Visit their website at maharajaindianrestaurantky.com

## MAHARAJA INDIAN RESTAURANT

**Authentic Indian Cuisine** 

1007 Town Drive Wilder, KY 41076 859-279-3663

Maharaja Indian Restaurant also offers catering for you next event!

SUPPORT THE LOCAL BUSINESSES THAT SUPPORT THE AREA WHERE YOU LIVE, WORK, AND PLAY

# January 3rd & February 7th

# FIRST FRIDAY SHOP LOCAL

\*See participating Businesses below

Subway
Barleycorn's Brewhouse
Longnecks Sports Grill
Key Storage
Wilder Storage
Performance Chiropractic
State Farm

\*Terms and conditions on the following page

#### First Friday Shop Local Participating Businesses

#### Bamboox

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
- Proof of Wilder Residency is required.

#### **Key Storage**

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

- New customers will be offered a \$39.00 move in special.
- In order to qualify for the discounts, the customer must bring in a copy of this page at the time
  of rental OR show on phone.
- The offer will have an initial expiration date of 12-31-2024.
- The coupon can't be used with any other offers or discounts.
- · Proof of Wilder Residency is required.

#### Wilder Storage

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

- New customers will be offered a \$39.00 move in special.
- In order to qualify for the discounts, the customer must bring in a copy of this page at the time of rental OR show on phone.
- The offer will have an initial expiration date of 12-31-2024.
- The coupon can't be used with any other offers or discounts.
- · Proof of Wilder Residency is required.

#### Performance Chiropractic

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

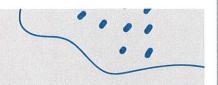
- Free Recovery Room use. This includes use of Normatec compression systems <a href="https://nkychiropractor.com/recovery-room/">https://nkychiropractor.com/recovery-room/</a>
- 25% off Products (excludes Hypervolt)

#### State Farm

1.400 Gloria Terrell Dr. Ste D, Wilder, KY 41076

- Stop by the State Farm Office --Wilder Pointe Shopping Center- 9:00 a.m. 4:45 p.m.
- GET A NO-OBLIGATION QUOTE
- Pick up your \$10.00 Gift Card

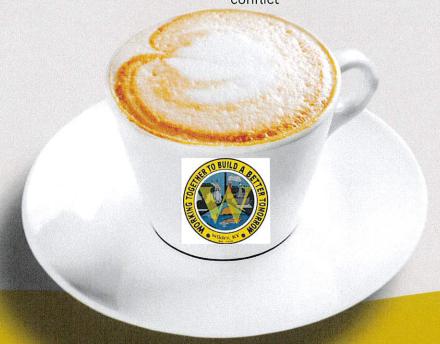
#### JOIN US FOR



## COFFEE & TALK

We are excited to invite you to a special event where you can engage in a casual and meaningful conversation with Mayor Jones. This is a unique opportunity to ask questions or explore data of interest about our community. Whether you have questions about city projects, policies, or just want to get to know our leaders better, this is the perfect occasion. Come with your questions and enjoy a cup of coffee with us January 13th, 10:00 AM at the City Building.

\*Please note that this event will take place on the 2nd Monday instead of the 3rd Monday due to a schedule conflict



"SCIENCE MAY NEVER COME UP WITH A
BETTER COMMUNICATION SYSTEM THAN
THE COFFEE BREAK."

- BY EARL WILSON



If there's a **fire hydrant** near your house, do your part to keep it accessible this winter:

3 ft.

3 ft.

## CLEAR-AWAY ZONE

Remove any snow and ice

Clear a wide enough perimeter around the hydrant for firefighters to work (about 3 feet)

Clear a path from hydrant to street



Often called the invisible killer, carbon monoxide is an invisible, odorless, colorless gas created when fuels (such as gasoline, wood, coal, natural gas, propane, oil, and methane) burn incompletely. In the home, heating and cooking equipment that burn fuel can be sources of carbon monoxide.

- CO alarms should be installed in a central location outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home and in other locations where required by applicable laws, codes or standards. For the best protection, interconnect all CO alarms throughout the home. When one sounds, they all sound.
- Follow the manufacturer's instructions for placement and mounting height.
- Choose a CO alarm that is listed by a qualified testing laboratory.
- Call your local fire department's non-emergency number to find out what number to call if the CO alarm sounds.
- Test CO alarms at least once a month; replace them according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- If the audible trouble signal sounds, check for low batteries.
   If the battery is low, replace it. If it still sounds, call the fire department.
- If the CO alarm sounds, immediately move to a fresh air location outdoors or by an open window or door. Make sure everyone inside the home is accounted for. Call for help from a fresh air location and stay there until emergency personnel declare that it is safe to re-enter the home.
- If you need to warm a vehicle, remove it from the garage immediately after starting it. Do not run a vehicle or other fueled engine or motor indoors, even if garage doors are open. Make sure the exhaust pipe of a running vehicle is not covered with snow.
- During and after a snowstorm, make sure vents for the dryer, furnace, stove, and fireplace are clear of snow build-up.
- A generator should be used in a well-ventilated location outdoors away from windows, doors and vent openings.
- Gas or charcoal grills can produce CO only use outside.





Have fuel-burning heating equipment and chimneys inspected by a professional every year before cold weather sets in. When using a fireplace, open the flue for adequate ventilation. Never use your oven to heat your home.

#### FACTS

- A person can be poisoned by a small amount of CO over a longer period of time or by a large amount of CO over a shorter amount of time.
- In 2010, U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated 80,100 nonfire CO incidents in which carbon monoxide was found, or an average of nine calls per hour.



#### From the desk of Chief of Police



#### 2025 Thoughts

"New Year, New Me." Why? There's nothing wrong with you. That's what makes you, you! Instead, why not say in 2025 I will start to eat healthier, I will start to make wellness a priority, I will spend more time with my family or I will start to embrace each day with gratitude and positivity. You don't have to change yourself, but we all can start moving towards a better version of ourselves.

#### Eat Healthier:

- Plan your meals ahead of time so you're not rushed hitting the drive through.
- Reduce intake of processed foods and sugary drinks.

#### Make Wellness a Priority:

- Schedule regular exercise, even if it's just a daily walk or a short workout. Just move!
- Practice mindfulness or meditation to reduce stress and improve mental health.

#### Spend More Time with Family:

- Set aside dedicated family time each week, such as game nights or family dinners.
- Unplug. Go camp, play family basketball, football, or pickleball.

#### Focus on Personal Growth and Learning:

- Set specific, achievable goals for skills you want to learn or improve.
- Take online courses, read books, or attend workshops to expand your knowledge.

#### **Build Stronger Community Connections:**

- Attend community events and get to know your neighbors.
- Offer support and help to those in need within your community.

Remember, small steps can lead to significant changes, but you have to start. Here's to a wonderful 2025 and the improved you!

Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Chad Martin Chief of Police



#### WILDER FIRE/RESCUE

522 LICKING PIKE • WILDER, KENTUCKY 41071 PHONE 859-431-5884 • FAX 859-581-0823



FIRE CHIEF DOUG NEYMAN

#### **EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT**

#### **Christopher Huster**

Christopher Huster was born and raised on Cincinnati's west side, where he grew up in a close-knit, Catholic family. He attended Our Lady of Victory grade school before graduating from Elder High School, embracing the strong sense of tradition and community that shaped his early years.

Christopher comes from a family of dedicated professionals. His mother, an ER nurse and nurse manager at Mercy Hospital, instilled in him a sense of compassion and service, while his father, a chemistry and biology major, worked in various laboratories, including Coca-Cola and Avon, nurturing Christopher's appreciation for science and discipline.

After studying fine arts at the Art Academy of Cincinnati, Christopher spent nearly a decade in automotive service before following his true calling: fire service. Over the past 17 years, Christopher has dedicated himself to protecting and educating his community, beginning as a part-time firefighter with the Colerain Fire Department.

Christopher's talents extend beyond his work in fire service. Once a hibachi chef at Jillian's, he quickly became a firehouse favorite, impressing his colleagues with his culinary skills. A lover of the arts, he enjoys painting and writing poetry in his downtime, as well as spending quality time with his daughters, Lauren (17) and Charlotte (11). Christopher's other hobbies include camping, softball, bowling, and trivia, which reflect his vibrant personality and love for family and community.

Above all, Christopher is deeply passionate about public education and the fire service, striving to make a meaningful impact both on and off the job. His dedication to his family, colleagues, and community defines him as not only a firefighter but a man of integrity and heart.

#### From the desk of City Clerk/Treasurer:

Property Taxes were due November 30, 2024

- Thank you to everyone who paid their property taxes
- Delinquent notices will be going out soon

#### Occupational Licenses

• Beginning 1/1/2024 The City of Wilder has partnered with the Campbell County Occupational License Department. Businesses will now get their Occupational License through the County.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 859-581-8884

Thank You and have a Happy New Year! Juanita Schultz

#### Public Works Department

Did you know that when snow plow drivers are plowing snow down your street that there is sometimes nowhere to put the snow due to vehicles parked on the streets? Please allow our Public Works crew to do the best snow removal job they can. Here are some reminders that will allow for the fastest, safest, and most efficient job for our community.

#### 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:

Parking is no longer permitted in the cul-de-sacs at any time. 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, Moock 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 (859)341-2700.

#### From the Office of the Mayor: Looking Back and Moving Forward

Happy New Year to everyone. After completing my second year as mayor, I am excited about our accomplishments and our city's future. I'm looking forward to working hard over the next year for each and every one of you in continuing to move the city in a positive direction and in achieving the goals and objectives set forth in our shared vision for our great city of Wilder.

As we close out this year and begin a new one, I want to take a moment to thank all of our incredible city staff for their hard work and dedication. The commitment each and every one makes to our community has been unwavering and very instrumental in making this past year a success. I could not be more proud of what we've achieved together.

A special welcome to Jeff Moles, our newest council member. He brings a fresh perspective and passion for the community. We welcome him to our team. As statutorily required, all City Council members were sworn in prior to January 1st with a ceremonial swearing in to be held at the January 6th city council meeting.

This year, we've been laying the groundwork for exciting developments that will shape the future of our city. From welcoming new residents to the Sunrock Community to preparing to update our comprehensive plan, it is clear that our city is steadily growing and evolving in wonderful ways. We are also working on some promising changes to city owned property and the former Neyer property. I hope to be able to share more news with everyone in an upcoming newsletter.

Further, this year also marks the end of an era for one of our city's iconic landmarks, Bobby Mackey's. The demolition of the historic honky-tonk bar makes way for a new venue but we reflect on the memories and history it brought to our community. While it's hard to say goodbye, we are optimistic about what the future holds for that space with a new building planned in the next year or so. I know we will all be proud of the improvements planned by Bobby Mackey and his team.

Finally, to all of our new residents at the Fisher Condominiums—welcome to our amazing city! We are thrilled to have you as part of our community and look forward to getting to know you.

Looking ahead, one of our key priorities will be updating the city's comprehensive plan. This process will allow us to gather input from residents, businesses, and stakeholders as we plan for the future growth and development of Wilder. I encourage everyone to stay engaged and to actively participate in shaping the vision for our community.

In closing, I wish to express my gratitude to Andy Williams for his years of service to the city and as a Wilder City Councilman. Thank you, again, to everyone who has contributed to making this year a success. I am truly honored to serve as your mayor and I'm very optimistic about the journey ahead. Together, we will continue building a vibrant and thriving city.

Warm regards, Your friend and mayor, Valerie