



# WILDER EXCHANGE



## WILDER EXCHANGE NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2025

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[www.wilderky.gov](http://www.wilderky.gov)

### CITY SERVICE REFERENCE NUMBERS



**CITY BUILDING** 859-581-8884

**POLICE DEPT.** 859-581-8863

**FIRE DEPT.** 859-431-1440

**MAINTENANCE** 859-581-8884

**BESTWAY DISPOSAL** Call The City Building

**NORTHERN KY WATER DISTRICT** 859-578-9898

**SANITATION DISTRICT** 859-578-7450

### 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, Altafiber channel 806 or [www.campbellmedia.org](http://www.campbellmedia.org)

Wilder Planning & Zoning - 4th Monday (as needed) at 6:30PM

Wilder Vol. Fire Dept Drill - Every Monday at 7:30 PM

### SPECIAL DATES

Nov 7th —FIRST FRIDAY SHOP LOCAL

Nov 8th—Card Making Class

Nov 11th—City Building Closed in Observation of Veterans Day

Nov 17th – Coffee & Talk 10AM-11AM

Nov 21st—Turkey Raffle

Nov 27th & 28th—City Building Closed in Observation of Thanksgiving

Dec 1st—Christmas Tree Lighting and Historical Society Tree Lighting

Dec 2nd—Holiday Terrarium Workshop

Dec 5th—FIRST FRIDAY SHOP LOCAL

Dec 6th—Breakfast with Santa

Dec 24th & 25th—City Building Closed in Observation of Christmas



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

**[www.wilderky.gov](http://www.wilderky.gov)**

***November 7th &  
December 5th***

# **FIRST FRIDAY SHOP LOCAL**

**\*See participating  
Businesses below**

**Bambooz  
Subway**

**Barleycorn's Brewhouse**

**Longnecks Sports Grill**

**Randy's Rugged Wear**

**Key Storage**

**Wilder Storage**

**Performance Chiropractic**

**State Farm**



**\*Terms and conditions on the following page**

## **First Friday Shop Local Participating Businesses**

### **Bambooz**

501C Licking Pike, Wilder KY 41071 p h o n e # (859) 261-7555

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

### **Subway**

1412 Gloria Terrell Drive, Suite 1, Wilder, KY 41076 p h o n e # (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 p h o n e # (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 p h o n e # (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 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 p h o n e # (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 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  
<https://nkychiropractor.com/recovery-room/>
- 25% off Products (excludes Hypervolt)

### **State Farm**

1400 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

### **Randy's Rugged Wear**

1400 Gloria Terrell Dr Ste N, Wilder KY 41076 phone# (859) 781-8271

- Offering 10% off purchase with proof of Wilder residency



**PLEASE JOIN US FOR A  
FREE HOLIDAY CARD  
MAKING WORKSHOP.  
NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, 10:00A.M.  
CITY HALL  
520 LICKING PIKE**

RSVP to guarantee your spot  
859-581-8884

The class will be capped at 30 participants

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 a warm cup of coffee, this is the perfect occasion. Come with your questions and enjoy a cup of coffee on Monday, November 17th, 10:00 AM at the City Building.



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

WILDER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
ANNUAL TURKEY RAFFLE



NOVEMBER 21, 2025

6:00PM

AT THE WILDER FIRE STATION

FOOD, FUN AND GAMES FOR THE

ENTIRE FAMILY

FOOD SPONSORED AND PREPARED BY THE  
WILDER FIRE DEPARTMENT LADIES AUXILIARY



WILDER FIRE DEPARTMENT

TURKEY RAFFLE

MENU

TURKEY DINNER

(TURKEY, STUFFING, GREEN BEANS, MASHED POTATOS,  
DINNER ROLL,)

WITH DESSERT AND SOFT DRINK INCLUDED

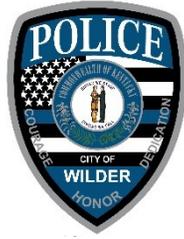
\$13.00

CASH, CHECK OR VENMO ACCEPTED

VENMO QR CODE WILL BE POSTED AT TABLE

SORRY NO CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS





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## Police Resources Online

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The City of Wilder has several resources online to make your life easier. If you navigate to [www.wilderky.gov](http://www.wilderky.gov) and select the police tab at the top of the page, you can see a list of topics for additional information. You can navigate to:

**Accident Reports:** We have a link to the BuyCrash.com website operated LexisNexis where you can download collision reports.

**Business Night Numbers:** This will bring up the form for business owners to provide after-hours contact information for their business. This way officers can reach the proper person after hours in the event of an emergency.

**Feedback Form:** This form provides an avenue for communication about interactions with officers. You can congratulate an officer for a job well done, or going above and beyond on a call for service. If you're unhappy with your interaction, you can also use the form to alert the command staff for further review of the encounter.

**Vacation Checks:** If you're going on vacation or heading south for the winter, alert the department so officers can keep an eye on your home while you're away. You can provide emergency contact numbers, provide information on vehicles left in the driveway, and list authorized people that might be on the property in your absence.

Reminder, the police offices are often vacant when officers are on patrol or on a call. If you need an officer or have a question for an officer you can call Campbell County Dispatch at **859-292-3622** and ask for the Wilder officer on duty.

Sincerely,

Chad Martin  
Chief of Police

# TIPS FOR SAFE FALL DRIVING

Every year thousands of people are injured and hundreds of people are killed due to daylight savings time changes and the change of seasons.

**Autumn means we need to be more careful as drivers.**



## 1 WEATHER

Sudden changes in temperature, rain, snow and fog all make for hazardous driving. Be aware of the weather - know before you go.



## 2 SUNRISE & SUNSET

Daylight Savings Time means the sun on the morning drive might be right in your eyes. The sun goes down early now, so it gets dark a lot sooner! **HEADLIGHTS!**

## 3 CHILDREN & ANIMALS



Children are back to school and animals are busy preparing for winter. Look out for them. Slow down, keep an eye out, and be nice.

## 4 LEAVES



Leaves on the ground can be slippery and dangerous. Careful when driving on leaf-covered roads, whether it's raining or not. Clear leaves off your car before driving, just like snow.

**Stay safe  
YOU ARE GOOD TO GO!**

**Taxes Due  
November 30.**

**2025**

Don't miss the deadline to pay  
your taxes on time and avoid  
penalties!



# Carbon Monoxide Safety



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.

## HOME HEATING EQUIPMENT



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 non-fire CO incidents in which carbon monoxide was found, or an average of nine calls per hour.



**NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION**  
The leading information and knowledge resource on fire, electrical and related hazards

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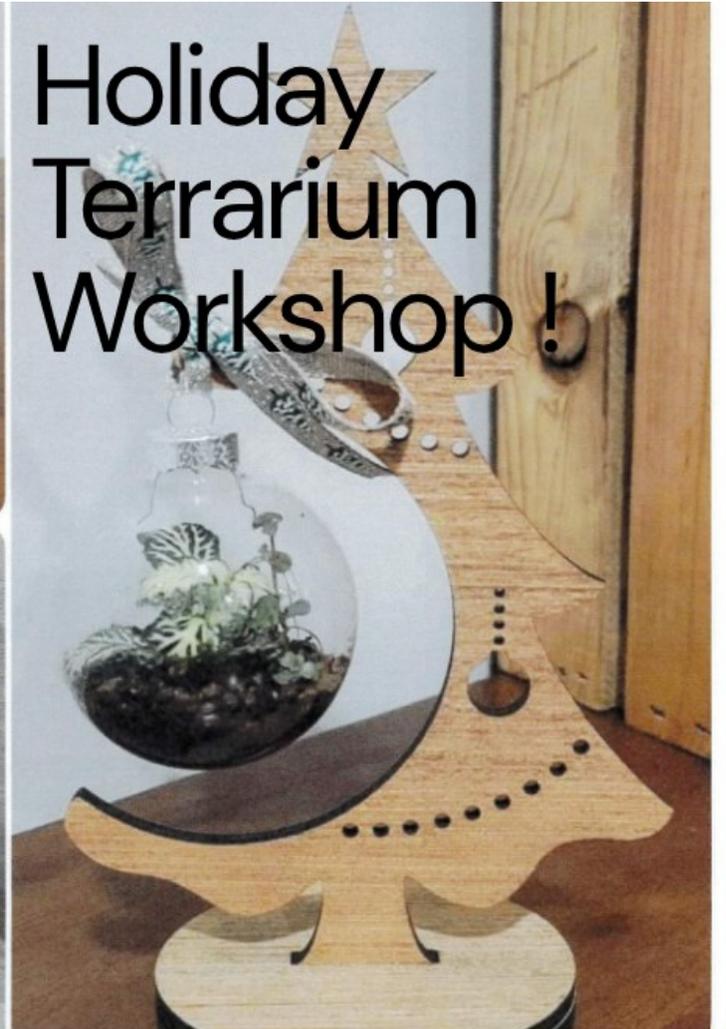
# Put a **FREEZE** on Winter Fires

Home fires occur more in winter than in any other season. As you stay cozy and warm this winter, be fire smart!

 <p>Half of all home heating fires occur in December, January and February.</p>	 <p>Heating equipment is involved in <b>1 in every 7</b> home fires and <b>1 in every 5</b> home fire deaths.</p>	 <p>Keep anything that can burn <b>at least 3 feet</b> from any heat source like fireplaces, wood stoves, radiators or space heaters.</p>
 <p>Keep portable generators <b>outside, away from windows, and as far away</b> from your home as possible.</p>	 <p>Install and test carbon monoxide alarms <b>at least once a month</b>.</p>	 <p>Plug only <b>1 heat-producing appliance</b> (like a space heater) into an electrical outlet at a time.</p>
 <p>Have a qualified professional clean and inspect your chimney and vents <b>every year</b>.</p>	 <p>Store cooled ashes in a tightly covered metal container, and keep it <b>outside at least 10 feet</b> from your home and any nearby buildings.</p>	



For more information on how to prevent winter fires, visit [www.usfa.fema.gov/winter](http://www.usfa.fema.gov/winter) and [www.nfpa.org/winter](http://www.nfpa.org/winter).



# Holiday Terrarium Workshop!

**DECEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup>,  
6:30P.M. \$20.00  
WILDER CITY BUILDING  
520 LICKING PIKE**

REGISTER ON NICHE WEBSITE:  
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WORKSHOP/V3QAHPLC2VUEY7LP7LQBW2AV5?  
CP=TRUE&SA=FALSE&SBP=FALSE&Q=FALSE&CATE  
GORY\\_ID=4](https://nicheterrariums.square.site/product/city-of-wilder-terrarium-ornament-workshop/v3qahplc2vuey7lp7lqbw2av5?cp=true&sa=false&sbp=false&q=false&category_id=4)

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO WILDER  
BEFORE SANTA MAKES HIS BIG TRIP HE IS COMING  
HERE TO HAVE BREAKFAST WITH YOUR FAMILY



DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>

FROM 10AM – 12PM

AT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

PLEASE RSVP BY DECEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup> TO

[DNEYMAN@WILDERKY.GOV](mailto:DNEYMAN@WILDERKY.GOV)

A festive Christmas scene. A large green Christmas tree is decorated with red and yellow ornaments and a gold star on top. It is surrounded by several wrapped gifts in red, yellow, and green. To the left, a window with red curtains shows a snow elf sitting on the sill. The room is decorated with a string of warm white lights along the top edge.

# Do Good, Feel Good

Join Us in Making a Difference

## Vincent's Angels Christmas Program

We will be collecting toys for this one-night only event where parents come and pick out toys for their children. This event takes place in December. This program serves Northern Kentucky families who are not receiving other holiday assistance from any other organization.

We will be collecting new toys for children, up to age 17. We ask that the toys are unwrapped as it allows parents to choose the toys that they would like their children to receive for Christmas.

Collection Barrells are located in the lobby of the city building at 520 Licking Pike. Collections will start September 15<sup>th</sup>.



# The City of Wilder

## JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

DECEMBER 1ST, 2025  
7:00 PM IN THE LOBBY  
OF THE CITY BUILDING

\*Bobby Mackey will lead us in song.

\*We will then join the Campbell County Historical Society for their tree lighting ceremony out front of the city building.

\*Cookies and drinks will be provided afterwards in the lower level hall



**City of Wilder Blood Drive**  
**Wednesday, December 17, 2025**  
**12:00pm-2:15pm & 3:30pm-5:45pm**

**Donor bus parked at the City Building -520 Licking Pike**

**Schedule online: <https://hoxworth.org/groups/wilder> or contact  
Hoxworth at (513) 451-0910  
All donors receive a Hoxworth Hero backpack!**



**All Types Welcome.**

**Hoxworth**  
BLOOD CENTER  
UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI 

## ■ Business Spotlight: Tracie Johnson State Farm ■



### ■ Meet Tracie Johnson

Tracie Johnson has been part of the Campbell County community for over 23 years. She began her career with State Farm in 1993, opened her own agency in 2002, and moved to Wilder in 2008 to continue serving Northern Kentucky residents.

Tracie grew up in Rockcastle County, KY, and proudly calls Wilder home. A devoted Christian, she attends *The Bridge Church in Alexandria*, where she sings on the worship team. Music and singing have always been her passion. She enjoys giving back through community involvement and takes great pride in caring for her customers.

Outside the office, Tracie and her husband love spending time with their **three dogs and three grandchildren**. They enjoy exploring national parks, hiking, biking, and relaxing outdoors.

### ■ What They Offer

Tracie Johnson State Farm provides a full range of State Farm insurance products, including:

- Auto
- Home
- Life
- Disability
- Business Insurance

Her team is licensed in **Kentucky, Ohio, and Indiana**, proudly helping customers protect what matters most.

### ■ Fun Fact

Tracie and her team bring over **50 years of combined experience** in the insurance industry.

She jokes that people sometimes assume "Tracie Johnson" is a man — and ask to speak with *the guy who owns the business!*

### ♥ ■ A Message from Tracie

"Call or come by and get a quote — we love our customers and treat you like family."

# 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**– 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, Mook 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.

*City Administrator*  
*Terry Vance*



## 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 or posted with signage
- 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 driveways. Parking in and around cul-de-sacs is no longer permitted at anytime)

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 Terry Vance at 859-581-8884.

Dear Residents,

As the year draws to a close, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on another exciting and successful period for our community. This past year has been filled with significant achievements, and I am incredibly proud of the hard work and dedication demonstrated by our entire team.

Here are some of the key accomplishments we've celebrated together:

1. **Street and Sidewalk Repairs:** The city has made substantial progress in improving our city's infrastructure, addressing critical street and sidewalk repairs to enhance safety and accessibility for all residents.
2. **Engineering on the Trail Expansion:** We have advanced the engineering phase for the much-anticipated trail expansion project, bringing us closer to providing even more opportunities for outdoor recreation and connection within our community at Frederick's Landing.
3. **Community Events:** We successfully hosted several engaging community events throughout the year, fostering a strong sense of togetherness for adorable kids to our cherished seniors. We look forward to celebrating the upcoming Christmas season with more festive gatherings.
4. **"Do Good Feel Good" Campaign - Wilder's Donation Drives:** Our "Do Good Feel Good" campaign continues to be a huge success, showcasing the incredible generosity and community spirit of our residents in supporting those in need and less fortunate.
5. **Ladder Truck in Service:** After countless hours of dedicated training, our Fire Department proudly placed the new ladder truck in service, significantly enhancing our emergency response capabilities and ensuring the safety of our community.
6. **First State of the City Address:** As Mayor, I will be delivering our very first State of the City address, providing an in-depth overview of our progress, revenue and expense trending and future plans, which is now available online for all residents to review.
7. **Annual Report Published:** Our annual report has been published, offering a comprehensive look at our financial stewardship and the initiatives undertaken this past year.
8. **Specialty Coffee Shop Development:** Although some challenges exist, additional work has been completed on the specialty coffee shop project, moving us closer to introducing a new and vibrant local gathering spot.
9. **Council Chambers Audio/Visual Upgrades:** We upgraded the audio/visual capabilities in our Council Chambers, improving transparency and accessibility for public meetings.
10. **State-of-the-Art Surveillance Equipment:** To enhance public safety, we procured new state-of-the-art surveillance equipment, greatly improving the capabilities of our police and fire teams.
11. **Credit Card Payment Options:** We introduced the option for residents to pay with credit cards, with a small convenience fee, offering greater flexibility and ease for city billable services.
12. **New Tractor for Public Works:** We purchased a much-needed new tractor for our Public Works department, significantly improving their efficiency and capacity to maintain the city grounds.
13. **Two additional police recruits hired:** Two recruits graduated this past year & are now on full patrol. We, then hired two additional recruits scheduled to graduate in November. Both actions increased the departmental capacity allowing us to enhance our patrol presence, respond to calls more efficiently, and allocate more resources to community-based initiatives.

These achievements are a testament to our collective commitment to making Wilder the best place to live, work, play and visit. We are excited about what the New Year will bring and look forward to continuing this journey with all of you.

Thank you for your continued support and engagement. Your friend and Mayor, Valerie