



WILDER EXCHANGE



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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

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

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

SPECIAL DATES

March 6th —FIRST FRIDAY SHOP LOCAL

March 23rd – Coffee & Talk 10AM-11AM

March 28th—Easter Egg Hunt

April 3rd —FIRST FRIDAY SHOP LOCAL

April 3rd—City Building Closed in Observation of Good Friday

April 25th—Barleycorn’s 5K Breast Cancer Run/Walk



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

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***March 6th &
April 3rd***

**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

The background of the poster is a dark, rustic wooden surface. In the top-left corner, there is a white ceramic coffee cup filled with black coffee, sitting on a piece of light-colored burlap fabric. Scattered around the cup and across the wood are several dark brown coffee beans. In the bottom-right corner, another white ceramic coffee cup filled with black coffee is visible, also surrounded by coffee beans. A light beige, curved banner is centered on the page, containing the event title in a large, bold, brown font with a yellow drop shadow.

Coffee & Talk

with Mayor Jones

Join us Monday, March 23rd
at 10:00 AM • City Building

Bring your questions and connect over coffee in a
welcoming, open conversation about our city's projects
and policies

EASTER EGG HUNT

Join us for a fun-filled family event!

SATURDAY, MARCH 28th

12:00 PM

Fredericks Landing

FEATURING:

- *Pictures with the Easter Bunny
- *Hot Dogs & Chips
- *Library Bookmobile
- *Kona Ice (available for purchase)

Bring your baskets and join the fun!

AGE GROUPS

0-4 YEARS

5-8 YEARS

9 AND UP



IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR A BANNER TO HONOR A VETERAN, PLEASE FILL OUT THE FORM BELOW AND SEND A CHECK FOR \$50.00 TO THE CITY AT THE ADDRESS BELOW. THESE WILL PROUDLY BE DISPLAYED ON LIGHT POSTS AROUND THE CITY.

- There will be a April 1st deadline
- Banners will be returned to the families of those who donated after use.
- These can be kept as a souvenir and make great gifts!

PHOTO REQUIREMENTS

- All images must be scanned in at 300 dpi or higher and be a vertical portrait of the veteran.
- Send all images via email to jschultz@wilderky.gov titled Wilder Banner - ‘Veteran Name’
- Images can be sent in color but will be converted to black and white for consistency.
- Please include rank and branch of military for the banner, see example below.



YOUR NAME _____

YOUR EMAIL _____

YOUR ADDRESS _____

NAME OF VETERAN TO BE HONORED: _____

BRANCH OF THE MILITARY AND RANK: _____

*Please note this is an example of the banner and that there will be some difference in the actual banner

PAYMENT INFORMATION:
 Make all checks payable to: The City of Wilder
 Send the form and check to: 520 Licking Pike, Wilder KY 41071

Active Aging Fitness Program for ALL

Classes held at The Wilder City Building

520 Licking Pike

Wednesdays May 6th - June 24th



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 "Flexibility, "Improve balance, & "Toning of the muscles with motivating music to keep moving!

Classes will be held every Wednesday at 10:45 AM to 11:45 AM .

Meet the Instructor

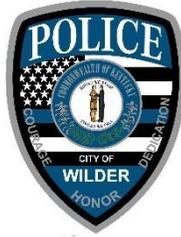
Julie has been teaching group fitness for 44 years. 18 of those years she spent as the Group Fitness Coordinator at Town & Country right here in Wilder. She is a certified personal trainer and has various group fitness certifications. Before her career as a fitness instructor, Julie was a professional 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 every Wednesday in May and June.



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



Online Shopping Safety

As more people are turning to online shopping platforms like Facebook Marketplace, it's crucial to keep safety a top priority. Always research the item you're considering and the seller's profile. If an offer seems too good to be true, it probably is. Be cautious and consider the risks before diving into any deal, especially large purchases like cars or boats.

One common scam tactic is the use of fraudulent cashier's checks, particularly when purchasing vehicles. Scammers may present you with a check that appears legitimate but will bounce or go to a closed account after you've handed over the vehicle. To protect yourself, always verify the payment with the issuing financial institution before turning over the keys. If the buyer becomes agitated or threatens to cancel the deal, this should be a red flag for a scam. Additionally, beware of stolen cars being sold with fake titles. Ask to transfer the vehicle at the clerk's office. If they are only able to meet on weekends, request to meet at the police station where the VIN can be checked to ensure it's not stolen and that the plate, registration receipt, and title all match.

When engaging in online transactions, meet in public places during the day and consider bringing a friend along for added safety. If someone will not meet you at the police station, you should consider another seller. Never share personal information or send money before seeing the item in person. As always, we are here for you if you need us. Just call 859-292-3622.

Sincerely,

Chad Martin
Chief of Police

SPRING

Along with spring cleaning, lets take the time to make sure our homes and family are safe from the threat of fire.

Here is a check list you should go over with your family:

⇒ ***Working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires in half***

- Ensure smoke alarms are installed inside every bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home, including the basement
- Test them at least once a month by pushing the test button
- Replace the batteries in all smoke alarms. Best way to remember is when you change your clocks, change your batteries.

⇒ ***The leading cause of home clothes dryer fires is failure to clean them.***

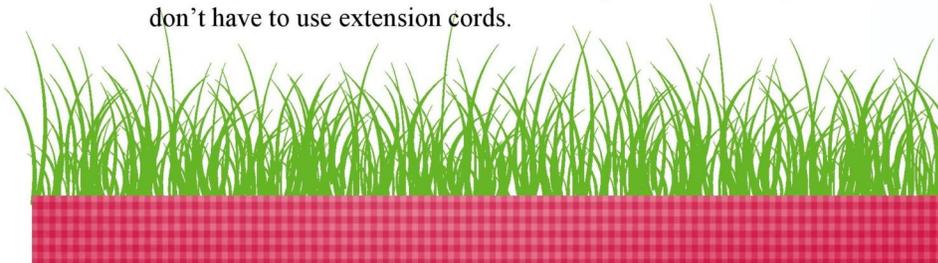
- Clean the lint filter before or after each load of laundry. Remove lint that has collected around the drum.
- Keep the area around your dryer clear of things that can burn, like boxes, cleaning supplies and clothing.

⇒ ***Most cooking fires in the home involve the stovetop.***

- Keep anything that can catch fire - oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels, or curtains - away from your stovetop.
- Always stay in the kitchen when frying on the stovetop.

⇒ ***Extension cord fires outnumbered fires beginning with permanent or detachable power cords by two-to-one.***

- Check electrical cords to make sure they are not running across doorways or under carpets. Extension cords are intended for temporary use.
- Have a qualified electrician add more receptacle outlets so you don't have to use extension cords.





Prevent clothes dryer fires.

Clean lint filters every time you use the dryer. Clean your dryer vent ductwork every year.

U.S. Fire
Administration



FEMA





Daylight saving time begins Sunday, March 8th 2026

Wilder Fire Department would like to remind you to check your smoke detectors. The lifespan of most Smoke Detectors is 10 yrs. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the station at (859-431-5884).

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT



80 YEARS OF INNOVATION

Evolved from chainsaw teeth to aerospace components

- Founded as Andrews Machine Works in Covington, KY (1946)
- Expanded to Wilder in 2006 (27,000 sq ft facility)
- Further growth to 53,000 sq ft in 2012
- Now employing 109 team members across three shifts

PRECISION METAL FABRICATION SPECIALISTS

- Advanced laser cutting, forming, welding & machining
- Supporting industry leaders: GE, Boeing & Honda
- Fun fact: The signs above the Roebling Bridge were cut using an Andrews laser!

NOW HIRING:

Welders, Machinists, Laser Operators & Assemblers

Proudly part of the Wilder community

Led by General Manager Ross Allen



WARMER WEATHER IS COMING! EXCITING NEW ADDITIONS AWAIT

Get ready for fun at **Fredericks Landing!** New cornhole boards are here. Don't forget to grab your Fredericks Landing passes at the city building.

We have 3 shelters available for rent within the city. 2 at the City Center Park and 1 at Fredericks Landing. Stop by the city building to reserve.



Watch Wilder City Council Meetings

Stay informed and engaged with your local government by accessing Wilder City Council meetings through multiple convenient platforms. Whether you prefer watching on TV, streaming on your favorite devices, or listening to audio, Campbell Media has you covered!

Watch Recorded Meetings on Cable TV

CGOV – Campbell Government Access Channel

Catch the Wilder City Council meetings broadcasted on the local government access channel:

- Altafiber/Fioptics - cable: Channel 808
 - Spectrum cable: Channel 200
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Watch Recorded Council Meetings On-Demand at campbellmedia.org

Visit the Campbell Media Website to watch recent Wilder City Council meetings post-broadcast. Simply select the CGOV channel to get started!

Stream with Campbell Media App

Access on-demand recordings through the Campbell Media app

-  Apple TV & Roku
-

Stream with Fire TV Using Cablecast/Screenweave

- Search for Campbell Media on the Cablecast app
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Listen to Meeting Audio via Podcast

- Listen to council meeting recordings through Spotify or Apple Podcasts



2026 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March	6th	First Friday	Shop Local	
	23rd	Coffee and Talk	City Building	10:00 a.m.
	24th	Wildfire Retapping	Barleycorn's Fundraiser	
	28th	Easter Egg Hunt Library Book Mobile Kona Ice	Landing	12:00
April	3rd	First Friday	Shop Local	
	11th	Mini County Clean up	Landing	9:00 - 12:00
	25th	Barleycorn's 5K Breast Cancer Run		
May	1st	First Friday	Shop Local	
	6th	Active Aging Program	Hall	10:45-11:45
	8th	County Clean Up	Landing	
	9th	County Clean Up	Landing	
	13th	Active Aging Program	Hall	10:45-11:45
	15,16,17	Annual Yard Sale		
	18th	Coffee and Talk	City Building	10:00 a.m.
	20th	Active Aging Program	Hall	10:45-11:45
	23rd	Opening of Splash Pad		
	26th	Blood Drive	Parking Lot	
	27th	Active Aging Program	Hall	10:45-11:45



June	3rd	Active Aging Program	Hall	10:45-11:45
	5th	First Friday	Shop Local	
	10th	Active Aging Program	Hall	10:45-11:45
	11th	Terrarium	Park	6:30 PM
	13th	Movie Night	City Park	9:00 PM
	17th	Active Aging Program	Hall	10:45-11:45
	24th	Active Aging Program	Hall	10:45-11:45
	TBD	Party in the Park	Landing	



July	2nd	NOT JOHNNY BAND - CELEBRATE 250 YEARS	City Center Park	7:00 to 9:30
	3rd	First Friday	Shop Local	
	20th	Coffee and Talk	City Building	10:00 a.m.



August	7th	First Friday	Shop Local	
	TBD	Party in the Park	Landing	
	25th	Blood Drive	Parking Lot	





September	4th	First Friday		
	7th	Last day for Splash Pad		
	12	Flag Raising	Park	12:00
	18,19,20	Annual Yard Sale		
	21st	Coffee and Talk	City Building	10:00 a.m.
	23rd	Senior Picnic	Park	12:00
	26th	Touch a Truck and City Government for Kids	City Building	4:00 to 7:00
	30th	Medicare Seminar	Hall	7:00



October		Halloween House Decorating Contest		
	2nd	First Friday	Shop Local	
	24th	Trunk or Treat	City Building	12 to 2



November	6th	First Friday	Shop Local	
	7th	Card making craft/class	Hall	
	16th	Coffee and Talk	City Building	10:00 a.m.
	20th	Turkey Raffle	Hall	





December	Christmas House Decorating Contest		
4th	First Friday	Shop Local	
7th	Christmas Tree Lighting and Historical Society Tree Lighting	City Building	7:00
TBD	Breakfast with Santa	Fire House	10:00 to 12:00
16th	Blood Drive	Parking lot	

FROM THE DESK OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR:

Following one of the most significant winter storms in recent history, I want to thank our city services for their hard work in maintaining our streets during the heavy snow and extreme cold.

As we move past the freeze-thaw cycles that impacted our roads, our focus turns to crack sealing and pothole repairs. In March, we will begin assessing city streets for repair or replacement as part of the 2026/2027 budget planning. If you have concerns regarding a city-maintained street you would like us to consider, please contact me.

Please note that the following roads are not maintained by the city:

- Licking Pike/AA Highway
- Johns Hill Road
- Moock Road
- Three Mile Road
- I-275

To report issues with these specific roadways, you may call the city building or contact the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet District Six directly at 859-341-2700 for quicker attention.

I would also like to provide the following updates on local infrastructure and other development projects:

- UDF (Moock Road/Licking Pike): Demolition is expected soon, with construction of the new facility projected to take approximately one year.
- Medicinal Cannabis Facility: A building permit has been issued, and construction should begin shortly with an expected opening this summer.
- Bobby Mackey's continues to work on a new site development plan as well as new building plans. Deadlines and timeframes are not available at this time.
- SD1 Work (Three Mile Road): SD1 construction continues. A planned temporary road closure has been postponed while engineers finalize the project's last phase. Please monitor signage at both ends of Three Mile Road for updated closure information.
- NKU/Pooles Creek Road Connection project managed by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet continues in design. Construction work is expected in late 2026 with final completion in 2028. This is a significant project that will connect the roundabout near NKU to Pooles Creek Road. We are hopeful this will help relieve some traffic on existing Johns Hill Road.

If you have any questions or comments regarding these projects, please feel free to contact me at tvance@wilderky.gov or 859-581-8884.

Dear Residents,

As noted in the department leader updates, our team is working diligently on several initiatives to ensure Wilder remains an exceptional place to live, work, and visit.

Key improvements currently underway include infrastructure repairs, a refreshed council chamber, and increased staffing for our police and fire departments. We have also developed an exciting 2026 Calendar of Events to enhance community engagement and quality of life for all residents.

Please mark your calendars for Saturday, April 25, for a new event: the "Chicks on the Run" 5K and 1-Mile Honor Walk. We are partnering with Barleycorn's to host this special run / walk in support of "Chicks and Chucks," a local non-profit benefiting breast cancer patients. More details will follow soon.

Regarding the upcoming budget cycle, while our primary focus will be on operations, we remain committed to funding capital improvements and long-term investments. This includes the ongoing evaluation of our streets for necessary repairs or replacements and property maintenance.

I am also pleased to share that progress continues on the new coffee shop. While converting the residential space has proven complex, the franchisee is dedicated to preserving the structure. Both parties are currently securing the resources needed to advance the project and finalize the lease agreement, with the goal of opening within the next year.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge our Public Works team for their exceptional efforts in keeping our streets clear during the recent major winter event.

We are proud of our collective progress and remain optimistic about the future of our city. Thank you for your continued support.

Your friend and Mayor, Valerie