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Your Holiday Spirit Winners

Beechwood Village shows its spirit! In our last issue, we invited all residents to participate in our Holiday Decorating Contest. Response was strong, and now we're proud to announce the Top 3 winners:



Congratulations to these families, and many thanks to all the neighbors who made the season bright!



Keep It Safe On Shelbyville Road

Shelbyville Road carries some of the heaviest traffic in the metro area. Unfortunately, our Beechwood Village entrances from Shelbyville Road have seen several traffic accidents, some of them serious.

When you're entering or leaving the city at Marshall, Sage, Bramton, or Stonehenge, please be extra observant and careful. Drivers on Shelbyville Road may be changing lanes, speeding, or distracted. One small mistake can have major consequences. So, please take your time and make every trip a safe one.

Calendar of Events

Tuesday, March 9

6:30PM: Monthly City Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 13

6:30PM: Monthly City Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 11

6:30PM: Monthly City Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 8

6:30PM: Monthly City Council Meeting

Meet Your Newest City Council Member

Beechwood Village has a newly-seated City Council. In November, voters re-elected five incumbent council members, and also elected one new member. Her name is Mary Ellen Baker, and we asked her to tell us a little about herself:



"I am a retired elementary teacher, having worked 35 years in the area of special education. Beechwood Village has been my home for 20 years. Like many others, I enjoy walking around the neighborhood, though you're more likely to see me cycling. I look forward to working with residents and the Council to continue making Beechwood Village a safe and desirable place to live."



Property Reassessments Are Coming

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused a lot of disruptions, including property reassessments. The Jefferson County PVA had originally planned to reassess all property in Beechwood Village in 2020. Due to the pandemic, that project was postponed to 2021.

All property in Beechwood Village is currently scheduled to be reassessed this year. The only exceptions are properties which have been reassessed already, such as recent sales, new construction, and major improvements. For more information on the PVA's plans, you can visit: <https://jeffersonpva.ky.gov/>.

What's Your House Number?

Between online shopping and restaurant take-out, our city is seeing more delivery drivers than ever. Please give them a hand by ensuring your house number is clearly visible from the street. Not only does this get the right order delivered to the right home, it's also a big help to emergency services. Seconds can matter when police, fire, or ambulance crews need to find your home in a hurry. Clearly visible house numbers make their jobs easier.



Stay Protected From The Virus

Kentucky continues to distribute the new COVID-19 vaccines, as doses become available. The state is currently in its second phase of vaccine deployment. Six total phases are planned.

Because demand substantially exceeds supply, it will still be several months before everyone who wants a vaccination will be able to get it. In the meantime, we all have a responsibility to take the commonsense steps we know will slow down the virus.

According to the Centers For Disease Control And Prevention, here's what everyone should do:

- Cover your mouth and nose with a mask when around others in public.
- Wash your hands frequently for at least 20 seconds, using soap and water.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- When you're away from home, stay at least 6 feet away from other people.
- Do not gather in large groups or crowds.

In Kentucky, 90% of all COVID-19 vaccine doses are administered within 7 days of their delivery. Until everyone can get a shot, we need to keep our guard up.



Supporting A Safe And Attractive Community

Beechwood Village has a Code Enforcement Officer. His job is overseeing compliance with the city's ordinances on property upkeep, parking, and nuisances.

The three most common code violations are: parking on the street overnight, parking on grass, and excessive grass length.

Beechwood Village takes an active role in ensuring our small city remains a safe, pleasant, and attractive place to live. If you are aware of a potential code violation, please send an email with the location and specific details to: code@beechwoodvillage.org.

Everyone benefits from living in safe, well-maintained community.

Header Line Cleaning

Beechwood Village maintains an underground header line system to remove discharge from basement sump pumps. The first phase of the header line was built five years ago, with a second phase added last year.

In order to clear debris and keep drainage flowing freely, the lines need to be cleaned every few years. The City Council has authorized a header line cleaning project for this year. So, when you see crews working, they're making sure the system continues to operate at top efficiency.

When The Holiday Is Over....

Everybody loves a good holiday celebration. Whether it's Halloween, Christmas, or some other special occasion, your celebration may include outdoor decorations. If it does, please remember to take down the decorations in a timely fashion after the holiday is over. Your neighbors will appreciate your courtesy.

Let It Flow

Throughout the fall and winter, a lot of debris has collected in and around our city storm drains. This can be a problem when heavy rains come. If the water can't drain away, it will pond on streets and in yards, and maybe back-up into basements.

Please clear away any leaves and debris you may see near a storm drain or in your rear property line drainage ditch.

If a drain is visibly clogged underneath the grate, contact MSD to come clean it. Call (502) 587-0603, or fill out a request at the MSD website, <http://www.louisvillemisd.org/>.





Virtual City Council Meetings

In accordance with the Governor's Healthy At Work initiative, the Beechwood Village City Council is meeting online during the COVID-19 pandemic. Meetings are open to the public, and all residents are welcome to attend.

City Council Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30PM. You may attend by using the Zoom app, a web browser, or a telephone.

In the Zoom app, simply click "Join," and enter the Meeting ID: 997 8690 1326.

With a browser, go to: www.zoom.us/join. Enter the Meeting ID: 997 8690 1326.

To join by telephone, dial (312) 626-6799. When prompted, enter the Meeting ID number: 997 8690 1326.

A Pet Project

Beechwood Village is a city of families and pets. We love our animals for the companionship and joy they bring. Pet ownership does come with some responsibilities, though. Here are some tips:

LICENSES - All dogs and cats should be licensed. You can fill out a license application at your veterinarian's office or online at: <https://louisvilleky.gov/government/animal-services>.

VACCINATIONS - Please keep your pet's vaccinations up to date. This not only protects the health of your pet, but also any other pets they may come in contact with.

IDENTIFICATION - Sometimes pets wander away when we're not looking. Microchipping and collar tags greatly increase your odds of finding a lost pet.

BARKING - Please show courtesy to your neighbors by limiting excessive barking, especially during late and early hours.

LEASHES - Metro Louisville has a leash law. For everyone's safety, please make sure your dog is restrained when outdoors or walking in the village.

CLEAN UP - Please respect the property, lawns, and landscaping of others. If your pet leaves waste, please clean it up.

ABUSE - If you suspect a pet is being neglected or abused, please report the situation to Metro Animal Services at (502) 473-7387.



Trash And Recycling 4-1-1

Our Beechwood Village trash collection service is provided by Waste Management.

Trash is picked up on Monday mornings, and trash totes do not need to be moved to curb. Most large items will be picked up on the regular trash runs.

If your trash tote needs to be replaced, please contact Waste Management at (502) 966-0117.

During weeks when Monday is a holiday (Memorial Day, Labor Day, etc.), trash collection will be on Tuesday.

We encourage residents to support our community by recycling appropriate items, rather than sending them to the landfill. Items accepted for recycling include aluminum cans, aluminum foil and trays, milk and juice jugs, plastic household containers, glass bottles and jars, flattened cardboard, junk mail, plastic bottles, newspapers, and magazines. Recycling totes should be placed at the curb for Monday pick up.