



The Eagle's View

An informative newsletter for the residents and businesses of Crestview Hills

Crestview Hills Fall 2012

City to Drop Emergency 911 Fee on Telephones

The City of Crestview Hills plans to drop the \$4.25 per month fee to support the Emergency 911 Dispatch operations as of January 1st, 2013. Residents will note the fee reduction on their January landline bill from Cincinnati Bell or Insight Communications. This change is the result of a move by Kenton County to consolidate the emergency dispatch operations of all the cities within Kenton County. The County is levying a fee of \$85 per parcel within Kenton County to replace the current telephone charge. The cities that utilize the City of Erlanger dispatch center will have a pro-rated share of the parcel fee collected in their cities sent to Erlanger for 2013.

The City is slated to move to the County dispatch center in late 2013, provided that the system is running smoothly at that time and is able to take on additional cities. Much more information on this change can be found on the Kenton County website at (http://www.kentoncounty.org/county_departments/county_dispatch/index.htm).



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City Adopts Property Tax Rates for 2012



The Crestview Hills City Council unanimously adopted a real property tax rate of .1545 for tax year 2012.

This tax rate is an \$.0020 increase from the 2011 tax year. Tax bills will be mailed out by the second week of October this year, and will be due by December 31st, 2012. Please note that the payment must be postmarked by December 31st.

The Mayor and City Council strive every year to minimize costs of providing services. The City took a 2 % increase for property taxes to help offset the growing Public Safety and Public Works costs.

Residents on private streets should note that the private street discount will be included on their tax bill. If you have questions regarding your bill, please call City offices at 341-7373. Property Assessment questions should be directed to the Kenton County Property Valuation Administrator (PVA) at 859-392-1750.

Council set to have Strategic Planning Sessions this fall

The City Council will meet later this fall to conduct a goal setting session for the City. The Council will review results of the citizen survey, and begin to set the future course for the City Government. Several issues will be discussed during the sessions, including growth and development issues, public safety, funding for future road construction, City finances, and community amenities/ recreational activities.

Residents are urged to talk with their council representatives about their thoughts on City issues and fill out the citizen survey that will be arriving in mailboxes towards the end of October. The results of the goal setting sessions will be placed on the City website and in future City newsletters.



Don't miss the City's annual Christmas celebration! Mark your calendars for Friday, December 7th from 5:30 to 7:30 pm.



Mayor's Message



Crestview Hills Residents:

According to an old adage, "If don't have a roadmap, you don't know where you are going." While that might be fun to do on a nice Sunday afternoon drive, it might not be the best approach for running a City. The Crestview Hills Council is planning to have several meetings this fall to discuss the current status of our community and where we might want to go in the future. This planning is important to anticipate future changes in our community due to demographics, the economy, and aging infrastructure. You can play an important role in the planning by filling out and returning the City's survey that will be mailed out later this month. Also, please consider emailing me (mayor@crestviewhills.com) or the Council with your thoughts and comments about our community.

The City is in the midst of numerous construction projects. In September we began the College Park Reconstruction project, road resurfacing and various street curb repairs. This fall we begin work on the Horsebranch Creek bank stabilization project and ADA compliance work on our sidewalks on Thomas More Parkway and Legends Way. Add to this the work going on for the Duke Energy Gas Line replacements on Turkeyfoot and Dixie Highway, and the State widening project on Turkeyfoot, and our City has a lot of orange construction barrels! Please be careful around these construction sites, and anticipate that there may be delays during the work day.

The City has a number of recreational activities scheduled this fall, including a trip to Keene-land in October, the annual Halloween celebration at the Town Center on Saturday, October 27th, and a trip to Wakefield-Scarce in early November. Also, mark on your calendars for Friday, December 7th, for the annual City Christmas dinner at the City Building.

Enjoy the fall season, and consider getting involved with your community!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul W Meier". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Paul W. Meier, Mayor

ELECTION 2012

We encourage all of our residents to vote on November 6th. There will be three precincts for Crestview Hills. Two at the City Office located at 50 Town Center Blvd. and one at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, located at 2718 Dixie Highway. The voting polls are open 6am to 6pm.



Crestview Hills Town Center News

The City of Crestview Hills welcomes Altar'd State and the Kentucky Shop to the Crestview Hills Town Center. They are both now open! Stop by and check out the new businesses.

Also, many of the Crestview Hills retailers have fun activities for both children and adults. Visit the Crestview Hills Town Center's website at www.shopcrestviewhillstowncenter.com for more information.



Update on City Construction Projects

Residents may have noted a number of construction areas around the City recently. The City is in the process of working on several projects, including the reconstruction of College Park Drive, paving on Winding Way, Shinkle Road, and Rhine Valley Lane, various curb repairs around the City, and the stabilization of the creek bank on Horsebranch Road.

Along with the City projects, residents have encountered construction on Turkeyfoot Road (State widening project) and the Duke Energy replacement gas line on Dixie Highway and Turkeyfoot Road.

The projects are all anticipated to be completed by the middle of November, with the exception of the Turkeyfoot Road widening project. Turkeyfoot Road is still slated to be completed by next April. Residents are encouraged to be cautious around the construction sites.

City Changing Advanced Life Support Provider

The City of Crestview Hills has changed providers for Emergency Life Support Services as of October 1st, 2012. The City of Fort Mitchell Fire Department is now providing ALS services for the cities of Crestview Hills and Lakeside Park.

The City chose to make the switch last April after the cities of Fort Mitchell and Fort Wright decided to move to a full service ambulance service that included certified paramedics. This change is intended to both improve response times and save money for residents. Previously, a number of Kenton County cities were utilizing Rural Metro (formerly Trans Care before St. Elizabeth sold the operation to Rural Metro, Inc.) for the Advance Life Support services. When an ambulance call was dispatched, the City fire department would send a Basic Life Support ambulance, and then Rural Metro would send a 'chase car' with a trained paramedic if this service was needed. This system could potentially create delays in care for the resident. With the new system, the ambulance arriving on the scene will have trained paramedics and a full complement of life support equipment and medicines.



Crestview Hills Picnic

On August 7th, the City hosted the annual City Picnic at Summit Hills Country Club.

The event would not be possible without the tremendous support of our sponsors, and the generosity of Summit Hills to host the event each year. The following lists our gift donors from the community. Please support these sponsors, and thank them if you are in their businesses.

- ◇ Abuelo's Mexican Embassy
- ◇ Argentine Bean
- ◇ Auntie Anne's
- ◇ Beiting Family Dentistry
- ◇ Carrabba's Italian Grill
- ◇ Cincinnati Red's
- ◇ Coldwater Creek
- ◇ Colleen Collins-Bright
- ◇ Colonial Cottage
- ◇ Color Me Mine
- ◇ Dewey's Pizza
- ◇ Dillard's
- ◇ Eddie Bauer
- ◇ First Watch
- ◇ Five Guys Burgers & Fries
- ◇ John Phillips Restaurant & Bar
- ◇ Johnny's Car Wash
- ◇ Joseph Beth
- ◇ Max & Erma Restaurant
- ◇ Mayor Paul Meier
- ◇ McAlister's Deli
- ◇ Moe's
- ◇ Panera Bread
- ◇ Palmer Cosmetic Dentistry
- ◇ Sableux Salon and Spa
- ◇ Starbucks
- ◇ Thomas More College
- ◇ Xavier University Piano and Guitar Series



Thomas More College Upcoming Events

◇ Thomas More College Theatre will present **39 Steps** by Patrick Barlow, Directed by: Adriana Fitch, Theatre Major, Senior. A comic interpretation of Alfred Hitchcock's film of the same title 39 Steps follows the tale of Richard Hannay as he's dragged into a shadowy game of spies and secrets! A bungled murder, steamy romances, and cross-dressing shenanigans all play a part in an evening of wild entertainment. November 16, 17, & 18, 23, 24, & 25, Evening performances 7 PM and Sunday Matinees at 2 PM

◇ The Bank of Kentucky Observatory at Thomas More College
Each event will include a 60 minute lecture in Steigerwald Hall, followed by night sky viewing at the observatory, weather permitting. Please check www.thomasmore.edu/observatory for details about each upcoming event.



◇ TMC Saints Athletics Events
Please visit www.thomasmore.edu/athletics for up-to-date schedules for athletic events.

◇ Poetry reading and book signing by Affrilachian poet Frank X Walker Monday November 12, 7 p.m. at Joseph Beth Booksellers.

◇ Prolific author George Ella Lyon reads and signs from her newest books for children and young adults Sunday Dec. 2, 4 pm at Joseph Beth Booksellers



Go Saints!

A Note from the Lakeside Park/Crestview Hills Police Department



From the Chief's desk:

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Sgt. Brad Degenhardt in recognition of his recent graduation from the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia. The FBI National Academy is a 10 week program for police supervisors that offers college level (undergraduate and masters) classes. Acceptance into this prestigious program is very competitive with less than 1% of police officers nationwide being selected to attend. There are courses offered in law, behavioral science, forensic science, understanding terrorism/terrorist mindsets, leadership development, and communication. Police leaders from across the United States attend this program which allows for the facilitation of networking on a national level. As Sgt. Degenhardt returns to his duties at the Lakeside Park - Crestview Hills Police Department, I am confident that he will be able to utilize the skills and experiences that he gained from this educational experience to benefit the citizens of Lakeside Park and Crestview Hills. Well done Sgt. Degenhardt.

Lastly, please keep in mind that as fall approaches, so to does the holiday season. As such, please be careful while driving, watching out for the little ghosts and goblins on Halloween.

Remember we are your police department; please feel free to contact us at 331-5368 or www.lpchpd.com

Col. Christopher J. Schutte
Chief of Police

Crestview Hills Christmas Celebration Coming Soon!

Mark your calendars now and join us for the annual City Christmas Celebration on Friday, December 7th from 5:30 to 7:30 pm at the Crestview Hills City Building. The annual event includes food from Carrabbas Italian Grill and pictures with Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus!

We will have two seating times 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm and 6:30 pm to 7:30pm. Please call the City Office at 859-341-7373 to reserve your seating time.



The City will also be accepting food donations for Interfaith Hospitality Network of Northern Kentucky's Food Pantry. Please bring along canned food or other non-perishable foodstuffs.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

CRESTVIEW HILLS UPCOMING 2012 RECREATIONAL EVENTS

Saturday, October 13th: Trip to Keeneland. The City has reserved tables in the Lexington Room at Keeneland for 50. Includes admittance luncheon and transportation. The bus departs at 9:45 am from the City Building. Tickets are still available at \$50 each. You can reserve your seat now by calling the City at 341-7373.



Saturday, October 13th: Loop for Lana 5K Run/Walk at 9:00am. Proceeds benefit the Elana Brophy Memorial Scholarship Fun & CureSearch for Children's Cancer. The 5k course begins and ends at Columbia Sussex. For complete information, directions, course map, online registration and results, go to: www.runningtime.net

Saturday, October 27th: The City will be participating with merchants at the Town Center this year in a Halloween festival. The event is from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Merchants will be handing out candy. Come out and enjoy the fun!

Wednesday, October 31st: Halloween Trick or Treating will be 6:00pm to 8:00pm



Saturday, November 10th: The City is sponsoring a bus trip to Wakefield-Scarce in Shelbyville, KY. The \$45 cost includes lunch and transportation.

Friday, December 7th: City Annual Christmas Dinner from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. Please call and reserve your seating time.

2nd Annual Ice Cream Social Sponsored by



On Friday September 7th the City of Crestview Hills held the 2nd Annual Ice Cream Social at Thomas More College. Crestview Hills thanks Central Bank for sponsoring the event. Residents and Thomas More staff and students enjoyed entertainment from John Ford, children activities such as a caricature artist, and face painting. Everyone had a great time and enjoyed themselves. Hope to see you next year!





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- FALL EVENTS LISTED ON PAGE 5. Don't forget about Daylight Savings Time ending on Sunday November 4th. Fall back!
REMINDER: Crestview Hills Trick-or-Treating with be 10/31/12 from 6pm-8pm.



NON EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Table with 2 columns: Service Name and Phone Number. Includes Police Dispatch, Police Administration, Fire Dept, Ambulance, and Sanitation Dist.

OTHER NUMBERS

Table with 2 columns: Service Name and Phone Number. Includes City Building, Animal Control, Best Way, and Duke Energy.

City Website: www.crestviewhills.com

CITY OFFICIALS

Table listing City Officials: Mayor Paul W. Meier, City Council members (Colleen Collins Bright, David Kramer, Ralph Laird, Thomas Moser, Frank Sommerkamp, Jr., Ken Palmer), City Administrator Tim Williams, Finance Officer/Kara Kuertz, Treasurer Judy Rae Cox, City Clerk Jim Berling, City Engineer NKAPC, Building Inspector NKAPC, Zoning Consultant Mary Ann Stewart, Attorney Mary Louise Haglage, Auxiliary Staff Shae VonLehman, and Public Works Jeff Smith.