



The Eagle's View

An informative newsletter for the residents and businesses of Crestview Hills

Crestview Hills Spring 2012

City Changing Advanced Life Support Providers

The City Council recently voted to discontinue service with Rural Metro, Inc. for Advanced Life Support Services (ALS) and has signed a contract with the City of Fort Mitchell for this service. Fort Mitchell Fire Department will begin ALS service for Crestview Hills beginning October 1st, 2012.

The Cities of Fort Wright and Fort Mitchell have been exploring offering full ALS services for the last couple of years, and recently decided to bring ALS in-house to offer a higher level of service for their citizens. The current ALS service consists of a "chase car" provided by Rural Metro, Inc. that will follow the City's Ambulance crew (Basic Life Support) with a paramedic and additional life saving equipment and services. With the new system, ambulances will be fully equipped with a paramedic and materials so that calls will be able to immediately respond without waiting for the chase car.



The City of Fort Mitchell offered our community this service at the same rate as Rural Metro, Inc. was charging the City as an addendum to our Fire and Ambulance Contract. The Council's Public Safety Committee recommended the change in providers and the City Council recently unanimously approved the new ALS contract with Fort Mitchell.

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Council to Review Solid Waste Bids in May

The City recently received four bids for the new waste and recycling collection contract that begins on July 1st. The City's Solid Waste and Recycling Committee ("CHEER COMMITTEE") will begin review of the bids in April, and has scheduled a formal interview session with each of the companies as part of the evaluation for the new contract.

The Committee will be evaluating several possible changes to the current contract. The most important is a decision to begin providing a standardized cart for residents. Providing the cart makes collection quicker and safer for the hauler, and has a positive impact on the cost to the City. Most cities have been going to this model in the last few years. Residents will note that the standard cart size will be 65 gallons. However, those residents wanting the larger 96 gallon cart may request them from the City prior to the beginning of the new contract July 1st. Also, residents may put out additional trash outside of the canisters, or may request to not use the trash carts as a provision of the contract.

The City will also be utilizing a larger cart for recyclable materials. The new contract will include a 65 gallon cart for recyclable materials. However, residents that do not wish to use the larger cart, may still request and use the smaller bins.

The CHEER Committee will also evaluate the possibility of switching to a once per week collection of trash. Crestview Hills is one of only a few communities in our region that still collect trash twice per week. The cost differential is very substantial and because of other increasing City costs (Public Safety, Street Reconstruction projects) the City Council must consider this option. However, we want to hear from you on this possible change! Enclosed in this newsletter is a short, pre-addressed, postage paid post card. Please fill out the enclosed post card, along with your name and address, and return to the City no later than Tuesday, May 1st. Residents may be asked to pay for the added cost of twice per week collection (about \$30 per year) if the City Council decides to continue this option.

Also, please contact City Staff at 341-7373 if you have questions regarding the current waste/recycling services or the proposed changes.

Mayor's Message



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As spring arrives, we look forward to many exciting events around the City and a flurry of new construction projects.

The City is again providing discounted tickets to see the Cincinnati Reds. Tickets are available for the June 9th game against the Detroit Tigers and the July 14th game versus the St. Louis Cardinals. Residents may purchase the tickets anytime at the City Building offices. The City is also selling tickets to the June 15th Florence Freedom game in conjunction with the City of Lakeside Park.

We are very excited to be hosting the first-ever Business Appreciation luncheon on Friday, May 18th. This is our opportunity to thank those businesses and employees that work in the Thomas More Office Park for the contributions they make to the City's quality of life.

Residents will also note many construction projects starting in July, including the reconstruction of College Park Drive. Due to the age and deteriorated condition of the street, the City will be tearing out the old street and sub base and reconstructing the road. This will cause some delays and inconvenience for the residents in College Park, however the City will work diligently with the residents and the contractor to minimize problems.

The City is also set to complete a grant funded project on Dixie Highway this summer that landscape the last median section in front of the Town Center. Finally, we will have another aggressive street paving list this summer, with work expected to begin in August.

One of the most noticeable changes resident may experience is in Solid Waste Collection. The City has recently bid our waste/ recycling contract and the City's CHEER Committee and City Council will consider several possible money saving changes such as standardized trash carts and moving to a once-per week collection of garbage. You will find a short survey in the newsletter asking your opinion on a possible once per week pickup.

Finally, please check your mailbox in late May or early June for a citizen survey. It has been several years since the City gained general input from our residents, and I encourage you to take the time to fill out the survey and give us your opinion on a number of community issues. I wish you a very safe and enjoyable spring, and as always, feel honored to serve you as Mayor.

Paul W. Meier, Mayor

Cincinnati Reds

There are still tickets available for the following games:

Saturday, June 9th @ 4:10 PM vs. the Detroit Tigers

Saturday, July 14th @ 7:10PM vs. the St. Louis Cardinals



The cost for the Tigers game is \$25. These tickets are located in the infield box. The cost for the Cardinals game is \$60. This includes watching the game from the Party Deck, great food, 2 beer tickets and bus transportation to and from the game.

Make sure you come purchase your tickets before it is too late!

Citizen Survey Coming Soon

Residents should double check their mail in May as the City is set to send out a general public satisfaction survey.



This is the first general survey to the residents in over ten years and the results will be instrumental in assisting the Mayor and Council in preparing long range planning for the community.

Please take a few minutes to fill out the survey when it comes to your house, and return to the City with the pre-addressed postage-paid envelope. Results of the survey will be published on the City's website in June.

City Website Upgrade

The City Staff and website committee will meet at the end of April to begin the website upgrade. The website committee will evaluate the City website, explore opportunities for improvements to the sites' usability and ease of use.



Currently, we have three representatives from our business community and two residents. The committee will meet about 5 times over the next six months. If you would be interested in joining the committee please contact Kara Kuertz at 341-7373 or kkuertz@crestviewhills.com.

It is important that the City's website best reflects all of the great things we have to offer for both businesses and residents.

Crestview Hills Welcomes New Chief of Police, Christopher Schutte

Congratulations to Chief Christopher Schutte on his recent promotion to Chief of Police. Chief Schutte began his career here in Crestview Hills, in January of 1996. He was promoted to sergeant in 2004, achieved the rank of captain in 2007 and was promoted to Chief of Police, effective March 1, 2012. Schutte has a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Northern Kentucky University, as well as a master's degree in public administration, also from NKU. He graduated from the FBI National Academy's 10-week program in 2008. He is a certified RAD (Rape Aggression Defenses) instructor and a certified CPR instructor. Chief Schutte is a native of Kenton County.



Crestview Hills is excited to have him here in our community and wishes him well in his new position!

City of Crestview Hills Business Luncheon

The City of Crestview Hills will be hosting a Business Appreciation Luncheon on May 18th from 11:30am – 1:30pm. The event will be held in the parking lot of Children's Hospital (2765 Chapel Place).



Hamburgers & Hot Dogs will be provided by Lothar's Catering. This is a free luncheon for office park employees. We ask everyone to show their employee badge or bring a business card.

Live entertainment by Covermodel and we will have a drawing for free Reds tickets!

News Around Crestview Hills

Flottman Company is Honored With a 2012 Tristate Success Award

Congratulations to Flottman Company on receiving the 2012 Tristate Success Award. This is the first time Flottman Company has received this distinguished admiration.

The Tristate Success Awards honor the most successful and consistent companies in three categories: public, private and emerging throughout the Tristate region (OH, KY, IN). Winners are selected from numerous nominations in a review by their peers for business and economic development.

The Flottman Company is a family owned, full-service digital communications company that provides printing and design.

In celebration of their success, all the award-winning businesses will be featured in the April 2012 issue of Cincy Magazine.

Congratulations from the City of Crestview Hills!



Florence Freedom Tickets

The City is selling Florence Freedom Tickets for Friday June, 15th. The game starts at 7:05pm. The cost is \$5 per ticket with a limited of 4 per household. Plan to stay after the game for a wonderful fireworks show.

ATTENTION RUNNERS

The St. Elizabeth Hospice Care STARS Program will be hosting the annual "Strides for STARS 5K" on Saturday morning, April 28th Registration begins at 8:00 AM. The race will begin at 9:00 AM at Dixie Heights High School and then proceed into Old Crestview Subdivision. More information is available at www.stridesforstars.com



City Awarded Certificate of Achievement for Financial Reporting by GFOA

The City of Crestview Hills has been awarded the Government Finance Officer's Certificate of Achievement for Financial Reporting for the eleventh consecutive year. This is a significant feat for the City, as Crestview Hills is the smallest organization in the State to receive this award, and one of the smallest in the country. The award signifies that the City complies with the highest standards of financial reporting.

The award is a product of the efforts of Finance Officer/Treasurer Kara Kuertz and City Administrator Tim Williams, working closely with the City's Auditors – Rankin & Rankin.

Coach Rogers Named Coach of the Year

Thomas More College head men's basketball coach Jeff Rogers has been named Presidents' Athletic Conference (PAC) Coach of the Year and three Saints have been named All-PAC by the conference's head coaches.

Rogers, in his third season at Thomas More, led the Saints to a 20-8 record and a tie for second place in the PAC regular season with a 13-3 conference mark. He guided the Saints to the championship game of the PAC Tournament for the second time in his three seasons. Rogers is 54-29 (.650) in his three season on the Saints' sidelines.

Congratulations to Coach Rogers & the Thomas More Saints!



Turkeyfoot Road Widening Project

The State Transportation will begin a long awaited widening project on Turkeyfoot Road this summer. The plans call for an added northbound lane from College Park Drive to the eastbound ramp to I-275. This lane should greatly facilitate traffic movement through this part of town and alleviate backups on Thomas More Parkway. While this does not represent the ultimate fix to traffic congestion in this area, it will at least help with rush hour traffic congestion.

In another phase of the project, the State will be adding a second left turn lane from Turkeyfoot Road onto the westbound ramp to I-275. Expect significant backups during the project and possible night and weekend lane closures are possible.

Residents and businesses can expect significant traffic congestion during the project, especially on the northbound side of Turkeyfoot Road. The State DOT and their contractors will provide weekly updates on the construction and strive to keep traffic moving during construction. Up to date information can be found on the State's website at <http://511.ky.gov/>.

Residents will soon see more beautification in the Community



Beginning this September, the City will start the last of the traffic median beautification projects along Dixie Highway. This project will be similar to the existing landscaped

medians on Dixie Highway and Turkeyfoot Road. The City will receive a grant covering 80% of the cost for the project, which will enhance the area between Winding Way and the Town Center main entrance. There will be minor traffic congestion as the City's contractor must expose the Cincinnati Bell lines under the roadway while making the bore.

The City is also working with the State DOT to install decorative lighting along the east side of Dixie Highway for the new Sidewalk and bus shelter. The lights will also help light this section of the highway and especially the intersection with Winding Way and Town Center Boulevard.

College Park Drive Reconstruction Reminder

Residents in the College Park Subdivision should note on their calendars the upcoming major reconstruction project on College Park Drive. Due to a failing subsurface, the street will be excavated and rebuilt this summer. The new street will have a proper base and both edge drains and cross drains to remove water from the road's base.

The project will create significant inconvenience for residents as the contractor will dig out and replace the underlying soil and concrete and asphalt layers during the construction. One half of the street will be closed for the excavation and paving, and then rotate to the other side. Residents will need to make plans to park on the City streets while construction takes place.

The City will be sending out letters to all College Park residents in June alerting them to the construction and explaining the traffic plans. We also plan to have a neighborhood meeting with residents prior to construction within the subdivision.





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NON EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Police Dispatch	727-2424
Police Administration	331-5368
8 AM to 4:30PM	
Fire Dept. Ft. Mitchell	331-1267
Ambulance Ft. Mitchell	331-5553
Sanitation Dist	578-7450
(for sewer odors & problems)	

OTHER NUMBERS

City Building	341-7373
8:30 AM to 5:00 PM	
Animal Control	356-3191
Rumpke Garbage	472-7339
Duke Energy	513-421-9500

City Website: www.crestviewhills.com

CITY OFFICIALS

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