



The Eagle's View

An informative newsletter for the residents and businesses of Crestview Hills
Crestview Hills Summer 2015

Wayfinding Signs in Office Park

After nearly three years of planning and development, the City's sign contractor began installing the new signage system in the Thomas More Office Park in late May. The new signage system is designed to provide better directions for patients and visitors to the buildings within the Office Park. The signs are colored-coded into zones corresponding with the main access roads (Thomas More Parkway, Centre View Boulevard, Chancellor Drive, and Legends Way) and every building has a defined number. The building numbers are placed prominently at the entrances and have a color with the buildings zone (i.e. Green 42). The goal with the new system is to utilize building numbers instead of street addresses to make it easier to find offices. A communications plan is being developed by the City's consultant with full color maps and reproducible artwork that each Office Park tenant can utilize for their appointment cards.



This project was a joint effort among the businesses in the Office Park and the City of Crestview Hills, and both the City and the property owners are investing into the wayfinding signage project. The City has already received many positive comments regarding the new signs, and we are excited to see this long-planned project finally come to fruition.

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City to End Annual Summit Hills Dinner

The City will no longer hold a once popular event for City residents that started as an old-fashioned summer picnic & carnival, at Summit Hills Country Club. Over the past five years, resident's interest and participation has dwindled to the point that holding the event did not make financial sense. More than 200 residents once attended the event, but in recent years the numbers dwindled to 40 people. Over the next year, the City Recreation Committee will look at other options for City sponsored events to possibly replace the dinner. If you have any ideas or suggestions, please contact Kara Kramer at 341-7373.

Solid Waste Collection News

The City recently placed an advertisement for bids for residential solid waste collection. Three bids were received for the solid waste and recycling collection for the next three years. Rumpke, Inc was selected by the City Council as the new contractor.

As of July 1st, Rumpke has began the waste and recycling collection. Collection dates (Tuesdays each week) will remain the same as with the previous provider, Best Way, however collection times might vary the first few weeks of transition. In order to ensure that your garage is picked up, please have the waste at the curb no later than 7:00am the day of the pickup.

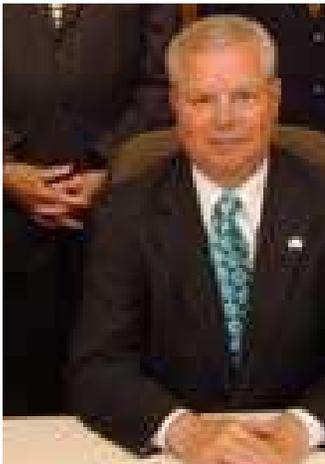


Rumpke replaced the garbage cans and recycling bins on July 1st—July 3rd. Best Way collected their cans that same week.

Rumpke has provided the following contact information if you experience a missed pickup or have any questions regarding your waste collection:

Rumpke, Inc
1-877-786-7537

Mayor's Message



Crestview Hills Residents:

Summer is in full swing and the City has many activities planned. Our summer concert series is continuing with the band "Soul Pocket" scheduled for July 24th and the country band "Jamison Road" on August 14th. The concerts have proven to be very popular with the community and have been well supported by our businesses in the Town Center. Also, we still have tickets available for Red's games on July 31st (Pittsburgh) and September 11th (St. Louis).

Residents should see quite a bit of street construction over the summer months, as we rebuild the North portion of Campus Drive. This reconstruction project will begin the end of July. The City will be resurfacing portions of Shinkle Road, Summit Drive, Chancellor and Town Center Blvd in the month of August. Also, we anticipate placing the University Drive project out for bid in August.

As noted on page 1, the City Staff has spent a great deal of time over the last couple months managing the new wayfinding signage project. The sign installation company is now close to completion on the project and the sign consultant is working with the steering committee to finalize the communication portion of the project. This will include the development of printable maps.

We encourage residents to call the City with any problems, questions or concerns you may have. We strive to provide high quality services and low taxes for the community.

Have a great summer!

Paul W. Meier, Mayor

CRESTVIEW HILLS 2015 RECREATIONAL EVENTS

Friday, July 24th: City of Crestview Hills Summer Concert from 8pm to 11:00pm with entertainment by Soul Pocket.

Friday, July 31st: Reds game vs. Pittsburgh Pirates. These tickets are \$60 each (\$90 value) and include seating in the Party Deck, great food, 2 beer tickets and bus transportation to and from the game.

Friday, August 14th, City of Crestview Hills Summer Concert from 8pm to 11pm with entertainment by Jamison Road with Luk Nichols.

Friday, September 11th Reds game vs. St. Louis Cardinals. These tickets are in section 529. The cost is \$5 for each ticket. Stop by the City Building to purchase your ticket. Cash or check only.

Sunday, August 23th Check Your Genes 5k Walk/Run at Thomas More College. Races starts at 9:00AM. For more information www.checkyourgenes.org or contact Karen Sherman 859-801-0353.



Saturday, October 3th, Loop for Lana 5k Walk/Run at 9:00AM to benefit the Elana Brophy Memorial Foundation and Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center. See www.runningtime.net for more information.

Street and Road Work

The City plans another very busy season for street and road repairs. The summer paving/resurfacing includes the portion of Shinkle Road from Lookout Farm drive to the four-way stop at Lookout Farm Drive, Summit Drive, and a portion of Chancellor Drive and Town Center Boulevard. We anticipate work will be completed by the end of August. The City will also continue our multi-year effort to rebuild our older streets. For the first time, we are rebuilding two streets in the same year – the remaining portions of Campus and University Drives in the College Park subdivision. The City also has several concrete sectional repairs to complete on various streets, along with numerous sidewalk repairs and completion of the ADA ramps at sidewalk crossings.

The City is also wrapping up the necessary State and Federal permits for the Horsebranch Creek stormwater detention pond. We anticipate construction work for this detention facility will begin later this year. The new detention area, at the corner of Rhine Valley and Horsebranch Road, will help to slow down stormwater flowing into Horsebranch Creek and prevent further erosion to the creek's banks. The project is estimated to cost approximately \$70,000.

Finally, the City continues work on the Thomas More Parkway lane widening project. The City earlier received a 80% matching federal grant to widen the inbound lane of Thomas More Parkway from Renaissance Drive to past Powleit Court. All engineering for the project has been completed and approved by the State Transportation Cabinet. Unfortunately, we have been unable to conclude a satisfactory agreement with the property owner to acquire the small amount of right of way necessary for the expansion. Due to this impasse, the project will be moved to the 2016 construction season. The City will continue to negotiate with the owner over the next several months to reach an agreement more in line with the appraised value.



Private Facilities in City Right of Way

Occasionally the City will conduct street repairs that require work beyond the edge of the curb and may disturb the facilities installed by property owners in the right of way. The City requires the contractor to properly restore grass to the areas adjacent to the curb, but has not traditionally taken responsibility for items placed in the right of way by property owners such as sprinkler systems, shrubs, or other ornamental items. Please be aware that while the contractor will attempt to avoid damage, it is at times unavoidable and the repairs will fall to the adjoining property owner.



Properly Store Your Boats & RVs

As a reminder the City of Crestview Hills ordinance explains the proper storage for RVs, boats and trailers.

Outside storage of any trailer, RV, mobile home, camper, boat or other such type equipment, must be on a hard surface. Equipment greater than 18 feet in length may be stored within an enclosed garage, or in the rear yard as approved by the zoning administrator. None of the above items may be located in the front or side yard greater than 10 days.

For more information for proper storage of RVs, boats and trailers refer to City Ordinance Section 9.22, which can be found on the City's website at www.crestviewhills.com.

News around Crestview Hills

- Green Sky Credit, Inc. recently announced a relocation and major expansion of their business into Crestview Hills. Green Sky Credit is an Atlanta, Georgia based company that provides consumer credit services for home improvement companies. Home Depot is one of their largest clients, but they also work with many small contractors to help coordinate consumer financing. Green Sky Credit will initially bring 200 jobs to Crestview Hills in the Thomas More Office Park, with the potential for eventually 350 employees. The City is excited to welcome Green Sky Credit to the community.



- Join the St. Elizabeth Foundation and the select stores and restaurants in the Crestview Hills Town Center to shop and dine on Thursday, August 6th. A portion of the participating merchants' sales will help support children's heart health education. The purpose of this fund is to provide medical and supportive care to mothers of young children, their family members and abused women and children during the difficult time they may be experiencing during or immediately following their care at St. Elizabeth facilities. For more information visit stelizabeth.com/shopanddine or contact Vicki Miller at 859-301-2182.
- For the 14th consecutive year, the City of Crestview Hills has been awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by government and its management. Congratulations to City Staff, Council and Mayor Meier for preparing the award-winning CAFR!
- Mayor Meier was recently honored by Redwood when he received the Dorothy Jean Wood Award. The award honors an individual whose service to Redwood exemplifies that of the late Dorothy Wood, a founder of the organization that serves children and adults who have disabilities through 22 programs that include therapeutic, educational, nursing and vocational services. This award recognizes loyal and steadfast commitment and personal qualities that show generosity of time and spirit to Redwood's cause. Congratulations to Mayor Paul Meier!

Crestview Hills Summer Concert Series

The City hosted its first concert of the Series on Friday, June 12th. The Rucca Band opened for The DV8 Band and performed a great show.

The next concert will be Friday, July 24th with the band Soul Pocket. Soul Pocket has been performing around Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky area for over 15 years. They play a mix of Soul, Motown, R&B, Rock and Funk.

The final concert of the summer will be Friday, August 14th. Jaimson Road is a rockin' country band from Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky. They have been performing since 2010. Luk Nichols will be opening for Jamison Road. Mr. Nichols is coming to Crestview Hills from Nashville, TN. Mr. Nichols can be found performing daily at Tootsies Orchid Lounge or at Honky Tonk Central in Nashville.

Each of the concerts are from 8pm to 11pm in the Crestview Hills Town Center (in front of Joseph Beth). These are community events that are open to the public. Please bring lawn chairs for seating. We hope to see you there!

The City would like to thank the businesses who help sponsor these events: The Bank of Kentucky, now known as BBT, Children's Hospital of Northern Kentucky, Beiting Family Dentistry, Hatfield Insurance Agency, Grandview Summit Apartments, Citizens Bank of Northern Kentucky.



City Adopts 2015-2016 Annual Budget

The City Council adopted the budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016. Several highlights of the new budget include:

- Total appropriations of \$5,292,786 for FY 2015– 2016 vs.\$3,293,621 last fiscal year. This is a significant year for the City as we plan to retire the remaining debt on the City Building. This will significantly skew the budget as we utilized prior year savings to pay off the bonds. The City is also proposing several important public works/infrastructure projects including the Thomas More Parkway lane widening/extension project and reconstruction of two streets in College Park.
- The City's revenues have remained relatively flat, while infrastructure needs will continue to increase.
- The budget anticipates a 2% increase in the property tax rate over last year's compensating rate. This will be the third year in a row that our total property tax values has decreased over the prior year. This has been due to both lower property sales and downward reassessment of commercial and residential property. Crestview Hills will continue to maintain the lowest property tax rate in Northern Kentucky.

Overall, the budget will necessitate utilizing fund balance of \$2,071,415. Even with the inclusion of the major projects, the City would still maintain a very healthy fund balance of over \$2,000,000. This represents over 60% of our baseline annual budget, and well exceeds recommendations of the Government Finance Officers and most communities in Northern Kentucky. A detailed budget and the Mayor's budget message can be found on the City's website at www.crestviewhills.com

2015 Business Appreciation Luncheon

On Friday, May 15th, Crestview Hills hosted the fourth annual business luncheon for the office park businesses and their employees. Over 700+ business professionals attended the event. Live music was provided by The Sunburners. The City would like to thank the businesses who sponsored the event: Grandview Summit Apartments, Central Bank, Children's Hospital, St. Elizabeth Physicians, Hemmer Management Group. We look forward to next year!





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REMINDER: Parking on City streets between 3:00AM and 6:00AM is temporary prohibited in the City. Permits may be obtained online at www.crestviewhills.com or at the City building.



NON EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Police Dispatch	356-3191
Police Administration	331-5368
8 AM to 4:30PM	
Fire Dept. Ft. Mitchell	331-1267
Ambulance Ft. Mitchell	331-5553
Fire Dept Edgewood	341-2626
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	1-877-786-7537
Duke Energy	513-421-9500

CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor	Paul W. Meier
City Council	Tim Adair Colleen Collins Bright Bill Dorsey David Kramer Joe Roesel Frank Sommerkamp, Jr.
City Administrator	Tim Williams
City Treasurer/	Kara Kramer
City Clerk	Ashley Reuss
City Engineer	Jim Berling
Building Inspector	PDS/KC
Zoning Consultant	PDS/KC
Attorney	Mary Ann Stewart
Public Works	Jeff Smith

Please remember to clean up after your pets.

