



# The Eagle's View

An informative newsletter for the residents and businesses of Crestview Hills

## Crestview Hills Summer 2011

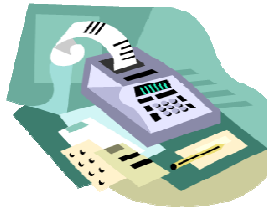
### City Adopts 2011-2012 Annual Budget

The City Council in June adopted the budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011. Several highlights of the new budget include:

- Total appropriations of \$ 3,091,986. This represents an increase of \$ 139,503 over the prior year budget. The City was diligent in identifying areas to cut back from last year to balance significant increases in the Police Authority contribution (\$130,347, or 12.7% increase over FY 2010-2011).
- The total increase amounted to 4.7% over last year's budget.
- The City has budgeted for several significant maintenance projects in the new budget. Those include the final phase in upgrading street signs and posts, repairs to the bridges at Shinkle Road and Lookout Farm Drive, re-paving Horsebranch Road, matching funds for the Dixie Highway Sidewalk project, and repairs to the City Building. The City also added funds to 'crack-seal' several streets to prolong their life-span
- Revenues are anticipated to increase a small amount over the current year. Due to the economic downturn, business net profit taxes are projected to be substantially lower than the last few years, and payroll taxes will increase slightly.
- The budget anticipates the City Council will take the compensating property tax rate. (The same revenue as last year)

Overall, the City maintains a healthy reserve and continues to fund ongoing expenses. We have been fortunate to not experience the same decreases in revenues seen by other cities, but must deal with rising operating and maintenance costs just like other communities. A detailed budget can be found on the City's website at [www.crestviewhills.com](http://www.crestviewhills.com).

Crestview Hills remains one of the lowest cost Cities in the region for residents and businesses.



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### SUMMER STREET PAVING

The City routinely assesses the condition of all streets and sidewalks in the community. Streets are rated on a system from '1' to '9'. Those streets rated in poor condition (5 or below) are prioritized for paving and repair. The City's Public Works Committee then reviews the recommended list and prepares a final street paving list based on the City's budget.

This year the City plans to pave and/or repair portions of the following streets:

- \* Shinkle Road
- \* Horsebranch Road
- \* Centre View Blvd.
- \* College Park



Minor street repairs will also occur throughout the summer. Please be on the lookout for street work and be cautious when entering the construction zone.

Finally, the City is always interested in hearing from residents if you see a street or sidewalk that needs attention. Please call Public Works Supervisor Jeff Smith at the City offices to report this repair work.

### Don't Miss the City's Free Ice Cream Social!

The City will be hosting an Ice Cream Social activity on Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is invited out to enjoy free ice cream and lemonade and enjoy entertainment provided by the Mark McCormican band. This will be a very casual event for our residents and located on the grounds of Thomas More College. We will be set up near the Bank of Kentucky Observatory and the event will take place beginning at 5:30 pm and ending around 7:30 pm. There will also be a caricature artist providing free portraits, face painting for the kids, and the Thomas More Saints Mascot.

Don't miss this opportunity to meet your neighbors, City Council, and staff of Thomas More College for a fun and entertaining event! Please bring a chair or blanket to sit on.



\*\*\* See map of the event on page 2 \*\*\*

**The City welcomes Sephora now open at the Town Center!**

# Mayor's Message



## Crestview Hills Residents:

I always look forward to summer – when the pace slows down and we have more time to enjoy the outdoors with family and friends. The traditional vacation season gives us an opportunity to take a break and recharge.

There are many exciting activities taking place over the summer. The final Reds trip is planned for Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup> against the St. Louis Cardinals. There are still a few tickets available for purchase. The City also has available tickets to the Friday, July 8<sup>th</sup> Florence Freedom game for only \$5.00 per ticket. This is an excellent opportunity to enjoy good seats in a family friendly atmosphere.

Don't miss the City's annual golf outing and dinner that will take place on Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at Summit Hills Country Club on Dudley Road. The day includes a golf outing, card room, and swimming at the pool. Dinner at the club that evening includes a picnic style dinner and many prize drawings. A sign-up sheet is included in this newsletter. Finally, mark your calendars for Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, when the City will host a free Ice Cream Social at the Thomas More Campus. This is a great opportunity to meet new neighbors and reacquaint with old friends in the community.

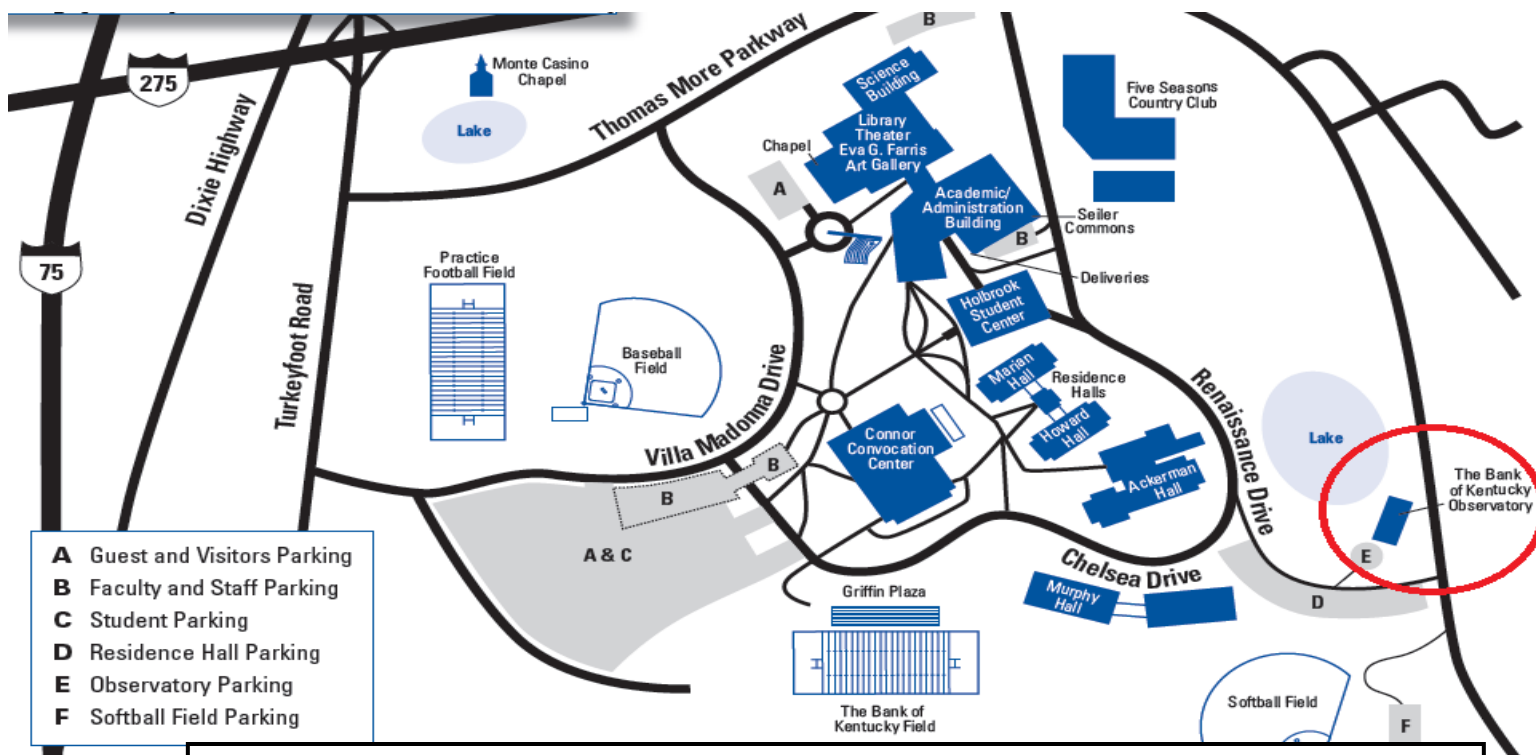
During the summer, we have a number of construction projects around the City. Horsebranch Road will be re-paved in August, the City will be completing our upgraded signage installations in Old Crestview and the Office Park, repair work will take place on the bridges at Lookout Farm Drive and Shinkle Road, and the City will complete several street repair projects in Lookout Farm and College Park subdivisions.

Please don't hesitate to call the City if you have any concerns or needs. We always strive to provide great service to our residents and businesses!

Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

Thank you.

*Paul W Merriam*



Map of Thomas More College

\*\*\* The Ice Cream Social will be held at the Bank of KY Observatory, located at the far end of campus. Parking is available in Lot D Residence Hall Parking and Lot E Observatory Parking. \*\*\*

# Crestview Hills Golf Outing and Dinner Sign up



Cost is \$65 per person for golf.

Dinner is \$10 per adult, \$5 child ages 4 - 11.

Swimming & Cards \$2 per person.

**Total Amount Due \$** \_\_\_\_\_

	Names	Dinner	Golf	Cards	Swimming	Amt Due
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2						
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Please make check payable to City of Crestview Hills. No Credit Cards. You are not officially registered until payment is received; no advance reservations without payment.

Daytime telephone number of group representative: \_\_\_\_\_

Hole sponsors receive \$10 off of golf fee.

## General FAQ's and Instructions for Crestview Hills Day at Summit Hills Country Club:

- ◇ Please list each person in your group separately, with the name of a GROUP Contact (if more than one person will be listed on the form) in **BOX 1**, and mark an **X** in the appropriate column of the activity in which they wish to participate. The cost for golf is \$65 per person, dinner is \$10 per adult, \$5 per child ages 4 - 11, swimming \$2 per person, card playing \$2 per person.
- ◇ Total amount due at the bottom of the page and make sure to provide a Phone Number for the person who agrees to be the contact for your group.
- ◇ Card players are limited to the first 52 who complete and turn in a registration form with a contact name on line 1, and all players in the group listed with a phone number.
- ◇ Dinner begins at 6:15 PM.
- ◇ Swimming begins at 2 PM.
- ◇ Card playing commences at 2:00 PM and ends near 5:30 PM.
- ◇ Registration (and Lunch) for golf starts at 11:30 AM with shotgun start at 12:30 PM.
- ◇ All activities are held at Summit Hills Country Club on Dudley Rd. Summit Hills has a dress code which includes: no cut-offs, no T-shirts, no blue jeans on the golf course. In the pool, children not potty trained must wear little swimmers diapers.
- ◇ All residents, businesses, employees within the City are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to mingle at Crestview Hills' beautiful country club.
- ◇ Remember, payment must accompany reservation paperwork or your reservation will not be honored.
- ◇ **Registration ENDS promptly at 4:00 PM on Friday July 29th.**
- ◇ Numbers must be turned in at this time so proper totals may be on hand the day of the event.



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Please mail in the sign up sheet (page 3) with payment to:

City of Crestview Hills  
50 Town Center Blvd.  
Crestview Hills, KY 41017  
Attn: Kara Kuertz

Please make checks payable to the **City of Crestview Hills**. Credit Cards are not accepted at this time.

## NKAPC Offers Services in Crestview Hills



As noted in a series of recent articles, the City has chosen a model in which most services are contracted with outside vendors. Among those services, the City has contracted with the Northern Kentucky Area Planning Commission (NKAPC) to provide a range of inspection and planning services within our community.

Founded in the 1960's as a regional approach to planning in Northern Kentucky, the Northern Kentucky Area Planning Commission has grown to encompass not only planning, but also building inspection, Geographic Information Systems (mapping), and code enforcement. Their services are funded by a property tax (\$.32 per \$1,000 of assessed value) for Kenton County residents, as well as building inspection and review fees. NKAPC prepares the comprehensive plan for the community (required by State Law), assists the City in its Zoning Code, and prepares periodic updates to subdivision regulations.

Crestview Hills has two representatives on the Area Planning Council (the governing board for NKAPC) and one appointed citizen representative on the Kenton County Planning Commission. NKAPC provides professional planning assistance for zoning and board of adjustment issues, acts as the zoning board for the City (recommending zone changes, approving subdivision and development plans), and provides all building inspection services for new construction and remodeling. NKAPC also provides Code Enforcement assistance for City Nuisance complaints (high grass, litter, etc).

A unified approach to planning provides a more consistent development pattern for the county, and ensures that incompatible uses (for instance heavy industrial and residential) are not adjacent to one another from one city boundary to another.

The following table lists some of the recent areas in which NKAPC has assisted the City:

Building Permits/Inspections	2008	88	2009	92	2010	97
Code Enforcement	2008	34	2009	19	2010	25
Board of Adjustment Support	2008	2	2009	1	2010	4
Miscellaneous Zoning Issues	2008	1	2009	3	2010	3

## Crestview Hills Recycles!

Recent statistics from Rumpke show an average of 650 homes are setting out recycle bins over the past two weeks. The weights of the past two recycling pick ups were 3.54 tons on June 14th and 3.34 tons on June 21th. Over 50% of Crestview Hills residents appear to be participating in recycling! Most communities are between 25% to 35 % participation. Additionally, the amount of material historically being recycled in Crestview Hills on a monthly basis results in the equivalent of roughly two garbage truck loads ! This is the material that would have otherwise gone to the landfill each month.



Remember that the City can provide you with an additional recycling container, by just stopping by the City Building at 50 Town Center Boulevard. Rumpke will accept many types a recycled material, including cardboard, paper, newsprint, and many types of plastic. For more information, please call Rumpke Recycling at 859-472-7339.

## CRESTVIEW HILLS 2011 RECREATIONAL EVENTS

Saturday, July 8th 7:10 P.M., Florence Freedom game. Tickets are on sale for \$5.

Saturday, July 16th 7:10 P.M., Reds vs. St. Louis Cardinals in Party Deck Area. Ticket includes free shuttle bus that will board at 5:30PM and leave PROMPTLY at 5:45PM from the Crestview Hills City Building. Tickets still available at \$65 each (\$75 value).

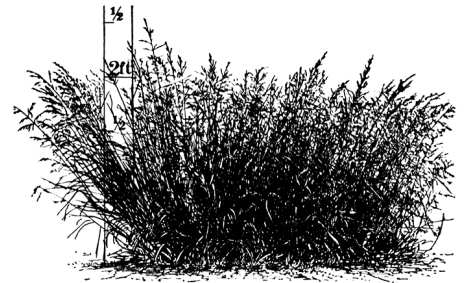
Tuesday, August 2nd, Crestview Hills golf outing and dinner at Summit Hills Country Club. See page 3 for sign up form and page 4 for Golf Outing details.

Friday, August 5th, City of Crestview Hills Ice Cream Social. For more detail see front page.

Saturday, September 17th, City of Crestview Hills will host a tailgating party to cheer on the Thomas More Saints football team. Thomas More will be playing against Geneva College from Pennsylvania. Be sure to come cheer on the Saints! More information on the event will be posted on the City website.

## NUISANCE COMPLAINTS

The City strives to maintain a safe and clean appearance. You can help by letting us know of violations to City Ordinances such as high grass and weeds and property maintenance issues. The City belongs to the Northern Kentucky Area Planning Commission's Code Enforcement Board, allowing us to access additional manpower and expertise in pursuing and rectifying nuisance code issues. Call the City Building at 341-7373 if you are aware of a problem.



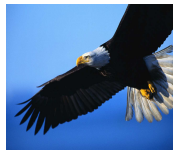
## News around Crestview Hills

-The City of Crestview Hills welcomes Sephora to the Town Center. Sephora is a French-based perfume and cosmetic store. Stop by the Town Center and check it out!

-Thomas More College has met its goal of raising \$3.5 million to build the Mary, Seat of Wisdom Chapel. Groundbreaking is scheduled for Tuesday, August 2nd. The anticipated completion of the project is early fall of 2012.

-For the 10th 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 Tim Williams, City Administrator and Kara Kuertz, City Treasurer for preparing the award-winning CAFR!

-The Diocesan Catholic Children's home has partnered with Crestview Hills resident Lynn Griffith for their Equine Therapy Program. Lynn Griffith, recently moved to Crestview Hills from Burlington, KY. She previously ran the Sunshine Ranch at Shady Hollow located in Burlington. The Sunshine Ranch program uses therapy dogs, horses and other natural modalities to promote confidence with children who have experienced emotional trauma. The program is schedule to begin this summer. The City welcomes the Griffith family to our wonderful city!



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SUMMER 2011 EDITION

**REMINDER: Parking on City streets between 3:00AM and 6:00AM is prohibited in the City.  
BUSINESSES AND RESIDENTS - SUMMER STREET REPAIRS LISTING - PLEASE  
TAKE NOTE ! (page 1)**



**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](http://www.crestviewhills.com)

**CITY OFFICIALS**

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