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From the Mayor's Desk...

Dear Neighbors,

Fall is such a beautiful season in Windy Hills. It's a GREAT time to enjoy our beautiful Green! You have an opportunity to join your neighbors at our annual Ice Cream Social. We are thankful that our Windy Hills neighbors, the Haywoods, will again be providing the ice cream. Come enjoy the fall weather while eating delicious ice cream and meeting new Windy Hills' friends!

Another opportunity to meet your neighbors while beautifying Windy Hills is the semi-annual Brightside Clean-up. Former Mayor, Jim Ising, has graciously agreed to chair this event. Thank you, Jim! Volunteer information, date, time, etc. is included later in this newsletter.

Fall is also tax season in Windy Hills. I know you are like me and looking forward to receiving your Windy Hills tax bill! Your wait is almost over and you should be receiving your bill in the next couple of weeks. Good news! The tax rate has not changed and if you pay by October 31, 2019, you will receive a 40% discount. We are proud that we have been able to maintain the same tax rate while providing a high level of services.

Your council members and I hope you have a WONDERFUL fall and we look forward to seeing you at the Ice Cream Social!!!!

Mayor Helen M. Davis

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Fall Tree Care

Don't forget to protect young trees from deer this Fall. It is rutting season and unfortunately, deer like



to use trees for the ritual. Also, keep watering them while we are still in a drought. Trees and shrubs, that have been in the ground two years or less, need at least one to two inches of water a week. Native plants are more resistant to dry conditions than non-natives.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL



Sunday, September 29 (2:00-4:00 PM)
on Windy Hills Green

Free Haywood Ice Cream
Volleyball • Croquet • Corn Hole Games



Bring a chair or a blanket and join/meet your neighbors.

community pride tradition shady lawns great neighbors

**A LOOK BACK AT THE 15TH ANNUAL
WINDY HILLS 4TH OF JULY PARADE AND PICNIC JULY 4, 2018**



Photos by Ed Bridge, Fire Engine and Drone Photo of "The Kids' Zone" by Ian Husk



A HELPING HAND FOR SENIORS

If you are a senior and need some assistance, why not let a few younger folks give you a hand with those leaves this fall, or when the snow flies, get a little help with clearing your walks? The folks at Sojourn church have offered to provide some service and WINDY HILLS SENIORS will be the lucky recipients!!

If you are interested in letting them help you, **please contact: Suzanne Spencer at (502)821-8740 (cell & text) or email: suzanne.spencer@cityofwindyhills.com** ---and leave your name, e-mail, and or phone number.

AT CHRIST CHURCH UNITED METHODIST 4614 BROWNSBORO ROAD

PASS IT ON KIDS' SALE

Friday, September 20 from 9 to 2 pm and 5:30 to 7:30 pm

Friday, September 21 from 9 am to noon

The semi-annual consignment sale has hundreds of items including clothing, toys, books, shoes, furniture, equipment, maternity clothes and more! 40% of all proceeds are donated to mission projects. If you are interested in consigning, visit www.ccum.net/passiton.

FINDING HOPE IN MEMORY LOSS

Saturday, September 28 from 9 am to 12 pm

Join us for education, resources and support in coping with dementia of all types including Alzheimer's. Dr. Fred Schmitt (UK), Dr. Christian Furman (UofL), and Dr. Benjamin Mast (UofL) will lead a forum about prevention, diagnosis, progression (including slowing it), stages, continued care and other valuable information. If you have a friend or family member with memory loss, you will learn ways for connecting and caring with your loved one. Many organizations in the area will also be present with resource information at tables. Plan to stay to speak with them individually. The session is free, but we ask that you register at www.ccum.net/hope.

WINDY HILLS TREE BOARD NEWS

Twenty-two residents applied for a free canopy tree after seeing the newsletter announcement. If the Tree Board has money left after all our expenses, we will try to give them all a tree. The Board decided to have one of our three approved nurseries to plant the trees because of their one-year guarantee. Arborist Caroline Westfall or a Tree Board representative will meet with each homeowner to determine the appropriate tree for the residence so that the tree can be ordered. Trees will be planted in late autumn.

Arborist Westfall evaluated the trees planted on Ambridge by the City several years ago. Councilwoman Kate Greer met with Adam Vogelsang to discuss Westfall's report. Adam Vogelsang will prune any trees that need pruning. Bids will go out to certified arborists concerning trees that need to be removed and replaced.

If you would like a canopy tree, see below for a great offer!

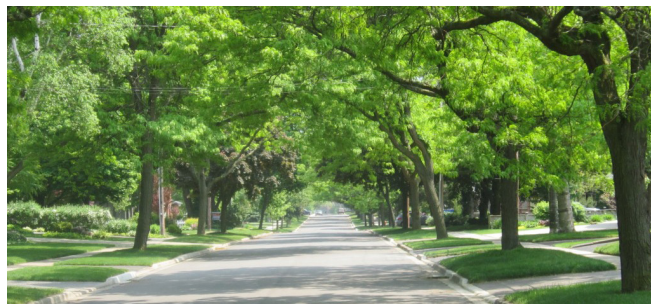
The next Tree Board meeting will be

Thursday, October 3, at 7:00 p.m., at 1307 Killiney Place

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE CITY TREE SUBSIDY PROGRAM

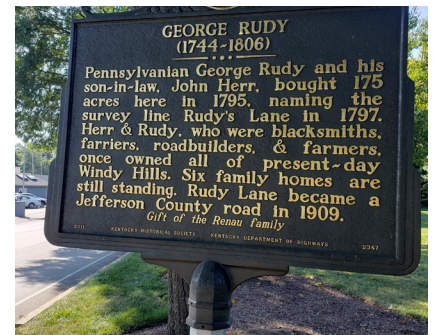
One goal of the City of Windy Hills is to increase our tree canopy. There is a program that our homeowners can use to get financial help planting up to two trees in their yard. Three nurseries are involved—Plant Kingdom, Wallitch Nursery, and Frank Otte on Bardstown Road.

The homeowner can visit any of these, pick out a tree(s), and receive a **20% discount**. The tree must be planted by the nursery (it is guaranteed for one year). The homeowner pays the bill and fills out a form at the nursery. The nursery sends us the paperwork and a copy of the paid receipt. Then the City Clerk will send you a **\$100 rebate for each tree. The maximum rebate per address is \$200.**



Windy Hills Treasure Hunt

Do you know where these are?
Enjoy the beautiful fall days by finding these Windy Hills Treasures.



WASTE SERVICES REMINDERS

Our new waste services provider Ecotech has been working diligently with Windy Hills residents to remove our waste efficiently. Their staff have put "RECYCLING" stickers on most of the yellow-lidded cans as a reminder that **they may ONLY be used for recycling**. As the photo demonstrates, mechanized recycling trucks pick up all of these cans and dump them into the truck from the top. If a resident uses them for trash, the trash contaminates our recycling. Please help us spread the word.



- Do not use the yellow lidded cans for trash or yard waste.
- Place the can with the opening toward the street and away from mailboxes or other objects so recycling can be dumped properly.
- All recycling (including boxes) must be inside these cans or it will be considered trash.
- If you need a can for trash, you may call Ecotech at 935-1130 to rent one.
- Any time you have a question about holiday pickup, consult the Ecotech website at <https://www.ecotechky.com/>

DID YOU KNOW?



The St. Matthews Fire Department provides smoke alarms for everyone in their district upon request for an optional donation. They will come to your home, place them in the best locations, change batteries if needed.

Home inspections for fire safety are also offered upon request.

When did you last change your alarm batteries? *Be safe!*

NEED INFORMATION?

In addition to this newsletter, which is printed 4 times each year, the City of Windy Hills communicates with our residents via multiple channels to share important information. Check out our city website at cityofwindyhills.com

Subscribe to electronic communications such as *The Windy Hills Breeze* (our bi-monthly newsletter), other emails, and Reach Alert. You can do this by subscribing online (see the green button on cityofwindyhills.com) or calling the office at 502.895.4778. *Don't miss out!*

BRIGHTSIDE CLEANUP



Come join your neighbors on Saturday, **October 19th** from **9 am – 11 am** to clean up Windy Hills. Meet in the parking lot near Stockyards Bank (across from The Windy Hills Green) at 9:00 am. Coffee and donuts will be provided!

Brightside Louisville has been in existence since 1986 and participation in the cleanup has been a long tradition in Windy Hills. "Brightside is dedicated to uniting people in clean and green activities that beautify and foster pride in our community through volunteerism, planting, sustainability, & education."

Gloves, trash bags and a limited quantity of tee shirts are provided. Just bring yourself. If you have questions, contact **Windy Hills Brightside Coordinator Jim Ising** at 502.897.3689.



A TRIP BACK IN TIME

*Do you have old photos of
Windy Hills from 1950's – 1980's?*



If you are willing to share them with the newsletter editors, we would like to select some to share with residents in our newsletters. Contact Marcia Myers and Kate Greer at newsletter@cityofwindyhill.com

HOUSE WATCH

Through its contract with **Graymoor – Devondale Police**, the **City of Windy Hills** provides extra security for residents who are away for short periods. **“House Watch”** is a free service provided by tax dollars. It is intended for vacations, etc., not for homes of “snowbirds” or vacant properties. For that reason, **“House Watch”** will be limited to a total of 30 days each calendar year per address. To use the service, please contact Graymoor-Devondale Police at (502) 327-2677.



CITY TAX BILLS

Windy Hills' real estate tax bills for 2019 will come to you by **October 1, 2019**. If you do not receive your bill, you should call the City office (895-4778) to get a duplicate bill in order to take advantage of the discount. This is especially important when homeowners acquire or refinance their property during the calendar year, meaning the bill could go to the wrong person/address.



DRIVEWAYS - AVOID ADDED EXPENSE

We like to see residents keeping their homes and driveways in good shape! Kudos for investing in your maintaining and upgrading your property! Please, please, please get a permit **BEFORE** you resurface or expand your driveway. By doing so, your improvement will meet city requirements and you will avoid a fine or having to pay to remove some of the work you have just done. Go to :<https://cityofwindyhill.com/government/code-enforcement/> or contact Code Enforcement Officer Steve Teaford

Thank you for your compliance!

POLITICAL SIGNS ARE IN BLOOM

If you choose to display a sign, it must be placed off the Right-of- Way in your front or side yard. If a public sidewalk is present, the sign must be placed behind it. If there is no public sidewalk, please place the sign no closer than 15' to the street. No signs are permitted on a city entrance or island. All signs must be removed the day after the election.



AT SOJOURN EAST 2501 RUDY LANE

SOJOURN EAST ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT Sunday, October 27, from 4 to 6 p.m.
New activities include a cake walk, games, and s'mores. The church would love to have Windy Hills residents take part in the day by donating cakes and even assist in running games. If you wish to help them, please contact hnoitemeyer@sojournchurch.com for more information. Children are encouraged to wear costumes.

KUDOS TO JIM LEHRER AND BROWNSBORO HARDWARE STORE



Jim Lehrer, owner of Brownsboro Hardware in Windy Hills, recently was presented with two more awards—one national and one local. On August 16, he was honored by Hardware Connections magazine with the Retail Beacon Award. This award goes to the best independent hardware store owner in America. The speaker presenting the award said, “Jim Lehrer’s . . . passion for the industry is matched only by his love of the greater Louisville community. He defines what it means to be a beacon of growth and a source of inspiration.”

Business First honored him with a Partners-of-Philanthropy award September 5. Brownsboro Hardware hosts an annual Green Egg festival to raise money for various charities. This summer’s festival raised over \$27,000 that went to Recipe to End Hunger and Kentucky Harvest.

Jim and wife Marilyn purchased an “under-used” hardware store in 1998. One would never know that today. He has enlarged the store in area. It has been named “Best in Louisville” more than once. If some tool or just-about anything else doesn’t work, someone in the store can probably fix it. You can always pick up a gift there. If they don’t have what you want, they will usually order it. His long-time employees and the post office workers are friendly and knowledgeable.

Jim has been so great to Windy Hills. He donates a generous gift every to the Windy Hills’ Fourth of July’s picnic to use as a door prize. Any time an event is held on the Green, he will deliver tables (and firepits for Glow on the Green). When we had the ice storm several winters ago, Jim personally drove a great distance to purchase supplies homeowners needed. After the City bought Rudy II, Jim took his forklift and transferred him to Mike Skelton’s yard until the base was finished.

So, it’s about time the rest of the nation and state recognized him for his service and generosity.

Shady Lane Café Changes Hands

Bill and Susi Smith, owners of the Shady Lane Café, have hung up their aprons and spatulas. No, the long-time local restaurant is not closing. The Smiths decided to retire and let someone else do the cooking.

The new owners are Carol Reeves and Shaun Singh. Carol is from Bowling Green and Shaun is originally from India. They met and discovered they had similar interests. The couple liked to cook and Indian movies. Shaun had some restaurant experience and the couple wanted to open a restaurant. They liked what they saw in Shady Lane. It is well established and had a



great location. The couple offered to purchase the place and the Smiths accepted. Part of the deal was that the Smiths’ legacy will continue. To insure that, Bill and Susi mentored them and handed over the recipes. Carol says that she has tweaked the baking recipes to add her own touch. Once the new owners

feel comfortable, they may expand the hours they are open.

As for the Smiths---They are reviving their creative interests. Susi hopes to do more singing and Bill wants to resume writing. Both want to travel. However, you can probably see them occasionally helping the new owners at the café.





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City Council meetings are held the 2nd Mon-
day of each month, 7:00 pm at Sojourn Com-
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are welcome at Council Work Sessions at 10
A.M. at City Hall the Friday before the regular
meeting.

Other Important Contacts

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(Business)
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Metro Call.....574-5000
or 311
Animal Control Protection 361-1318
Dog or Cat Complaints 363-6609
Health Department 574-6520
Jefferson County Clerk..... 574-5700
(All branches can be reached at above number)
LG&E589-1444
or text OUTAGE to 454358
MSD Customer Service587-0603
Planning and Design Services574-6230
Recycling Center896-1293
St. Matthews/Eline Library574-1771
Ecotech Waste Services..... 502-935-1130
Give this account # 169216991

*“Any idiot can face a crisis.
It’s day-to-day living that wears you out.”
---Anton Chekov*