



PROSPECT CITY NEWSLETTER



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November 2014

Mayor Evans Wins, Two New Council Members

On Tuesday, November 4, Prospect residents went to the polls in higher numbers than the last two elections. The ballot included the race for Mayor of Prospect and six City Council seats. After the votes were tallied, Mayor John Evans was elected to serve a four year term. Six members of the community ran to fill six Council seats. Returning to the City Council are Frank Fulcher, Sandra Leonard, Stuart Miles and Sandy Tucci. Newly elected Council members Luke Schmidt of Innisbrook and Jeff Stovall of Hunting Creek will begin their two year terms in January, 2015. They are replacing Council members Bill Brab and Rob Bowling. Both Bill and Rob



Above Prospect's newest Council Members Jeff Stovall (Above) and Luke Schmidt (Left).

have been active on the Council the last two years and their time and energy to public service has been appreciated.

Fall Festival An Overwhelming Success

On Sunday, October 26th, the City hosted its first annual Fall Festival. Formerly known as "Punkin Paintin", the event was revamped and moved to Little Hunting Creek Park. With new events like a corn hole tournament, enchanted trails, a petting zoo and pony rides, along with old favorites pumpkin decoration and a costume contest, fun was not hard to find.

The enchanted trails were a huge hit thanks to the subdivision groups who volunteered their time to put on an outstanding array of stations. Thanks to The Bridgepointe Trolls, The Fox Harbor Fox and Hounds, The Prospect Latin School Witches, The Stuart Miles Family, Kathy Jacobs from the Prospect Area Chamber of Commerce and everyone else who helped make this an event to remember. If you have suggestions for things to do or see for next year's festival, please let us know!





Notes From Mayor Evans

- Thank you to Bob Kirzinger and the Edwards crew for again keeping our streets plowed and salted very early in the morning of November 17th.
- If you haven't, please visit our new website - www.prospectky.us - and tell your friends about it.
- City Hall occasionally sends out an email notice to as many residents as we have email addresses for. If we don't have your address, we would like to. We do not share these with anyone, and use them only for City matters. You can email to citymaint@prospectky.com.
- A summary of the financial statement is included in this Newsletter. The full statement is available upon request or on the City's website. The Council meeting Minutes are published online, and if you want a printed copy please call 228-1121 and we will send you one. The complete transcripts of the Council meetings also are published online.
- We are not continuing the printing of the pictures of the Mayor, Council members, and Staff each month.
- Much of the City's work is done by volunteer committees. We will feature those residents in upcoming issues.
- We will put out for bids three new contracts: one for grass mowing, one for landscaping and gardening, and one for fertilizer and pesticide applications. When awarded, these will go into effect on March 1, 2015. The existing contract, which covers all three things plus snow removal, will stay in place until March 1, 2015. A new snow removal contract will be bid out at a later date.
- Our police force has been understaffed since the death of Officer Pat Timmons and the injury of Officer Elgin Price. We have hired three fine part time officers, who recently retired from the Metro Police Department, on a part-time basis. Their photographs and bios appear in this Newsletter.
- I want to thank the many residents who were so friendly to me as I went door to door while campaigning. It was an experience I will always treasure.

Missing Pet Signs

While the city certainly understands that no matter how hard we try, some of our pets are obviously descendants of the great Harry Houdini and make that occasional escape. Recently we have seen an increase in damage to light poles and street signs from lost pet flyers being duct taped to them. When the tape is removed, often the paint comes with it. Over time this adds up to significant repair cost. Not to mention, these flyers are generally put up and left to be removed by someone else, becoming faded eyesores very rapidly.

In the event that "little Harry" pulls one of these vanishing acts, we would like to suggest that instead of taping signs throughout the city, that flyers be placed in individual paper boxes or distributed via email through your neighborhood association or block watch system. At no time should they be affixed to stop signs or any other traffic control device.



Join Us On January 1st

January 1st at 4PM City Hall will host the swearing in of your newly elected City officials. Please join us and meet your Mayor and City Council. Drinks and snacks will be provided.

Three New Police Officers Hired

Due to the passing of Officer Pat Timmons and the injury of Officer Elgin Price, the Prospect Police Department has been under-staffed as of late. To rectify this situation, three new part time officers have been hired.

Chris Harr

Chris retired from LMPD in 2012, after 21 years of service. He was a Sergeant at the time of his retirement. Chris worked for the Jefferson County Police prior to merger and served in the patrol area of Dixie Highway. He worked as a traffic enforcement officer and narcotics detective in the district.



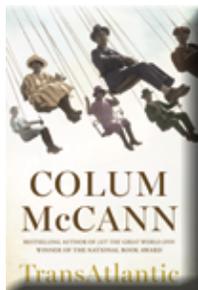
Upon his promotion to Sergeant in 2002, Chris began working in the patrol division of eastern Jefferson County. Chris served as a member of the SWAT team for 10 years.

Chris was born and raised in Louisville. He is married and has two adult age children.

Antoinette "Toni" Leitsch

Toni retired from LMPD in July after 20 years of service. She was serving as a Detective in the Crimes Against Chil-
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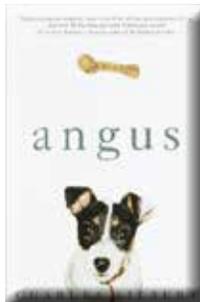
Prospect Library News



Colum McCann writes fascinating novels. His prize-winning *Let the Great World Spin* had characters ranging from grieving mothers to a tight-rope walker to mother-daughter prostitutes, all tangentially connected to each other by the attack on the Twin Towers on 9-11. The connection in “*TransAtlantic*” is Ireland – the Ireland of the potato famine, the Ireland of the first sighting of land on a historic flight from Newfoundland in 1919, and the Ireland of The Troubles.

Once again appealing and astonishing characters’ lives intersect. It’s difficult to imagine anyone other than McCann managing to fit Frederic Douglass in 1845 in Cork, lecturing on the evils of slavery and Senator George Mitchell in 1998 leaving his wife and infant son to negotiate, finally, a peace accord to put an end to killings in Northern Ireland. That sounds like a lot, but McCann makes it a pleasure to read. As Kentucky’s Wendell Barry writes: But this is not the story of a life./It is the story of lives, knit together,/overlapping in succession, rising/again from grave after grave.

I think all libraries, as a general rule, should issue a box of Kleenex with every dog book they check out. Most dog books end with the dog’s death and the readers’ tears. Charles Siebert’s “*Angus*” goes one better, it begins with Angus, a Jack Russell terrier, having been attacked by a coyote, waiting for his death. For a Jack Russell, Angus is surprisingly reflective. Most terriers are more action oriented, but I guess, since Angus can’t move, he has time to think. Only another terrier could say for sure, but Siebert seems to do a good job of seeing the world from a Jack Russell’s perspective – life as a series of vermin to kill, holes to dart down, and, if left alone in the house, pillows to shred. No lap dogs, Angus says regarding attempts to train him: I lead. I have no say in this. It’s in my atoms.

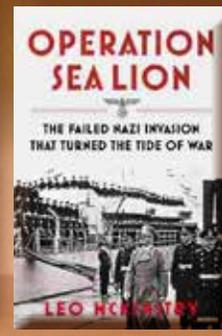
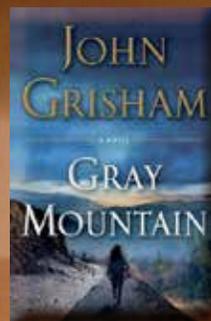
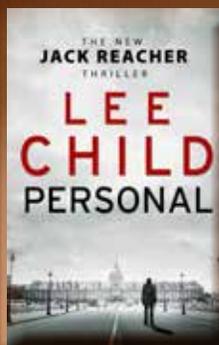
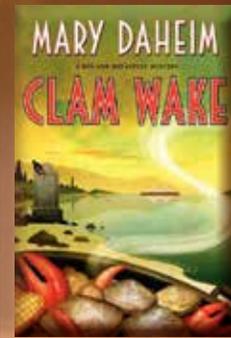
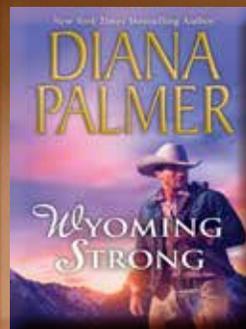


Dog lovers will like this book. Cat lovers, maybe not so much.

In this political season, it’s tempting to disparage democracy. Is this the best we can do? Well, having just read *A Great and Glorious Adventure* about the Hundred Year War, democracy beats monarchy hands down. In that hundred years, from 1300 to 1400, the balance shifted from England to France and back based on the quality of their kings. A great English king, Henry V, dies, his 8 month old son becomes king and it all goes to pot. In France, Charles VI goes barking mad, literally, and goes howling through the palace, convinced he’s made of glass, and thus can’t lead his army into battle for fear of breakage. There now, don’t you feel better about democracy? Gordon Corrigan, a brilliant military historian, writes informatively and, now and then, with tongue firmly tucked in his cheek.

Factoid: English longbowmen could shoot 10 arrows a minute, Henry V’s 5,000 longbowmen could shoot 25,000 arrows every 30 seconds. Every arrow needed three pinion feathers – a goose has only six pinion feathers. That’s a lot of geese. A walk in the country back then would have required careful stepping.

Sandy Tucci





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 Tuesday - Thursday.....8:30 - 5:00
 Friday.....8:30 - 3:30

Prospect Police Department (Non-Emergency).....228-1150
 Prospect Police **Emergency Dispatch**.....228-COPS(2677)
 Fire & EMS Emergency911

Coffee with the Mayor

You are cordially invited to come meet with Mayor Evans and Chief Sherrard and voice any concerns or issues that involve the city. The Mayor and Chief will be available every Friday from Noon to 1 PM at the Starbucks located in the Kroger Shopping Center.

	Month Ended	Actual YTD 14/15	Actual YTD 13/14	14/15 Budget
	October 31, 2014			
Total Income	\$235,821.72	\$1,995,939.09	\$1,708,317.54	\$2,956,000.00
Expense				
General Government	\$58,110.78	\$286,290.91	\$295,493.82	\$826,496.99
Police Dept	\$62,277.15	\$320,561.08	\$335,261.29	\$939,535.47
Public Works	\$95,293.29	\$328,050.64*	\$236,524.49	\$1,189,967.54
Total Expense	\$215,681.22	\$934,902.63	\$867,279.60	\$2,956,000.00
4800 · Municipal Road Aid Contribution	\$17,509.59	\$46,224.89	\$39,745.54	
4810 · Interest Income - Restricted	\$7.90	\$30.79	\$28.70	
Total Other Income	\$17,517.49	\$46,255.68	\$39,774.24	

A complete detail of these financials can be seen on our website www.prospectky.us or you may stop by City Hall for a paper copy.

* Solid Waste total was paid one month ahead of schedule but this item remains on track for budget expectations.

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dren Unit at the time of her retirement. During her tenure at LMPD she also served as a Detective in the Evidence Technician Unit and as a Patrol Officer in two different patrol districts. Toni was also a police instructor and trained officers on crime scene investigations. Toni was born and raised in Louisville. She attended high school at Presentation Academy and received a BS in Justice Administration from the University of Louisville.



(From Left to right) Judge Anne Haynie (Toni's sister), John and Joan Leitsch (her parents), with one of Prospects newest officers Toni Leitsch



Rick is sworn in by Mayor Evans

John P. "Rick" Polin

Rick retired from LMPD in July after 22 years of service. Rick was serving as a Sergeant with the Public Integrity Unit at the time of his retirement. During his tenure at LMPD Rick served as a police cadet (JCPD), patrol officer, narcotics detective and supervisor of a narcotics platoon. Rick was born in Louisville, raised in the Elizabethtown area and attended North Hardin High School. Rick is married and has three children.