



PROSPECT CITY NEWSLETTER



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The repaving recently begun on U.S. 42 is only the first coat of asphalt. There will be a second, final layer. They had to stripe what they've done so far for safety reasons. When completed in November, the repaving is to go to the Oldham County line.

FALL FLING

Here At City Hall

Saturday

October

27th

Saturday, October 27th will be a big day in Prospect. Our "Fall Fling" will feature a chili competition. The Forestation Board will hold its annual "Arborfest" and the Library will be holding the fall book sale. Plus more! See details inside this newsletter.



Paving on U.S. 42 continues



Prospect has a new bookkeeper, Joan Riddle. She was chosen from numerous resumes and following interviews with several applicants, and she holds an MBA with a concentration in accounting. She will be working here 20 hours a week.

Did you know that Prospect has been rated one of the five safest cities in Kentucky for the last five years? Many residents think that our police force is the single best thing they get for their tax dollars, from house watches, to continuous neighborhood patrols, to a very short response time when you need them. Chief Sherrard has built a professional and friendly team who serve us 24 hours every day and night.

A big "welcome" to Mrs. Joan Riddle who joined the City Hall staff this month!

The litigation brought by LDG against Metro Louisville and the Metro Council, over the Metro Council's vote last October rejecting their development, is ongoing. Prospect intervened in the part of that lawsuit that claims the Metro Council had no evidence to support its vote. Actually, there were five separate facts cited to support it. I expect that by the next Newsletter I will have more to report. *John E. Evans* - Mayor



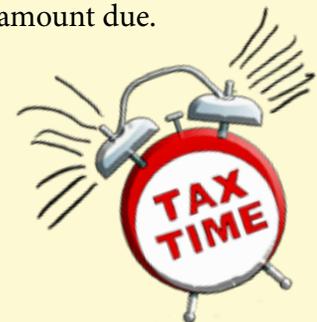
Leaving Town? Trust House Watch!

House Watch is one of the most viable crime prevention programs available and assists your police department in keeping your residence safe in your absence. Anyone living within the city limits of Prospect may utilize this program any and every time they leave

town. You will find a House Watch form under the "Security" button on the city web page, prospectky.us, or you may call 502-228-1150 during business hours to be added to the House Watch list. Please give us 48 hours to process your House Watch request. Each day our officers are given a list of residences on the House Watch. We make every attempt to check your home on each shift. To help us help you, always include your email address and include a contact number for emergencies. Tell us if anyone is expected at your home in your absence, and tell us what they drive, if possible.

Property Taxes Due October 1st

2018 City of Prospect property tax payments are due no later than 6:30 p.m. Monday, October 1. Beginning October 2, an 11% penalty is added to the amount due.



FALL FLING

FIRST EVER CHILI COOK OFF

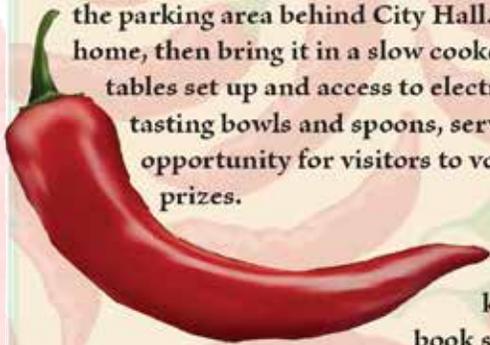
Do you think other people's chili is full of beans? Is your philosophy of heat best summed up as "Needs more?" Then we've got just the event for you! The City of Prospect would like to invite our resident chili experts to show us what you've got. If you're interested in participating, please contact City Clerk/Administrator

Laura Taylor at cityadm@prospectky.com to sign up. When you do, please let us know which of the following categories your entry falls in: Traditional, White or Vegan.

Please also provide an approximate heat rating, on a scale of 1 to 5 peppers (where 5 = "call the fire department").

As this is the first time we've tried this, we're going to limit the number of entries to 15. If this turns out to be a hit, next year we'll open it up to more.

The cook-off will be held Saturday, October 27 from 12:30-4:30 (after Arborfest) in the parking area behind City Hall. Entrants will be asked to prepare their chili at home, then bring it in a slow cooker or other warming container where we'll have tables set up and access to electrical outlets to keep things bubbling. We'll provide tasting bowls and spoons, serving spoons, and plenty of water. There'll be an opportunity for visitors to vote on their favorite chili, as well as judging and prizes.



In addition, for those of you with kids, we'll have pumpkin decorating set up, and the book sale will be taking place all day in the library.

Fall Book Sale

Friday, Oct. 26th and Saturday, Oct. 27th

9AM to 5PM at Prospect City Hall

Hundreds of books

(Fiction, Non-Fiction and Children's)

Many CD's and Videos

Book donations always welcome

FALL FLING *Continued.....*



Arborfest

As a designated Arbor Day Foundation Tree City for 10 years, we think that more trees in Prospect are always a good thing. Prospect will again be offering a variety of 75 free trees to residents at Arborfest on October 27th from 10 am to 2 pm (or as long as the trees last). Most are mid-sized trees, and many are spring bloomers. Quantities vary so come early for best selection! We will also have industry professionals available to answer questions and help with selection. Trees will be available behind City Hall.

This year's tree offering includes: Autumn Brilliance service berry, Sweet-bay magnolia, Ivory Silk Japanese lilac, Natchez crepe myrtle, Japanese snowbell, Cherokee Princess dogwood, Cherokee Brave dogwood, Franco's Red dogwood.

While enjoying Arborfest and the Fall Fling, be sure to check out the new tree tags in Little Hunting Creek Park. Make it a family adventure to get to know some new trees and find all 18 tags!

Who owns Prospect's street trees? You do! The maintenance of the trees is the property owner's responsibility. However the City regulates them because of their potential to affect road and sidewalk usage and integrity. In most cases street trees are owned by and the responsibility of the private landowner. However their removal, trimming or planting of street trees is regulated by the Prospect Forestation Board. Questions about management of street trees and right-of-way trees (between curb and sidewalk) can be answered by the Board (contact Lee Tucci at eltucci@gmail.com). Be sure to contact the Board before making changes to trees and plantings along roadways. Fall is the ideal time to plant trees.

The Forestation Board answers questions on what trees should be planted as well as how and where to plant and spacing between types of trees. The City's approved tree listing is available on the City's website, <http://prospectky.us/government/forestation-board>. Help us maintain a sustainable urban forest for our city and contact the Forestation Board.

Pumpkin Decorating for the Kids



Sign, Sign, Everywhere A Sign.....

It's that time of year again! Election season that is! And with it comes the multitude of support showing via campaign signs. The City would like to remind everyone about the regulations regarding political signs.

According to 157.27 (H) of the Prospect city code, political signs may be placed no more than 30 days prior to the election and must be removed within five days after the election. This means that signs may be placed on or after October 7th and must be removed no later than November 11th, and only on private property where permission has been granted to do so. Only one sign may be placed per property for each candidate/issue and may be no larger than 16 square feet.

Any signs in violation of these requirements must be removed immediately, however, the City may remove any signs in violation of the ordinance in addition to issuing a citation/fine.

Also, if you have not yet registered to vote, the registration deadline is October 9th. Please visit your County Clerk for further information. To find out your registration status, including voting location, go here:

<https://vrsws.sos.ky.gov/VIC/Default.aspx>



HARRODS CREEK TRAIL BASH

Lace up those running shoes for the second annual "Harrods Creek Trail Bash" 5k and 10k trail race. The race will take place November 18th in Harrods Creek Park.

Last years event was very well attended

so early registration is recommended.

ONLY 75 SPOTS ARE AVAILABLE AND THEY GO FAST!

Entry includes a race t-shirt, finisher/overall awards, professional chip timing, beautiful course, and post-race chili! Proceeds benefit the upkeep and improvement of Harrods Creek Park!

Register by November 5th to guarantee your shirt size.

Registration ends November 17, 2018.

Don't want to run but still want to help out? Volunteers are needed to hand out water, direct runners, and give out finisher awards.

To sign up, volunteer or just donate to the cause go to:

<https://runsignup.com/Race/KY/Prospect/HarrodcCreekTrailBash5k10k>

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 Prospect Starbucks.



Just Another Day At The Office?

The morning of Wednesday September 26th started out like most mornings at City Hall: Coffee, emails and a phone call. The phone call was where everything derailed from the norm. Officer Mike Thomas was on the line and started the conversation with, “Ron, I

need a tranquilizer gun!” “Ok” I said, “I don’t have one but you do now have my undivided attention.”

It seems that a young buck deer had wandered into some netting and had been entangled in it since the night before. In its struggle to free itself it had securely fastened itself to a stump. Fortunately for the deer, Officer Thomas had gotten hold of some wonderful people from the Louisville Zoo who were able to come to the rescue.

After arriving and assessing the current conundrum, they decided that the best course of action would be to try and immobilize our captive critter using hand boards. As I looked at the deer, and it at us, I thought to myself “Man this is really going to be something to watch! It’s not every day you get to come to work and see a rodeo!”.....That’s when I got drafted. Not what I was expecting to say the least. Not surprisingly as we walked toward the deer, he was less than enthused to see us and began kicking up a ruckus. After a few brief, but tense, moments the group had him subdued and was able to begin cutting away the netting. Kyle Shepherd, Media Relations Manager for the zoo, had this to say about the ordeal “We were glad that we were able to help. Our first responsibility is taking the very best care of the animals at the Zoo, of course. We usually direct folks to U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services for this type of wildlife need, but this time when the Prospect Police Department called we were able to help one official to another as it worked out time-wise. We are happy that the buck seemed unscathed.”

In hindsight I doubt seriously if the deer knew exactly what was going on but I do know he looked mighty happy to be running off into the woods. The City would like to thank everyone from the Louisville Zoo who came out and put themselves in harm’s way to free this animal. He didn’t say it, but I’m pretty sure the deer thanks you too!

- Ron Cundiff



Pictured bottom right photo, the rescue team (left to right): Jamie Huber – Hospital Manager, Richard Laird – Commissary Supervisor, Carter Mansolino- Veterinary Intern, Dr. Julie Ter Beest – Associate Veterinarian, Ron Cundiff- Prospect Director of Public Works, Mollie Dreher- Home Owner, Catherine Smolinski – Veterinary Technician and Prospect Police Officer Mike Thomas. Also part of the rescue team (Top Right Photo) Bill McMahan- Reptile Curator (Blue Jean Jacket/ sunglasses) Many thanks to Mollie Dreher for the outstanding photographic work. More of Mollie’s pictures can be found in the Prospect 2018 calendar.

City Hall, Police And Library Hours

Monday 8:30 - 6:30
Tuesday - Thursday.....8:30 - 5:00
Friday..... 8:30 - 3:30

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