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STONEWALL EMAIL ADDRESS UPDATE

To keep in touch with Stonewall residents for Safety Watch purposes and other important notices, we maintain an email address list for those residents who want to be part of the program.

If your email address is not registered and you want to receive these notices, please send your name, street address, and email address to the NEW stonewall address mentioned earlier, stonewallneighborhood@gmail.com, and we will add you to the list.

If you are changing the name to which you request email to be sent, please list both old and new email addresses so that we know which address to delete.

If you have more than one email address, please give us the ONE your family uses most in order to allow us to keep the size of the list manageable.

If corrections need to be made to your mailing label, please notify Don Starsinic at 224-8017 or DStarsinic@aol.com.

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REGISTER FOR THE YARD SALE SATURDAY JUNE 1

The annual Stonewall Community Association neighborhood wide yard sale is scheduled for Saturday June 1, 2019 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. We will advertise the event in the Lexington *Herald-Leader* and on Craigslist, and we will compile a map showing the locations of participating homes and a list of their addresses, for distribution at Stonewall School and the Stonewall entrance island on Cindy Blair Way for pickup by shoppers. **If you want to register your address for inclusion on the map and list, please email coordinator <u>dstarsinic@aol.com</u> or call 224-8017 by Wednesday May 29.** The popular sale has a large number of Stonewall homes participating. It draws a good turnout from all over Lexington.

CREEK WALK

You are invited to participate in a creek walk in Stonewall Park on Cornwall Drive on Sunday, May 19 at 2:00 p.m. Ken Cooke, a well-known local expert in water quality, will lead the excursion and have both interesting stories and pertinent facts about South Elkhorn Creek, which serves the Stonewall neighborhood. The walk, sponsored by nonprofit Neighbors United for South Elkhorn Creek, will last about an hour. Underage children are welcome but must be accompanied by parents. Please park in Stonewall Elementary School's parking lot and walk down the hill to the creek. Dress for water crossings and weather conditions, including boots or sturdy shoes. If you have questions, you can send email to nusecreek@gmail.com.

CHECK OUT OUR WEB SITE AND NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

Did you know that the Stonewall Community Association web site was re-launched in 2017? Check it out at stone-wallneighborhood.org. This site is the best place to find information and to learn about events directly related to Stonewall. We archive our newsletters there, too, so you can look up that issue you misplaced! Additional news: you can also contact the association at our new email address: stonewallneighborhood@gmail.com.

INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

Come join us for the annual Stonewall Fourth of July parade! Feel free to bring both children and pets, preferably with everybody decked out in patriotic red, white, and blue. We will begin assembling at Stonewall School in the parking lot at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday July 4, and the parade launches at 10 a.m. If you wish to have the fun of being part of our competitions, please check in at the table located at the front entrance to the school, where you will receive an entry number. Categories for prizes include Most Patriotic Costume, Best Decorated Bike, Best Decorated Wagon, and Most Patriotic Pet.

Everyone is welcome (urged!) to sign the cards thanking our Lexington first responders, both firefighters and police officers, for their service 365 days a year, as well as for their participation in the parade.

The parade participants will be escorted by two police officers followed by our favorite bagpiper, Keith Murphy. Parade participants come next, with firefighters and a fire engine last. Everyone is invited to participate, whether

walking, biking, or riding in a stroller/wagon. Our route is about a mile long, from the school along Cornwall, Cindy Blair, Roxburg, and Cumberland. We will return to the school, where prizes will be awarded and popsicles and water will be served.

If you can't walk or ride in the parade, plan to come out and cheer on the participants as they pass by you somewhere along the route. One reviewing stand has been set up for years at the corner of Cornwall and Cindy Blair.

REPORT ON ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

Stonewall Community Association's annual meeting took place on March 18 at the Stonewall Elementary School library. About 55 attendees were welcomed by President Caryl Pfeiffer, who introduced Councilmember Jennifer Mossotti. Jennifer reviewed happenings of the past year and discussed what will likely happen during the coming months because of the city's tight 2019-20 budget. Chris Woodall, manager of long-range planning at LFUCG, spoke about the 2018 Comprehensive Plan and an element of it called PlaceBuilder. The Comp Plan will guide development for the coming years, and it may have considerable effect on Stonewall by pushing toward higher density (possibly allowing construction of auxiliary living units on single family properties) and mixed uses of structures. Michelle Kosieniak, design manager at LFUCG's Parks and Recreation Division, updated us about coming events and features to be expected in our local parks. Also given in the meeting were a report from the Department of Police, information for homeowners about proper numbering of homes to allow first responders to locate our homes in emergencies, and the LFUCG Street Trees Cost-Sharing Program, which provides matching dollars to homeowners for street tree improvements. The new association officers and board members were introduced, and thanks were given to Carol Pfeiffer, Fred Brandon, and Robert Blankenship, outgoing president, treasurer, and board member respectively.

WE HAVE NEW OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

At the March business meeting we elected a whole new slate of officers and several new board members. Our new president Kimberly Justus, secretary Andrew Franklin, and treasurer Wayne Starnes are all relative newcomers, elected to the Board of Directors in recent years. They are supported by the new vice president (and former president and secretary) Sheila Carmack and continuing board members, including former presidents Leah Atkinson Brand, Janet Cabaniss, and Barry Bingham, as well as by newly elected members Ed Brand, Kevin Duane, and Aaron Ledbetter.

HIGBEE MILL ROAD ACTIVITY

A **temporary** construction-site driveway entrance has been installed into the day care property from the inner loop of Man O' War Boulevard, just west of Clays Mill Road. This temporary entrance is to be utilized by large trucks and equipment entering/exiting the construction site at 1580 Higbee Mill Road, so that they can avoid traveling on Higbee Mill Road when possible. Once the construction of the new bridge (spanning South Elkhorn Creek) on the access road into the day care site is completed, the temporary entrance will no longer be needed and will be removed. Please use caution when traveling in that area. Traffic warning signs have been installed upon the approach to alert motorists to the temporary construction entrance.

2019 MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE NOW

If you haven't yet paid your 2019 membership dues to the Stonewall Community Association, they are due now. Dues are still \$25 a calendar year for you and your household. Your membership dues pay for this newsletter, for meeting expenses, for upkeep of our entrance area on Cindy Blair Way, and for periodic events which we hold each year. Please make your check payable to Stonewall Community Association and send your dues for 2019 to our treasurer Wayne Starnes, 720 Longwood Road, Lexington, KY 40503. If you have questions on your membership status, call Wayne at 803-0138.

STONEWALL PARK ACTIVITY

Linda Corridoni and Liz Pattengill have been spring cleaning the butterfly garden. There has been pretty spring color from the creeping phlox, celandine poppies, and Lenten rose. Liz and Linda have planted some annuals and hope to put down mulch in late May.

NEWS BRIEFS

For Stonewall Elementary and Jessie Clark Middle School the last day of school for the 2018-19 school year will be Friday May 31. With schools letting out for the summer, just a reminder to residents of Stonewall to please abide by the posted speed limits in the neighborhood. Kids are going to be running around enjoying their summer vacation, and the last thing they need to worry about is a speeding car.

Primary elections for statewide Kentucky government offices are scheduled for Tuesday May 21. Precinct locations will be the same as last time — Stonewall Elementary School for Stonewall and Keithshire precincts, and Wellington Elementary School for Bayswater and Robinwood precincts.

Parks and Recreation reminds us that their free 2019 Big Band and Jazz series can be enjoyed every Tuesday evening in May and June at Moondance Amphitheater, Beaumont Centre Drive. For information on bands and times, call 425-2349.

This year's Stonewall Community Association ice cream social is scheduled for Saturday August 10 at 6 p.m. at Stonewall Elementary School. Rain date is August 11. Mark your calendar.

Congratulations to Liz Pattengill for being named the April Good Neighbor in District 9 Councilperson Jennifer Mossotti's April newsletter. Liz is a real asset to Stonewall and our board of directors.

NEW NEIGHBORS

Association President Kimberly Justus, wearing her second hat as Welcome Director, reports that house sales in our neighborhood have picked up since early this year. We welcome the following new neighbors who have moved in recently and have been greeted with welcome packets: Christopher Raymond, Chatham Drive; James and Natalie Schuler and Clinton Kent, Cindy Blair Way; Joey and Michelle Keith, Charles and Emily Krebs, and Robert and Rosemarie Lefevers, Grasmere Drive; Matthew and Jeanne Meizis, Hyde Park Drive; and Curtis and Diana Smith and David and Deborah Smith, Keithshire Way.

Local merchants who have contributed to our welcome packages include Bluegrass Baking Company, Bella Blooms, Best Brains, Your Name Here Bowtique, Domino's Pizza, North Lime Coffee and Donuts, and

Peoples Exchange Bank, all located in Stonewall Commons. We ask that you support them by patronizing their businesses.

UPDATE ON STONEWALL COMMONS CHANGES

The upgrading of Stonewall shopping center, now Stonewall Commons, continues. The pergola between the bakery and the dollar store is now available for use for tables or sales of produce. Work is about finished on a handsome retaining wall along Wellington Way. Soon there will be a patio with tables and chairs next to the donut shop.

COLLECTION SCHEDULE

If you missed the city's April paper-shredding event, you may be happy to know that Al Torstrick Insurance Agency also offers **free shredding Friday May 24** from 1 to 4 p.m. at 343 Waller Ave. The city has no immediate collections scheduled, but you can call 311 or check the government web site lexingtonky.gov\departments\waste-management to learn about the progress of upcoming free collections by the city.

A reminder: If you have large quantities of nonhazardous wastes to be disposed of, LFUCG's **Loan-a-Box program** allows Fayette County residents and nonprofit organizations to use a container delivered to and hauled away from their residence. Box dimensions are 10' L x 6' W x 4' H. The Loan-a-Box program runs year-round and is scheduled on a first come, first served basis. Fayette County residents are charged a \$90 fee for the overnight or overweekend use of a box. Call LexCall at 311 for more information or to reserve a box.

NEIGHBORHOOD ROAD WORK

The stormwater construction activities on Arrowhead Drive should wind down sometime in June. This repair work hopefully will do away with periodic flooding of Arrowhead Drive after heavy rains, which has occurred for many years. The road is heavily used as a connector from Wellington Way to the Beaumont Shopping area and New Circle Road. This is a major repair — all we can do is grin and bear it. It too will come to an end.

Those of us who drive by the Stonewall Elementary School have become aware of the recent lane alignment change in front of the school creating a third (middle) lane for use in turning into the school property, which had been a hazard during weekday morning and afternoon arrival and discharge of students. Just keep to the right in driving by and you will be fine.

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