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Voting Community Events Dues Information



September 2024

the Stonewall Scoop



The 2024 General Election is Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2024. Polls will be open from 6 am - 6 pm. Bring your driver's license or any qualifying ID for a fast and easy check-in.

The deadline to register to vote is 4 pm on Monday, Oct. 7, 2024.



Check your registration and make sure your address is current by visiting govoteky.com

To find your precinct: https://fayettecountyclerk.com/web/elections/votingL ocations.htm

Early voting

Early voting is available to any registered voter on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday immediately before Election Day. Oct. 31, Nov. 1 and 2, 2024.

Vote at any public library in Fayette County between 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

- Central Library 140 E. Main St.
- **Beaumont Branch Library -** 3080 Fieldstone Way
- Tates Creek Branch Library 3628 Walden Drive
- Northside Branch Library 1733 Russell Cave Road
- **Eastside Branch Library -** 3000 Blake James Drive
- Marksbury Family Branch Library 2197
 Versailles Road

STONEWALL ELEMENTARY EVENTS

Events that may impact traffic in the neighborhood.

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ı	Sept. 13 th	Exploration walk - school walks through neighborhood during the school day as a group
ı	Oct. 11 th	Exploration walk
ı	Oct. 17 th	Literacy night - school wide event 5:30PM-7:30PM
Oct. 21-Oct. 25 th Fall Parent Conferences (in the evening all week, spaced out no		Fall Parent Conferences (in the evening all week, spaced out not all at once)
ı	Nov. 8th	Exploration Walk
ı	Nov. 14th	NIGHT OF NATIONS - families present information, food and games from their family culture (highly attended
		night)

SAVE THE DATE Neighborhood Social Events



Christmas Caroling will be
December 7th 6 p.m. – 7 p.m. at the
Gatliff Pavilion at Stonewall
Elementary. No rain date. The
Cindy Blair Island will no longer be
used due to safety issues.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The neighborhood social events are in danger of being canceled due to lack of volunteers. More volunteers to assist with the events are desperately needed.

Email **stonewallneighborhood@gmail.com** if you are interested.

Parks Sustainable Funding Initiative.

Parks Funding Ballot Referendum on the November Ballot

On November 5th, Lexington residents will have the opportunity to vote for or against a ballot referendum that would create a dedicated fund source for city parks. An overwhelming 90% of Lexington residents, from children to seniors, find solace, recreation, and connection in public parks. Maintaining the beauty and functionality of these spaces requires considerable and consistent investment. The Parks Master Plan interim update identified a capital investment need of \$123 million for our park system.

If passed, the parks funding ballot referendum would create a dedicated funding source for parks, ensuring they receive \$8 million annually for capital projects without issuing new debt. For the average homeowner, this translates to a yearly contribution of \$52.88 or about a dollar per week.

The expected outcomes are manifold: the parks funding ballot referendum will deliver transformational and sustained neighborhood infrastructure investment in parks, trails, open spaces, and recreational facilities in every council district in the city, enabling the most significant improvement in quality of life in our city in a generation. These enhancements will also improve public safety and act as an economic development magnet, attracting new, high-paying jobs to Lexington. Learn more about the parks funding ballot referendum, including the projects it would fund, at: parksfundinglex.com.

From Councilperson Baxter's newsletter

Poll Results: "What's in a name?"

In last week's newsletter, I asked readers to take an anonymous, non-scientific, one-question poll about whether or not they felt the Fayette County School Board should rename several local schools.

Recently, the Fayette County School Board heard suggestions from its <u>Equity Committee</u> on changing two school names immediately -- Dixie Elementary and Lexington Traditional Magnet School.

The names of six other Fayette County Schools could also be considered for a name change in the future, including Yates Elementary, Henry Clay High School, Squires Elementary, Breckinridge Elementary, Martin Luther King Academy—and **Stonewall Elementary** located here in the 9th District.

The Board, whose members are elected to four-year terms, determines district-wide policies, priorities, direction, and spending. Three seats on the Fayette County school board are up for general election on 11/5/2024. https://www.fcps.net/leaders-support/board-of-education/fayette-school-board.

Here are the results of the poll. 192 residents responded and overwhelmingly, 80.2% voted no, they did not favor changing school names 18.2% indicated that they were in favor of changing some school names. 1% did support such a proposal, and the remaining 0.5% were undecided.

DUES INFORMATION

Stonewall Community Association now accepts voluntary dues via check or VENMO. You can send you dues (\$25) and any additional donations to:

@Stonewall_Neighborhood.

When you send money this way, please include the following in the note section:

- First and Last Name
- Street Address
- Email Address

Stonewall Community Association c/o Wayne Starnes 720 Longwood Dr. Lexington, KY 40503



STAY IN TOUCH WITH THE REMIND APP

Want to stay up to date with neighborhood events and news?

Join the SCA announcement App through Remind. Download the Remind App on your phone then text @stonewalln to 81010. You will then get notifications of any events coming up and other information for the Stonewall Community Association.

For questions or support contact Angela Justice at <u>angela.justice@fayette.kyschools.us</u> or Aaron Ledbetter at <u>aledbetter@gmail.com</u>.

2024 Total Expenses vs. Budget

YOUR DUES ARE NEEDED!!

Mid Year 2024 Total Expenses and Budget

	2024	2024 FY
	Actual	Budget
Insurance (Officers Insurance & Dishonesty Bond)	\$1,298.44	\$2,500.00
Newsletter	\$1,364.51	\$3,700.00
Ice Cream Social	\$0.00	\$1,800.00
Christmas Decorations	\$0.00	\$1,200.00
Kentucky Utilities	\$334.39	\$650.00
Kentucky American Water	\$117.95	\$650.00
Neighborhood Beautification	\$75.59	\$1,200.00
Front Entrance Irrigation Maintenance	\$0.00	\$200.00
Supplies	\$0.00	\$50.00
4th of July Parade	\$0.00	\$150.00
Stonewall Garage Sale	\$0.00	\$150.00
Fayette County Neighborhood Council	\$0.00	\$40.00
Gifts	\$64.10	\$100.00
Kentucky State Treasurer (Secretary of State)	\$0.00	\$15.00
Landscaping & Maintenance of Entry Way	\$0.00	\$3,250.00
Annual Meeting Expenses	\$164.69	\$50.00
Stonewall Elementary (Association Meeting)	\$0.00	\$50.00
Web Site	\$0.00	\$100.00
Total Expenses	\$3,419.67	\$15,855.00

This is a list of our expenses for the first half of 2024. The dues and any additional donations go towards enjoyable activities (4th of July Parade, Ice Cream Social, etc.), insurance for those activities, and making the neighborhood look beautiful.

Thank you to EVERYONE who paid their \$25.00 voluntary dues to help make the fun activities happen!

Membership (Dues) Recap

	Dues	Dues	Beautification		Avg/
	Count	Amt	Amt	Total Amt	Household
6/31/2024	243	\$6075.00	\$1284.43	\$7359.43	\$30.29
12/31/2023	298	\$7425.00	\$1570.00	\$8995.00	\$30.18
6/31/2023	251	\$6250.00	\$1230.00	\$7480.00	\$29.80
12/31/2022	316	\$790.00	\$2596.67	\$10496.67	\$33.22
6/31/2022	263	\$6575.00	\$2263.86	\$8838.86	\$33.61

^{*}Numbers out of 1,200 houses in Stonewall

With our biggest membership drive opportunities over, we are below where we were last year in terms of number of members and the amount of dues collected. We are projected to be short of the FY 2024 budget of Dues collected (\$8,000).

If you are unsure if you paid/did not pay the 2024 voluntary membership dues, please feel free to email stonewallneighborhood@gmail.com.

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We are collecting email addresses so we can provide neighborhood updates via email blast. If you would like to be added to our e-communication list, send your name, street address and email to stonewallneighborhood@gmail.com.





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