



# MEADOWTHORPE MESSENGER

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*What potent blood hath modest May* – Ralph W. Emerson

Submissions for the Messenger must be sent by the 21<sup>st</sup> of the month to [meadowthorpemessenger@gmail.com](mailto:meadowthorpemessenger@gmail.com). To receive an electronic copy of the Messenger, please send your e-mail address to [meadowthorpemessenger@gmail.com](mailto:meadowthorpemessenger@gmail.com).

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**May 12<sup>th</sup> - General Membership Meeting** – Refreshments are served at 6:30 p.m. Meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. Please join us at the Community Center located at 333 Larch Lane.

**May 19<sup>th</sup> - Primary Election**

**June 6<sup>th</sup> - Annual Meadowthorpe Yard Sale**

## BRING YOUR NEIGHBOR TO THE MAY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING!

Drive down any street in Meadowthorpe Neighborhood and the beautiful budding trees and blooming flowers welcome all to our wonderful neighborhood. Spring is about new beginnings – new trees, new flowers, new baby birds. This Spring, the Meadowthorpe Neighborhood Association encourages **neighbors** to bring your **neighbors** to attend the May General Meeting. Let this be our new beginning as a neighborhood and community; to welcome new neighbors as well as bringing back established neighbors. Please join us May 12<sup>th</sup> at the Community Center located at 333 Larch Lane. Fellowship starts at 6:30 p.m. with the meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Our special guest will be a representative from Meadowthorpe's nearby neighbor, the Distillery District. In the last year, this area on Manchester Street has seen significant growth and with that growth comes great opportunity. Please join us to learn more about upcoming local events and how Meadowthorpe neighbors can get involved and stay connected!

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## REPORT FROM THE APRIL MNA MEETING

**Downtown Lexington Corporation** – Renee Jackson spoke to the Membership about the organization. Visit <http://www.downtownlex.com> to learn more about great events happening in downtown Lexington!

**Storm Water** – After receiving more than our fair share of rain in the last few weeks, many neighbors have experienced flooding in their basements and yards. William Andrews (Hillsboro Avenue) gave a presentation regarding the geological make-up of our neighborhood and discussed possible solutions to our water problems. Mr. Andrews heads the Geologic Mapping Section at the University of Kentucky. He is graciously volunteering his time and expertise to perform a “water study” of our neighborhood with the hope of presenting a report to the City and requesting assistance with the problem. Please join us at future MNA meetings as this will continue to be a topic of discussion.

**MNA Committees** – Committees still in need of Members include the Park Committee, Spirit Committee and Neighborhood Watch Committee. Membership on a committee is a great way to get involved and give back to our neighborhood!

**Hospitality** – Thanks to Grenda Sanders (Burke Road) for providing the delicious refreshments at the April Meeting! Thanks in advance to those who have volunteered to feed us at the next few meetings!

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## GREAT AMERICAN CLEANUP

Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> was a beautiful day! Meadowthorpe neighbors were enjoying the outside, walking dogs, gardening and even shopping. Several neighbors were enjoying the day on Antique Drive, picking up litter through the city sponsored Great American Clean Up Event.

Antique Drive has been an illegal dumping ground for many years, but this year, Council Member Shevawn Akers, working together with Meadowthorpe Neighbor Beth Workman, decided to take the GAC Event one step further by installing anti-dumping signs along the Drive. Picking up the trash is not enough and we are only putting a Band-Aid on the true problem. Installing signs and working with community neighbors, the city, and the police is the only way that we can stop folks from littering – especially on a secluded road like Antique Drive.



During the event, around 700 pounds of illegally dumped trash were picked up to be safely disposed of by the City of Lexington. This event would not have been a success without our volunteers! A huge thank you to our great volunteers: Linda Melton, Lacy Evans, Marianne Griffith, Sean Griffith, Sarah Evans, Dan Workman, Peggy Workman and Beth Workman. Your hard work and dedication is a great value to Meadowthorpe. Thank you to Council Member Akers for the sign installation and to the City of Lexington staff, including Ms. Louise Caldwell-Edmonds.

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## YOUR VOTE COUNTS!



The primary election will be held on May 19<sup>th</sup>. Your vote is important! For a complete list candidates, go to the Fayette Clerk's website: <https://www.fayettecountyclerk.com/web/elections/boardofelections>.

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## ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOOD YARD SALE

The annual Meadowthorpe yard sale is set for Saturday, June 6, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Ads will be placed in the Herald-Leader, Craigslist, and social media. Please share the information through your social media outlets! We hope for a large number of participants. If you plan to hold a yard sale, please let a member of the Executive Committee know either verbally or via e-mail ([mnalexky@gmail.com](mailto:mnalexky@gmail.com)). If you have items for sale but do not want to hold your own yard sale, check with your neighbors about partnering! Thanks to Councilmember Akers, the City will provide trash bins for those unwanted items. The trash bins will be located at the Community Center parking lot.



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## EDITOR FOR THE MESSENGER STILL NEEDED

We continue to produce the monthly newsletter using the team approach, yet we still do not thrive. We are looking for a neighbor with creative and editing abilities to serve as Editor. The new Editor only needs to write and edit and interface with the printer via e-mail. Duties such as picking up and delivering the newsletter to the Street Reps have been off-loaded to other neighbors.

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## WEBSITE

The Communications Committee is looking for a web designer to overhaul our website. If you are interested or have recommendations for designers, please contact the Committee by sending an email to [mnalexky@gmail.com](mailto:mnalexky@gmail.com).

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## STREET REP NEEDED FOR THE 200 BLOCK OF GLENDALE AVENUE

MNA thanks Erin Abernathy for her years of dedicated service as the Street Rep for the 200 block of Glendale. Please contact [mnalexky@gmail.com](mailto:mnalexky@gmail.com) if you are interested in filling this position. Street Reps are the unsung heroes of the neighborhood and this is your chance to make a very positive contribution to Meadowthorpe. Duties include monthly delivery of the newsletter and annual voluntary dues collection.

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## DEPARTED NEIGHBOR AND FRIEND

Virginia Frances Gray Gregg [corner of N. Forbes and Larch Lane], age 83, widow of Richard E. Gregg, died March 31, 2015. She was born in Mercer County to the late Charles Monroe and Isabelle Davenport Gray. She was a member of the Hillcrest Baptist Church in Lexington. Ms. Gregg is survived by a daughter, Regina (Keith) Taylor, Berea; son, Steve (Christine) Gregg, Richmond; brother, Billy Gray, Baltimore, MD; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by two sons, Richard and David Gregg. Memorial contributions are suggested to the Hillcrest Baptist Church, 1409 Versailles Rd., Lexington, KY 40504.

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## NEIGHBORHOOD ANNOUNCEMENTS, ADS AND COUPONS

Advertisements in the *Meadowthorpe Messenger* are printed at no charge for neighbors and neighborhood businesses, as space allows. These ads are printed as a service at the request of neighbors and do not imply a reference or endorsement by the MNA for any particular business or service person. Always seek your own references.

### HOME REPAIR / IMPROVEMENT

**Jill of All Trades:** Need help? Give me a call. House/office cleaning; care-tending; house/pet sitting; yard work; organization and various odd jobs. References available; reasonable rates; honest; dependable Christian lady and a neighbor. Please call MJ at 859-684-2496 or email: [maryjean6591@gmail.com](mailto:maryjean6591@gmail.com).

**Brick sidewalks; pavers installed; some concrete work** - Larry Mosley and Larry Sherbert. Call 225-0145 to get a jump start on your spring projects.

**Gutter Cleaning:** Licensed/Insured; Michael Stuart - Owner/Operator; 859-492-5543; [www.fayettewindowcleaning.com](http://www.fayettewindowcleaning.com).

**Handyman Services:** Have projects around the house you've been putting off? From moving furniture around, painting, help with yard work, dog walking, to installing fixtures and assembling small projects. Available most evenings and weekends. Please e-mail, text or call Ryan Duty (749-4552 or [dutyryan62389@gmail.com](mailto:dutyryan62389@gmail.com)) and let's take care of that list.

### CHILDCARE

State Certified Home Childcare now has two openings for children six months or older. CPR/First Aid. 320 Glendale Avenue. Contact Betty at 226-0238.

### ENTERTAINMENT

MNA members Don and Mary Dever (Pepper Dr) invite you to spend a Saturday night (or more) with Kenny Whalen & The Travelers at 114 Lisle Industrial Rd. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and the shows start at 7:00 p.m. - there is no alcohol and no dancing - just good music, good food and good times for all. Admission is \$10.00.

### LAWN SERVICES

**Lawns mowed/trimmed** - \$25 and up; hedges trimmed and small tree work; any odd jobs; free estimates. Call Kyle McHatton at 559-7572.

**Weed eat, mow & blow**, tree/bush trim; gardens tilled; gutters cleaned - free estimates call Kevin at 229-8296.

**Mowing; tree work;** hedge trimming & removal; vines removed; fence rows cleaned and miscellaneous. Call Pete at 967-9299 or Kay at 967-8150.

**We can do your mowing** and trimming; \$20.00 and up per yard; we can also weed eat, trim hedges, clean gutters, and remove leaves for a great price too. Call 967-9219 or e-mail [marla.kay@aol.com](mailto:marla.kay@aol.com).

### FOR SALE

**Refrigerator** - GE Adora side-by-side stainless steel 25 cu. ft. refrigerator. In great working condition and barely used. Asking \$800 (retails \$1500). Small dent/scratch on side. New owner must move it. Call or text 502-291-1339.

### SPECIAL SERVICES

**Knives and Blades Sharpened;** call Larry at 225-0145; great prices.

### LESSONS

**Guitar lessons/recording studio:** Guitar lessons with full recording studio. \$20/hour. Call 859-492-5032.

**Tai Chi Lessons:** Free Tai Chi Lessons at the Charles T. Young Center at 540 East Third Street on Wednesdays and Fridays from 12:15 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. Seniors are encouraged. These lessons focus on increasing energy, focus and balance in a very gentle way. If you have any questions, you can call Rita Swain at 533-4566.

### SPECIAL EVENT SERVICES

**Cakes:** Decorated cakes for all occasions. Call Jane at 402-3941.

**Photographer:** Weddings, events, seniors, pets, families; 502-541-1478; [KathyGPhotos@aol.com](mailto:KathyGPhotos@aol.com).

### CLEANING/PET CARE

**House cleaning, church cleaning, pet sitting:** Experienced with excellent references. Please call Lana, your neighbor, at 948-5653 or e-mail [lanajacob@msn.com](mailto:lanajacob@msn.com).

**House Sitting/Pet Sitting:** Meadowthorpe resident – references provided – will perform various tasks around your home while you are away from home; call 276-1191 or 298-0083; [kencampbell@luckypetsrus.com](mailto:kencampbell@luckypetsrus.com).

**Pet Sitting/Grooming:** Meadowthorpe resident; [vestadog@aol.com](mailto:vestadog@aol.com); call 502-541-1478.

### PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

**Financial Services: Kentucky Blue Blood Financial Group** - 1353 Leestown Road. A financial services group offering insurance and investment products customized to meet clients' needs.

**Insurance Services: Mann Sutton & McGee, LTD** - 1353 Leestown Road. Had a check-up lately? When was the last time you reviewed your policies with your agent? Call us at 225-3661...we can help!

**PC Tune Computer Services:** Computer Tune Up for \$79.00 includes virus and malware removal. Other computer services are available. Free Lexington pickup and delivery; call Craig at 559-0919.

**Real Estate Services:** Need to buy or sell a home? Call Julie at (859) 312-6210 - Owner/Broker of Big Blue Realty.

**Tax Preparation:** Your neighbor Matthew Holt offers individual and business tax preparation services. Telephone: 684-5934 or e-mail: [holtma75@gmail.com](mailto:holtma75@gmail.com).

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