



MEADOWTHORPE MESSENGER

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"Summer ends, and Autumn comes, and he who would have it otherwise would have high tide always and a full moon every night." — Hal Borland

"I saw old Autumn in the misty morn stand shadowless like silence, listening to silence." — Thomas Hood

Submissions for the *Meadowthorpe Messenger* must be sent by the 15th of the month to meadowthorpemessenger@gmail.com.

To receive an electronic copy of the Messenger, please send your e-mail address to meadowthorpemessenger@gmail.com.

DATES TO REMEMBER

October General Membership Meeting: Tuesday, October 11, 2016 – Social half-hour at 6:30 p.m. Get to know your neighbors and enjoy refreshments! Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 6, 2016 – 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. – Thursday Night Live, Mike Archer at the Pavilion on Main Street.

Tuesday, October 11, 2016 – by 4:00 p.m. – Last day to register to vote in the upcoming Presidential Election. Visit <https://vrsws.sos.ky.gov/ovrweb/> for more information.

Thursday, October 13, 2016 – 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.. – Thursday Night Live, Vinyl Richie at the Pavilion on Main Street.

Saturday, October 15, 2016 – 6:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Trash Disposal Day at 1505 Old Frankfort Pike.

Tuesday, November 8, 2016 – 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Election Day; please visit your polling station.

Friday, November 12, 2016 – 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. – Free Paper Shred Day at 1631 Old Frankfort Pike.

HISTORIC PLAZA PROJECT UNDERWAY FOR BOILING SPRINGS/OLD LEESTOWN INTERSECTION

By: Tom Blues

Preparations to relocate the Halley Field historical marker from the sidewalk crossing in Boiling Springs Drive and to make it the centerpiece of a small plaza area paved with engraved bricks continue to move forward. Arrangements have been made to coordinate the city's replacement and upgrade of the median's sidewalk with curb replacement and excavation required for our project. Thanks to Councilman Richard Moloney's office, costs of curb replacement and excavation will be borne by the Urban County Government. Construction will get underway when weather permits in the spring of next year.

Meanwhile, MNA will begin taking orders for engraved pavers in November of this year. Look for a special insert in the November *Meadowthorpe Messenger*, providing detailed ordering information, instructions, and order forms. Cost of engraved pavers: \$25 to Meadowthorpe residents; \$100 to Meadowthorpe area businesses.

CALL FOR STREET REPRESENTATIVE VOLUNTEERS

Have you been wondering how you can serve your fellow neighbors and benefit our lovely neighborhood? If you live on the 300 Block of Boiling Springs or Townley Drive, then you could serve as a street representative! Duties include distributing the monthly *Meadowthorpe Messenger*, serving on the Meadowthorpe Neighborhood Board of Directors (optional) and helping to collect annual voluntary dues once a year. This volunteer position is great for folks looking to add some steps on their FitBit! Please contact Bill Congleton, wcong1113@yahoo.com, should you be interested in serving in this capacity.

PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

By: Jim Capillo

The Office of the Fayette County Sheriff asked us to remind you that Fayette County Property Tax Season is right around the corner! The 2016 Property Tax Bills will be going out October 1st, so be sure to be watching your mailboxes! If you do not receive your tax bill by October 8th, 2016, please contact them at (859) 252-1771.

Upcoming meeting announcements. The **October** meeting was scheduled as a neighborhood question and answer session for the candidates for Council District 2. Unfortunately, Shevawn Akers has a commitment so instead of a “debate”, questions will only be directed to Sasha Love Higgins. If you would like to submit an anonymous written question, please send it to me at mnalexky@gmail.com. If you would like to ask the question in person, you will be given the opportunity. I will read a written question alternately followed by a question from the floor. Members asking questions from the floor will be allowed a single follow-up question, if you desire.

The **November** meeting is scheduled for election day. If the association wants to change or cancel it, we will need to vote on it at the October meeting. The bylaws require quarterly meetings so there is no requirement for a November meeting.

In **December**, the meeting will be the annual holiday get together, including Santa Claus.

BETH'S BEAT – LIONS AND TIGER AND DOGS, OH MY!

By: Beth Workman

“Dogs are not our whole life, but they make our lives whole.” — Roger Caras

Recently I had two run ins with unleashed dogs in Meadowthorpe. Between my own personal experience and the concern shared by other neighbors I would like to dedicate this month's Beth's Beat as a friendly reminder that all dogs must be on a leash or safely secured within one's own private property (either behind a physical fence or an electronic fence).

One of the great aspects of Meadowthorpe is that we have a very pet friendly neighborhood. We have beautiful walkable streets and sidewalks, lovely mature trees to keep us shaded as we walk and pet-bags for convenient pet waste pick up. Walking one's pet is a great way to get exercise and meet other neighbors who also have furry loved ones.

However, as much as I enjoy getting to know my neighbors and their pets, I do not enjoy being frightened by dogs not on a leash. On a recent Monday evening, while I was out for a jog, I was almost attacked by an aggressive boxer on Townley Drive. Fortunately, I was not bitten, nor did I have one of my dogs with me (which could have resulted in a dog confrontation). In yet another recent story, a friendly neighbor was walking around my street and asked if an adorable terrier was mine. As much as I would have loved to add a new little one to my menagerie, I politely said that he was not one of my dogs and unfortunately I did not recognize him as one of my neighbors' dogs.

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government states that “all dogs in Fayette County must be on a leash, behind a fence or on the dog owner's property under the owner's supervision at all times when outside. Dogs cannot run-at-large, even under voice command, and they must wear their current license and rabies tags at all times.”

The leash law is important for several reasons, the obvious is to keep the neighborhood safe from dog confrontations between people or other pets. But also, if you love your dogs as much as I love my two boys, I want to make sure that they are safe in my home and safe in my yard from vehicles, other animals and people. This is a friendly reminder to keep your dogs on a leash when walking in the neighborhood. If you let your dogs out in your yard, please make sure you have a physical or electronic fence.

OCTOBER IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH
Submittal from the Fayette County Sheriff's Office

The month of October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. One in three women in the state of Kentucky will experience an act of domestic violence in their lifetime. The Office of the Fayette County Sheriff opened Amanda's Center in 2012 to serve as a safe place for victims of domestic violence, as well as a central information point for services available within the community such as service of Emergency Protective Orders, Safety Planning, Victim Advocacy, Evidence Collection, Filing of Criminal Charges, Legal Advocacy, and more. You can file an Emergency Protective Order or Interpersonal Protective Order 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year in the Fayette County District Courthouse.

Warning Signs of Domestic Violence

DOES YOUR PARTNER...?

Make you emotionally, psychologically, or financially **dependent**?

Isolate you from seeing your friends and family, or children?

Forbid you from going anywhere or speaking to anyone?

Threaten to take away your child or children?

Become **angry** when you speak to the opposite sex?

Control when you can speak?

Criticize you about how you dress and your appearance?

Blame you for their problems?

Threaten to hurt you with violence or a weapon?

Act excessively **jealous** or **possessive**?

Have an explosive **temper** and use **force** during an argument?

Threaten to commit suicide if you leave?

Have a **history** of violence?

Constantly **put you down** and make you feel worthless?

Limit your access to the phone or the car?

Accuse you of being disloyal or unfaithful?

Embarrass you in front of others?

Harm or **threaten** any of your pets?

Get **physically violent** and kick, push, shove, slap, or choke you?

Victims of domestic violence come from all walks of life, all socioeconomic groups, genders, races, and religions. If you or someone you know is in a violent relationship, contact the Office of the Fayette County Sheriff's Amanda's Center for help at (859) 252-1771.

OBITUARY

It saddens me to share the news that we have had two neighbors pass away recently. Raymond Henry Popvich of Old Leestown Road and Henry Hughes of Glendale. Please keep their families and friends in your thoughts and prayers.

Do you need a new dining room or kitchen table?

Solid oak table, round, 48" diameter, 18" leaf, \$150. Call Tom Blues, 254-0475.

NEIGHBORHOOD ANNOUNCEMENTS, ADS AND COUPONS

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TROY-BILT TILLER (ELECTRIC START) | JIM VALENTINE | [859-254-4762](tel:859-254-4762).

KY. State Childcare Provider now has 1 opening. 320 Glendale Ave. **Please contact Betty @ 226-0238.**

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