



MEADOWTHORPE MESSENGER

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"Life is what happens when you're busy making other plans." ~John Lennon

"You only live once, but if you do it right, once is enough." ~Mae West

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday, February 3, 10, 17 & 24, 2018 – Lexington Farmer's Market Winter Edition - Downtown Lex 241 W Main Street

Tuesday, February 6, 2018 – Kentucky Great Writers Series: 6p – 251 W. Second Street, Lexington

Tuesday, February 13, 2018 – MNA Monthly Meeting: 6:30p social hour, 7p meeting begins - Connect w/ neighbors, stay informed, enjoy snacks & community!

Wednesday, February 14, 2018 – Valentine's Day 

Sunday, February 18, 2018 – My Ancestral Kentucky Home: A Film Screening With James Sleet: 2p - Lexington Public Library Northside Branch

Wednesday, February 28, 2018 – Senior Health & Wellness Fair: 1p – 4p - 4251 Saron Drive, Lexington

DID YOU KNOW? You can add Meadowthorpe Neighborhood to EBay and Amazon Smile and we will receive a portion of sales via these giving methods. Meadowthorpe has received over \$150 from neighbors shopping on EBay!

PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS – "FAIRY-LY" IMPORTANT.

As most know, Meadowthorpe was visited by someone or something referred to as the Christmas Elf, who hung ornaments on front yard trees this past December. By the way, I hope this becomes an annual event, and I would love to see some of our dues pay to support this new tradition. I have been asked, and Yes I believe I know the identity of the Elf, but I will not disclose it. The truly frustrating thing to me is the grammar issue. I have consulted with the Keebler website and determined that Ernie is small enough to live in a tree. I have consulted with the Kellogg's website and discovered that the three famous elves of my youth (Snap, Crackle and Pop) are also small enough to sit in a spoon. Based upon this uncontroverted evidence, I decided that it is impossible for an elf to reach high enough to hang the ornaments at the level they were displayed. However, it has been brought to my attention that J. R. R. Tolkien re-popularized elves as human sized and human like. Thus my conundrum – how big is an elf? I call upon students whether home schooled, at Meadowthorpe Elementary or Leestown Middle to engage in a thorough academic discourse to scratch this intellectual itch.

P. S. All who appreciated the Christmas Elf decorations are encouraged to pay it forward and do something nice for your neighbor.

COLUMBIA GAS MEADOWTHORPE PIPELINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT NEWS

Columbia Gas is scheduled to begin work on a pipeline replacement project that will include the installation of about 9,000 feet of state-of-the-art pipe on Boiling Springs Drive, Townley Drive, Penrod Avenue, Forbes Pepper Drive, Larkin and Meadowthorpe Avenue.

Due to recent weather delays work should begin the week of Jan. 29 and will take place on weekdays during normal business hours. On occasion, the company may need to work in the evening and/or on weekends to honor customer appointments and project deadlines. Residents should be prepared for digging and traffic disruption. The company may need to dig in your yard, move your gas meter and/or briefly disconnect your gas service. After the work is complete, Columbia Gas will restore portions or all sidewalks, driveways, landscaping and roadways damaged by the project. The employees of Columbia Gas and its contractor, Stanley Pipeline, carry photo identification.

Residents on the included streets should have received a letter with additional details. If not, please contact Communications Specialist Risa Richardson at [859.288.0211](tel:859.288.0211). If you have questions or concerns throughout the project, please call the Columbia Gas pipeline replacement hotline at [800.562.8970](tel:800.562.8970), select Option 3, and enter ext. 6355 to leave a message. Please follow the company on Facebook (facebook.com/ColumbiaGasofKentucky) or Twitter (@ColumbiaGasKY) for regular updates.

Columbia Gas appreciates your patience as they complete this work to enhance the safety and reliability of your natural gas service.

MEADOWTHORPE BOOK CLUB – NOW FORMING!

A group of residents is planning to meet each Thursday evening and discuss a top 10 literary success. The first meeting was held on Jan. 19 at 6pm with the group having read 1-2 chapters of the "The Mothers" by Brit Bennett. If you want to join, know this is free and you are not required to attend each week. Or, if you don't care for this book, wait until the next book is announced. Thanks to Brier Books for their help in selecting our first book. If you are interested or have questions, including time and location, contact Annie Iweimrin Jacobs (N. Forbes business owner) at Bluechipwealthky@gmail.com or phone 859.806.1254.

WELCOME NEW NATURAL RESOURCES CHAIR – LAURA RUBERG (GLENDALE AVE)

MNA Bylaws state: *Natural Resources Committee, which is responsible for addressing environmental issues in the neighborhood, including street tree health, and maintaining the grounds and gardens, including the entrances to the neighborhood and the community center garden.*

Laura is an Environmental Scientist with T.H.E. Engineers, Inc. located on Fortune Drive and has decided to give back to our neighborhood with her expertise. Thank you, Laura! If you have ideas or questions for Laura, contact her: ldheil00@gmail.com

MEADOWTHORPE MAMAS

This group is for any mother/caregiver in Meadowthorpe. We will meet at the park for fun times with our kiddos and other mamas. We could also attend events, start a stroller/walking group, or just chat. It doesn't matter if you have babies, or teens. Come join us, mamas. This is not a formal group, we just need to assemble a list of mamas who want to be involved. There a lot of strollers in this neighborhood, so we know the mamas are out there! We will just hang out together at different times of the day, so all mamas can join in, whether day or evening. We can meet once a week, or once a month, the group can decide.

Contact mama of 6 little Meadowthorpe munchkins, Erica Snow (Larch Ln.), if you want to know about our first hang out time/day. Find Erica Spurlock Snow on Facebook OR ericassnow@gmail.com

"She's strong, but she is exhausted."
-R.H. Sia

HISTORIC PLAZA ENGRAVED PAVER SALES CONTINUE

Memorialize a loved one. Honor a neighbor. Recognize your family. Note your presence in our neighborhood. Order an engraved commemorative paver for placement in the historic plaza site in the Boiling Springs median. To download the order form from the MNA website, go to www.mnalex.org. Type "paver" in the search box. Mail completed form, with check made out to MNA, to Meadowthorpe Neighborhood Association, 333 Larch Lane. Price: \$35 for Meadowthorpe residents; \$100 for area businesses. For assistance, contact Russ DiBella (255-7775) or Tom Blues (tblues@twc.com; 254-0475). Pavers are engraved and placed in groups of 10 or more as weather permits.

2018 VOLUNTARY DUES CONTRIBUTIONS – FEBRUARY UPDATE

Thanks to our generous neighbors, we have raised more than \$9,500 therefore, EXCEEDING our goal!!!! Though we have reached our goal, contributions are accepted at all times! If sending via U.S. Mail, please send your donation to 333 Larch Lane. Remember all donations are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

2018 Contributions			
Boiling Springs	\$502.00	Meadowthorpe Avenue	\$920.00
Burke Road	\$1,715.00	Old Leestown	\$770.00
Forbes Road	\$195.00	Pelican Lane/Circle	\$334.83
Glendale Avenue	\$1,229.67	Pepper Drive	\$485.00
Hillsboro Drive	\$710.00	Taylor Drive	\$652.00
Larch Lane	\$810.00	Townley Drive	\$380.00
Leestown Road	\$700.00	Other	\$151.50
Leona Drive	\$45.00		

Rich Peot of Meadowthorpe Laundromat and Glendale Avenue is splitting the cost of laundering the Community Center tablecloths with us! Susie Gibson offers a wash and fold service from the Laundromat and will clean the tablecloths for us when needed and Rich will always split the cost! It's so nice to have local businesses support our neighborhood!

NEW MEADOWTHORPE BUSINESS – ZEN STATION YOGA

Looking for something to keep you active during the day, relieve stress, gain balance and flexibility? Now at noon Mon Wed Fri and Sun you can enjoy the gentle beautiful movement of TaiChi at Zen Station to stay active. Zen Station offers Tai Chi, Yoga, Beginner Group Guitar Lessons, and morning light Dance-exercise. Located on Antique Road directly behind Speedway.

MONDAY-12:00 Tai Chi 5:45pm Level 2 Yoga Heated

TUESDAY 5:30am Yoga1 7am Dance-exercise (any age/level) 5pm Beginner Group Guitar 6pm Yoga level 1/2

WEDNESDAY 12:00 TaiChi 5:45 Yoga Level 2

THURSDAY 5:30am Yoga1 7am Dance-exercise (any age/level) 4 pm Yoga level 1 6pm Yoga level 1/2

FRIDAY 12:00 Tai Chi

SATURDAY 11am Bendy Brunch Level 1 Yoga

SUNDAY 12:00 TaiChi

Looking to change careers? We are also offering Yoga instructor training. Get certified to be a yoga instructor doing class 2 weekends a month for 6 months. Call Shannon with any questions at 859-319-5710. View schedule and book at www.zenstationyoga.com

CHRISTMAS LUMINARIES – THANK YOU TO VOLUNTEERS

Many thanks to the great people who just showed up to assemble the Christmas Eve luminaries. Together, we turned into a finely tuned engine and got the job done in an hour. Since the weather was drizzly, they went the extra mile and distributed the luminaries on Christmas Eve day, when the weather would be drier. These wonderful neighbors rolled up their sleeves and kept up the fine tradition of lighting up Meadowthorpe on Christmas Eve.

Thanks to: Frank Bishop, Cynthia Braley, Patrick Bowan, Coleman Bush, Jim Capillo, Liz Chilton, Bill Congleton, Lacy Evans, Jim Evans, Clara & Holly Gilpin, Annica Johnson, Inara Jordan, Mike Stuart, Nora Warman, and Beth Workman.

Also, many thanks to all who collected the luminaries right after Christmas: Jim Capillo, Holly & Clara Gilpin, Nora Warman, Lucia Gilchrist, Bill Congleton, Lacey Evans, and a Hillsboro resident whose name I do not know, but does this every year. Also, a special mention to Frank Bishop who offered to help and be on standby in case we needed an extra hand.

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<p>Meadowthorpe Antique Mall Booths of antiques 10am-5pm Tuesday-Saturday 1pm-5pm Sunday Visit Norris and Evie Taylor (Townley Dr. residents) owners of Meadowthorpe Antique Mall</p>		