



# 5th District Newsletter

News and announcements from  
around our community



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Details for the District

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## Bullet Points of Interest:

- Remember to turn your clocks back an hour before you go to bed or by 2:00 a.m. on Sunday for Daylight Saving Time. The weekend will be an hour longer than normal! On the flipside, we'll now see the sun set earlier too. This is also a good reminder to check the batteries in your smoke alarms.
- Due to the weather, the sanitary sewer work crossing St. Ann Drive was suspended today. Tentative plans to complete the work on Saturday also have been suspended. The work will resume, weather permitting, on Monday with road closure at 7:00 a.m. and will continue with road closure through Tuesday until 6:00 p.m. St. Ann Drive is open to traffic today and will remain open to traffic through the weekend. The St. Ann entrance to Idle Hour Park remains closed.

## Ending the Week on A “Boo”tiful Note

Dear Neighbor,  
Happy Halloween to all. Enjoy a truly scary evening!

As some have noted paving has begun in our neighborhood. There is follow up information in this newsletter about paving in general. In past weeks, we have talked about leaf collection, too. Weather permitting, the 5th District will get its pass starting—and here I stress the word *starting*—on November 10th, so be ready! Our Geographic Information Service has worked hard to put together an [interactive map](#) that you can use to determine when crews will be on your street. Page four of this newsletter includes a guide to using this useful tool.

It is recommended that you rake your leaves into the area between the sidewalk and the street the Sunday before your scheduled collection week. No sidewalk? Rake them to the curb, but not into the street. If you need any help with the process, call the 5th District Office or LexCall; we're ready!

The Shriners Neighborhood Association meeting was held this week at Shriners Hospital. A fine crowd turned out to

elect officers and do neighborhood business. The highlight of the meeting was an update from Wanda Rice of Shriners Hospital. She outlined the changing needs of the hospital and the use of outpatient services. Those changes have led the hospital to enter into an agreement to move into a new facility adjacent to the new UK hospital. Wanda was quite open and lamented that her 26 years at Shriners had all been spent there on Richmond Road and she had hoped to retire from that location. A nod to the character of the neighborhood, to be sure.

I really enjoyed the Kenwick neighborhood Halloween party last night. Held at the Kenwick Community Center under the auspices of new center director Stephanie Bowling, the turnout was great and the costumes and activities excellent.

I know that many are tired of political activity and that all will end on Tuesday, but not before the most important part: Your vote! Please turn out and exercise your right!

My best,  
Bill

## Sobering Decisions On Election Day

Liquor sales will be allowed on Election Day in Lexington this November because of an ordinance change that Council approved last month. Vice Mayor Linda Gorton and Council voted to repeal the ordinance banning alcohol sales on Election Day in Fayette County.

“It was an outdated law, and it’s costly to the alcohol industry. Now our businesses can function just like any other day,” Gorton said.

Industry groups estimate Kentucky loses more than \$625,000 in sales tax revenue during election years because of the ban. Restaurants and the tourism industry are also affected. In 2013, the state passed a statute allowing local communities to decide whether they want to allow the sale of liquor on Election Day. To make the change, the local governing body—in Lexington’s case, Council—had to repeal the ordinance banning sales. The ban is a holdover from the Prohibition era, when saloons sometimes served as polling places.



## Fairway Resident and UK Law Professor Joshua Douglas to “Make Election Law Accessible”

The University of Kentucky College of Law Election Law Society, a law student organization, and law election professor, Joshua A. Douglas, announce the first of its kind at UK—an Election Analysis Blog.

Professor Douglas, the Robert G. Lawson and William H. Fortune Associate Professor of Law, and students from the Election Law Society will provide live analysis on legal issues surrounding the election as results pour in across the Commonwealth and the nation. They will field questions from the general public and media and provide ongoing commentary on any legal issues that may arise.

There have already been significant lawsuits in the past few weeks—about Kentucky’s 300-foot ban on electioneering around a polling site, allegations of false campaign advertising, voter ID laws, and more—that will impact Election Day. The U.S. Senate race in Kentucky between Alison Lundergan Grimes and Mitch McConnell is one of the most expensive—and potentially one of the closest—in the country. UK’s Election Analysis Blog will chronicle it all.

“I am excited to work on this initiative with UK Law students, who will have a worthwhile educational and practical experience while helping the general public understand how laws and court decisions impact our elections,” said Professor Douglas. “Our goal will be to make election law accessible to voters so they can see how the law can affect Election Day processes.”

Chris Stewart, a second year law student, had this to say about the Election Analysis Blog: “The students of the UK Election Law Society are happy to embark on this new project. In conjunction with Professor Joshua Douglas, we look forward to providing a source of news concerning the ever-changing world of election law from around Kentucky and the nation. We hope to offer analysis of hot-button issues that is informative to legal and non-legal readers alike.”



*Professor Douglas is a leading election law expert, focusing on the constitutional right to vote, judicial interaction with the election process, and post-election disputes.*

The Election Analysis Blog goes live on Tuesday, November 4th. Professor Douglas and the students will conduct the blog together in the faculty lounge at the College of Law. This analysis will run through the evening while ballot results are tabulated and released. Visit the blog at [www.uky.edu/electionlaw](http://www.uky.edu/electionlaw), call the hotline at (859) 257-4935, or e-mail [election@lsv.uky.edu](mailto:election@lsv.uky.edu).

“This is another example of the College of Law’s efforts to enhance pro bono and practical experience for our students while also providing a service to the community,” said Danny Murphy, Assistant Dean for Administration and Community Engagement.

The general public is welcome to submit election issues and topics for comment. Media may solicit comments or quotes from Professor Douglas through this resource.

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## Paving Blues: Why Cul-de-Sacs Often Feel Left Out

You may have noticed that paving has been rolling along in the 5th District this week. In fact, several of you have inquired as to why crews aren’t dipping into cul-de-sacs as they move down the road; or why certain sections of roads designated for paving can’t be extended just a few hundred more feet. The simple answers are that less-travelled cul-de-sacs can easily add upward of \$10K to a well-trafficked \$40K street; and, as a specific example that sparked inquiry on Hart Road, but also applies to many others, the stretch from Wallace to Prather is rated an 86 by the Division of Streets and Roads, and at over \$34K for that portion alone, it falls short of the criteria necessary to make the cut.

However, none of this means that cul-de-sacs are out of the question or that requests cannot be made for the next paving cycle. The Division of Planning and Public Works will soon implement a new rating system throughout the county, which will offer a more accurate idea of what condition our roads are in. The 5th District Office relies on your input, data from other divisions, as well as daily observations as both your Council Member and this editor make while driving about. One benefit of having an office solely comprised of 5th District residents is that our eyes are always open to our surroundings. We know that yours are, too. If you would like to submit a request for the FY16 paving cycle, please click [here](#).

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## Details for the District

### Firefighter's Toy Program Seeks Building for the Season

The Lexington Chapter of the Fraternal Order of Firefighters (FOF) needs a large building to use for the 2014 Firefighter Toy Program. This will be the 83rd year the FOF has sponsored the toy drive for children in Fayette County. On average, the program provides toys for over 3,000 Fayette County kids who might not otherwise have toys for the holidays. This year, the Lexington Firefighter Toy Program will begin accepting applications on November 11th, and the application process will end on November 26th. The toy giveaway will be on December 13th.

The FOF relies on the generosity of Lexington citizens and businesses to provide this program. The program's greatest need this year is the use of a building around 10,000 square feet in size, with a parking lot. The FOF would need the building from November 1st till December 31st. The FOF is asking anyone who has a building to loan, or knows of one that might fit the need, to please call (859) 523-9576.

### Hold Your Horses in Traffic Downtown This Weekend

Lexington Division of Police officers are reminding citizens to be aware of a substantial traffic impact related to the Garth Brooks concerts Friday and Saturday at Rupp Arena. If you can, avoid the area during concert times. For concert goers, expect traffic delays.

The standard Rupp Arena event traffic plan will be in effect, utilizing Division officers at critical intersections. Additional traffic posts have been established along the Manchester/Old Frankfort Pike corridor to facilitate movement along the bus route. Officers, as well as Rupp arena officials, will assist with pedestrian crossings at critical intersections.

Offsite parking will be available for all patrons attending the second 10:30 p.m. show. This parking option will open at 7:00 p.m. and will be located on the two driver training pads located near 1795 Old Frankfort Pike. These lots will be supervised by trained parking attendants. LexTran will provide a dedicated shuttle service to and from these lots to the rear of Rupp Arena.

The 5<sup>th</sup> District Newsletter is distributed via e-mail to any Lexington resident. I encourage leaders of the 31 active neighborhood associations in the 5<sup>th</sup> District to provide input for the newsletter and to distribute the newsletter to their members. Anyone wishing to receive the newsletter may contact the 5<sup>th</sup> District Council office via e-mail at [bfarmer@lexingtonky.gov](mailto:bfarmer@lexingtonky.gov). If you wish to unsubscribe to the newsletter, e-mail [jgies@lexingtonky.gov](mailto:jgies@lexingtonky.gov).

### Day of the Dead Brings Life to Lexington

The Living Arts and Science Center's Day of the Dead Festival celebrates the beautiful rich artistic, culinary, and musical traditions of this Latin American holiday. Enjoy hands-on Day of the Dead crafts for all ages, art exhibits, dance and music performances, which will culminate with a candlelight parade to the Old Episcopal Burying Ground for a display of traditional and non-traditional altars created by local artists, students and organizations. The event will take place tomorrow from 5:00 until 9:00 p.m. Click [here](#) for more information.



Get Ready, Get Set...  
— Give! —  
November 3 - December 12



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# Leaf Collection Interactive Map – Fall 2014

Embedded in main leaf collection web page at <http://www.lexingtonky.gov/leaves>.

Click the legend button about the data on the page. The legend will only show information for the datasets that are visible at the extent that you are viewing. For example, when zoomed out to the city extent the street status will not be visible in the legend since it does not fit on until you zoom in closer. Click the 'x' in the upper right corner to close the legend once you are done with it.

**Leaf Collection: Street Status**

- Collected
- Not Collected
- Does Not Receive Collection

**Leaf Collection: Property Schedule**

- Collection in Progress
- Collection Next in Queue
- Collection Pending Assignment
- Collection Completed
- Does Not Receive Leaf Collection

**Manual Zoom Tools**

- +** Zoom in at fixed extent. As you zoom in more layers and detail is available.
- Home** - zooms to opening extent of the map
- Zoom out at a fixed extent. As you zoom out fewer layers and less detail is available.

Legend

Find address or place

**Leaf Collection Zones: A-4**

Status: Collection Next in Queue

Dates: 11/10 - 11/16

Zoomable

Type in an address, street name, or place. A list of potential matches will auto-populate. Select the correct entry and the map will zoom to the site.

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- S Hanover Ave, Lexington, Kent...
- S Hanover Saluda Rd, Hanover, ...
- S Hanover St, Minister, Ohio, USA
- S Hanover St, Moweaqua, Illinco...
- S Hanover St, Okawville, Illinois...

Click on the map at any time to return results about collection status. The identified object will be highlighted and an information box will pop up. When zoomed out you will only be able to return general information about the zone. However, once zoomed in close you will be able to identify information about individual streets or whether a property gets collection or not.

## Data:

- Collection Dates - All dates are subject to change. Streets & Roads is going to do everything possible to stay on track, but if a significant snow fall occurs all crews will be taken off leaf collection and moved to snow removal. Residents need to check the web page on a regular basis to assure collection dates.
- Street update schedule - There could be a 2 day delay in the status of individual streets.
- Properties Collected - There could be processing errors where a property shows as not receiving collection. However, as long as the street is identified as being collected then the leaves for all properties along the street will be collected. The crews collect leaves based on the street value, not the individual property.