

The Barbourmeade News

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Message From the Mayor

I would like to start by thanking all the residents who have voluntarily complied with our City's ordinances. The Commission truly appreciates your time and effort in doing so!

Hopefully everyone has noticed other changes happening throughout our City. We have completed Phase 1 of our repaving project and our new street signs should be completely installed by the time you receive this newsletter. We have also installed a new "STOP" sign at the intersection of Hillvale and Barbourmeade Roads. With the homeowner's permission, the City removed a large pine tree which obstructed the view of oncoming cars at this intersection. With the new "STOP" sign, all the intersections along Hillvale Road are now consistently marked.

As part of our City's "Safe Routes To School" grant, we held a kick-off event on September 26. This event was a

HUGE success with an estimated 150 parents and students from Barbourmeade and the surrounding communities choosing to walk or bike, instead of carpool, to Norton Elementary that day. We would like to thank State Representative, Bob DeWeese; Metro Councilman, Kelly Downard; members of the Papa John's Bike Team; and the Graymoor-Devondale Police Department for their participation and support of this program. Our grant will soon be paying for the installation of flashing yellow school zone lights along Barbour Lane. This improvement will reduce speeding and traffic congestion in this area during school hours.

Metro Louisville Traffic Unit is looking for someone who may be interested in a crossing guard position along Barbour Lane at the entrance to Norton Elementary. This would make a terrific part-time job for a Barbourmeade resident. If you are interested, please refer to the job description listed in this newsletter.

Happy Holidays,
Kim Holsclaw

Important Dates to Remember

Christmas Trees will be collected on January 14th.

Weekly Yardwaste service **GOES THRU DECEMBER**. After that, pickup will be the 2nd Monday of each month (JAN. 14, FEB. 11, MAR. 10, 2008) until April when weekly service resumes.

City Commission

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City Engineer: Ted Trautwein, 425-2742,
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Sanitation

by Commissioner Lisa Crockett

Weekly yard waste service will END in December. January, February and March pick-up schedule will be the SECOND Monday of each month. Weekly schedule will resume the first week of April.

Christmas and New Years fall on Tuesdays, therefore those holidays will NOT affect regular pick-up.

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Thank you - Lisa Crockett, Sanitation Commissioner, 426-9811, sanitation@barbourmeade.org

Animal Control

by Commissioner Bryan Coomer

I would like to remind all residents to always walk their dogs on a leash and clean up any droppings that may occur during the walk. Furthermore, make sure that your animals do not get on the streets unattended as we have recently had some residents complain about being attacked by dogs while walking in our City.

If you have any questions or there is anything that I can help you with relative to Animal Control please feel free to call me at my Office (585-2115), my Home (327-6230) or email me at bnc48@aol.com. Thank you! Bryan Coomer

Roads & Maintenance

by Commissioner Bryan Coomer

As you may have noticed Phase I of the re-paving project has been completed. The following streets were paved and striped during the fall: Pinehurst Lane, Circle Crest Road, Hillvale Road, Barbourmeade Road (west of Barbour Lane), Pine Meadows Lane. If you would like a breakdown on the other "Phases" or have any other questions about the project, please visit our website at www.barbourmeade.org or feel free to contact me.

Thanks to Commissioner Crockett, the street and traffic signs project is almost complete. I believe that the new signs have improved the City's appearance a great deal. Hopefully, these new signs will last for quite some time as they are aluminum rather than steel.

Winter will soon be upon us again. I can assure you that I will do my very best to keep the City streets free of snow and ice should inclement weather strike.

As always, please feel free to contact me if there are any potholes in your area and I will see that they are promptly repaired.

If you have any questions or there is anything that I can help you with relative to Roads and Maintenance please feel free to call me at my Office (585-2115), my Home (327-6230) or email me at bnc48@aol.com. Thank you! Bryan Coomer

New Directory Coming Soon

The City is preparing to publish a new Directory. Please contact the city clerk NO LATER THAN JANUARY 15th if you **DO NOT** want your information published.

Barbourmeade is beautiful when Residents...

- Keep yards mowed & trimmed (including shrubbery & trees)
- Keep leaves and sticks picked up
- Trim back grass growing over pavement & sidewalks
- Remove grass clippings from streets after mowing
- Remove stumps when a tree is taken down
- Keep their mailboxes structurally sound and in good working order
- Pick up litter

Your neighbors are grateful when you take good care of your yard. **THANK YOU** for your hard work and effort in doing so! As homeowners in Barbourmeade, we have all invested in our City...let's make sure our investment is beautiful!

LANDSCAPING & GROUNDS MAINTENANCE Minor landscaping changes have taken place this fall...dead trees and shrubs have been replaced (not a great year for growing conditions with the hard frost this spring and the devastating drought this summer), pansies have been planted, and fresh mulch has been put down. Areas along Brownsboro Road and Pompano Drive have been landscaped. Our City is landscaped with native, drought-resistant plants that help reduce our maintenance costs, fuel consumption, and air pollution. Effort is made to provide a variety of landscaping palettes so that residents and guests in our City can enjoy the beauty of our City.

SIGNS Please remember that our City has an ordinance that bans the placement of signs at our entryways and that bans placing signs on our light and sign posts. Now that we have brand new signs installed in our City, this ordinance will be strictly enforced. Tape damages signs and paint...please do not tape anything to our new signs and poles! It is also our policy that signs are not allowed in the rights-of-ways that the City mows and maintains. An exception exists for garage sale signs and real estate open house signs...such signs may be posted at City entryways from 5:00 p.m. on Fridays until 12:00 a.m. (midnight) on Sundays.

LEAVES Please make sure you have removed all leaves from your yard by the end of December. I receive calls from residents who are frustrated because they have to clean up their neighbors' leaves that have blown into their yards. Leaf removal takes a great deal of work but it helps our City look neat...and it helps keep neighbors happy.

CITY ORDINANCES Ordinances pertaining to Beautification in our City will be consistently enforced...in particular, **please make sure:**

- ***stumps** are removed from your yard (or at least cut down to ground level)
- *your **mailbox** is structurally sound and in a state of good repair (no bungee cords, duct tape, etc., should be used to hold it together...the mail box should be parallel to the ground and the post should be perpendicular to the ground)
- ***boats, trailers, and recreational vehicles** are stored outside of our City
- ***yard waste, recycling bins, and trash containers** are not left sitting out along streets in advance of or long after pick-up time

If you have any concerns or questions regarding Beautification, please contact Commissioner Anne Jay at 412 – 6144 or at annejjay@bellsouth.net.

Graymoor Devondale Police Department

To: City of Barbourmeade Residents
From: Sergeant John Nissen
Date: November 11, 2007
Subject: Future Plans

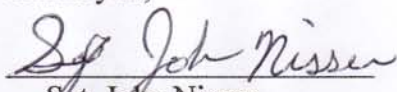
Thankfully this year we have had less crime in the city and have been able to work on other problems that have risen. We have been asked by the Commission to enforce the traffic laws more strenuously in areas surrounding the school as well as others. The Commission has also requested that we enforce the City's Ordinances that they have ratified recently. We will contact you if there is an infraction that needs to be resolved.

We will continue to do the morning and afternoon traffic around the school. We will also encourage anyone going out of town for more than a day to call us and set up a house check with our department. My patrol officers will also continue to give written safety notices to potential problems that they observe. If you see anything out of the ordinary or have questions please do not hesitate to call us at (502) 643-0691.

And finally, please remember to lock your vehicles if you do not park them in a garage. Do not leave anything of value in the vehicle.

As always it is a pleasure to serve your city and we look forward to a bright future with your residents.

Thank you,


Sgt. John Nissen
Unit 1104

My focus is to make our City a safe and better place to live.

Helping the Police I want to start a new list for 2008 of anyone who will let the police sit in their driveway to monitor traffic. PLEASE contact me if you're interested.

Speeding (Speed Limit – 25 mph) and Stopping at Stop Signs (Please Obey) Our contracted police, Graymoor-Devondale, are in our City several times a day and will continue to issue traffic citations for violations. If you violate the traffic laws in Barbourmeade, you will be cited and your wallet will be lighter. Also PLEASE do not park within 30 feet of a stop sign or intersection.

Parking on the Street and Impeding Traffic PLEASE try to avoid parking on the street when possible. Not parking on the street also makes it safer for our residents, especially our young children. If you are having a party, PLEASE ask all guests to park on the same side of the street. Also, PLEASE park on the right side of the street (passenger side on the curb).

Walking and Biking PLEASE walk facing the traffic. Bike riders should be on the side with car traffic and stop at stop signs. Do not walk or bike down the middle of the street.



Car Break-ins and Vandalism If you experience either of these problems, PLEASE call Graymoor-Devondale Police. You can help deter these problems with good or increased lighting and by

closing your garage door, especially at night. Also do not leave valuables inside your car such as electronics and sports equipment and always lock your car.

Going Out of Town? Upon request, the Graymoor-Devondale Police Department will check your house while you are on vacation.

Loud Vehicles I have had several complaints about loud cars and trucks. PLEASE do whatever it takes to keep the noise level down.

House Numbers PLEASE be sure your house number is placed on your house so that it is visible from the street. It may be necessary for the fire or police departments, EMS or others to locate your residence quickly. It would also help to have reflective house numbers on both sides of your mailbox.

Street Lights If a light is out, PLEASE call LG&E at 589-1444 and report the outage.

Phone Numbers to Know

For Emergencies – 911

Graymoor-Devondale Police Department
(502) 574-5471

Graymoor-Devondale Officer-on-Duty
(502) 643-0691 (cell phone)

Louisville Metro (non-emergency)
(502) 574-2111

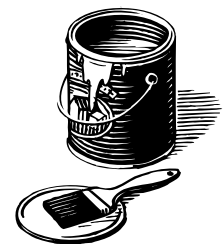
Street Light Outage
(502) 589-1444

Commissioner Dan A. Streit
(502) 426-4323

Removing Paint? WATCH OUT

If you are renovating, remodeling or redecorating a house built before 1978, you could unknowingly poison yourself, your family and your pets. Renovation of some older houses in Metro Louisville has been documented to cause lead poisoning in children.

The Metro Louisville Health Department provides free lead testing for children ages six months to six years old. For more information on lead paint poisoning and detailed lead paint removal guidelines, contact the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program of Metro Louisville Health Department at 574-6644



**Important Notice to All Residents (Owners and Renters)
Re: 5% Tax on Insurance Premiums**

Your insurance company knows your address, but do they know that you live in the City of Barbourmeade? **PLEASE** notify your insurance company that you reside in the City of Barbourmeade. I want to **THANK** everyone who has notified their insurance company.

These tax dollars benefit the City and all of us by helping us to keep our City fiscally sound and our tax rate low.

Also, call or write your insurance company and have them change your mailing address to the Barbourmeade (instead of Louisville). With this change, you must provide the nine digit zip code which can be found on your Louisville Gas & Electric monthly statement. **PLEASE** do this for every policy and every insurance company. Some of the types of policies that include this tax are: homeowners insurance, motor vehicle insurance, renters insurance, inland marine insurance, and first year of life insurance. Health insurance, Accident insurance, worker's compensation, and annuities are not taxed.

THANK YOU – Dan A. Streit 426-4323

-----WRAP THIS FORM AROUND YOUR CHECK-----

City of Barbourmeade

Please remit the Kentucky Insurance Premium Tax for this Policy Number _____ to the City of Barbourmeade, PO Box 6677, Louisville, Kentucky, 40206-6677.

Thank you, _____

-----SEND OR PHONE THIS INFORMATION TO YOUR INSURANCE COMPANY-----

City of Barbourmeade

I, _____, Policy Number _____, am a resident of the City of Barbourmeade and request that the 5.0% Kentucky Insurance Premium Tax that you are collecting on my insurance premiums be paid to the City of Barbourmeade, PO Box 6677, Louisville, Kentucky, 40206-6677. Please insure that this information is properly entered into your files. In addition, please change my city and zip code listing to: Barbourmeade, KY _____ - _____

Thank you, _____

Worthington Volunteer Fire Department

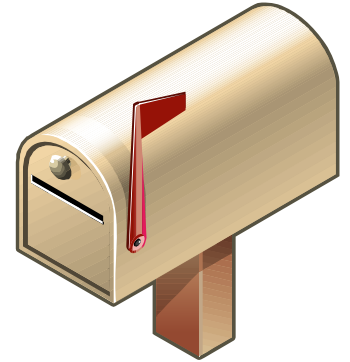
PLEASE Support Worthington Volunteer Fire Department who does an outstanding job for our community. If you are interested in joining, stop by their Fire Station or call Kevin Jump at 425-2711

American Red Cross

They always needs blood donors. Donating is easy. The nearest facility is located at 291 N. Hubbard's Lane at Westport Rd. near Kroger in the Woodlawn Center. Hours are Monday and Thursday – 12 to 7 pm, Tuesday & Wednesday – 10am to 6pm, Friday 7am to 3 pm, Saturday – 9 am to 1 pm . PHONE 540-7059.

In an effort to improve the beauty and safety of our City, the Barbourmeade City Commission is encouraging Barbourmeade homeowners to be in compliance with the mailbox and paperbox portion of our City's Maintenance of Premises Ordinance. This portion states that

"All mailboxes and paperboxes shall be kept structurally sound and in a state of good repair (example, no bungee cords or duct tape should be used to hold together) with the box parallel to the ground, and the post perpendicular to the ground)." There should also be no rust on any mailbox and/or paperbox, or on the post to which they are affixed.



As it is with the maintenance of individual homes and yards, **mailboxes and paperboxes are to be purchased and maintained by individual homeowners at the expense of the homeowners** and not the City of Barbourmeade.

The Barbourmeade City Commission is presenting information below so homeowners know where they can get help with their mailboxes and paperboxes. **HOMEOWNERS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO DO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:**

Various styles of mailboxes can be purchased at department and home improvement stores. Many stores also offer installation options. At the request of many residents, Eagle Sign & Design is offering Barbourmeade Residents high quality, rust-free aluminum mailboxes available for purchase. Please see the flyer on the back side of this sheet for more information on this offer. Eagle Sign & Design is the company that recently replaced all of the City signs in Barbourmeade.

To have your Courier-Journal newspaper box repaired or replaced or to have the post straightened, please call the Circulation/Customer Service Department at the Courier-Journal at 582 – 2211. It will cost individual homeowners \$6 to have a new newspaper box installed OR they will send their repair people out to repair your newspaper box free of charge. Courier-Journal newspaper boxes are only available in the color of white.

Two handymen in the City of Barbourmeade have offered to repair and paint mail and newspaper boxes for a flat rate of \$35 an hour. They can also install new mailboxes that have been purchased at a homeowner's expense. Please contact Gary Cohn at 426-0331 or Gary Beckley at 609 – 1389 to arrange for service at an individual homeowner's expense.

The City Commission also highly recommends that you have reflective house numbers on both sides of your mailbox for visibility, especially for emergency vehicles. Reflective house numbers can be purchased at hardware or home improvement stores.

Thank you for helping to keep Barbourmeade beautiful and safe!

All Aluminum Construction!

Guaranteed to Never Rust



Barbourmeade # 1

Aluminum Mailbox
 Aluminum Paperbox
 Aluminum Post & Cap
 Gold Vinyl Address Numbers
 Aluminum Scroll Bracket

\$169.60 each

Tax is included



Barbourmeade # 2

Large Aluminum Mailbox
 Large Aluminum Paperbox
 Aluminum Post & Cap
 Gold Vinyl Address Numbers
 Aluminum Scroll Bracket

\$239.56 each

Tax is included

**OFFER VALID TILL Feb 1st, 2008 - ALL ORDERS MUST BE SENT TO
 EAGLE SIGN & DESIGN 901 E. LIBERTY LOU, KY 40204**

STYLE	PRICE	QTY	TOTAL
Mailbox #1	\$169.60 ea.		
Mailbox #2	\$239.56 ea.		
Multiple Units	Call Eagle for Prices		

**FULL PAYMENT, INCLUDING INSTALLATION AND
 REMOVAL FEE (If Chosen), REQUIRED
 WHEN ORDER IS PLACED**

Installation - \$ 50.00 per mailbox

Remove existing mailbox - \$ 30.00

Allow 4 weeks for installation from the time the order is placed

To Pay by Check Fill Out Below:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____

E-Mail Address _____

Address on Mailbox _____

To Pay by Credit Card Fill Out Below:

Name on Credit Card _____

Address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____

MC VISA Expiration Date _____

16 Digit # _____

3 Digit Security Code on Back of Card _____