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MAYOR'S MESSAGE...

As the weather holds out, many of our city infrastructure projects are now beginning. The 2 year long parking/drainage project at Warren Walker Park is now started, improvements and new playground equipment at Bill Lile Running Creek Park (thanks to Metro Councilwoman Marilyn Parker for the funding for these improvements,) and as soon as the asphalt plants open, our road paving will begin. Please be careful as there are many folks working in the neighborhood.

New planting has begun at our entrances, and cleanup on our islands has begun. Our public works department is doing a great job in preparing for the spring.

A big kudos to Jennie Norfleet our events coordinator as she begins to plan fun events for the summer and fall. One event coming this month is the Muffins with the Mayor and Council on MARCH 25th in the park. I hope you can join us. Jennie has a tremendous events committee, and they are taking on the task of learning our history, planning a 1970's party for our city's 50th birthday, and planning events such as a farmer's market in Warren Walker Park. If you are interested in joining this fun committee, please contact Jennie or call City Hall.

At our city's 50th party, scheduled now for October, we are going to bury a time capsule. We are looking for old pictures or even items from our first days as a city up until now. If you have any items to be considered, please let us know so we can begin our process of filling a capsule.



REACH ALERT

For those citizens that are new in the area—Welcome! Please take advantage of the City's Reach Alert system that can keep you instantly communicated regarding events and emergencies. Please call (877) 307-9313 to register or go to www.reachalert.com This is a feature you won't want to miss and it is free to our citizens. It will keep you in touch with your City.



MARK YOUR Calendars

- MAR 2** Safety Committee Meeting 5:30pm
City Council Meeting 7:00pm
- MAR 12** Day Light Savings Begins
- MAR 16** Tree Committee Meeting 6:00pm
- MAR 17** St. Patrick's Day
- MAR 25** Muffins with the Mayor
9:00am- 11:00am



Upcoming Events

Muffins with the Mayor

**March
25**

Join Mayor Bonnie Jung and your City Council Representatives for an informal gathering at the park. This will be a chance to meet your elected officials and share ideas in a casual, family friendly setting. Warren Walker Park, 9:00-11:00 am. Free mini muffins & coffee provided by My Favorite Muffin. *Full sized muffins available for purchase.*

Yoga in the Park

**April
8**

Douglass Hills is proud to introduce a six part yoga series led by PM Yoga Studio. This beginner friendly yoga class will take place on Saturday mornings from 9:00 - 10:00 am in Warren Walker Park. Classes will run each Saturday, April 8 thru May 20 (no class May 6 for Derby). There is a \$10.00 fee per class. Watch our facebook page for more information!

Earth Day

**April
22**

Shred It & Farmers Market - DH will be buzzing as we celebrate Earth Day! First, take part in the annual Shred It event at the pool parking lot from 9:00 am to noon then drop by the park for our first ever popup Farmers Market. Taking place from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm, you wont want to miss the opportunity to take home fresh veggies, eggs, local honey, baked goods and more!

Bike Safety Rodeo

**May
13**

May is National Bike Safety Month! The City, along with our partners at Lowe Chiropractic, will be hosting a bike rodeo and free helmet give away. Family friendly activities will include a bike safety course, community vendors, petting zoo, firetrucks and more!

Watch for more information!
Warren Walker Park 9:00am-1:00pm

More information coming on our Facebook Page!

www.cityofdouglasshills.com

Call: 502-245-3600 or email douglasshillsevents@gmail.com

LOUISVILLE MEGA CAVERN

Starting Friday, Feb. 17, 80 life-size robotic dinosaurs will come to life for the cavern's first-ever **DINOS UNDER LOUISVILLE** exhibit. Half a mile of Louisville Mega Cavern's passageway has been transformed into a prehistoric experience.

The exhibit resembles the Dino Safari exhibit that was last at the cave in 2021, but leaders of **Dinos Under Louisville** said this is unlike any other. The reason is, it's being put on by world-renowned history author, Don Lessem. It'll be the first time ever an exhibit of his will be underground, in a cave.

The exhibit will showcase over a hundred million years of dinosaur history, from the very first ones to walk to the earth, all the way to the last species we've ever known.

Dinos Under Louisville will welcome visitors Friday, Feb. 17, 2023, from 6pm to 10pm, and will run until Sunday, April 30, 2023. **Dinos Under Louisville** will welcome aspiring paleontologists Sunday through Thursday, 10am until 8pm, and Friday through Saturday, 10am until 10pm.

Head to louisvillemegacavern.com to purchase passes, beginning at \$49.99 per vehicle.

All passes must be purchased online in advance as cash will not be accepted.

FIND THE LATEST CRIME AND SAFETY INFO FROM LMPD



Crime Trends from Louisville Metro Police. Use the Crime Mapping iPhone app: <https://louisville-police.org/186/Crime-Mapping>. This is an interactive crime mapping tool that is updated daily! Forward to your friends and family.

If you see crime occurring, please contact the LMPD. Call 911 for emergencies. Call 502-574-7111 for non-emergency related help or to find a towed vehicle. Call 502-574-LMPD to report crime tips.



March 18, 2023
Metro Fleet Services
3515 Newburg Road
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Free recycling and large item disposal event!

ITEMS MUST BE SEPARATED INTO CATEGORIES FOR EASY OFF-LOADING.

ACCEPTED



LARGE HOUSEHOLD ITEMS
Furniture, mattresses, toilet, rolled carpet, etc.



ELECTRONICS
Limit 3. Go to Louisvilleky.gov/Electronics for a list of accepted items



METAL & APPLIANCES
No refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers or other items containing Freon.



HOUSEHOLD RECYCLABLES
Paper, plastic, metal, glass containers



PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION DISPOSAL



YARD WASTE
Less than 2 inch diameter and 4 feet long; bundled or in containers or paper bags. Wooden pallets also accepted. NO PLASTIC BAGS



ON-SITE PAPER SHREDDING
Containers must be taken back by resident.



PASSENGER TIRES
On or off rim. Limit 4

NOT ACCEPTED

- Garbage or loose debris
- Concrete, bricks, rocks
- Construction materials
- Items containing Freon
- Paint
- Batteries
- Light bulbs
- Hazardous waste
- Boats or hot tubs
- Tree trunks
- Items from businesses
- Trailers exceeding 10 feet

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More disposal questions?
There's an app for that!



Connect With Your Councilman

Join Councilman Piagentini for coffee and conversations on Metro Government and District 19

UPCOMING DATE:

March 18th

Time: 9 - 10 AM

Middletown Library
12556 Shelbyville Rd.
Louisville, Kentucky 40243





WILD LIGHTS: AROUND THE WORLD TICKETS ON SALE

Featuring New Lanterns Inspired by Unique Global Sites

The Louisville Zoo is excited to announce the return of one of the largest lantern festivals in the nation, **Wild Lights: Around the World**, March 10 through May 21, 2023. Tickets will be on sale at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, February 1 at louisvillezoo.org/wildlights.

With an almost entirely new lineup of lanterns, guests will be able to see sights from around the world on their 1.4-mile excursion through the Zoo. Famous landmarks, flora and fauna from North and South America, Africa, Europe, Australia and Asia will be highlighted in six different zones. As families venture through the Zoo's pathways each evening, they will experience hand-crafted, illuminated art displays comprised of silk-covered, metal frames and LED lightbulbs. The event will feature over 50,000 LED lightbulbs, 18 interactive displays, 8 animated lanterns and 10 light changing pieces that together present a spectacular feast for the eyes. A few lantern highlights include a walk-through cobra corridor, giant blue morpho butterfly, and a 9-foot, shark-themed photo opportunity. Other lanterns to look forward to include the Statue of Liberty, Sydney Opera House, Leaning Tower of Pisa, Hall of Supreme Harmony and so much more!

This 46-night immersive experience features live cultural performances including Chinese folk dances, acrobatics and more. There will also be unique handcrafted goods available for purchase along with snacks and cocktails by Service Systems Associates (SSA) – the Zoo's food and amenity vendor.

Wild Lights is in partnership with Stewart Promotions and Tianyu Arts & Culture Inc., an international event design company.

The event is wheelchair and stroller-friendly on a paved path. The festival is a rain or shine event and will be held 6:30 – 10 p.m. Thursday through Sunday nights from March 10 – May 21, 2023 and nightly from March 30 – April 9, 2023.

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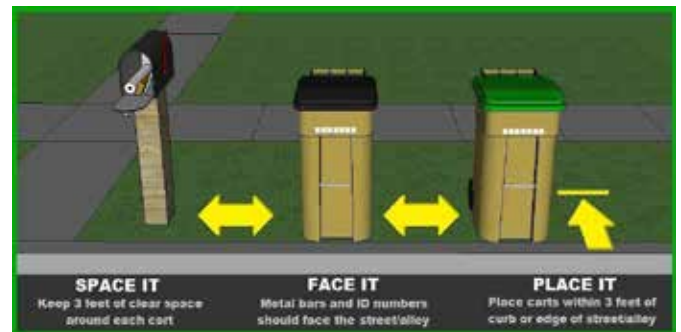
Early Bird pricing available March 10 – 31, 2023. General admission is \$20, Louisville Zoo members receive \$17 discounted admission. Children 2 and under are free and do not require a ticket. Family Four Pack tickets are available for \$65; Zoo members may purchase the Family Four Pack at a discounted rate of \$55. Family Four Pack ticket holders must enter the event together. Tickets are available for purchase in advance online only.

From April 1 – May 21, 2023, General admission is \$22, Louisville Zoo members receive \$19 discounted admission. Children 2 and under are free and do not require a ticket. Family Four Pack tickets are available for \$75; Zoo members may purchase the Family Four Pack at a discounted rate of \$65. Family Four Pack ticket holders must enter the event together. Tickets available for purchase in advance online only.

Regular daytime Zoo admission tickets and Wild Lights tickets must be purchased separately. Parking for this event is \$7 and can be purchased in advance online during your purchase or at the Zoo admission windows. For more information, visit louisvillezoo.org.

Wild Lights: Around the World is sponsored by Bob Ray Company, LG&E and KU Foundation, Norton Children's and Neil and Jane MacDonald

ECOTECH NEEDS ROOM TO PICK UP WASTE WITH THE MECHANICAL ARM. PLEASE FOLLOW A FEW SIMPLE RULES!





SCAM PREVENTION IS AN AROUND-THE-CLOCK JOB



National Consumer Protection Week is coming soon (March 5–11), making this a good time to offer you a few tips to help protect your LG&E account from criminals. Unfortunately, scammers never take a break, so it's crucial to be aware of some of their tricks.

LG&E will **NEVER**:

- Make a live phone call to demand payment.
- Contact you to get personal information such as credit/debit card numbers or checking account information.
- Send a representative to your home to demand payment.
- Ask you to make a payment with a prepaid debit/gift card or a payment app.

- Tell you your service will be cut off if you do not make an immediate payment.

If you ever get a call, email or text claiming to come from LG&E and demanding immediate payment, it's a scam. If you suspect the request is not legitimate, you have a few options to easily check your account status.

1. Sign in to the free mobile app. (If you don't have it, scan the QR code in this newsletter.)
2. Sign in to My Account (my.lge-ku.com).
3. Call our automated phone system at **502-589-1444 (800-331-7370)** outside Louisville) and press 1-2-1.

And if you ever believe you have been scammed, report it to the police. Visit lge-ku.com/report/scam to fill out the online form to let us know, too.

Visit lge-ku.com/safety/scams to learn more.

LET'S CELEBRATE OUR GAS WORKERS: DEDICATED TO SAFETY AND RELIABILITY



If you are one of LG&E's more than 333,000 natural gas customers, we kindly suggest you give a tip of the cap to the approximately 300 men and women who

work for you every day to ensure you have a safe and reliable supply of natural gas. As a reminder, you may want to circle March 18 on your calendar – national Natural Gas Utility Workers' Day. That date marks a 1937 school explosion in Texas, an event that led to the addition of odorant to natural gas (a smell similar to rotten eggs) and an increased emphasis on natural gas safety.

LG&E's unwavering commitment to natural gas safety and reliability includes:

- Upgrading hundreds of miles of cast iron and steel pipelines with plastic pipelines, which are much more durable.
- Upgrading aging transmission lines.
- Reinforcing our overall system to improve gas service reliability.

Every year April through October, we inspect natural gas lines up to your meter to look for leaks or damage. Your home or business will have such an inspection once every three years. Visit lge-ku.com/gassurvey to find out when your line is scheduled to be inspected. And visit lge-ku.com/safety/gas to read more about our commitment to natural gas safety and reliability.

THERE'S A QUICK AND CONVENIENT WAY TO GET IN TOUCH WITH US



Don't wait in line or on hold. Our automated phone system provides you a fast path to the services you want and need anytime day or night. From paying your bill by phone to finding out your account balance to learning when

your bill is due and much more, our interactive voice response (IVR) system is there for you 24/7. Simply call **502-589-1444 (800-331-7370)** outside Louisville) and use these speed dial options:

- Make a payment: 1-2-3
- Make a payment arrangement: 1-2-2
- Account balance and due date: 1-2-1
- Billing questions: 1-2-4-5
- Payment info (online, locations, mailing address): 1-2-4-2
- Auto reconnect: 1-2-2-2-1
- Electric outage: 1-1-2
- Gas emergency: 1-1-1

Visit lge-ku.com/contact for more information.

DON'T GET BURNED: HOT WATER SAFETY IS A MUST FOR AVOIDING SERIOUS INJURY



It would be almost impossible to live without hot water, but safety precautions are a must to avoid potentially serious burns. For example, it's very easy to get scalded in the bath or shower if your water is too hot.

Avoid danger and pain with just a few simple steps.

- Have a plumber install anti-scald devices on faucets and showerheads to keep the water temperature from going above 120 degrees Fahrenheit.

- Check the temperature setting on your gas water heater and make sure it is no higher than 120 degrees Fahrenheit. A temperature of 125 degrees can scald a child within three seconds.
- Always check bath water with your hand before putting a child in the tub.
- Turn cold water on before turning on the hot water and turn hot water off before turning off cold water.
- Make certain faucets are correctly labeled HOT and COLD.

Visit lge-ku.com/safety for more safety tips.

THINKING ABOUT ROOFTOP SOLAR FOR YOUR HOME OR BUSINESS? CONSIDER THESE TIPS



If you've seen an uptick in social media ads pitching rooftop solar and had questions about their legitimacy, you are not alone. Some of the sales pitches contain dubious and misleading claims, such as "go solar for free" – oftentimes

from out-of-state companies. This is why consumer advocates and watchdog groups across the U.S. – and utilities like LG&E – are urging homeowners to do their homework.

If you are considering installing solar on your home, be sure to keep these points in mind:

- Get several quotes from qualified and reputable installers.
- Consider all the costs – both the upfront and long-term expenses – incurred to install and maintain solar panels.
- Review and understand how net metering will impact your bill.
- Research ahead of time any necessary permitting requirements in your local area.

- Check your local zoning and construction requirements, based on the type and size of your system.
- Check if your home is in a deed-restricted area or you belong to a homeowners association that has regulations.

Before you start generating your own power, you must become a net-metering customer with LG&E. Net-metering customers have a special net meter installed that keeps track of the excess electricity their systems generate and the electricity used from the distribution grid. To become a net-metering customer with LG&E, visit us online at lge-ku.com/net-metering for step-by-step instructions on how to apply.

Have you explored rooftop solar and determined it's not right for you? Consider supporting the renewable energy programs offered by LG&E that are easy and affordable. Just visit lge-ku.com/renewables to see how our Solar Share and Green Energy programs can be customized to meet sustainability goals of any size.

FROM THE HEART: EMPLOYEES PLEDGE MORE THAN \$2 MILLION TO COMMUNITY PROGRAMS



LG&E, KU and ODP employees pledge dollars to nonprofit agencies and organizations across the utilities' service territories every year. Coupled with financial support from the LG&E and KU Foundation, this year the utilities' voluntary employee-giving campaign, Power of One, raised


more than \$2.2 million in contributions. Also, this year, the LG&E and KU Foundation increased its match from 75 cents on the dollar to a dollar-for-dollar match of employee contributions.

The contributions are being allocated to nearly 50 nonprofit

organizations to support their funded programs and services in 2023. Those nonprofits serve nearly all 120 counties across Kentucky and more than 50 counties in Indiana, as well as parts of Virginia. United Way of the Bluegrass, WHAS Crusade for Children, United Way of Southwest Virginia, Fund for the Arts and the United Way of Western Kentucky are all examples of organizations receiving funding through Power of One.

Since 2005, the employee-driven campaign has raised more than \$30 million through payroll deductions, event fundraisers, retiree donations and support from IBEW Local 2100 and the LG&E and KU Foundation.

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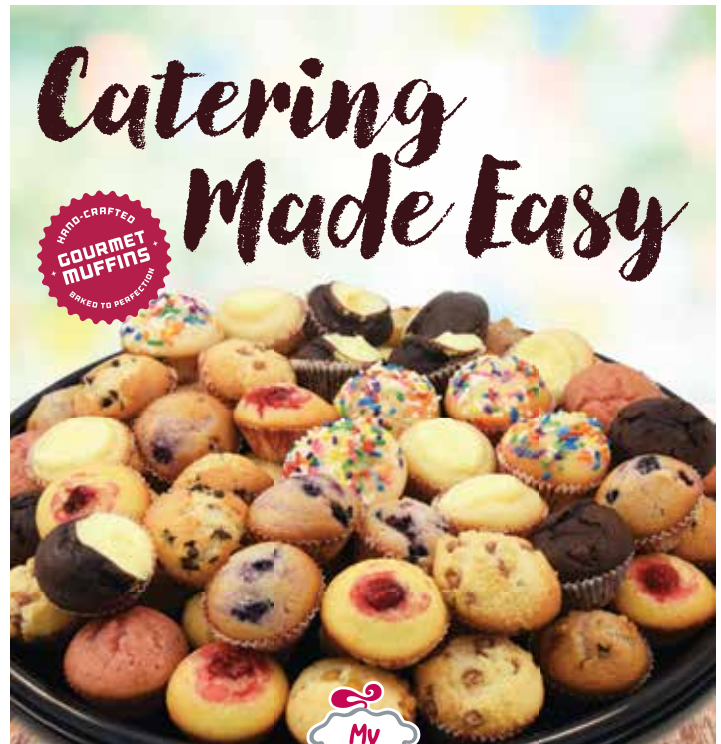
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