



St. Matthews is Home to the Largest Southern Magnolia Tree in Kentucky

Known for its beautiful parks and trees, St. Matthews has another jewel to add to its verdant crown—it is home to a State of Kentucky Champion Tree! A 51-foot tall Southern Magnolia at the home of John Hill has been officially certified the largest of its kind in the state of Kentucky. Its circumference is 127 inches and its crown is 48 feet, which gives it an index score of 190 by the state forestry division. The previous Southern Magnolia Grand Champion Tree, in Scott County, had an index score of 130. Mr. Hill's tree is estimated to be between 80-100 years old.

According to Kentucky's state forestry division webpage, "In 1940, the American Forests organization began a search of the largest specimen of each species of American trees. This list, now called the National Registry of Big Trees, contains the names of more than 870 species. Kentucky has eleven national champions or co-champions."

"The Division of Forestry began compiling a list of state champion trees in 1968. The list is continually changing as new species are added and former champions are replaced either because they die or a larger specimen is nominated."

The U.S. Forest Service states that, "The range of southern magnolia

extends from eastern North Carolina, south along the Atlantic Coast to the Peace River in central Florida, then westward through roughly the southern half of Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi, and across Louisiana into southeast Texas. It is most prevalent in Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas."

Mr. and Mrs. Hill have lived at their home since 1985, and have taken very good care of the tree over the years. They have had Limbwalker Tree Care out multiple times to shape the tree and their arborists report that the tree is very healthy. Mr. Hill also stated that magnolias are very brittle and can be susceptible to damage with storms. He was worried about the tree during the ice storm of 1994, but it came back just fine, he said.

Mr. Hill says that almost weekly, he has people that stop by just to look at the tree. He told one poignant story about a 102-year-old woman who came by to ask for some blooms to

place on her husband's grave, as he loved magnolia trees.

Mr. Hill said that, "I just became curious over time as to how the tree ranked in size, as it is a very large specimen to find this far north. I found out that the state's department of forestry has a Champion Tree registry, so I began researching it." After multiple attempts to find out about the process, he saw a booth at the state fair last year with forestry personnel and was able to make contact with Sean Godbold, state forester. Sean came out and



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A Message From...

City Audit Yields a Positive Result

Mr. Jim Tenza, from the accounting firm, Dean Dorton, attended the city council meeting on Tuesday, December 14, and presented the audit to the city council for the 2019-2020 budget year. The full audit is available to the public on the City website. The firm found the city to be in compliance with all recommendations of responsible accounting practices, that the City had a balanced budget, and although the city's revenues were affected by the repercussions of the Covid-19 virus, the city ended the year with a positive balance. City Clerk and Treasurer Susan Clark said, "The annual audit process went smoothly and the examination revealed there was no mismanagement of government funds and no malfeasance. I embrace the opportunity and responsibility to handle funds in a manner that is both legal and ethical."



Shakespeare in the Park comes to St. Matthews on Sunday, May 1!



The city of St. Matthews will be hosting a Shakespeare in the Park performance by Kentucky Shakespeare, on Sunday, May 1, at 2 p.m. on the front lawn of the City Hall building, 3940 Grandview Avenue. The play will be Julius Caesar. Bring a lawn chair or blanket to enjoy this free event.

As the official Shakespeare Festival of the Commonwealth as designated by the Kentucky legislature, we are a not-for-profit charitable organization, professional theatre company, and the most comprehensive in-school arts provider in the state.
<https://kyshakespeare.com/>

Hometown History Mystery



This feature spotlights a moment in time when our City looked a lot different. Where do you think this photo was taken? See page 8 to solve this issue's Hometown History Mystery.

Photo date unknown

Green Up!

Reminder: The City offers a "green up" program where the City will remove existing vehicle pull-off and restore the area to grass. Contact City Hall for more info.

Louisville Gas & Electric
502-589-1444

Fast path options are: 1-1-1 (gas) and 1-1-2 (electric).

Emergency
Contact
Numbers

Louisville Water Company
502-583-6610

To report emergencies like water main breaks or broken fire hydrants.

The Chamber of St. Matthews is Award-Winning!

The Chamber of St. Matthews and two of its staff won several awards this year from the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce Executives (KCCE):

- Events Excellence for the 2021 Annual Meeting—SNL Live, a virtual Annual Meeting that featured skits, awards and sharing the direction of the Chamber and its 2020 successes.
- Excellence in Membership Growth. The Chamber had a 9.13% growth in 2020.
- Excellence in Social Media.
- Innovation Excellence for Halloween in Brown Park 2020.
- The Pivot Award for Coffee Chat, a new program created in 2020 to give members a chance to share their highs for the week and share life together.

In addition, Josh Suiter, Director of Membership and Business Relations, was elected President-Elect of KCCE. He will serve as 2022-2023 President.

The Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives (ACCE)



L to R:
Josh Suiter, Elizabeth Cleary, Virginia Hart, board president, Kristen Frarey, our team member and director of programs, Billy Fowler, past president and KCCE Volunteer of the Year

awarded Suiter the Dana Ketterling Lifetime Sales Achievement Award.

Suiter earned recognition in the Bronze category for achieving 500 transactions in Chamber memberships throughout his career. ACCE also awarded him one its 2020-21 Sales Contest award for number of new personal sales. Suiter placed first in the Under \$500,000 dues income category for number of new personal sales.

Elizabeth Cleary, Director of Operations and Community Program, was also recognized by two organizations. The Young Professionals

Association of Louisville gave her a YPAL Award. Each award winner is dedicated to connecting others; engaging in their community; and developing themselves and others to advance the impact of young professionals in our community.

Cleary also was named one of the ACCE 40 under 40, which recognizes the top emerging leaders in the chamber of commerce industry who have demonstrated success in their careers and made significant contributions in the communities they represent.

The Alexander Hamilton Historical Society of Kentucky

The Alexander Hamilton Historical Society of Kentucky meets every 3rd Saturday of the month at 10:30 a.m.

We are back to in-person meetings, which will be held in the Artisan Room, in the Meadow Building of The Masonic Home, 3701 Frankfort Avenue.

We will also stream the meetings on ZOOM. To participate via Zoom, please advise by email: (lauvepoche@att.net) and we will send you the invitation needed to sign in.

February 12, 2022*

Constitutional Symposium

Bellarmino University – Cralle Theatre, Wyatt Center for the Arts
Saturday, February 12

*2nd Saturday of the month
10:30 a.m.

Speaker: Christopher R. Green,
Jamie L. Whitten Chair in Law and Government
University of Mississippi School of Law

Topic: "Equal Citizenship, Civil Rights, and the Constitution: The Original Sense of the Privileges or Immunities Clause"

March 19, 2022

Bill Riley
President of AHHS-KY
*The Indispensables:
The Diverse Soldier-Mariners Who Shaped the Country, Formed the Navy, and Rowed Washington Across the Delaware*
by Patrick K. O'Donnell



April 16, 2022

Dr. William Nash
Will review the book,
Alexander Hamilton
by Ron Chernow



As always, AHHS meetings are open to the public.

Helping Our Neighbors

St. Matthews Steps Up to Help Tornado Victims

On the night of December 10, 2021, a violent and long-tracked tornado created catastrophic damage across western Kentucky, traveling over 200 miles. Towns that were hit included Mayfield, Benton, Dawson Springs, Bremen and Bowling Green. The tornado that hit western Kentucky was the longest and deadliest tornado of that group of tornados, resulting in at least 77 fatalities, making it the worst tornado event in both Kentucky and U.S. history. Multiple tornadoes that night also hit Arkansas, Tennessee, Missouri and Illinois.

The area was declared a national disaster zone and President Biden directed FEMA to cover 100% of total eligible costs for debris removal and emergency protective measures in the state for 30 days.

Even with that aid, the people in the areas hit were in desperate need of food, supplies, water and money for shelter and other emergencies. The entire St. Matthews community stepped up to help. Residents, businesses and city agencies responded with caring and compassion for their western Kentucky neighbors.

The St. Matthews Police Department was designated by Governor Beshear to be one of only two toy collection locations in Jefferson County. The other location was Broadbent Arena. Mayor Rick Tonini said, "The response was amazing—the amount of toys received was unbelievable. Within days, we had filled four tractor trailers and we also collected \$50-60,000 in gift cards. No child in the area will have to go without toys at Christmas."

St. Matthews Fire & Rescue, which is a separate entity from the city, sent EMTs, paramedics, a fire truck and an ambulance to Mayfield.

The city also sent police officers in response to the Kentucky League of Cities' recommendations to its member cities.

Independence Bank, located at the corner of Westport and Shelbyville Road has a personal connection to Mayfield as the bank has a branch there. Louis Straub II, bank president, says the bank's branch building in Mayfield is one of the few buildings left

standing downtown. Churches, business, organizations and individuals have donated items and money. He reported that the bank sent three trucks and one mid-sized airplane to western Kentucky with donations, and that they have raised \$100,000 in donations as to date.

Louis says, "We have had such wonderful support from the community, and it shows you how generous people can be."

St. Matthews has once again proven itself to be a caring community to those in need.



City Council chambers, first day of collection



Line of cars with donations outside City Hall



One of the trailers loaded with toys

Helping Our Neighbors



St. Matthews Fire & Rescue in Mayfield, Kentucky



*Donations of toys
received in the first
three hours at City Hall!*



Toy donations on trucks

Independence Bank is no longer accepting donations of items, however, they will accept monetary donations for the accounts below:

Mayfield Consumer Products Employee Fund

These funds are going straight to employees of the candle company.

Mayfield Graves County Tornado Relief Fund (organized by the Graves County Sheriff and officials)
These checks can also be mailed to PO Box 9 Fancy Farm KY 42039.

These funds are going to the citizens of Graves County.

Warren County Public Schools Synergy Relief Fund

Funds will be utilized to help the tornado relief in Warren County.

For the Benefit of Hopkins County Tornado Relief Fund Account

This account is for donations for the Hopkins County tornado relief.

Also, if just desiring to make a donation, funds can be donated into the Independence Bank Foundation Western Kentucky Relief Fund.

For more information, visit www.I776bank.com

About Us News and Events:
Western KY Tornado Relief

Or:

Visit the bank in-person
3901 Shelbyville Road

St. Matthews Team Highlights

Elizabeth Austin, Communications



Elizabeth has worked for the City part-time as a communications specialist since 2018. Her main duties include website

maintenance, occasional Reach Alert notifications and compilation of newsletter information.

Having worked in Atlanta for the Federal Reserve Bank in human resources and data analytics, Elizabeth brings those organizational skills to her role with the city. Elizabeth and her husband, Dac, have three teenage daughters and one big dog, which keeps her very busy. Elizabeth really appreciates the flexibility of her position since she says that, "The family is constantly running in different directions!"

When she is not on work or family duty, Elizabeth plays tennis several times a week, teaches pilates and enjoys reading.

Ray Wheeler, Public Works



A 23-year city employee, Ray Wheeler says that he enjoys the variety in his role as a Public Works employee.

He takes care of the maintenance in City Hall, including cleaning, painting and repairs. Some of his other tasks as part of the public works crew include ice and snow control, storm services, tree planting, mowing, care of city parks and green spaces. Ray says that, "I am pretty blessed and I love working for the City. I love the parks, especially Brown Park."

A native Louisvillian, Ray has seven siblings, several of whom live out-of-state. He enjoys traveling, and tries to visit his family when he is able. His "child" is a rescued Pit/Lab mix dog named Rocky, and in his spare time, likes hiking, home repair/painting and watching classic movies.

Jason Hilliard, Police Dept.



A former University of Louisville and NFL player (Greenbay Packers, St. Louis Rams, Dallas Cowboys and New York Giants), Jason Hilliard traded his football uniform for a police uniform. He has

been a police officer with St. Matthews for one year, after 8+ years with the Louisville Metro department. Jason says that he has good memories of his time with Louisville Metro, and that the St. Matthews position was just a great opportunity. He and his wife prayed together about it, and he says that "he just felt led to accept the position."

Jason says that he is a people person, and one of his favorite parts of his job is interacting with the public. Jason states, "A very important piece of police work is to de-escalate a situation, and then try to resolve it verbally. Nine times out of ten, we can do that."

Jason met his wife, Shamonne, during his football days and they have been married for 16 years. They have two children—their daughter, Alijah, 19, and their son, Jason Jr. who is 14.

Easy Being Green

Tree mulching

Don't mound mulch into volcano shaped piles against the trunks of trees and shrubs. Mounding mulch causes existing surface roots to suffocate and new roots to grow inward, potentially strangling the tree. It also softens the bark of some trees, inviting insects to invade. The constant trapped moisture will eventually kill the tree. Instead, spread the mulch 3 to 4 inches deep in a circle at least 3 feet in diameter around young trees and shrubs. Brush away mulch at the

center of the circle so that it is several inches from the base of the tree. This will allow the tree to stay healthy while suppressing weeds and retaining soil moisture.

Before you dig

Call 811 at least three days before you dig to give local utilities time to mark the underground lines. This is a FREE service.

Tree planting

The City will be planting free trees in right-of-way areas this spring. Homeowners who request that a tree

be planted along a right-of-way will be responsible for the tree's maintenance. Public Works will offer choices of approved trees or you can plant your own tree at your expense with the approval of the city arborist. Street tree removal must also be approved by the city arborist. If you would like to have a tree planted in the right-of-way area in front of your property, call the City at 895-9444. You can also request a tree via the city's website at www.stmatthewsky.gov. Go to: Services, City Public Works, then Tree Program.

Since the last newsletter, the following has been accomplished:

Completed Projects

- Storm debris removed throughout the City
- Removed several dead trees in our city parks for safety
- Maintained all the green spaces in parks and right-of-ways
- Grinded several stumps and restored area in right-of-way
- Patched pot holes on City streets
- Sears Avenue drainage and roadway improvements
- Bridge deck improvements on Dupont Road
- Culvert replacement and water main relocation on Trinity Hills Lane
- The majority of Phase I of the Community Center improvements
- New elevator in City Hall is finalized and operational
- Sidewalk replacement at 4029 Hycliffe Avenue and new sidewalk infill at 4225 Norbourne Blvd.
- Our crews worked very diligently

this year to stay on top of the leaves as they fell. Each year it appears that the leaves fall later and later, so next year look for signs on your block to designate when the first leaf pick up will be on your block.

Snow and Ice Removal

The City of St. Matthews operates a comprehensive snow removal program. We never know what winter we may have, but we are stocked up on salt and ready for what may be thrown at us. On smaller snow events, in an effort to be fiscally responsible, the city will only salt the intersections. All major roads—Shelbyville Road, Westport Road, Hubbards Lane, Browns Lane, Bowling Blvd., and Breckenridge Lane are the responsibility of Metro Louisville and the state.

Current Projects

- Precision Concrete cutting to remove tripping hazards throughout the City
- Tree planting program throughout the city's right-of-ways

- Drainage improvements on Trinity Hills ditch—Finalizing ACOE review and approval, project will hopefully be budgeted for 2022-2023
- Community Center Renovation Project—Phase II construction of the interior has started, completion expected May of 2022
- Phased street sign replacement project ongoing
- Drainage Improvements to Girard Drive design
- Rehab and new construction of the walking trails in Brown Park in construction, expected completion May/June 2022
- Alley improvements between Warner and Hycliffe

Future Projects

- Stream and basin improvements at Draut Park
- Master plan for Warwick Park

Crime Buzz

What are tax scams?

Thousands of people have lost millions of dollars and their personal information to tax scams. Scammers use the regular mail, telephone, or email to set up individuals, businesses, payroll and tax professionals.

The IRS doesn't initiate contact with taxpayers by email, text messages or social media channels to request personal or financial information.

Recognize the telltale signs of a scam. Visit <https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/tax-scams-consumer-alerts> for detailed information on tax scams and alerts.

What is identity theft?

Identity theft occurs when your personal information is used without

your consent. Occasionally, this information can be used to commit a crime or fraud.

Identity theft red flags

- Without your knowledge, charges are made on existing accounts.
- Without your knowledge, new accounts are opened in your name.

Protect yourself from identity theft

- Shred any mail that contains personal information.
- Review your credit report as often as you can.
- Sign up for credit-report monitoring and alerts through your bank or credit card provider, if that service is offered.
- Help protect your identity while browsing online with these cyber safety tips:

<https://www.statefarm.com/simple-insights/financial/what-is-identity-fraud>

<https://www.statefarm.com/simple-insights/family/prevention>

<https://www.statefarm.com/simple-insights/family/prevent-identity-theft>

How to place a fraud alert

Anyone who suspects fraud can place a fraud alert on their credit report.

Contact any one of the three credit bureaus — Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion. You don't have to contact all three. The credit bureau you contact must tell the other two to place a fraud alert on your credit report.

<https://www.identitytheft.gov/#/CreditBureauContacts>

Easements and Parking

Many property owners do not understand their relationship to land popularly known as an “easement.” The portion of land between the road pavement and the owner’s actual property line is owned by the City but must be maintained by the owner whose property abuts this area. At the same time, because this land belongs to the City, the abutting property owner may not change the integrity of the land without permission from the City.

This area includes the space between the back of the sidewalk and the edge of the road pavement. If there is no sidewalk, it is approximately the area between your water meter and

the edge of the pavement. Owners are responsible for maintaining this area, whether that means mowing or clearing the sidewalk when it snows.

While the owner is responsible for maintenance of this area, other activities require approval from the City engineer by calling (502) 899-2518. Prior review and approval is required for any construction in this area, such as, altering your driveway apron, changing the grade, installing any paving material, or planting a tree or other plants. Similarly, removal of existing improvements requires prior review and approval from the City engineer, and removal of any tree from this area requires the prior

approval of the City arborist by calling (502) 899-2544. The City seeks to maintain the valuable tree canopy in the City for aesthetic, property value, and environmental reasons.

Finally, parking a vehicle on the street by this area is allowed on some streets provided the vehicle is parked parallel to the driving surface, facing the direction of moving traffic, more than 30 feet from any stop sign, and parked for no longer than 24 hours at a time in the same location. Some streets do have posted parking restrictions that must be observed, and parking perpendicularly or at an angle to the roadway is not allowed.

Hometown History Mystery



THEN This location is at 105 Bauer Ave, and the photo is from an old postcard, date unknown. On the back of the postcard it reads, “St. Matthews Self Service Laundry.” The telephone number is listed as “Taylor 0003.” Four-digit telephone numbers began in 1929 and increased to 5-digit telephone numbers in 1950.

NOW The property at 105 Bauer Ave has been incorporated into the property now occupied by Walgreen’s, 3700 Frankfort Avenue at the southeast corner of Frankfort and Bauer Avenues. It encompasses a large portion of the store’s parking lot.



Recycling is collected every other week on the same day as trash on weeks highlighted in red. Holidays marked in blue will delay recycling and trash one day.

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Tornado Safety Tips

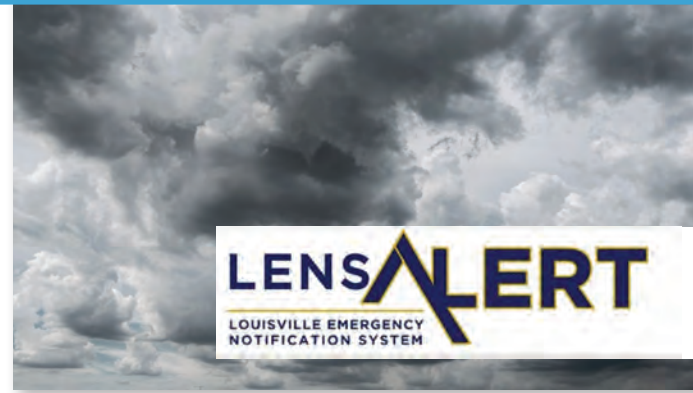
- Designate a tornado sheltering area in an interior room on the lowest level of a building and away from windows. Basements are best, but if there is no basement, choose an interior bathroom, closet, or other enclosed space on the lowest level of a building.
- Ensure employee or family members know where the designated shelter is located.

If caught outdoors during a tornado warning, lie flat in a nearby ditch or depression and cover your head with your hands. Be aware of the potential for flooding.

Tornadoes can, and do, strike each month of the year during both day

and night. A battery back-up weather alert radio is recommended and is the most effective way to monitor, and receive, severe weather watches and warnings because they are always on and ready to sound an alarm.

Louisville Metro Emergency Services also encourages all residents to sign up for **LENSAlert** to receive notifications of severe weather events and other emergencies. Individuals can receive alerts via phone call, email, push notifications, and/or text. Multiple addresses can be monitored to allow someone to monitor their home address, school address or work



address. LENSAlert is connected to Smart911 – a lifesaving service. Please sign up via the City website under the Communications tab.

Smart911 is now available in an App!
Get the app here: <https://safety.smart911.com/smart911app>

Source: <https://louisvilleky.gov>

St. Matthews Eline Library Special Programs

For Adults: Ebay Basics
Tuesday, February 08, 2022
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Learn about how to get started selling on Ebay. Basic computer skills are recommended.

Adult Craft: Memory Wire Bracelets
Wednesday, February 16, 2022
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Learn how to make simple memory wire bracelets for spring.

Cafe LOUIE: St. Matthews
Saturday, February 26, 2022
9:00 am - 10:00 am

Join us to meet your local legislators in your community! These informal meetings with legislators include state representatives and senators along with Metro Council and suburban city elected officials. Café LOUIE is a partnership with the Bingham Fellows,



the Leadership Louisville Center, and the Friends of the Louisville Free Public Library.

Louisville Mandolin Orchestra
Saturday, February 26, 2022
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

A FREE computer tune-up and repair service is offered the first Saturday of each month:
2/5/22, 3/5/22, 4/2/22
1-5 pm

Participants must bring any devices that that are needed such as keyboard, monitor, and mouse for desktops. If participants are bringing a laptop, please bring your battery charger. If you plan to attend, please contact Rae Taylor at taylor-rae@hotmail.com. Attendance is limited to 5 people. For more information visit www.computertuneupandrepair.weebly.com

For Children and Families:
Saturday, February 12
St. Matthews Makers
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm
Mini Makers
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm



Join us each month to explore a new craft or DIY project. 5th-12th grades. Space limited to 12. Sign up required by calling 502-574-1771.

Chihuly for Kids
Saturday,
February 19, 2022
11:00 am - 12:00 pm



Join us for an exploration of Dale Chihuly's art as we recreate his Macchia series. Ages 6-12

Visit <https://events.lfpl.org/events/?IID=11> for up to date calendar





Southern Magnolia

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measured the tree, and shortly after, the Hills received their certificate verifying that they were the proud owners of a Kentucky Champion Tree.

To view the St. Matthews Champion Tree online and all the other Champion Trees, or to nominate a tree for Grand Champion, you can visit the state forestry website listed at the end of the article.

There are currently eight Grand Champion trees in Jefferson County, which makes the Southern Magnolia owned by the Hills very special. There is a Devils Walking Stick in Jefferson Memorial Forest, a Slippery Elm at the Masonic Home and an American Yellowwood at



Cave Hill Cemetery. The other five, including the Hill's, are on private property, so the addresses are not listed. However, if one drives through St. Matthews, you may be able to spot this beautiful Southern Magnolia specimen.

1. <https://eec.ky.gov/Natural-Resources/Forestry/ky-champion-trees/Pages/default.aspx>
2. https://www.srs.fs.usda.gov/pubs/misc/ag_654/volume_2/magnolia/magnolia.htm

St. Matthews Police Chief Barry Wilkerson inducted into St. X Alumni Hall of Honors

"A walking billboard for the St. X motto to pursue excellence in all endeavors," is how Chief Barry Wilkerson was described in the video presented on October 20 as he was inducted into the St. Xavier High School's Alumni Hall of Honors. Chief Wilkerson says that his primary influences growing up were his parents, who sacrificed to send both he and his brother to Catholic schools, and St. Xavier High School. Chief Wilkerson, who graduated from St. X in 1980, stated his four takeaways from St. X were "Confidence, faith, structure and the desire to succeed."

Chief Wilkerson was a two sport athlete at St. X, playing soccer and baseball. His senior year he received All District and All Region honors as an outfielder and was an All Regional and All State goalkeeper on the soccer team. He gives back to the athletics program by having served for twenty years on the St. X baseball coaching staff.

After graduating with a degree in police administration from the University of Louisville in 1984, and graduating first in his class from the police academy, Chief Wilkerson went on to a 27-year career



Mayor Rick Tonini and Police Chief Barry Wilkerson

with the city of Louisville, retiring in 2016 as a major. Since 2017, he has served as police chief for the city of St. Matthews, where he is known for his leadership abilities. Chief Wilkerson has been married to his wife Holly, for 35 years and they have three daughters.



St. Matthews Area Ministries

We offer the following services:

Food Pantry/Dare to Care Site, Senior Commodities (CSFP), Home-Bound Delivery, Early Essentials for Infants & Toddlers, School Supplies, and Seasonal Assistance. Consider giving of your time or treasure to support their mission: <https://stmam.com/>

Follow St. Matthews Baseball on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/StMatthewsBaseball> for up-to-date announcements and important dates.



Noland and Schade Meeting Rooms available to the Public

Two meeting rooms on the first floor of the City Hall building were added during the recent renovation at City Hall, just inside the administration entrance. These meeting rooms are available for use by the public at no charge, but reservations are required. They are currently used by some area organizations and smaller surrounding cities for their council meetings.

At the City Council meeting in November, the City Council voted to name the larger of the two room, the Noland Room, after St. Matthews' first mayor James Noland. The second of the meeting rooms has been named the Schade room, after long time Councilman Martha Schade who served on the council for 33 years. She passed away while in office.



James Noland

Good Neighboring

Large Item Disposal

It is as easy as calling Rumpke to schedule a free pickup: 502-568-3800

To Report a Pothole

You may use the form on the St. Matthews Contact Us page or telephone the city administration office. Please give the street name and closest business or residential address to the area being reported. If you would like to be contacted, please leave your name, daytime telephone number, along with the best time to reach you during the day.



Park Place

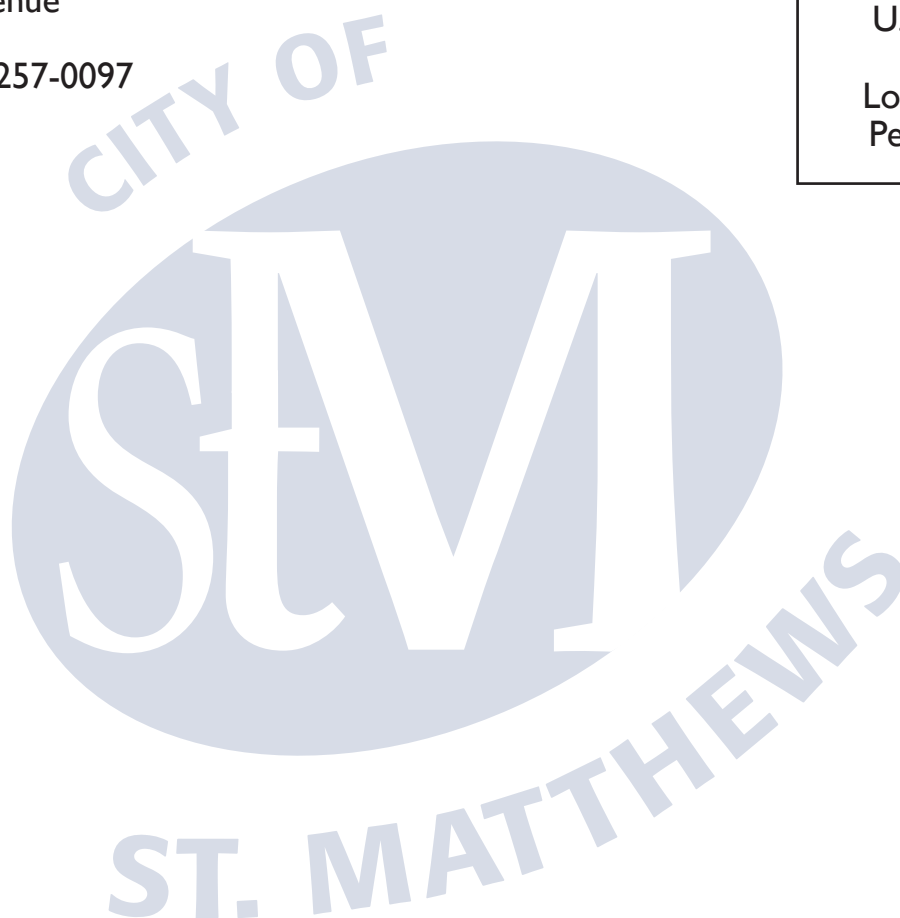
Brown Park is getting a facelift!

Beginning January 2022, portions of Brown Park will be closed to the public for a \$600,000 improvement project. All of the asphalt paths will be removed and new 8 foot wide concrete trails will be installed. A new trail will be installed on the southern edge of the park to provide access to portions of the park not yet utilized. The project also includes pedestrian bridge replacement and rehab. Once completed, all of the trails will comply with the American Disabilities Act standards, so that all users can experience the entire park. The project is expected to be completed by early summer.

Reminder: All of our city parks are equipped with pet waste disposal stations. Please clean up after your pets.

City of St. Matthews
3940 Grandview Avenue
P.O. Box 7097
St. Matthews, KY 40257-0097

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Your Elected Officials for the City of St. Matthews:

Mayor Richard J. Tonini

City Council

Bernard Bowling

Cathi Clark

Frank Flynn

Tim Holland

Stuart Monohan

Mary Jo Nay

Amy Olson

Tony Weiter

City Council meetings begin at
7 p.m. on the second and fourth
Tuesday of each month.

City Council meeting minutes are
online at www.stmatthewsky.gov.

Reach Alert

To receive emergency
and/or community
service notifications
through St. Matthews'
Reach Alert system,
sign up at

www.reachalert.com
or call 1-877-307-9313

Be A Good Neighbor!

- Keep your pet on a leash at all times when off of your property
- Report perceived speeding
- Report out of service street lights

Government Access

City Hall Office: (502) 895-9444

Code Enforcement: (502) 899-2512

Police Department: (502) 893-9000

City Engineer: (502) 899-2518

Public Works: (502) 899-2517

Property Taxes: (502) 899-2511

Police Records: (502) 899-2537

Emergency: 911

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www.stmatthewsky.gov