

WHAT'S *Happening!* in Oldham County, Kentucky™

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Spring/Summer 2020

From the desk of Judge/Executive David Voegele

UNCLE SAM WANTS YOU, AND WE DO TOO!

The 2020 Decennial United States Census is underway. You have heard it before, and I repeat it again now - **IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT EVERY PERSON IN OLDHAM COUNTY BE COUNTED.**

County government, under the direction of Deputy Judge Kevin Nuss, has been working on the 2020 census for almost two years. We were the first county in Kentucky to form a Complete Count Committee and were recognized for this achievement last year during a ceremony in the capitol rotunda in Frankfort.

Deputy Nuss organized a group of people, representing a cross section of the community, to meet with him to learn about the mechanics of the Census, help recruit workers and plan for maximum participation.

For the first time ever, the decennial Census questionnaire will be available online. **This is very easy, it takes only a few minutes.** In March the US Census Bureau sent out invitations to respond online. If you have already responded online, I want to thank you. Residents who have not yet responded are receiving a series of follow-up reminders in the mail through the month of April. If you still have not responded by May 1 the Census will begin sending out Enumerators to knock on doors to collect the information.

See page 2 for more information about the 2020 Census and letter from Judge/Executive David Voegele.

This year you will be able to respond:

- Online
- By phone
- By mail



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*David Voegelé
Oldham County
Judge/Executive*

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Uncle Sam wants you, and we do, too,

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While many residents do not realize it, much of the allocation of federal funds and governmental services, both state and federal, is tied directly to the number of people living in our county and other details that emerge from the Census. For those reasons, the results of the 2020 Census will impact Oldham County every year for the next decade.

Determining the number of residents living in various localities will also lead to creating new boundaries for federal and state legislative districts. Magisterial and school board districts are also included. After the count is complete, I will appoint a three-member Reapportionment Committee to re-draw lines for the County’s eight magisterial districts, with the goal having an approximately equal number of individuals in each district. Voting precincts are also impacted and determined by an approximate number of individuals

over age 18 living in the precinct.

School board members are also elected based on approximate population, but these districts do not have to conform to the same boundaries as magisterial districts.

More than \$675 billion is distributed each year through the federal government to Oldham and other counties and communities across the country – all based on census tract data.

Census data is a critical element in determining the allocation of funds for local infrastructure, including roads, hospitals, schools and our senior center.

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Help Oldham County prosper by helping make sure everyone participates in the 2020 Census. By everyone, I mean every person who is breathing – men, women, children.

According to the US Census Bureau, young children age birth

to four years old had the highest net undercount rate and highest omissions rate of any age group in the 2010 Census. This age group will now be 10-14 years old for the 2020 Census. These children are now in schools that were not anticipating them due to not being counted in 2010. The Census Bureau hopes this age group is counted far more accurately in the 2020 Census.

Citizenship is not important in regard to the Census. Assure all immigrants, legal and non-legal, that information collected is kept in strict confidence. Census workers are only interested in achieving an accurate count of who is in the United States, nothing else.

The Census Bureau is bound by Title 13 of the U.S. Code to keep your information confidential. Under Title 13, the Census Bureau cannot release any identifiable information about you, your home, or your business, even to law enforcement agencies. The law ensures that your private data is protected and that your answers cannot be used against you by any government agency or court. The answers you provide are used only to produce statistics. You are kept anonymous: The Census Bureau is not permitted to publicly release your responses in any way that could identify you or anyone else in your home.

From the beginning of the data collection process, the Census Bureau follows industry best practices and federal requirements to protect your data. The security of Census Bureau systems is a top priority, and the IT infrastructure is designed to defend against and contain cyber threats. The Census Bureau will never ask for your Social Security number, bank account, credit card numbers, money or donations.

For specific information on ways to complete the census, contact Deputy Judge Kevin Nuss in my office at 502/222-9357. For general information about the census visit <https://www.census.gov/>. Anyone interested in applying for a temporary job with the Census can do so online at 2020census.gov/jobs or by calling 1-855-JOB-2020.

US 42 update

One of the first events I attended as county judge was a highway department briefing on plans to expand Highway 42 from the Jefferson County line to Ridgemoor Drive from two to three lanes. The project is also to consider improvements to the Hayfield Way intersection. Unfortunately, this plan continues to wait for construction.

Since 2015, the plan has been struggling with Right of Way issues along the proposed route. The project has now moved from the Right of Way phase into the legal phase. A single remaining homeowner has challenged KYTC’s right to condemn property. A court ruling giving the highway department the right-to-take is expected to be issued very soon, possibly prior to the time you read this. Once the order allowing the project to go forward is issued, the next step is to have LG&E and the communications companies along the route schedule their relocation work. Unfortunately, this too is a cumbersome process, expected to take two years.

The bottom line is that I do not anticipate any construction prior to 2022. Sorry.

Sincerely,

David Voegelé

Functions of the County Clerk's Office

This is such a great opportunity to be able to share information about the functions of the Oldham County Clerk's Office. Many people think the only thing that really goes on in the Clerk's Office is renewing tags. The motor vehicle department is certainly a big part of what we do, but there are many, many other areas that we cover. In fact, there are over 200 statutory duties of any given County Clerk in this Commonwealth. Here are just a few of them:

- Motor Vehicle (Titling and Registration)
- Elections/Voter Registration
- Collection of Delinquent Property Taxes
- Recordings of all Deeds, Mort-

- gages, Encumbrances, Cattle Brands, Wills, DD214's
- Issuing and Recording of Marriage Licenses
- Recording and releasing Liens on Vehicles
- Real Property Assessment Appeals
- Collection of data relating to Tax Rates for Property Tax bills
- Passports (Not a statutory duty, but I felt like this was a service to the community)

Vehicle registration

Most all citizens will make a minimum of one trip to the Clerk's Office in a year to renew their vehicle registration. When coming in for a registration renewal, you

will need to bring the previous year registration, proof of insurance (most all insurance is verified through the state computer, but we ask that you bring it just in case. If it is on your mobile device, that is fine, there are air printers in all offices to accommodate mobile devices). The busiest times in the Clerk's Office is the beginning of the month and the end of the month. You will find that in the middle of the month, there are typically no wait times. Also, during lunch time, you may have a short wait.

Elections

This year will be a very busy year in elections. Primary Election

Day is May 19 and General Election Day is November 3. The time has already come and gone to change your party affiliation for the Primary. However, you can register to vote for the first time by April 20.

As you can imagine, this is going to be a huge election, every Presidential election is, but there is even more of a focus on each of the candidates. Expect that you may have to wait longer than usual.

If you are unsure of where you vote, please call the office, 222-0047, and we will give you that information.

For contact information, hours and locations and much more, please see below or visit www.oldhamcountyclerkky.com.

Oldham County Clerk



Julie K. Barr
Oldham County Clerk

Check out the website for any changes to services or hours.

CONTACT US:

Main Office (La Grange)

Phone: 502/222-7645
Fax: 502/222-3208
Email: julie.barr@ky.gov

La Grange Address:

100 W. Jefferson St.
La Grange, KY 40031

La Grange Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday:
8 am-4 pm
Tuesday: 7 am-3 pm
Thursday: 8 am-6 pm

NOTE: Passports are ONLY AVAILABLE AT THE LA GRANGE OFFICE.

Crestwood Office

Phone: 502/241-7621
Fax: 502/241-4676

Crestwood Address:

6710 W. Hwy. 146
Crestwood, KY 40014

Crestwood Office Hours:

Monday, Thursday, Friday:
8 am-4 pm
Tuesday: 8 am-6 pm
Wednesday: 7 am-3 pm

Crestwood Vehicle

Inspection Hours:

Monday, Thursday, Friday:
8-11 am, 2-3 pm
Tuesday: 8-11 am, 2-5 pm
Wednesday: 7-11 am

Prospect Office

Phone: 502/228-6111
Fax: 502/228-0529

Prospect Address:

13206 W Hwy 42
Suite 110
Prospect, KY. 40059

Prospect Office Hours:

(Closed from 12:30 -1:30 pm For Lunch)

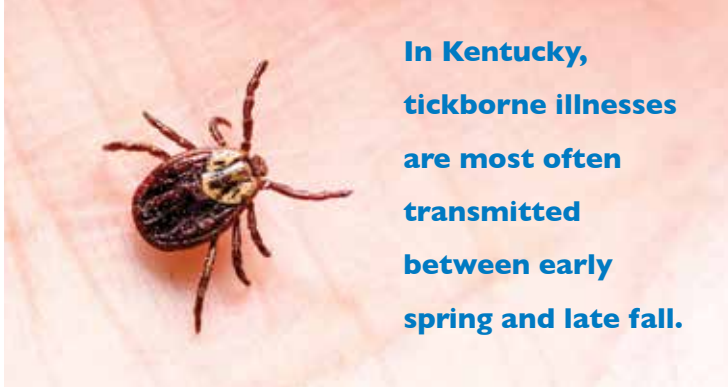
Monday, Tuesday, Friday:
8 am-4 pm
Wednesday: 8 am-6 pm
Thursday: 7 am-3 pm

Prospect Vehicle

Inspection Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Friday:
8 am-12 pm, 1:30-3 pm
Wednesday: 8 am-12 pm,
1:30-5 pm
Thursday: 8 am-12 pm,

Get outside this spring but protect against tickborne diseases



In Kentucky, tickborne illnesses are most often transmitted between early spring and late fall.

With our recent mild winter, it is important to know about TICKS this spring!

In Kentucky, tickborne illnesses are most often transmitted between early spring and late fall since ticks are most active during warm months. The best way to prevent tickborne diseases is to prevent tick bites.

Take preventative **ACTION** to decrease your risk of infection!

PROTECT against tick bites, **CHECK** for ticks, **REMOVE** ticks as soon as you can, and **WATCH** for symptoms.

- Avoid areas where ticks live; woody and brushy area with high grass,
- Walk in center of trails, cover up to keep ticks off your body
- Use tick repellents registered by the EPA labeled for use against ticks, avoiding hands, eyes and mouth. Treat clothing and gear such as boots, pants, socks, and

- tents. Follow product labels.
- Don't let ticks hitchhike inside your clothing or on your pets, Examine pets, clothing, and gear.
- Check your entire body for ticks, bathe or shower within two hours after coming indoors.

Use a removal method that is proven to work

The best way to remove a tick is to use fine-tipped tweezers to grasp the tick as close to the skin's surface, pull away from skin with steady, even pressure. Don't twist or jerk the tick; this can cause the tick's mouth to break off and remain in the skin.

- Dispose of live tick by putting in a container or flushing in toilet.
- NEVER crush a tick with your fingers
- Wash your hands and the bite area with soap and water
- Do NOT use petroleum jelly, a hot

match, nail polish or any other 'folk' remedies to remove a tick. These methods do not work.

Tickborne disease can have similar signs and symptoms. The most common symptoms are:

- Fever and chills; people can experience fever at varying degrees and time of onset
- Aches and pains; symptoms include headache, fatigue and muscle aches. With Lyme disease, you may also experience joint pain. The severity and time of onset can depend on the disease and the person's tolerance level.
- Rash; Lyme disease, Southern Tick-Associated Rash Illness (STARI), Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever can result in distinctive rashes.

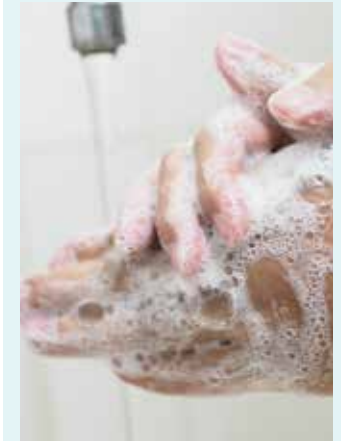
Tickborne diseases can result in mild symptoms treatable at home to severe infections requiring hospitalization. Early recognition and treatment of the infection decreases the risk of serious complications. See your healthcare provider immediately if you have been bitten by a tick and experience any of the symptoms described here. Enjoy the outdoors and protect against ticks!

Stop the spread of germs

To help prevent the spread of diseases like COVID-19 and seasonal flu follow these simple steps:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- Stay home when you are sick, except to get medical care
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick

If you need a seasonal flu shot, call for an appointment!



Oldham County Health Department



1786 Commerce Pkwy., La Grange, KY 40031
502/222-3516 phone; 502/222-0816 fax



Hours:

Monday and Wednesday: 7:30 am-4:30 pm
Tuesday and Thursday: 7:30 am-6 pm
Friday: 7:30 am-4 pm

Tobacco

Call or email our Certified Tobacco Prevention Specialist, Liz Burrows at elizabethf.burrows@ky.gov to register for an adult or teen smoking cessation class.

Smoking Cessation Classes for Adults

Tuesdays at 6 pm

Healthy Futures for Teens

- **Vaping Cessation**
Meet to develop a teen vaping cessation Action Plan.
- **Healthy Futures** classes are held once a month on Sunday afternoons. You must register to attend.

This is Quitting

Young adults and teens who want to quit using e-cigarettes can get free help from a free texting service called This is Quitting. This service is for people ages 13 to 24 and only provides coaching by text message. People who enroll in This is Quitting receive one text per day leading up to the day they quit vaping, and for at least two months after they quit.

This is Quitting is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. To sign-up, text KENTUCKY to 88709.



Environmental Health: Spring maintenance and caring for your septic

Septic system maintenance is not difficult; performed regularly, it greatly increases the life of your system. One of the easiest and most important maintenance steps is to watch what goes into the septic system. Anything that isn't biodegrade, such as plastic or metal, will quickly fill the tank and may end up in the leach field. Even with this precaution, you should have the septic tank pumped every three to five years to remove sludge. Be on the watch for trees or shrubs near the leach field. Their roots can block the drainage pipes. If you suspect this is happening, you may have to remove the trees or bushes. If your septic system has electronic components make sure they are all properly connected and any alarms are tested to insure they are functioning.

Coalition for a Healthy Oldham County

Working together for a healthy community

Our Vision

The Coalition for a Healthy Oldham County's vision is to create and sustain a productive community where individuals have the ability to pursue a safe, healthy and independent lifestyle including freedom from substance abuse and opportunities for recreation.

Our Partners

Oldham County Health Department
Oldham Era
Oldham County Police Department
Oldham County Schools
Operation Parent
Hope Collaborative
Centerstone Regional Prevention Center
Kentucky One Health
La Grange Police Department

Youth Linking Oldham County
Oldham County Cooperative Extension
Oldham County Public Library
Baptist Health La Grange
Region 6 KY ASAP Local Board
Parents & Community Members
Oldham County Chamber of Commerce
Administrative Office of the Courts
Volunteers of America
And others...

YOU'RE INVITED TO COME JOIN US!

We meet the last Wednesday of the month, 12:30 pm at the Oldham County Health Department, 1786 Commerce Pkwy., La Grange, KY 40031

Upcoming meetings:
April 29, May 27 & June 24

Coalition for a Healthy Oldham County



 Follow us on Facebook at Coalition for a Healthy Oldham County or on the web at coalitionforahealthyoc.com

Contact: Liz Burrows
502/222-3516 or elizabethf.burrows@ky.gov

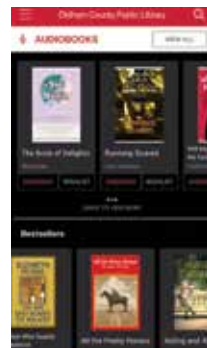
Digital resources from Oldham County Public Library: Access the Library from the comfort of your own home!

All the OCPL digital resources can be accessed at http://www.oldhampl.org/digital_resources.html. When accessing these services, log in with your library card and PIN (last 4 digits of your card). If you have questions about any of these resources, reach out to us on social media. We're @Oldhamlibrary on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.



Overdrive/Libby: Download the Libby app on your smart device, or use your computer to log into Overdrive with your library card. Don't have a library card? No problem! You can log in with your cell phone number to verify you are an Oldham County resident. Once logged in, check out up to 15 titles at a time from a selection of thousands of audiobooks and ebooks. There's

something for every interest and age! If you are using your computer, there's even video you can check out. All items are returned automatically with no overdues.



RBDigital: This is available through the RBDigital app or the Library's website. Log in with your library card to select and download audiobooks! Best part? There's no waiting for these titles. See something you like and enjoy it instantly.

KYVL: The Kentucky Virtual Library can be accessed by all citizens of Kentucky. It features multiple educational databases for research and education. Use Universal Class for free career prep, computer classes, or instructional help for students K-college. Search the full range of Britannica Online. Discover new authors and books with Novelist. Look

up academic articles and periodicals with EBSCOhost. There's even more waiting at KYVL!

Ancestry.com: For a limited time, the Library edition of ancestry.com is available in your own home for free through KYVL. Use the link from our website to access, and then start researching your family genealogy.



Pronunciator: This service is available through your computer, or through a free app you can download on your smart device. Create an account with your library card and then start learning over 100 languages. Multiple classes are available for each language, so you can choose the level that best suits you. The system uses flashcards, memory games, and exercises to help you learn at your own speed.



Universal Class: Over 500 free online continuing education courses are available for free through Universal Class. Sign up for the course you are interested in and choose to take for credit, or just audit for your own enjoyment. Courses are taught through readings, exercises, and videos. Topics range from general interest, hobbies, medical instruction, scientific, financial, social, and more.



Artistworks: Free music lessons from world renowned musicians are easily accessible through these video classes. Dozens of instruments are featured at a variety of different levels. Access this service through your home computer, and log in with your library card to save your progress in the class.

Oldham County Public Library



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•Main Library

308 Yager Avenue, La Grange, KY 40031

•South Oldham Public Library

6720 W. Hwy 146, Crestwood, KY 40014

•Mahan Public Library

12505 Harmony Landing Rd.,
Goshen, KY 40026

Oldham County Public Library

By the Numbers: 2018–2019



Oldham County Libraries were visited **252,225** times in the 2018–2019 fiscal year.

443,849 books, audio books, movies, games, and ebooks were checked out.



Public computers were accessed **19,949** times, and **51,785** reference questions were answered by Library staff.

The Library Offered **1,011** programs, attended by **45,351** people of all ages.



Oldham County Schools

Oldham County Schools opens the Creative and Performing Arts Academy (CAPAA) for School Year 2020/21

The new Creative and Performing Arts Academy, known as CAPAA will open this fall at the Oldham County Schools Arts Center. CAPAA provides a unique opportunity for Oldham County students who want a rigorous education focused on the arts, creativity, performance and personal expression of knowledge and skill.

Prior to enrollment, students will audition and be accepted into one of the three focus areas CAPAA has to offer: Musical Theatre, Instrumental Music (String Orchestra), and Technical Theatre. While CAPAA is unique in offering specialized programming in the arts, the school model is similar to the Arvin Center which offers students the opportunity to explore future career and college paths with specialized programming

while earning credits required for high school graduation. High school students from the three district high schools will come to the Arts Center for the last two blocks of instruction every day for classes that relate to their focus area. Students will also fulfill their social studies requirement while attending CAPAA.

CAPAA is the result of listening to parents and students in our community who have asked for more options in arts programming in the district. It has been the design and goal of Executive Director of the Oldham County Schools Arts Center, Alvin MacWilliams to expand the amazing after school successes at the Arts Center to district school children. The Arts Center has fostered a Middle School String Orchestra program

since 2016 which is free to students as an after-school program at their schools. For many of these students, this opportunity has unlocked a love for music, and they will now have the Creative and Performing Arts Academy as an expanded option to explore their musical potential in high school. The Arts Center's theatre program has grown tremendously under the direction of Kathie Davis, Artistic Program Director, producing 12 student productions per year. High school students with a passion for Musical Theatre or an interest in Technical Theatre will now be able to immerse themselves during the school day in a program designed to fit their needs and prepare them for a future in theatre.



OCS focuses on mental health

Guidance counselors are seeing an increased need for student services. And, Oldham County Schools is making sure counselors have more time to spend with students in one on one, small and large group settings and conducting classroom guidance lessons. Anti-vaping, suicide prevention and inclusiveness are key areas counselors at NOMS want to address.

One way they are working on that is with a “Mix It Up” lunch. During lunch, instead of sitting with their regular crowd, students are randomly assigned to sit with others. In each area, there are conversation starters to help everyone connect. Sixth grade Mustangs were the first to experience the “Mix It Up” lunch and, while a little tentative at first, they ended up having a lot of new conversations.

“I just loved having the kids all meeting new people and trying to make new connections,” said guidance director Kerri Hammons. “That’s the whole thing, just making sure we have an inclusive school.”

Counselors feel they are able to help more kids, and get more bang for their buck, by getting into the classrooms.

At the elementary level, counselors are spending more time with individual counseling services, but also using the time to integrate the Sanford Harmony curriculum into the classroom. Sanford Harmony is a global social emotional curriculum that the elementary team adopted together. The program focuses on emotional skill sets that are appropriate for each age and grade level and aims to foster healthy coping mechanisms and emotional awareness. The goal is to help children and adults learn to understand and manage emotions, set goals, show empathy for others,



Students talk during the Mix it Up lunch event.

establish positive relationships, and make responsible decisions.

“By getting out in the classrooms and promoting this learning, school counselors are helping build the classroom community in partnership with teachers,” said Oldham County District Intervention and 504 Coordinator, Melissa Abernathy. “Another added benefit of more classroom time is that students feel more comfortable with the counselors because they get to know them and recognize them.”

In addition to the Sanford Harmony program, counselors at La Grange Elementary are focusing on conscious discipline, by incorporating safe spaces into classrooms where students can go to “cool off” during times of emotional distress and by teaching breathing techniques to help them self-regulate.

“Breathing really helps me because basically, I struggle with math a lot,” said fourth grader Hannah Clay. “So I just breathe to calm down and it really helps me and

I don’t get frustrated.”

All this is possible due to restructuring of the role of elementary and middle school counselors, giving them more time to spend with students in the classroom and one on one.

La Grange counselor Jacob Jessie says just the time alone to be able to preemptively plan for the services they’re providing is invaluable. “And the fact that there’s two of us in an elementary school is really unheard of and I’m hoping that we’re going to be able to show that we’re a valuable asset.”

“The opportunity to spend more time in classrooms in prevention work with students – helping to build their skills to handle emotions and relate with others in positive ways – has ensured that all kids benefit from counseling services,” said Camden Station Elementary counselor, Catrisa Goodrich. “This quality time to nurture relationships has benefitted students outcomes in learning and increased awareness among staff.”

At all levels, counselors are performing needs assessments to determine the best programming to reach the community. At the high school level, it becomes increasingly important to include students in the development of programs.

The counselors at OCHS have launched Sources of Strength this year. This peer leader program aims to help make the school a safe environment and prevent suicide by promoting connections between students and caring, trusted adults. Student members are teacher nominated and the group is student led. Students say the program is needed due to changing times and increased challenges for high schoolers — they refer to it as a “Culture Change Campaign.”

To jumpstart the program, peer leaders passed out post-it notes for students to mention their trusted adult and post the notes in the cafeteria. This forced students to take time to think about someone positive in their lives and show others that there is someone for everyone, everyone matters.

“We just want to show everybody that you can always move past what you’ve been through. It doesn’t matter what you’ve been through. It matters where you’re going,” explained 11th grade student leader, Avante Johnson.

The group says they are trying to make it easier for peers to get through the challenges and know they’re not alone.

Together with counselors, schools are bringing the sense of community and reality back to the classrooms and campus. They are learning how to reach out to others, acknowledge their emotions, handle stress, and break down barriers of isolation.

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La Grange, KY 40031
502/222-1433



John Black, Mayor
Mayor@LaGrangeKy.net
502/222-1433

“WE’RE ON TRACK”

As I prepared this letter weeks ago, I knew there would be changes required before printing; however, I never would have believed that a microscopic virus would have quickly upended life as we knew it. After the 9/11 catastrophe, Americans came back stronger than ever and that is our hope now.

Once we get through this violent storm, the City of La Grange will rethink its planning in terms of budgeting, prioritizing what is really important, helping our citizens and businesses which have been hurt, and totally reboot our economic outlook.

One thing that COVID-19 did not do was change my vision for our city. From the start, my focus has been to ensure the City is welcoming, attractive, clean, enjoyable to all our citizens, and economically successful for our businesses. We strive daily to work with our department leaders, state and federal authorities, and citizens to achieve our goals. My responsibility as Mayor is to offer a coordinated path to success for our city.

The successful small towns of today provide unique experiences in shopping and in providing socialization opportunities in community gathering locations and in well-designed outdoor spaces. It is my hope that these transformations will produce excitement and enjoyment for everyone. Another objective is to bring new and enhanced infrastructure opportunities to our city.



The Courthouse: The hub of our city

During the next couple of years, Downtown La Grange is going to be experiencing one of the largest projects in our history with the upcoming construction of the new Oldham County Judicial Center. I know of the emotional attachment to the current Oldham County Courthouse; however, the construction of the Judicial Center represents a necessary improvement to our local judicial system which has been approved by the State of Kentucky and is funded solely by State appropriations. The current building has confirmed structural deficiencies and would require significant updating to current safety standards to ensure the protection of all officials, employees, and visitors.

The decision to build the Judicial Center on the grounds of the current County Courthouse has been controversial. An unknown is what the economic impact will be on our downtown businesses during the construction period. I fully understand the feelings and anxiety to our business owners directly caused by the decision.

I am confident that all parties charged with the design of the facility will ensure the construction plans provide for a beautifully landscaped perimeter and a balanced architectural appearance which will include a historical tribute to the present Oldham County Courthouse.

Many opinions have circulated about the future location of the Judicial Center and its relevance to

our downtown. The relocation of the Courthouse from our downtown block would be a devastating loss since it has been the hub of countless gatherings not to mention the thousands of citizens, staff, judges, and attorneys who visit the Courthouse to conduct business. Because so many of these individuals find their way to our restaurants and shops, I feel we cannot afford to lose that opportunity under any circumstance.

We have outstanding people and successful business owners who are all striving to make La Grange the best it can be for the present and future. I believe that “WE ARE ON TRACK” to achieve the objectives established for my administration.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don’t hesitate to contact me by visiting my office, via my email address at Mayor@LaGrangeKy.net, or by calling me at 502/222-1433.

On behalf of myself, City Council, and all City employees, we will continue to do everything possible to keep your American dream going through an unwavering partnership. This is the time as a city that we show all acts of kindness, compassion for one another and our determination to WIN this unforeseen battle that we are now facing. We can do this and will because we are the City of La Grange!

John Black

John Black, Mayor



You've got our number!



CITY OF LA GRANGE PUBLIC WORKS

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CRusnak@lagrangeky.net
502/222-8594



Corey Rusnak

The City of La Grange Public Works Department's core objective is to provide quality service to our city residents, which includes maintaining our 5 parks, roadways, street drainage, paint striping, snow removal, chipping service, mowing, signage and streetlights, sidewalk repairs, tree trimming and removal and City-owned building maintenance.



CITY OF LA GRANGE POLICE

La Grange Chief of Police: Greg Collett
GCollett@lagrangeky.net



Greg Collett

Emergency: 911
Non-Emergency Response: 502/222-0111
Crime Tip Line: 502/873-8945
Office of Police Department: 502/225-0444
Fax: 502/225-9783
Website: lagrangepolice.com



PUBLIC BUS SERVICE

Oldham's Public Bus
502/222-6400
lagrangeky.net/city-bus-service.html

Stuck in a bind and need a ride? Call Oldham's Public Bus and we can get you there!
Serving City of La Grange Residents only.



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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CITY OF LA GRANGE CITY COUNCIL

City Council meets first Monday of each month, 6:30 pm
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City ordinances enacted in 2019

- Code Enforcement Office to begin to regulate unkept properties;
- A tourism ordinance to find new ways to promote our City;
- Licensed and inspected golf carts permitted to travel on designated streets for easy access to downtown shops, restaurants and farmers market

Plans for 2020

- An initial concept of a Downtown Springs Park in the block of West Main Street, (see page 10)
- Improving the overall experience at 18-hole public course at Eagle Creek
- Displaying different art attractions throughout our city
- Promoting our four city parks, Train Museum and La Grange Community Center
- Focusing on bringing new businesses into our Oldham Reserve Business Park
- Begin construction of the new I-71 north and southbound exit and entrance ramps at the Louie Dampier Bridge which have been approved by the state
- Continuation of the right-of-way acquisition and anticipation of construction of a much needed rail underpass at Allen Lane and Highway 146
- Construction of a much anticipated left-hand turn lane at Crystal Drive going south on Highway 53 leading to Cracker Barrel



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W E ' R E O N T R A C K



La Grange Farmers' Market and Artisans

May 9-October 10 • 8 am - 1 pm
Oldham County Courthouse Square
La Grange, KY



Follow us on Facebook
La Grange Farmers' Market & Artisans or
www.lagrangefarmersmarket.com for any
date changes due to COVID-19.





Enjoy your City Parks

Eagle Creek Golf Course 2820 S. Hwy 53

Eagle Creek Golf Course Named No. 1 Municipal Golf Course in Kentucky by *Golf Digest!*

Eagle Creek Golf Course is a beautiful public 18-hole golf course, owned by the City of La Grange and managed on-site by Guy Breeds. It is conveniently located just 1.5 miles south of I-71 on Highway 53.

Eagle Creek is open to the public seven days a week and can provide a challenge to golfers of all skill levels. The course is well maintained and features Bermuda fairways, bent grass greens, and woods surrounding a number of holes. The serene setting makes it a perfect escape from the hustle and bustle of life to

get out and enjoy a good time with family or friends.

For those looking for a little bit of friendly competition, Eagle Creek offers both a 9-hole ladies' league and a 9-hole men's league over the summer months.

Come out and play golf at Eagle Creek Golf Course and see why our course is the #1 MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE IN KENTUCKY – *Golf Digest*, August 2009.

Call us at 222-7927, or visit our website for more information about rates, tee-time specials, online tee-times, league play, tournaments and more. Simply scan the QR Code below or go to the website at www.eaglecreekgolfky.com.



La Grange Community Center 307 West Jefferson Street, La Grange

Although the James T. Beaumont/ La Grange Community Center is currently closed due to COVID-19, once it is safe to open it will once again be a focal point of the city of La Grange. Facilities include a regulation basketball court, a walking track, full kitchen connected to a 150+ capacity meeting room, two classrooms, and a fitness room for aerobics classes. All rooms are available for rental any day of the week for birthday parties, baby showers, meetings, or any other big event you may have!

We have programming available for all ages. A couple of our stand-out programs include our pickle ball group who meets four times a week and our log cabin quilters, here every week! Family programs include movie nights, crafting nights, and soon to come cooking classes! For seniors we offer senior breakfasts and luncheons, for teens we have teen nights, and basketball, for adults and seniors we offer group exercise classes, and card clubs, and for the youth in the community we offer

after school dodgeball and kids night out! Pick up a schedule today to see what special event is right around the corner!

The Center is available to all residents of Oldham County and does not require a YMCA membership to gain access. Admission is free but some programs/ activities have cost associated, please check our monthly activity calendar for an up-to-date list of programs and activities.

Up-to-date information regarding the Community Center can best be found on our Facebook page which is La Grange Community Center. Once given the all-clear, we will be open Monday-Saturday; Sunday rentals are available but the building is not open to the public. Questions? Please call the Center at 502/225-6474 or email the director, Mackenzie Dozer, at mdozer@ymcalouisville.org.

Scan QR code for more information on the La Grange Community Center!



La Grange committee is working to make a new downtown park a reality

Involved community members have formed a committee to explore the idea of creating a public space in the middle of downtown La Grange on seven acres of underutilized city-owned land near 2nd and Main. The committee sees this as a great opportunity to create a multi-generational destination that will not only benefit the citizens of La Grange but also be an economic driver for the local businesses.

After much public input the planned highlights will include a playground, splashpad, farmers market pavilion, amphitheater and skatepark. Committee Chair, Ann Zimlich, stated, "The committee is being very respectful of the fact that this park is right in our historic city center. We want it to blend in aesthetically as well as be its own unique destination that complements our Main Street." The park will provide connectivity from Main Street to the library and the Commerce Parkway path through a series of sidewalks and trails. There will also be educational signage through

natural areas including a historic spring that was instrumental to the founding of La Grange.

The committee is now working with the Jones Landscape Architecture, Environs Inc. and their partners to put all these ideas into a beautiful cohesive park. No definite dates are set for ground breaking as that will depend on funding. Currently the committee is actively exploring public and private funding options to turn this idea into reality.

If you or your company would like to help make this happen please contact Mayor John Black at La Grange City Hall 502/222-1433. To keep track of their progress you can follow them on Facebook at La Grange Springs Park Project.



Skatepark



Corner Market



Playground



Amphitheater



- Committee Members**
- John Black – La Grange Mayor
 - Bill Lammlein – La Grange City Council
 - Mary Boulton – La Grange City Council
 - Sandie Fulks – Director, La Grange Main Street Program
 - Blake Haselton – Chair, La Grange Parks Board
 - Hope Gardiner – Member, La Grange Parks Board
 - Russ Morris – Manager, La Grange Farmers Market
 - David Bizianis – President, Oldham Chamber
 - Karen Eldridge – Private Citizen
 - Ann Zimlich – Private Citizen

La Grange Springs Park

Oldham County offers recycling services

The Oldham County Recycling Center is located at 3943 Jones Drive across from Oldham County High School. This is a free drop-off facility, open from dawn to dusk, 7 days a week. Video-monitoring is used and enforced. All items dropped off become the property of Oldham County. If in doubt about any item, please call 565-1007!

ACCEPTED ITEMS	NOT ACCEPTED ITEMS
PAPER - Office paper, file folders, envelopes, mail items, magazines/catalogs, newspapers. <i>Call to schedule free shredding service.</i>	*AIR CONDITIONERS CHILDREN'S TOYS/PLAYSETS FURNITURE OF ANY KIND GLASS OF ANY KIND HARDBACK BOOKS WITH COVER *MICROWAVE OVENS PLASTIC BAGS, FILM PACKING MATERIAL *REFRIGERATORS/FREEZERS REMODELING DEBRIS STYROFOAM OF ANY KIND TUBE-TYPE TV'S & MONITORS PROJECTION-STYLE TELEVISIONS WOOD/LUMBER YARD WASTE <i>*Accepted now on a temporary basis</i>
CARDBOARD - All corrugated cardboard containers without packing material, food-free pizza boxes, cereal, dry food and gift boxes.	
METAL & ALUMINUM - Food cans, disposable baking pans, beverage cans and clean aluminum food containers.	
RIGID PLASTICS - ONLY Containers with the opening smaller than the bottom and marked #1 & #2 with the recycling symbol.	
BATTERIES - Auto, Motorcycle, Boat, Rechargeable & Household.	
ELECTRONICS - Computers, laptops, tablets, phones, game systems, printers, fax machines, audio & video players, digital radios and cameras, light strings, cords and chargers.	
ITEMS ACCEPTED BY APPOINTMENT ONLY: Tires, Household Appliances, Grills, Exercise Equipment, Other Large Metal Items	

Oldham County Soil and Water Conservation District

Take advantage of these great programs!

Cost-share programs

- **Wildflower Garden / Pollinator Habitat**
(application required)
Reimbursement of 50% for materials to install pollinator habitat.
- **Compost Bin Rebate**
(voucher # required)
Reimbursement of \$25 for the purchase of a compost bin or materials to DIY build.
- **Kentucky State Cost Share**
(application required)

Reimbursement up to 75% for Farm Bill practices (cross fencing, auto-waterers and MORE)

- **USDA Federal Cost Share**
(application required)
Multiple programs for conservation — soil, water, woodland and wildlife.

Free Soil Testing Program

- Up to 5 vouchers per year for free soil testings

Deceased Animal Removal Program

Oldham Co. has contracted with a NEW service provider, BlueLine Outdoor Services, to remove deceased large animals from your property. Residents do not always have the equipment or space to bury something as large as a cow or horse, so the County partners with the Conservation District and

Ag Development Council to provide this service for a nominal fee to the owner. **If you find yourself in need, call County Dispatch at 502/222-0111, 24 hours/day. They will contact the pickup service on your behalf.** The owner pays nothing at the time of service.

The Conservation District will maintain operations by telephone, email, Facebook and website. The office will be closed for public access until further notice.

Oldham Co. Soil & Water Conservation District



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La Grange, KY 40031
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email: oldhamswcd@gmail.com

Oldham County landowners and students recognized at Awards Banquet

The Oldham County Conservation District's 39th Annual Awards Banquet was held on March 5 at the John Black Community Center. Each year, the District recognizes teachers, students and landowners that make significant efforts to promote conservation of the County's natural resources. The awards and banquet are sponsored in part by the Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation.

The Jim Claypool Conservation Art Contest is open to all Oldham 1st through 5th graders. This

year's County winner was **Skylar Brinkmoeller** from Camden Station Elementary School. The Conservation Writing Contest is open to students in 6th-12th grade. This year's County winner was **Christine Very** from St. Aloysius School.

The contest focuses on a different conservation theme each year. This year's theme was "Wildlife – Things That Fly." Zach Couch, KY F&W, was this year's guest speaker and focused on the Bats of Kentucky. The contest is made possible through a

partnership between Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation and the Kentucky Association of Conservation Districts. Entries from local winners will go on to be judged against approximately 63,000 others from across the state.

Miles Lanham from Oldham County High School was the recipient of the H. Glenn Watson Conservation Scholarship. Miles plans to further his education in a conservation field after high school. The scholarship is presented in memory of Glenn Watson to a graduating senior who,

like Glenn, has volunteered in the community to help others.

Kip McNally was the 2019 Outstanding Cooperator. The award recipient must implement the best management practices with long-term conservation efforts on land they own or manage. This year's award was presented by Curtis Coombs, NRCS, 50/50 Soil Technician.

Congratulations to all of this year's winners!



Skylar Brinkmoeller, Camden Station Elementary, County Winner - Jim Claypool Conservation Art Contest



Christine Very, St. Aloysius School, County Winner - Conservation Writing Contest



Miles Lanham, recipient of the H. Glenn Watson Scholarship Award



Zach Couch, At Risk Species Biologist, Kentucky Fish & Wildlife



Art display table



Jon Bednarski, Chairman, Oldham Co. Conservation District



Banquet guests, John Black Center



Andy Vertrees, Board member, presenting awards and gift bags to contest winners

Expansion and renovation of Emergency Department

We are embarking on an expansion and renovation project with patient, staff and physician satisfaction at the heart of the plan. The \$5.8 million investment will focus on renovating and expanding the Emergency Department (ED) to meet the following goals:

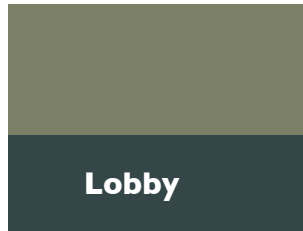
- Increase capacity and maximize patient throughput
- Enhance the overall patient experience
- Improve the workflow, efficiency and environment for Emergency Department staff and physicians

In developing the expansion and renovation plan, we kept patient input top-of-mind by reviewing feedback from patient experience surveys. In addition, staff and physicians provided input on the design. As a result, the plan incorporates larger exam rooms, additional restrooms, new furniture, fast-track area for low acuity patients and much more.

This project aligns with our shared vision to lead in clinical excellence, compassionate care and growth to meet the needs of our patients. We are delighted to take the next step forward in turning the vision for the Emergency Department into reality. It will better serve our community for many years to come.

Key project facts:

- Addition of 4,418 sq. ft. of space
- 8,488 sq. ft. interior renovation
- Increasing number of treatment rooms from 10 to 12
- Adding 2 treatment bays to serve as a comfortable, quiet, fast-track area for low acuity patients



Lobby



Exam Room



Nurses Station



- All-private treatment rooms with more accommodations for family members to be with their loved ones
- Increasing the patient room size and increasing access to patient restrooms
- Updating the lobby, registration area and including technology charging stations
- Refreshing the EMS entrance
- Providing new finishes

Stengel Hill Architecture created the design and LBM Construction Company is the general contractor. Construction is underway and estimated to be completed in summer of 2021.

To learn more about what's happening at Baptist Health La Grange, call 502/222-3627 or visit BaptistHealth.com/LaGrange.

Baptist Health La Grange



Patient Information: 502/222-5388
Physician Referral: 502/222-3627

Grant enables saving historic documents

The majority of what makes up a public water delivery system is typically not seen by the customers. There are miles of water mains, fittings, and valves that are underground. In similar fashion, many activities happen behind the scenes to ensure efficient supply of this resource. Oldham County Water District (OCWD) was recently awarded a grant from the Kentucky Department of Library and Archives (KDLA) that will enable the preservation of historic plans and drawings that the water system has been built on. These are resources

staff utilize for different reasons, which promote an understanding of those hidden features.

Most projects start with a plan or drawing. Water systems are no different. OCWD has several map file cabinets that contain drawings as far back as 1954. As the system has been expanded through the years, these plans have accumulated to number well over a thousand. Constant handling and age have taken a toll on the material and contents displayed. The KDLA has a grant program dedicated to helping organizations save these for future

and continued use. The funds can be used for services or equipment. Previous recipients have mostly been planning and zoning and property evaluation agencies. However, the program is available to other agencies that are categorized as utility, public safety, and those with a need for document preservation.

This grant will be used to purchase a large format plotter/scanner for OCWD. The primary purpose will be to scan paper drawings into electronic formats. Doing so will enable staff to access them through mobile devices while

in the field. It will also minimize handling of fragile historic plans that will be maintained for as long as possible. Another benefit will be the ability to print these scans for reference in construction planning and project development.

Oldham County Water District continues to use innovation to better serve its customers. The agency will continue to seek out programs like this which can provide for more efficient ways of providing water service.

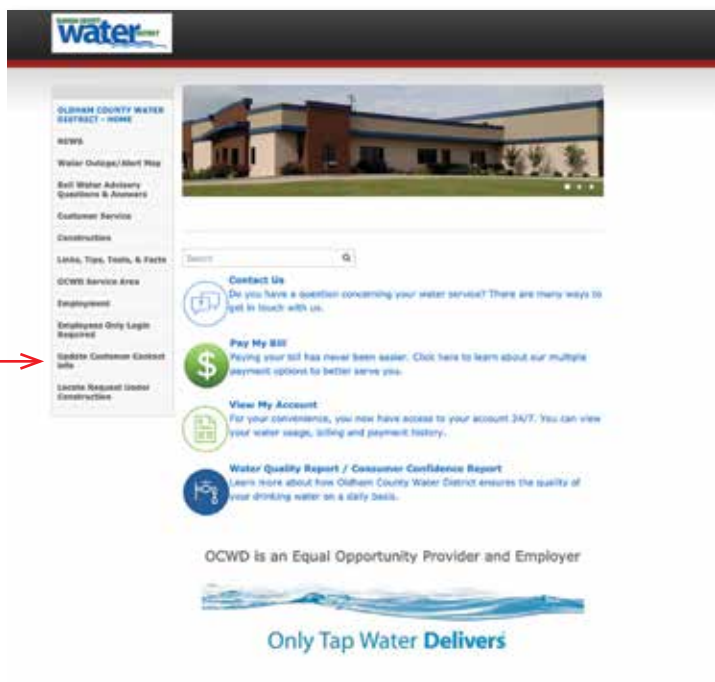
Be in touch. Be informed.

You count on us to provide you with important information about your water service. Our ability to inform you of a water service outage or boil water advisory is limited if we don't have accurate contact information for you.

Visit our website and click this button.....

Update Customer Contact info

By updating your customer contact information, you help us give you important information faster.



Oldham County Water District by the numbers

- Over **1.3 billion** gallons of water treated annually
- **13 million** gallons of daily treatment capacity
- **3.8 million** gallons of daily water use
- Over **8,400** customers
- Over **350 miles** of pipe infrastructure maintained
- **130-foot** deep wells for water sources
- **3/4" to 36"** pipes in use
- **21 employees**, over a quarter for more than 10 years

Oldham County Water District

2160 Spencer Court, La Grange, KY 40031
Mailing address: P.O. Box 51, Buckner, KY 40010
Our office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 am - 4 pm

502/222-1690



Seven reasons to license your dog

As a pet owner, you spend plenty of time making sure your dog is healthy and safe. You provide exercise, food, and veterinary care. You've even had them microchipped. But many pet owners forget or ignore one very important, yet simple thing – licensing their dog. A dog license is another way to make sure your pet is protected. If you've been putting off licensing your dog because you think it's too expensive, or doesn't provide any benefits, here are seven reasons why you should license your pet.

1. It's the law

In Kentucky, it is required that pet owners license their dogs. You could be asked to show your dog's license and if you don't have one, you're looking at a fine. You'll get a tag that serves as the dog's license, so it should be on their collar at all times.

In Oldham County, not having a license or not renewing it will cost you \$10. So don't "harbor a fugitive" – instead, use that \$10 to purchase a license.

2. It proves your dog is properly vaccinated

You can't license your dog without getting its rabies vaccination. Knowing your dog has its license makes it easier for people at a dog park, the staff at a grooming salon, or boarding facility to be assured your dog is healthy.

3. Your dog has a better chance of being returned home if lost

In some cases, your pet's license means a free trip home if they're found by Animal Control. Without a license, it might mean an overnight stay at the Animal Control Shelter.

4. Your dog will be safer at the shelter

Licensed dogs are sometimes kept on "stray hold" longer at the Animal Control Shelter, before being placed up for adoption. If for some reason we are having a hard time reaching you, we are more likely to be patient and keep trying.

5. It's cheap

In Oldham County it's only \$10 a year to license your dog if they've been spayed or neutered and only \$25 if they have not. That's not much to pay to ensure the safety of your dog in the future.

6. It's quick

You don't even have to come into the shelter to register your pet. You can do it by mail if you're busy. Go online to oldhamcountyky.gov, click the "Services" link at the top of

the page, select "Animal Control," and then click on "Dog License Application" on the left. You may even purchase a license at several of our county's veterinary offices. There's really no excuse not to license your pet.

7. Your Animal Control Shelter is supported by the fee

If you're still having a hard time coughing up the cash for the yearly fee, know that the Oldham County Animal Control Shelter benefits from it. We use the money to maintain the facility and feed the lost animals. It keeps us up and running, and provides support for your animal control officers. This should put you at ease knowing that if your dog ever ends up in the shelter, it's in good hands until you get there.

Calling all Currys Fork residents!

Cleaning up our waterways is a big task and we can't do it without you. Meet us at the stream to learn more!



Do you have concerns about the quality of the water flowing through your neighborhood streams? Are you interested in preserving fish and wildlife? Do you enjoy bird watching, hiking, swimming, or fishing? Does taking action in your community to support future generations appeal to you? These are some of the reasons why you might enjoy participating in a local watershed group.

The involvement of watershed residents has been essential to the development and progress of the Currys

Fork Watershed Program. During development of the Watershed Plan, residents provided key insights to help identify water quality problems and prioritize solutions. Our education and outreach initiatives most often focus on reducing pollution through the efforts of residents. By joining together, residents will have a bigger role and more say in efforts to clean up and protect Currys Fork.

What is a local watershed group?

You may have heard of the Harrods Creek Alliance or Friends of Floyds Fork. Both are examples of local watershed groups. Watershed groups are run by and for local residents, and broadly focus on efforts to improve water quality through involvement of those who live, work, and play in the watershed.

Groups decide what actions to take, from organizing stream clean-ups to planting stream buffers and hosting educational events.

Meet us at the stream!

Grab your boots, sunscreen, and water and meet your neighbors and the Currys Fork Watershed Coordinator at the stream (La Grange Parkway, first parking area after turning off of Hwy 53). We'll check out a recent stream restoration project and discuss interest, concerns, and next steps. All

are welcome! Three opportunities are scheduled. Each will last about one hour. Check Oldhamcountyky.gov for times and dates.

Additional ways to get involved:

FUTURE EVENTS

- Backyard Streams Workshop with hands-on planting demonstration
- Onsite Wastewater Cost-Share Workshop
- Homeowner Rain Barrel Workshop
- Stream Buffer Plantings

Currys Fork Watershed



For questions or to RSVP or an event please contact
becca Trueman, 502/222-1476 or rtrueman@oldhamcountyky.gov

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John W. Black Aquatic Center

For our full pool brochure ... visit www.oldhamcountyky.gov

Pool opens Saturday, May 23 at 12 Noon

Pool Hours:

Monday-Wednesday, Noon-7 pm;
Friday & Saturday: Noon-7 pm
NEW! Thursday: Noon-9 pm
Sunday, 1-6 pm

NOTE: Aquatic Center hours will change after OC Schools are back in session!

Admission Cost:

Ages 2 & under - Free
Ages 3-12 - \$5
Ages 13-59 - \$7
Ages 60 & up - \$4

Season Pool Passes (For OC residents):

Family (4 family members) - \$325

Family (3 family members) - \$260
Family (2 adults) - \$195
Individual (ages 13 & up) - \$130
Senior (ages 60 & up) - \$110

Oldham County residents save \$10 on season pool passes.

Pool Party Rentals: The Aquatic Center may be rented for parties on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday evenings. For fees and available dates, call 225-0656.

Group Rates: Civic, youth and non-profit groups of 15 or more receive a discounted rate of \$4 per person during regular pool hours. *Reservations are required to receive group rates, so please call ahead.*

Water Fitness Classes: A great workout in a relaxing, stress free environment!

Classes meet Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday mornings from 10:30-11:15 am. \$4 per class. ("Silver Sneakers" participants, just swipe your card at the Community Center).

Swim Lessons: We offer swim lessons on a variety of days and times for anyone ages 3 & up. Six classes cost \$60. Call us for registration information.

Swim Team: The Oldham County "Piranhas" swim team is a member of the Louisville Swim Association. The season runs from late May through mid-July. E-mail: ocpswimming@yahoo.com to get involved.

Dog Party: Tuesday, September 8, 6:30-8:30 pm. Bring your dog to the Aquatic Center for a dip in the pool held on the last day of the Aquatic Center season. Only \$5 per pup, people are

free! Immunization records from your veterinarian must be shown at entrance to enter pool area.



Parks and Recreation Programs and Events 502/225-0655

For our full schedule of activities and to print out registration forms, visit www.oldhamcountyky.gov.

Register online for all of our programs at <https://ocparks.recdesk.com/>

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Archery Lessons

Lessons taught by certified archery instructor, Gary Parsons, will be offered for adults and children 8 and up. Classes will meet once a week for five weeks at a total cost of \$55. There is no equipment to purchase for class.

Ready, Set, Run! (Youth Running Program)

Ready, Set, Run! Trains kids ages 8-13 to participate in a 5K. Begins the week of April 21 and meets twice a week for 12 weeks. \$65 fee includes entry into the Firecracker 5K (July 11th).

Adult Coed HodgePodge Game League

Sign up for newest activity! Teams will compete in Kickball, T-ball, Cornhole, Dodgeball, Ultimate Frisbee, Flag Football and Capture the Flag. Great for company teams, church teams, or just a group of friends. Individuals are welcome to sign up as well and be placed on a team. Registration runs April 1 through June 2. League play begins June 9 and plays for 7 weeks on Tuesday evenings.

U.S.S.A. Softball Leagues

Men's & coed leagues. \$450 per team (includes USSSA sanction fee) includes a 10-game schedule plus a single-elimination tournament. League play begins the week of May 18.

Beginning Youth Tennis Lessons

For ages 6-14 meet at the courts at Wendell Moore Park. Morning classes: Meet twice a week for three weeks for \$48; Evening classes: Meet once a week for 6 weeks for \$48. Sessions start in June. Limited space available.

5K Training for Newbies (Adult Running Program)

A great opportunity to transform yourself from a low-energy slug into a fitness machine! Train to run a 5K race in 10 weeks. Meets Monday, Wednesday, & Friday mornings from 6-7 am beginning May 4. \$30 fee includes entry into the Firecracker 5K on July 11. Ages 16 & over.

SPECIAL EVENTS

WoodSongs Coffeehouse

The home of Oldham County's "roots music" scene! John W. Black Community Center at 6:30 pm on April 16, September 17, October 15 & November 19.

Mother/Son Dance: May 8

Held at the John W. Black Community Center from 6:30-8:30 pm. Features a live DJ. For only \$20 per couple (add \$5 for each additional son) enjoy light refreshments, contests, photo booth and a carnation for your young fella. Tickets available by calling 225-0655.

OCPR Down & Dirty Obstacle Mud

Run: May 16

For ages 7 & over. Come push yourself to the limit on our 5K mud run obstacle course that includes over a dozen challenging obstacles. Registration fee includes an after party with a DJ and food trucks! Visit our website to sign up!

July 4th Freedom Celebration

Saturday, July 4. Afternoon pool games, evening entertainment and a spectacular fireworks display over the lake at 10 pm!

Sprint Triathlon: August 22

USAT sanctioned! \$2,500 in cash prizes generously provided by Ironman! 400-meter pool swim, a 10-mile bike ride on a non-closed road course and a 3K run that includes firm surfaces and cross-country segments. Pre-registration required.

Movies in the Park: June 5, June 26, & July 24

Free movie night in the park. Come out to Wendell Moore Park and enjoy a movie under the stars. Bring your lawn chairs, blanket or just lay in the grass and watch a movie on our 16' screen. Popcorn and sodas will be sold before and during the movie.

Rollin' on the River Food Truck

Festival: October 25

Food trucks, live music, craft beer, and kids' activities on the bank of the Ohio River! Join us at scenic Schamback Park in Westport for

our second annual Food Truck Festival on October 25 from 11 am - 5 pm.

12th Annual Oldham County Parks Run/Walk Race Series:

This is our 12th annual run/walk race series featuring your Oldham County Parks. Challenge yourself in these vastly different terrains:

- **Firecracker 5K Run/Walk:** Sat., July 11 - Schamback Park - 8 am
- **OCPR Skeleton 5K Run/Walk:** Sun., October 25 - Wendell Moore Park - 2 pm
- **360° Chiropractic Turkey Trotter 5 Miler Run/4K Walk:** Sat., November 21 - Wendell Moore Park - 8 am

FACILITY RENTALS 502/225-0655

- The John W. Black Community Center is available for rental for almost any type of event. This clean, elegant, and affordable facility will create a lasting memory of your next event!
- We also offer picnic shelter rentals at Wendell Moore Park in Buckner and Briar Hill Park in Crestwood. This very economical option provides a great space for a wide variety of events. Call Cathy at 502/225-0655 to book your event space today!

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Oldham County Cooperative Extension Service

Serving Oldham County since 1914

Oldham County Extension offers programs, clubs, diagnostic services, and research-based advice in three main areas: 4-H Youth Development, Family & Consumer Sciences, and Agriculture & Natural Resources. Extension programs teach a wide

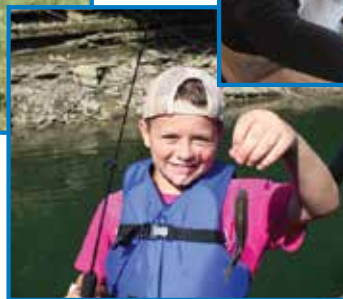
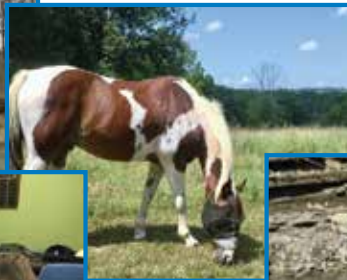
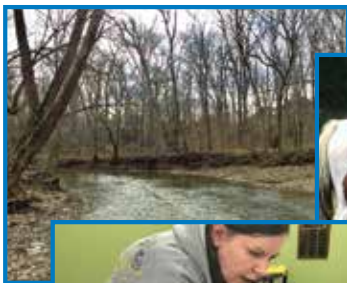
variety of skills, all with the goal of producing successful families, farms, gardens, and businesses.

Extension offers many diagnostic services including soil testing and forage testing, plus pest identification and management recommendations.

Site visits may also be requested for advice on farm management and production as well as home horticulture questions.

We offer many programs throughout the year such as classes on gardening, cooking, health, and nutri-

tion. Give us a call at 502/222-9453 or visit our website <http://oldham.ca.uky.edu/> for registration and details on programs, clubs, and services.



Oldham County Cooperative Extension Service



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Food and Environment
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