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Fall 2016



Get a sneak peek of a ReadyRosie video at:

www.bit.ly/BooneReady

Learn more about ReadyRosie at www.readyrosie.com or contact Kathy Reutman, Chairperson, Boone County Success By 6 at Kathy.reutman@boone.kyschools.us.

Register/Sign up at:
ReadyRosie.com/register

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READYROSIE

ReadyRosie coming to your phone, tablet or computer

Boone County Success by 6® has purchased a web-based resource for all teachers and families of 0-6 year olds in Boone County called ReadyRosie.

ReadyRosie is an early education tool that is currently helping schools and communities across the nation

deepen and scale their parent engagement efforts by leveraging the power of video modeling and mobile technology to meet and equip parents where they are. ReadyRosie has hundreds of brief videos in English and Spanish that show parents everyday interac-

tions in familiar places that will build READY children. It's FREE; it's easy; it's fun!

When you sign up or register you will begin to receive daily video-based emails in both English and Spanish. The ReadyRosie videos feature real

families modeling quick activities that can be done at home to promote success in school! The video content features ideas and strategies for 0-6 year olds. We know you will enjoy receiving the daily reminders and doing the activities with your child(ren).

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St. Elizabeth Physicians names President and CEO



Robert Prichard, M.D.

Robert Prichard, M.D. has been named President and CEO of St. Elizabeth Physicians. He has been serving in the interim role since July 2015. In addition to President and CEO, Dr. Prichard will also serve as Executive Vice President and Chief Clinical Integration Officer. In his dual capacity, Dr. Prichard will oversee the day-to-day strategic direction,

operations, physician relations and alignment, and financial activities of St. Elizabeth Physicians, while also helping St. Elizabeth Chief Operating Officer Gary Blank lead hospital clinical operations and activities.

Throughout his tenure at St. Elizabeth, Dr. Prichard has contributed to countless initiatives and projects that have positively impacted the organization and the patient experience. As Chief Medical Officer, he directed St. Elizabeth on the path of outstanding quality and safety resulting in St. Elizabeth being a top 50 and top 100 hospital, earning all A's in the Leapfrog hospital safety scores, and receiving Top Performer recognition from the Joint Commission.

"Bob is one of the most highly regarded and well respected physi-

cian leaders I've encountered in my career," said Garren Colvin, St. Elizabeth President and Chief Executive Officer. "Together, we will focus on the quality of care and the overall patient experience, and embrace innovations in how we deliver care to the community."

Dr. Prichard received his medical degree from the University of Kentucky College of Medicine. He came to St. Elizabeth to study family medicine and completed his residency training in 1988. He practiced in Northern Kentucky until 1999 when he joined the Health Alliance of Greater Cincinnati as Senior Executive Officer and President of Alliance Primary Care. He returned to St. Elizabeth in 2005 to serve as CEO and President of Summit Medical Group. He subsequently

served in the roles of Chief Medical Officer and Chief Clinical Integration Officer at St. Elizabeth. He also served on several community boards including the Board of Education of Beechwood Independent Schools, the Northern Kentucky Education Council, Prevent Child Abuse Kentucky, and the University of Kentucky College of Medicine Alumni Association.

"I have been fortunate to work with such a talented and hard-working group of physicians and associates during my tenure at St. Elizabeth," said Dr. Prichard. "I intend to help lead the mission and vision of St. Elizabeth and ensure that we are all dedicated to taking care of every single patient and family that walks through our doors."

St. Elizabeth becomes Title Sponsor of Honor Run

As a reminder, the 3rd annual St. Elizabeth Healthcare Honor Run Half Marathon will occur on Veterans Day weekend Sunday, November 13. The Honor Run Half Marathon will once again include a half marathon, a two-person relay, and a kids one mile. All events will start and finish underneath the iconic Florence Y All water tower at Florence Mall.

All proceeds from the St. Elizabeth Healthcare Honor Run Half Marathon will go to Honor Flight Tri State to help send our local World War II, Korean War, and Vietnam War era veterans to Washington DC to see their respective memorials. During the past two years, the Honor Run has raised almost \$70,000 for Honor Flight Tri State that has sent

150 of our local veterans to Washington DC. Join us on Sunday, November 13 as we once again honor those who have served us.

For more information, go to www.honorrunchalf.com or call 859/802-9923.



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859/572-3100

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238 Barnes Rd.
Williamstown, KY 41097
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St. Elizabeth receives Workplace Transformation Award

St. Elizabeth has been awarded The Advisory Board Company's 2016 Workplace Transformation Award. The annual award recognizes hospitals and health systems nationwide that have made a transformational change in their employee engagement. St. Elizabeth is one of only five organizations nationwide to receive the award.

"Engaging the workforce is arguably more important now

than ever before, with all signs indicating that we are heading into a staffing shortage," said Steven Berkow, Executive Director, Survey Solutions at The Advisory Board Company. "Our award winners have demonstrated an impressive ability to inspire an increasing level of engagement in their staff – among the largest transformations throughout the country."

Engaged employees, as defined by The Advisory Board Company, are those who exhibit both loyalty and commitment to the organization. These employees are willing to expend discretionary effort, often going above and beyond to help the organization succeed. The award recognizes St. Elizabeth's commitment to creating a best-in-class work environment for its employees.

"The health of our patients and overall patient experience are at the center of everything we do," says Garren Colvin, St. Elizabeth President & CEO. "One way to help achieve a superior patient experience is to take care of our associates and engage them to help make St. Elizabeth one of the best places to work."

Life-saving mobile app now available to Boone County



To aid cardiac arrest victims quickly, the PulsePoint mobile app is available to individuals throughout Boone County thanks to St. Elizabeth Healthcare. This free app, which is available for both Android and iPhones, is designed for average citizens and off-duty professionals trained in CPR.

The app alerts registered users when a sudden cardiac arrest occurs in a public place in their immedi-

ate vicinity. Informed at the same time as emergency responders, users are provided detailed instructions, including the location of automatic external defibrillators (AEDs) nearby.

Cardiac arrest is the leading cause of death in the U.S. every year. Effective CPR administered immediately after a cardiac arrest can potentially double or triple the victim's chance of survival, but less than half of victims receive that immediate help.

Connected with the emergency 911 dispatch centers in Northern Kentucky, the PulsePoint app alerts CPR-trained bystanders when a sudden cardiac arrest occurs in a safe public place within a quarter mile of their immediate vicinity. Users will be able to quickly find the victim and begin CPR immediately rather than idly waiting for EMS to arrive. The app also gives detailed instructions and locations of nearby automatic external defibrillators (AEDs).

For more information or to download the mobile app to your smart phone, visit www.stelizabeth.com/pulsepoint.

BE A LIFE SAVER.

Get alerted to sudden cardiac arrests in your immediate vicinity, so that you can start CPR in the critical lifesaving minutes before EMS teams arrive.

1. AED victim in area

2. 911 system sends PulsePoint alert

3. Alert received by user via PulsePoint app

4. Users rush to provide care before professional help arrives

PulsePoint

App Store | Google Play

GET THE APP. LOCATE AND REGISTER AEDs.

You and PulsePoint AED can help strengthen the chain of survival for cardiac arrest victims. Download PulsePoint AED for free and use it to report an AED location wherever you see one.

HELP SAVE LIVES.

PulsePoint

PulsePoint.org

Upcoming Solid Waste events

“Quit the Littering!” Calendar Contest

The Solid Waste Division is seeking Boone County Students from Kindergarten to 5th grade, to help us out by thinking about the nasty litter issues that generate problems for our community and then come up with creative anti-litter drawings and/or slogans. The 13 clearest and most creative drawings and the 12 best attention grabbing anti-litter slogan writers will be chosen to be included in a 2017 calendar/coloring book that is distributed across the county. We invite all the Art/Slogan Winners to attend a Fiscal Court meeting in December, where they will receive awards and cool prizes. Entry forms will be passed out to each elementary school in Boone County in September; you can visit our website and print out an entry form at http://www.boonecountyky.org/departments/solid_waste/coloring_calendar_contest!.asp.

2016 Monthly Clean-Up

**August 27 & September 24
8 am- 3 pm
Boone County Public Works
3275 Maplewood, Burlington**

Boone County residents can bring their old junk to us and we will dispose of it for free. We do not accept junk from businesses. **We do not accept hazardous waste, paint, liquid waste, dirt or concrete.** Only four tires per load can be drop off. If you have more than four tires please call ahead to register your information.



Fall Clean-Up

**October 19-22
8 am-5 pm**

Locations:

- **Boone County Public Works on Maplewood Dr.,**
- **Union Pool off Old Union Rd., and**
- **Walton Public Works off High School Rd. (This location does not accept tires)**

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Christmas Tree Recycle: 2017

**Real Christmas tree
(Curbside Pick-Up):
Wednesday, January 4, 2017**

Residents should have their tree out on the curb no later than 7 am. The trees will be taken to a collection point and ground into mulch.

**Christmas tree (Drop-Off):
January 7, 2017**

There are several different locations (will be announced in December) where residents can drop off their Christmas trees to be turned into mulch.



Courtney's re-used craft creations



A special shout out to Miss Courtney Gosney — she is our BCPW-SW Summer Seasonal. Courtney is a 2016 Graduate of Boone County High School and will be attending Gateway College this fall to pursue her career in the medical field. She is very creative, takes pride in making re-used crafts items and is a pleasure to work with. Thank you for all your hard work this summer!

Boone County Solid Waste Management

Boone Co. Public Works Div. of Solid Waste Management

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- **Greg Middendorf**, Truck Driver
- http://www.boonecountyky.org/departments/solid_waste/index.aspx or
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BooneCountyPublicWorksSolidWasteDivision?ref=hl>
- Public Access TV- Channel 15



RECYCLING INFO: www.bigbluebin.com

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event

Saturday, November 5

On Saturday, November 5, residents of Boone, Kenton, and Campbell counties can drop off select household hazardous waste items, for free, at the UC Health Stadium, "Home of the Florence Freedom," in Florence, KY.

For More Info: <http://www.nkyhhw.org>

Please tear off this page and bring with your items on the day of event.

HOUSEHOLD WASTE COLLECTION EVENT REGISTRATION FORM November 5, 9 am-2 pm

City you live in: _____

County you live in: _____

Please place a check in the box next to the type of waste you will be recycling (select all that apply).

- Paper**
(Documents you would like shredded)
- Paint**
(All types – limited to 10 cans per vehicle)
- Hazardous Materials**
(Flammables, combustibles, corrosives, fuel, kerosene, pesticides, aerosol cans, etc.)
- Oil/Antifreeze**
(All types)
- Bulbs**
(4ft. & 8ft. fluorescent tubes, etc.)
- Electronics**
(TVs, computers, DVD players, etc.)
- Propane Tanks**
(20 lbs. only)
- Toner/Ink**
(Color and black and white)
- Batteries**

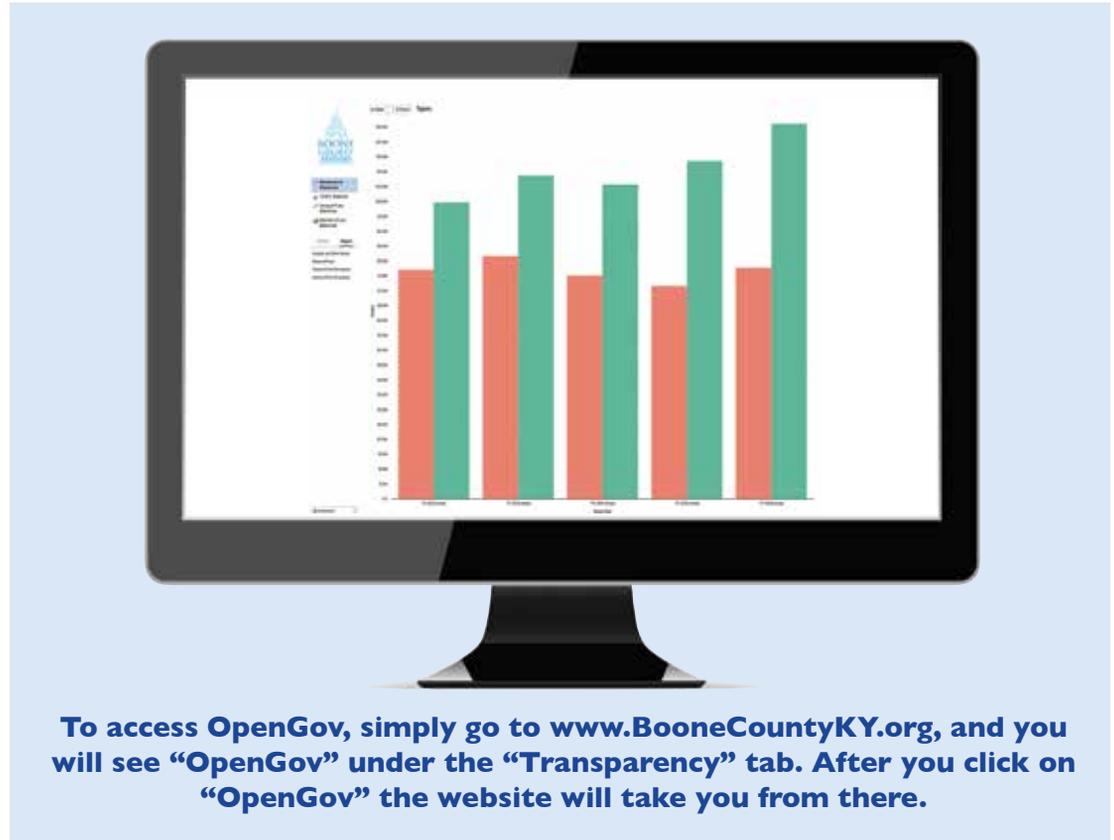
Please bring this completed form with you to the recycling event on November 5.

Boone County launches new transparency tool!



Gary W. Moore
Boone County
Judge/Executive

Most of us have heard about government's outrageous wasteful spending; \$500 for a hammer or \$1 million to purchase puppets. Let's not forget the recent plane loaded with \$400 million in cash given to Iran. These stories and others of how our tax dollars are wasted infuriate me! Our administration is committed to making sure that it never happens here in Boone County. A new tool that we recently launched to improve efficiency and transparency is a program called OpenGov. This program will help our county staff better manage our income and expenses while at the same time allow you to see where your tax dollars come from and are spent. Boone County is leading the way as the first



To access OpenGov, simply go to www.BooneCountyKY.org, and you will see "OpenGov" under the "Transparency" tab. After you click on "OpenGov" the website will take you from there.

County Government in Kentucky to launch this financial transparency tool.

OpenGov is a tool that translates complex budget data into intuitive, interactive reports that make it easy for everyone to use. This feature will allow you to view all of the County's financial information, fund balances, and the check registrar.

It is important to understand that OpenGov is not the same as an Open Records Request but rather a

tool for transparency. Open Records Request will still be handled as they have been but this program may eliminate the need for some requests. The information you receive from the OpenGov website is customized by you to meet your needs. All County financial activity will be updated on the OpenGov website following each Fiscal Court meeting.

To access OpenGov, simply go to our county website, www.BooneCountyKY.org, and you will

see "OpenGov" under the "Transparency" tab. After you click on "OpenGov" the website will take you from there.

I encourage you to utilize this new transparency feature. This is just another way that we are striving to make Boone County the best place to live, work, and raise a family.

Sincerely,

Judge Gary Moore

Boone County Fiscal Court

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Boone County Fiscal Court

Gary W. Moore, Judge/Executive
Cathy Flaig, Commissioner
Dr. Charlie Kenner, Commissioner
Charlie Walton, Commissioner

Kentucky Building Code facts — Changes in the uses of buildings

The Kentucky Building Code determines what safety features are required for buildings based on their use group, construction type, height and area. If the use of a building is changed, the requirements for those safety features may also change. For example, it is fairly common for developers or small business owners to want to convert single-family residences into offices. However, the change in use from a private residence to

a business use would require the building to be made accessible to the handicapped. The requirements for garage separation are much stricter for commercial uses than for residential uses. Illuminated exit signs and emergency lights may be required in order to direct people to the exits in case of an emergency. If there is a conference room in the new office, the HVAC system may need to be upgraded in response to the greater number

of people served by the conference room. Also, the structural requirements for floor loading are much higher for commercial uses than for residential uses. In extreme cases, fire alarms, sprinkler systems and/or additional exits may be required.

Whenever there is a “Change In Use” in an existing building, building officials are required to review the existing building as if it were an entirely new building. If

you are considering the purchase of a building in order to convert it to another use, the Boone County Building Department would be glad to meet with you to see what conditions need to be addressed in order to comply with the Kentucky Building Code. The main purpose of building codes is to safeguard the public; please help your building department by working with them to accomplish this purpose

Don't miss Pawapalooza and the K95K!

Looking for an family friendly, pet friendly event this year. Well, look no further. Boone County's Pawapalooza and K95K is the shelter's largest fundraiser of the year. We invite you to join us for a fun filled day of food, vendors, music, silent auctions, costume contest, bouncy houses for kids and of course, lots of adoptable animals from rescues and shelters from all across the tri-state area.

Pawapalooza will raise funds for the shelter which recently made the commitment to eliminate euthanasia of all treatable animals,

meaning that resources of time and support, and especially of money, have become even further stretched than ever before. Providing the care necessary to save the lives of homeless pets in Boone County is an expensive endeavor, but one that the organization is committed to.

Funds raised from Pawapalooza will be earmarked for the medical care for sick, injured, abused and orphaned animals and to support the volunteer, intern and foster care programs at BCAS. All proceeds go directly toward improving the lives of the animals.



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Pawapalooza

Saturday, September 24 • Noon- 5 pm
Boone County Fair Grounds

K95K

Saturday, September 24 • 9:30 am
England Idlewild Park

Get practical tips to manage your diabetes



Now is the time to take charge of your diabetes! The Health Department's certified and licensed diabetes educators can help you learn how.

Join us for a FREE Diabetes Self Management Education class from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm on Saturday, Sept. 24, at the Burlington Fire House, 6050 Firehouse Drive, Burlington, Ky.

The course includes free lunch and a diabetes tool kit. It's open to those who provide support to people with diabetes as well, including friends and family members.

Registration is required. Please call Joan Geohagan at 859/363-2115 or Julie Shapero at 859/363-2116.

Quit now and receive four weeks of free patches

Thinking about quitting tobacco? Ready to quit? Either way Quit Now Kentucky is here to help. It's a free service that offers support and advice from an experienced quit coach. These experts can talk with you about overcoming common barriers, such as dealing with stress, fighting

cravings, coping with irritability and controlling weight gain.

If you live or work in Boone, Campbell, Grant, or Kenton Counties, you're eligible to receive four weeks of free nicotine patches.

To learn more, call 1-800-QUIT-NOW or visit <http://www.nkyhealth.org/quitnow.aspx>.



Have fun and get muddy! Explore the Mud Obstacle Course!

Saturday, October 8

Northern Kentucky Fair Grounds
Williamstown, KY

More than 20 obstacles

Enjoy music, vendor booths and post-race recovery foods

Costumes welcome

For details and to register, visit <https://exploremud.eventbrite.com>



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Strengthen your child — Communicate

Marijuana remains the most widely used illegal substance among youth in Kentucky

Parents can strongly influence their children's attitudes and behaviors about marijuana. That task is even more difficult now with the mixed messages being conveyed by the passage of medical marijuana laws and legalization of marijuana in other states.

You can help your kids avoid

marijuana and other drugs by knowing these tips:

- Be a good listener, more than a good lecturer.
- Talk to your child about ways to stay safe at parties and how to deal with peer pressure.
- Get to know your child's friends and their parents.
- Monitor your child's whereabouts and supervise his/her activities with friends in your home.
- Have fun with your child; spend quality time; and use teachable moments to convey a clear no-drug use message.
- Encourage your teen to get involved in positive activities in

your community, such as Young Boone County. For more information, contact: laura.brinson@nkyhealth.org.



Helping teens cope with stress

According to a recent study by the American Psychological Association, it is extremely common for teens to experience stress, especially during the school year. In a 2013 Stress in America survey, teens reported higher stress levels than adults.

Additionally, nearly half of teens say they are not doing enough, or are unsure they are doing enough, to manage their own stress. If stress is not managed, greater problems can occur, such as anxiety, aggression, physical illness, or substance abuse.

One way parents can help teens de-stress is by modeling and encouraging healthy coping techniques. Teens can do the following to decrease stress:

- Exercise and eat healthy and regularly

- Avoid excess caffeine intake
- Avoid illegal drugs, alcohol, and tobacco
- Learn and practice relaxation techniques, such as abdominal breathing
- Rehearse and practice situations which cause stress (i.e. a presentation at school)
- Build a network of friends who promote positive coping skills
- Take a break from stressful situations by listening to music, writing in a journal, or taking a walk

For more information, visit the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at www.aacap.org.



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Boone County Alliance



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Connect with us on LinkedIn!!

<https://www.linkedin.com/company/boone-county-alliance>

Get involved! Join us for our monthly meeting the 3rd Monday of every month at 9 am at the Florence Government Center (8100 Ewing Blvd. Florence, KY 41042)

Welcome to Boone County Schools!

The 2016-2017 school year promises many exciting and new learning opportunities and challenges for our students.

Through a district-wide partnership with Children Inc., the Boone County School District engages all students in service learning experiences. We drive learning outside the walls of the classroom with meaningful community service that includes instruction and reflection to enrich the learning experience, teach civic responsibility, and strengthen communities. Service Learning improves students' ability to apply what they have learned in "the real world" as well as develops skills such as problem-solving and critical thinking. Another teaching method we employ called PBL is project, problem, or passion based learning. It is an approach in which students actively explore real-world problems and challenges and acquire a deeper knowledge. They work for an extended period of time to investigate and



respond to a complex question, problem, or challenge. By combining PBL and Service Learning, our students work to solve real community issues, learning to become productive, empathetic citizens.

We are continually expanding our technology use. This school year every Boone County student from 3rd to 8th grade will be working from Chromebooks. All of our high school students will use Canvas for assignments. Canvas is a learning management system.

The Boone County School District is focused on World Class Educa-

tion, Student Empowerment and Resource Optimization. As part of our five-year strategic plan, the Boone County community of parents and businesses helped develop what we call the 10C's of what we want for our students and our schools. They are collaboration, communication, critical thinking, creativity, cultural competence, character, compassion, community connections, choice and challenge.

Our success in these areas is evidenced by the recent selection of Boone County Schools as a District of Innovation for our Imagineering

Academy — Early College, School of Design, PBL Academy, and the Home Builders Program by the state Board of Education. Also, four of our schools were selected as Summit Base Camp schools with a focus on PBL and personalized learning.

Education in the Boone County School District is designed to prepare students for a future that is increasingly complex and global. We maintain a strong focus on career exploration and college/career planning starting at the middle school level with assistance from new college/career pathway coaches. We believe in employing revolutionary teaching methods to create graduates who are college, career and life ready.

For more information contact us at www.boone.kyschools.us or call 859/283-1003 and stay connected with us on Facebook, twitter and YouTube.



Youth Mental Health: Bringing awareness to Boone County

Mental Health is often cloaked in myths and sometimes the incorrect information can prevent people from receiving the mental health support they need.

Myth: Children don't experience mental health problems.

Fact: Half of all mental health disorders show first signs before a person turns 14 years old, and three quarters of mental health disorders begin before age 24. Early mental health support can help a child before problems interfere with other developmental needs.

Myth: I can't do anything for a person with a mental health problem.

Fact: Friends and loved ones make a

big difference. Only 44% of adults with diagnosable mental health problems and less than 20% of children and adolescents receive needed treatment. Friends and family are important influences in helping someone get the treatment and services they need.

Boone: AWARE offers FREE Youth Mental Health First Aid courses to adults across our community. Through a federal grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, certified instructors offer evidence-based training courses. Boone: AWARE aims to increase mental health literacy and raise awareness on Youth Mental Health through FREE Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA) courses across Boone County.

This 8-hour training is ideal for any adult who regularly interacts with young people. We invite you or your organization to participate. The course teaches adults how to recognize adolescents who may be experiencing a mental health challenge or crisis and how to assist them through the use of a clearly defined action plan. Participants

will learn the risk factors and warning signs of mental health challenges and crises, stressing the importance of early intervention. In addition, participants are introduced to local mental health resources, national organizations, support groups, and online tools for the treatment and support of mental health issues.

UPCOMING CLASSES

Sat., Sept. 17	9 am-5 pm	Boone County Public Library, Scheben Branch, Union
Thurs., Sept. 22	9 am-5 pm	Boone County Public Library, Florence Branch, Florence
Sat., Oct. 22	8:30 am-4:30 pm	Florence Christian Church, 300 Main Street, Florence
Tues., Oct. 25	8:30 am-4:30 pm	Boone County Extension Center, Burlington

Additional classes scheduled for late fall and winter. Call us and we will schedule one for your organization!

To register or for more information contact:

Nikki Sofranko at 859/334.3791 or by email nicole.sofranko@boone.kyschools.us

Fall 2016 Program Schedule

You may register for classes beginning September 2.

■ **On-line Registration:** www.boone.kyschools.us
Select District Office • Choose Community Education

■ **Mail-in Registration:**
Boone County Schools, 8330 US Highway 42, Florence, KY 41042,
Attention: Community Education Generalist

Community Partners:

Boone County Board of Education, Boone County Adult Education, Boone County Cooperative Extension Services, Boone County Parks Department, Boone County Public Library, Walton Verona Board of Education

SCHOOL OF D-PHOTOGRAPHY and PHONE-O-GRAPHY

In the last decade the progress of D-Photography and photo editing has been prodigious either for creating family photos and video or professional-grade images. Meantime the diffusion of cellular phones suggested the introduction of simplest photo-cameras for creating family photos in everyday occasions. After 10+ years of teaching high quality D-Photography and Editing, we offer to beginners and young photographers a class to use cell phones in taking candid photos of relatives, friends and selfies.

LEVEL 1 - For BEGINNERS with limited experience in D-Photography owning any model/brand of basic or advanced traditional photcameras.

3 Classes - Total 6 hours. FEE: \$40

Class 1.A: *Tuesday, Sept. 20*
Composition & focusing. Automatic exposure

Class 1.B: *Thursday, Sept. 22*
Shooting. Basic lighting. Exercise at class and home.

Class 1.C: *Tuesday, Sept. 27*
Homework review - Selecting, sharing, printing your photos

LEVEL 2 - For INTERMEDIATE students with 2-3 years of experience in photography (or those students who completed Level 1) and own any brand/model of SLR (EOS) camera used for photo-applications as hobby or at work, or for selling pictures. Basic computer experience is necessary.

5 Classes - Total 10 hours. FEE: \$60

Class 2.A: *Tuesday, Oct. 4* Focusing techniques and semi-automatic exposure

Class 2.B: *Thursday, Oct. 6*
ISO, natural and artificial lighting, white balance

Class 2.C: *Tuesday, Oct. 11*
Special techniques (zooming, bracketing, multi-exposures, panning, etc.)

Class 2.D: *Thursday, Oct. 13*
Family portraits, children and pets, sports

Class 2.E: *Tuesday, Oct. 18*
Landscapes, still-life and macro photography

LEVEL 3 – ADVANCED TECHNIQUES FOR PRO-GRADE PORTRAITS: Hands-on class for students who successfully completed Level 2. This is the level necessary to create artistic pictures with a live model and starting a professional activity.

3 Classes - Total 6 hours. FEE \$60

Class 3.A: *Thursday, Oct. 20*

Portraits lighting and advanced shooting techniques

Class 3.B: *Tuesday, Oct. 25*
Review of homework and shooting exercises at class

Class 3.C: *Thursday, Oct. 27*
How to become a pro photographer

EDITING: For students who want to fix and enhance their pictures using Photoshop Elements.

4 Classes - Total 8 hours. FEE: \$60
Thursday, Nov. 3; Tuesday, Nov. 8; Thursday, Nov. 10; Tuesday, Nov. 15

ALL CLASSES:
6-8 pm
North-Pointe Elementary School
875 North Bend Rd.
Hebron, KY 41048
Instructor: Domenico Vassallo

Note: To register and for more information contact the instructor at: editor@dphart.com

PHONE-O-GRAPHY

Starting in a few months, we will offer classes of 3 sessions of 1.5 hrs each (Total 4.5 hrs) reserved to students of all ages (8+ years) owning any brand and type of cell phone with ability to take pictures. In addition to images and video taking, the students will be guided in using the full activities of their cell phone. Instructor will be April Bentley.

Registration: The total fee will be \$45, including basic literature. At this time we ask all interested students to send (before September 19) an email to the following address: mivas@fuse.net (Subject: Phonegraphy - Text: Your full name, age, brand and model of owned cell phone, town of residence, email address; (optional) home phone number.

AFTER SCHOOL FUN WITH...



YOUNG REMBRANDTS

Young Rembrandts is an enrichment program that teaches drawing, the fundamental skill of all visual arts. The student will learn a 'right brain' activity using a 'left brain' step-by-step methodology. A new lesson will be taught each week and one Art History lesson a month. All supplies provided. You have several choices of location and days. Please visit www.youngrembrandts.com/northernky-southwestoh/view-classes-enroll/ to enroll for upcoming classes.

SESSION 1

FEE: \$75

*Mondays, 4-5 pm
September 12-October 17
(No class October 10)*
Stephens Elementary

OR

*Tuesdays, 4-5 pm
September 13-October 11*
Ockerman Elementary

OR

*Wednesdays, 4-5 pm
September 14-October 12*
Mann Elementary

OR

*Thursdays, 4-5 pm
September 15-October 13*
Goodridge Elementary

SESSION 2

FEE: \$90

*Mondays, 4-5 pm
October 24- December 5
(No Class October 31)*
Stephens Elementary

OR

*Tuesdays, 4-5 pm
October 25-December 6
(No Class November 8)*
Ockerman Elementary

OR

*Wednesdays, 4-5 pm
October 26- December 7
(No class November 23)*
Mann Elementary

OR

*Fridays, 4-5 pm
October 27- December 8
(No class November 24)*
Goodridge Elementary

MINI 4-WEEK SESSIONS

FEE: \$48

SESSION 1

*Tuesday, 4-5 pm
October 4-October 25*
Collins Elementary

OR

SESSION 1

*Tuesday, 4-5 pm
November 4-December 6*
Collins Elementary



MY AMAZING FLYING MACHINE (Hands on STEM for K-5th Grade)

Zoom your way into this high flying club. Speed your way through the four forces of flight by making a ping pong ball float, design your own parachute, sending rockets into the atmosphere, building your own plane, and much more. Soar your way through this aerodynamic club. May the forces of flight be with you!

FEE: \$75

*Mondays, 3:45-4:45 pm
September 12-October 17 (No Class October 10)*

Stephens Elementary

Rollin Robinson, Science Matters

OR

*Tuesdays, 3:45-4:45 pm
September 13-October 11*

New Haven Elementary

Rollin Robinson, Science Matters

OR

*Wednesdays, 3:45-4:45 pm
September 14-October 12*

Longbranch Elementary

Rollin Robinson, Science Matters

OR

*Thursdays, 3:45-4:45 pm
September 15-October 13*

North Pointe Elementary

Rollin Robinson, Science Matters

Please visit <http://sciencematters.tv> to enroll for upcoming classes.



WAY OUT WATER (Hands on STEM for K-5th Grade)

Get ready... get wet... H-2-O! Water Engineers — come learn all about the world's most important molecule, H₂O, better known as... WATER. Use your engineering skills and put water to work with a water wheel, see sticky water, make paper clips that float on water, and play America's fastest growing game

Does it Float? After this club you will never look at a glass of water the same again.

FEE: \$75

*Mondays, 3:45-4:45 pm
November 7-December 5*

Stephens Elementary

Rollin Robinson,
Science Matters

OR

*Tuesdays, 3:45-4:45 pm
November 1-November 29*

New Haven Elementary

Rollin Robinson, Science Matters

OR

*Wednesdays, 3:45-4:45 pm
November 2-December 7 (no class Wednesday, November 23)*

Longbranch Elementary

Rollin Robinson, Science Matters

OR

*Thursdays, 3:45-4:45 pm
November 3-December 8 (no class Thursday, November 24)*

North Pointe Elementary

Rollin Robinson, Science Matters

Please visit <http://sciencematters.tv> to enroll for upcoming classes.



PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

“GETTING PAID TO TALK”

An introduction to voice acting! Have you ever been told that you have a great voice? This exciting class will explore numerous aspects of voice-over work for television, film, radio, audio books, documentaries and the internet in your area. We will cover all the basics including how to prepare the all-important demo, how to be successful and earn great income in this exciting field. Students will have the opportunity to ask questions and to hear example demos recorded by professional voice actors. Class participant will even have a chance to record a commercial under the direction of our voice coaches producer! This class is informative, fun, and a great first step for anyone interested in voice acting professionally. We have create a web-accessible page with detailed information about class content, answers to common questions, and general information about the acting field.

www.voicecoaches.com/gppt.
Minimum if 8 to conduct class and must be 18 years or older.

FEE: \$25

Tuesday, November 15.

6:30-9 pm
Gray Middle School
10400 Hwy 42,
Union, KY 41091
Jenny Marcotte

STARTING A BUSINESS ON A SHOESTRING BUDGET

Students will learn what tools are necessary for starting a business as well as how to find clients, network and use social media.

FEE: \$40

September 26, 6-8 pm

Gray Middle School
Lynn Welch

SOCIAL MEDIA FOR BUSINESS

Learn personal branding and how to build your tribe while establishing yourself as the authority in your field. Learn content development and how to attract business using automated tools to make the job easier.

FEE: \$40

September 19, 6-8 pm

Gray Middle School
Lynn Welch



PERSONAL SKILLS

ACADEMIC SKILLS IMPROVEMENT

This is a refresher course on grammar, math and/or reading skills. Prepare yourself for job placement, job promotion, post-secondary education and/or self-improvement.

FEE: No Cost

Call 859/442-1695 for times and dates

Boone County Adult Education Center
Boone County Adult Education Staff

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Adult students learn to speak and use English, learn about other cultures and meet new people. Proper pronunciation, grammar and conversation skills needed to obtain employment will be covered.

FEE: No Cost

Call 859/442-1695 for times and dates

Boone County Adult Education Center
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G.E.D. (HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETION)

Boone County Adult Education offers sessions to prepare for the G.E.D. test. The Adult Education Center is a certified G.E.D. “test-readiness” site and “official” G.E.D. testing site.

Call 859/442-1695 for times and dates

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Boone County Adult Education Staff

BASIC SIGN LANGUAGE

This class is designed to teach basic American Sign Language techniques and vocabulary. No previous sign language knowledge required.

Minimum: 10 participants
September 8, 15, 22, 29;
October 6, 13, 20, 27

5-7 pm

Presenter: TBD

Board of Education Board Room

BASIC SPANISH

Participants will concentrate on correct pronunciation and basic conversation through dictation and interactive learning. No previous skills needed.

Minimum: 10 participants
September 6, 13, 20, 27;
October 4, 11, 18, 25

5-7 pm

Presenter: TBD

Board of Education Board Room

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

Boone: AWARE offers FREE Youth Mental Health First Aid courses to adults across our community. Through a federal grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, certified instructors offer evidence-based training courses. Boone: AWARE aims to increase mental health literacy and raise awareness on Youth Mental Health through FREE Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA) courses across Boone County. For more information, see page 10.

PARENT UNIVERSITY

LEARNING NEVER STOPS.
Join us for the opportunity to be involved in your child's future through PARENT UNIVERSITY.

All students benefit when their parents are involved in their education — students achieve more when their parents expect more. Schools also benefit when parents are involved in education. Academic achievement is higher, students have a more positive attitude toward school and their behavior is better. When parents are involved both at home and at school, students participate in more successful academic programs.

PARENT UNIVERSITY supports this ideas with timely information to assist parents connect to their child and learning. Programs

include information on:

- Early Childhood Initiatives
- Strong Fathers/ Mighty Moms
- Engagement at Home and in the Community
- Financial Planning for Post-Secondary Education
- Active Parenting
- And many more.

PARENT UNIVERSITY is a commitment of the Boone County School District to all of our families connecting the schools, home and community. Look for Information on Parent University sessions – dates, times and locations, on the Boone County Schools District website <http://www.boone.k12.ky.us/>, published twice yearly. Parent University information will

also be available on each school's websites. For more information or to suggest a topic of session please contact: Dr. Anna Marie Tracy 859-334-3792 annamarie.tracy@boone.kyschools.us

Look for these programs: (Dates and times on the District website)

ACTIVE PARENTING

Six 2-hour sessions to support parents with the skills they need to meet the challenges of rearing children in today's turbulent society. Classes to be held at Ockerman Elementary, Florence Elementary, Jones Middle School.

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

Eight-hour course for all adults to promote community literacy around mental health concerns, resource mental health providers and learn an action plan to support youth in challenging times.

PARENTS ON BOARD

Lunch & Learn at your child's school. 40-50 minute programs (at lunch or in the pm) provide parents with the skills needed to help build academic success in their children K-5.

And more...



PARENT UNIVERSITY

Boone County Schools

BORN LEARNING ACADEMY

Audience: Parent of children birth to 5, Participants are encouraged to attend all 6 sessions.

Join us to learn how to make everyday activities learning moments for your infants, toddlers and preschooler. In a series of six workshops, our Born Learning Academy provides families and caregivers with practical, user-friendly ideas to turn everyday activities into learning moments. Come play with us and other families to strengthen school readiness even at an early age. Skill development is presented in fun-engaging ways to build: social emotional relationships, language skills, nutrition and health development, routines and learning on-the-go with parents

and children together. Join us for tools, toys and tons of fun!

FEE: No Cost

October 6, November 3, December 1, 2016; January 12, February 2, and March 2, 2017

5 -7 pm

Florence Elementary
Staff and Visiting Speakers
Florence Elementary
School



NKY MAKERSPACE

Students, parents and teachers can register for classes or propose a class they'd like to teach by going to our website at www.nkymaker.space. Class instructors can be volunteer or fee for service. Instructors must be at least 18, pass a background check and have expertise in science, technology, engineering, art or mathematics.

Don't miss these fall programs and events!

Money Habitudes: The clues just may be in the cards

Have you ever wondered why you manage (or mismanage) your money the way you do? Why you seem to go shopping for a product and come home with more items and less money than intended? The Money Habitudes series may just provide insight into why you do what you do. In this highly interactive, two-part program you will: explore your habits and attitudes about spending and saving money, learn to build on what you do well with money, set goals for managing your money more effectively, and learn basic budgeting techniques.

Mondays, October 3 & 17,

- **1:30-3:30 pm—**
Campbell County Cooperative Extension, 3500 Alexandria Pike, Highland Heights.
859/572-2600 or campbell.ca.uky.edu to register or for more information
- **6:30-8:30 pm—**
Boone County Extension Enrichment Center, 1955 Burlington Pike, Burlington.
859/586-6101 or boone.ca.uky.edu to register or for more information.

Have you had the Talk? Conversations that Matter

Does your family know your wishes for later life? Join an expert panel to discover topics to discuss with loved ones and tips for discussing them. Presented by the Community Conversation Coalition led by Hospice of the Bluegrass.

Babysitting available with advanced notice. Registration appreciated. Dinner provided for those registered by October 14.

- **Thursday, October 20, 5:30-7:30 pm. Boone County Extension Enrichment Center, 1955 Burlington Pike, Burlington.**
859/586-6101 or boone.ca.uky.edu to register.

Free nutrition program available in Boone County

The Boone County Cooperative Extension Service Nutrition Education Program Assistants, Stacie Ball and B.J. Porciello, welcome partnerships with agencies and individuals that may benefit from their FREE program.

Stacie and B.J. work with families with limited resources and individuals to help them learn skills to improve the nutritional quality of meals, to safely prepare meals, and to maximize resources to better feed their families. If you would like new and fun ideas for feeding your family or if your Agency would be interested in having this free program at your location for your clients, please call the UK Cooperative Extension Service at 859/586-6101 for more information.

Nutrition Assistants partner with agencies in order to teach a series of seven basic nutrition education/food preparation lessons at the agency site. This program series has a proven track record of improvement between beginning and ending data from participants. Last fiscal year, B.J. and Stacie worked with 163 families and 288 youth participants with 95% of adult program partici-



B.J. Porciello (above) and Stacie Ball (inset) help families and individuals learn how to improve the nutrition, safety and economy of meal preparation.



pants showing improvement in one or more nutrition practices and 97.3% showing a positive change in food group choices.

Boone County Homemakers Quilt Show

- **September 23 & 24, Boone County Enrichment Center, 1955 Burlington Pike, Burlington**
Proceeds benefit Boone County Homemakers Mary Hood Lutes Scholarship Fund. Call the office for additional information.

Fall Arts & Crafts Show

Saturday, October 15
9 am-3 pm
Boone County Extension Enrichment Center
1955 Burlington Pike
Burlington
Crafts • Holiday Decor • Jewelry
Food • Quilt Raffle
Much More!

Proceeds go to American Cancer Society for Breast Cancer Research in the name of former Boone County FCS Agent Rebecca Brooker.

Boone Co. Cooperative Extension Service



College of Agriculture,
Food and Environment
Cooperative Extension Service



Disabilities accommodated with prior notification.

6028 Camp Ernst Road
P.O. Box 876
Burlington, KY 41005
phone: 859/586-6101
fax: 859/586-6107

email:

DL_CES_BOONE@EMAIL.UKY.EDU



FALL/WINTER 2016/17 EVENTS

For more information about any of these programs, call the number listed or visit the City's Activity Guide at www.florence-ky.gov.



POOCH FEST September 10

The City of Florence will hold its annual Pooch Fest on Saturday, September 10 beginning at 10:30 am (registration at 10 am) at the Florence Government Center (8100 Ewing Boulevard). Activities include best in parade, best in show, obstacle course, owner look-a-like, and tricks. Prizes and treats. Fee is \$5 per dog. Canine requirements include being in good health, current licenses, kept on a leash, and owners provide pooper scoopers. Registration forms for pooches and vendors (\$15 rental) are available in the lobby of the Government Center or on the City's webpage. Volunteers welcome. Call 647-5439 or go to www.florence-ky.gov.



ARBOR DAY PROGRAM September 24

The City of Florence annual Arbor Day program will be held on Saturday, September 24 at South Fork Park. The program is from 10 am-noon and includes a brief history of Arbor Day, reading of the City's Arbor Day proclamation, various tree planting activities, and lunch. Call 647-5416 or go to www.florence-ky.gov.



FIRE PREVENTION WEEK October 2-8

The Florence Fire/EMS Department reminds residents October is National Fire Prevention Month. National Fire Prevention Week is October 2-8. The theme is "Hear the Beep Where You Sleep; Every Bedroom Needs a Working Smoke Alarm!" If you need a smoke detector Florence Fire/EMS will supply residents with one at no cost. Call 647-5660 or go to www.florence-ky.gov.



CITY AUCTION October 12

The City of Florence will hold its annual City Auction on Wednesday, October 12 at 9 am (viewing at 8 am) at the Public Services Maintenance Facility (7850 Tanners Lane). Some of the discarded items include miscellaneous computer and office equipment, furniture, vehicles, etc. All sales are final. A detailed list of items will be made available in late September. Call 647-8177 or go to www.florence-ky.gov.



FALL CLEANUP WEEK October 17-23

The City of Florence will hold its annual Fall Cleanup Program October 17-23. Florence residents and business owners can participate in the Drop-off Dumpster Program by bringing unwanted items for disposal free of charge at the Public Services Maintenance Facility (7850 Tanners Lane). Facility hours are 7 am-7 pm, Monday-Friday and 9 am-7 pm, Saturday & Sunday. Call 647-5416 or go to www.florence-ky.gov.



HALLOWEEN NIGHT OUT October 25

The City of Florence will hold its annual Halloween Night Out on Tuesday, October 25 from 5-7 pm at the Florence Government Center (8100 Ewing Boulevard). Bring the children for an evening of tricks and treats with City staff, organizations, and local businesses. Children up to age 12 can enjoy games, hayrides, magician, mascots, spooky stations, storyteller, and treats. The free program is held (under tents) rain or shine. Sponsorship opportunities are available. Call 647-5439 or go to www.florence-ky.gov.



HOUSEHOLD WASTE COLLECTION EVENT November 5

The City of Florence will once again be participating in the Household Waste Collection Event which will be held on Saturday, November 5 from 9 am-2 pm at UC Health Stadium, home of the Florence Freedom (7950 Freedom Way). Florence is teaming up with the Northern Kentucky Solid Waste Management Area and the Northern Kentucky Household Hazardous Waste Action Coalition. Only certain unwanted items will be collected and some restrictions apply. Go to www.nkyhhw.org to find out what is being accepted and what is not being accepted and to download the registration form (complete form and bring it to the event). Call 647-5416 or go to www.florence-ky.gov.



VETERANS DAY PROGRAM November 11

The City of Florence will hold its annual Veterans Day Program on Friday, November 11 at 6 pm at the Florence Government Center (8100 Ewing Boulevard). Join the City as it honors the Veterans of all wars. The program will feature essay contest winners from local schools sponsored by the Florence Rotary and Boone County Jaycees. Call 647-5439 or go to www.florence-ky.gov.



HONOR RUN HALF MARATHON November 13

The City of Florence's 3rd annual Honor Run Half Marathon will run on Sunday, November 13 at 7 am underneath the iconic Florence Y'all Water Tower. Events this year include the Half Marathon, 2-Person Relay, and Kids One Mile (new). Join in on Veterans Day Weekend and help honor those who have served us. Register at www.honorrunchalf.com. The Honor Run Half Marathon will sell out at 2,500 participants and the relay will sell out at 100 teams. Call 859-802-9923 or go to www.honorrunchalf.com.



SAFE SITTER (BABYSITTING CLASS) November 14

The City of Florence will hold its next Safe Sitter babysitting classes for students (ages 11-15) throughout the year on Saturday, November 12 from 9 am-3 pm at the Evelyn Kalb Gathering House at the Florence Nature Park (Banklick Street). Fee is \$40 and students (classes are limited to 12 students) need to bring a sack lunch and drink. This class does not certify students in first-aid or CPR. Download the registration form at www.florence-ky.gov and return to 647-5438 or at the Florence Government Center (8100 Ewing Boulevard).



CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING December 6

The City of Florence will hold its annual Christmas Tree Lighting on Tuesday, December 6 from 6-8 pm at the Florence Government Center (8100 Ewing Boulevard). Bring your family as we deck the halls, enjoy Christmas music with the Florence Community Band and Chorus, and light the Christmas tree. Civic organizations and local businesses will provide Christmas activities while the children await their visit with Santa Claus. Sleigh rides, face painting, and refreshments also available. The free program is held (under a tent) rain or shine. Call 647-5439 or go to www.florence-ky.gov.



CHRISTMAS TREE PICKUP & RECYCLING January 4; January 7

The City of Florence will hold its annual Christmas Tree Recycling Curbside Pickup on Wednesday, January 4 from 7 am-5 pm. The Public Services Department will run its snow routes to pick up Christmas Trees of Florence residents (place curbside no later than 7 am). The City will hold its annual Christmas Tree Recycling Drop Off on Saturday, January 7 at Stringtown Park on Burlington Pike (drop off trees before 8 am). Call 647-5416 or go to www.florence-ky.gov.



DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. PROGRAM January 16

The City of Florence will hold its annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Program on Monday, January 16 at 3 pm at the Florence Government Center (8100 Ewing Boulevard). The program will include a march around the Government Center campus. Call 647-5439 or go to www.florence-ky.gov.



PROGRAMS & SERVICES

For more information about any of these programs and services, call the number listed or visit the City's Activity Guide at www.florence-ky.gov.



SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER All Year Round

The City of Florence Senior Activity Center is located at 7431 U.S. 42 and is open Monday-Friday from 9 am-3 pm. Features of the Senior Activity Center include: Commercial kitchen, computer room, dividable multipurpose room, exercise room, family, men's & women's restrooms, geothermal HVAC system, offices for director & assistant director, open reception area, partially covered outdoor patio, radiant heated floor reading room, and wellness room equipped with restroom. Monthly activities include: Art lessons, bingo, canasta, crafts, euchre, line dancing, massage, Tai-Chi, Wii bowling, yoga stretch, Zumba Gold, and more. To rent, call 647-5416 or go to www.florence-ky.gov. Call 282-4061, email at gherbert@seniorservicesnky.org, or go to www.seniorservicesnky.org.



WORLD OF GOLF All Year Round

The World of Golf is located at 7400 Woodspoint Drive and features an 18-hole course, FootGolf, clubhouse with concession area, simulator, swing analyzer, indoor driving range, indoor putting green, miniature golf course, outdoor driving range, pro shop, and more. Attention Florence Residents: On Monday evenings it's "Florence Resident Night," \$1 discount on golf, driving range, and miniature golf; free golf clinic. Open Sunday-Saturday 8 am-9 pm all year round, it's the perfect place to practice, play, and learn. Call 371-8255 or go to www.landrumgolf.com.



SNOW EMERGENCY INFORMATION Winter

The City of Florence asks its residents for assistance during the Public Services Department's snow removal operation by moving parked vehicles off of the streets when snow is expected. Florence has one level of snow emergency status and the primary radio and television stations are notified when the City has declared a snow emergency. In such instances, all on-street parking is prohibited for a period of 24 hours. Call 647-5420 or go to www.florence-ky.gov.

Family Aquatic Center membership discount available!



Purchase Florence Family Aquatic Center Memberships for the 2017 season at a 10% discount beginning on Friday, November 25.

The memberships make great holiday and birthday gifts. Purchase at the Florence Government Center Finance Department (8100 Ewing Boulevard). Call 647-5439 or go to www.florence-ky.gov.

City of Florence



Administration.....859/647-8177
 City Clerk.....859/647-8178
 Finance/Tax.....859/647-5413
 Fire/EMS..... 859/647-5660

Parks and Recreation.....859/647-5439
 Police(non-emergency).....859/647-5420
 Public Services.....859/647-5416

From plan to practice

When serious planning in the Gunpowder Creek Watershed began in 2009, the objective from the very beginning was to identify appropriate and cost effective conservation measures to improve the health of Gunpowder Creek and get these conservation practices on the ground. Since the plan was completed in 2015 the Boone County Conservation District (BCCD) and the Gunpowder Creek Watershed Initiative have been diligently working to do just that. Cooperation and partnerships with key community groups will be the key to success and has already sprouted into several projects.

Boone County Schools are proving to be excellent partners. All but a couple of the four high schools, five middle schools and 14 elementary schools in Boone County are in the Gunpowder Creek Watershed. This is an excellent opportunity to work with the schools to improve the management of storm water while providing faculty, staff and student's unique learning opportunities about the health of our valuable water resources. Storm water management projects are already underway at Boone County High School and Ockerman Middle School. Specially mixed soils and native plants will help filter and slow down storm water runoff to protect receiving streams. Projects on school properties also provide outdoor learning areas for students that support science, math and social studies curriculum in a diverse and aesthetic environment. Additionally the area provides crucial habitat for pollinators and other local wildlife. Several other possible collaborative projects on school properties are currently being evaluated.

BCCD has also partnered with YMCA Camp Ernst to develop a large

bank-full wetland on its property along Gunpowder Creek. The YMCA has graciously provided several acres in a bottom along Gunpowder to be converted from an old horse pasture to wetland habitat that will also provide six to seven acre feet of much needed storm water storage. As erosive flows from developed areas upstream reach a specific depth and flow, water will spill from the creek into the wetland area reducing stress on the stream banks and channel as well as filtering pollutants from the water before flowing back into the creek. The wetland habitat will also provide a haven for a variety of native wildlife and plant species. Campers will be able to access the wetland and be encouraged to investigate and explore this rare and unique habitat.

The Gunpowder Creek Watershed Plan is a long-term commitment and we will be seeking community partners to initiate many more projects that will help protect and preserve the physical, chemical and biological integrity of Gunpowder Creek. These efforts will surely provide long-term benefits as our community grows.

For more information about the Gunpowder Creek Watershed Initiative call Mark Jacobs at 859/586-7903 ext. 112 or email at markjacobs@nkcd.org. The Gunpowder Creek Watershed Plan as well as a public summary of the plan is available on our website at http://www.boonecountyky.org/agencies/boone_county_conservation_district/index.aspx.

This work was funded in part by a grant from the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency under §319(h) of the Clean Water Act through the Kentucky Division of Water.



Students from Thomas More Environmental Academy planting native plants in detention basin (Photo: Mark Jacobs, BCCD)



Site of bank-full wetland project along Gunpowder Creek at YMCA Camp Ernst (Photo: Mark Jacobs, BCCD)

Boone County Conservation District

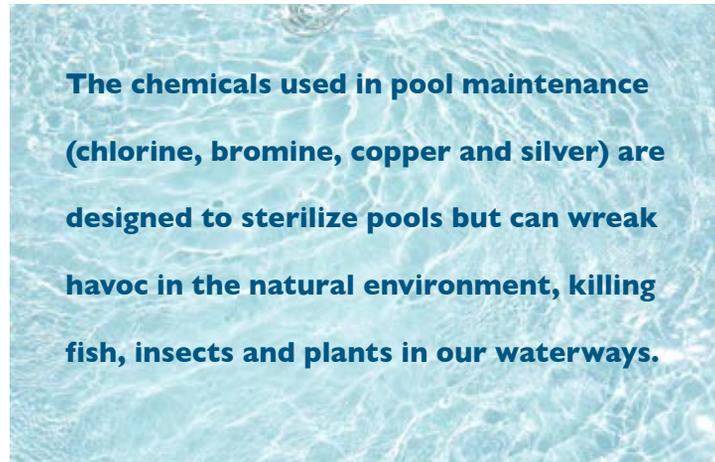
**859/586-7903
6028 Camp Ernst Road
Burlington, KY**

Protect the environment, properly drain your pool

If not properly handled, swimming pool water can harm our streams. The chemicals used in pool maintenance (chlorine, bromine, copper and silver) are designed to sterilize pools but can wreak havoc in the natural environment, killing fish, insects and plants in our waterways. For this reason, it's important to properly drain your pool water when closing your summer oasis for the approaching cold weather.

The best place to discharge pool water is to the sanitary sewer system, but sometimes this option is not available or is not allowed. In that case, your next best choices are to discharge pool water onto the lawn of your property or to the storm water system. Either way, it's important before discharging the water that it is clear, dechlorinated and of a neutral pH.

When discharging pool water onto your lawn, the water should not flow off your property and you should not



allow it to pond for a prolonged period of time. Stagnant water can create odors and serve as breeding ground for flies and mosquitos. Discharge pool water slowly (25 gallons per minute or less) to prevent soil erosion, flooding or damage to adjacent properties.

Do not discharge water containing cleaning chemicals, acid buffering compounds, algae and

other substances into the street, storm water system or a stream. Be sure to test your pool water for chemicals and other pollutants before discharging.

When is it safe to discharge pool water?

- Pool water should be essentially free of chlorine (less than 0.1 parts per million total chlorine), algaecides and other potential pollutants prior to discharge. To

reduce chlorine levels you can use chlorine neutralizer, which can be purchased at many pool supply stores.

- A 10-day holding time after the last chemical treatment is adequate to dissipate chlorine prior to discharging the pool water.
- pH levels should be within a normal range (6 to 9). pH adjustment chemicals, instructions and test kits are available at many pool supply stores.

Planning on having plenty more pool days this year? Keep in mind the backwash water from pool filters also contains chemicals, debris and dirt that can damage the environment, so do not drain it directly into the storm water system.

If you have any questions regarding proper pool discharging procedures, please contact SD1 at 859/578-7450.

Don't leave yard debris lying around

Autumn is near and with it brings warm, sunny days, cool, crisp nights and colorful leaves falling to the ground. You probably think the leaves spread across your landscape paint a beautiful picture; however, leaves left on lawns and streets can cause drains to clog and potentially flood your property or surrounding properties in your community.

As a homeowner, it is your responsibility to maintain your lawn and help protect property in your community. Follow the simple tips below to help protect your community this fall:

- Rake or sweep leaves and yard debris out of your street and away from storm drains to

prevent clogged drains and flooding.

- Rake leaves into a compost pile to make a nutrient-rich fertilizer to use on your garden next spring.
- Create mulch for your lawn by pulverizing leaves with your lawn mower. Leaves are one of the best fertilizers for your lawn.
- Contact your city to learn about possible leaf pick-up services it may offer. Remember, if you are asked to put the leaves near the street, wait to do so until just before the collection day.
- Never rake your leaves or yard debris into storm drains, ditches, creeks or rivers.

**SAVE
THE
DATE!**

Household Waste Collection Event

Saturday, November 5

Residents of Boone, Campbell and Kenton counties may drop off select household hazardous waste items on Saturday, November 5 at UC Health Stadium, "Home of the Florence Freedom." Visit www.nkyhhw.org for updates on this event as they become available!

SD1



1045 Eaton Drive
Fort Wright, KY 41017
phone: 859/578-7450

Hours of Operation:

Monday-Friday, 8 am - 4:30 pm

FY2016 Report to the Community

Discover, Explore, Experience a lifetime of learning at Boone County Public Library is our mission statement. We attempt to meet that mission by offering exceptional service and lifelong learning opportunities through our spaces, collections and events. Over the last several years, we have seen a change in how Boone County uses the Library.

While physical books, movies and audio CDs are still popular, more and more people are turning to us for their digital needs. This past year, circulation of our eMaterials (eBooks, eAudiobooks, Streaming video, music, and databases) increased 40%, from 217,489 items checked out to 362,273 items. While we saw a 52% decrease in the number of people using our public computers over the last three years, the number of people bringing their own devices into the Library to use our free Wi-Fi has increased by 71%.

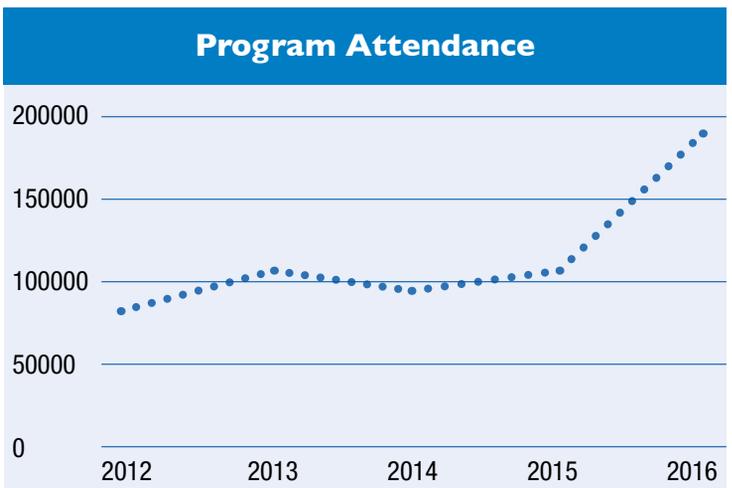
Three years ago, we began decreasing the number of programs we offered. We wanted to make a change from smaller programs to larger, targeted programs that better meet the community's needs. This has worked. This year 181,809 children, teens and adults attended programs at all of BCPL's locations, an increase

of 45% over the three years.

We also tried a new concept by bringing in nationally recognized traveling exhibits such as the Robot Zoo. We were able to plan programs and school field trips around the exhibit. Kids and adults marveled at the robotic animals in the Library, while they learned STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) concepts about robots and animals. During the five months the Robot Zoo was installed at the Main Library, 252 school groups and a total of 90,610 people visited the exhibit.

Anne Frank: A History for Today, another traveling exhibit hosted by BCPL, was installed for three weeks to coincide with a Holocaust survivor speaking at the Main Library. In 2015, BCPL offered a Holocaust survivor program which was attended by 865 people. Because of the popularity of the event, we hosted two Holocaust survivor lectures in 2016. The exhibit itself saw 3,000 visitors. The two 2016 lectures had a combined attendance of 1,124.

The Main Library and the Scheben, Florence and Walton Branches all have meeting rooms available for community groups to use. Over the last five years we



have seen a 68% increase (from 551 groups in 2012 to 1,745 groups in 2016) in the number of unique groups booking the rooms. We have also seen an 80% increase in the number of meetings held in those rooms. We have gone from 1,646 meetings in 2012 to 8,094 meetings in 2016.

In FY2016, for every one dollar in taxes, the citizens of Boone County received approximately \$5.32 in value. What does the Library cost you? You pay 5.2 cents for every one hundred dollars of your property's value, in taxes to the Library. The taxes you would pay for an \$174,200 home (the average

value of a home in Boone County according to census.gov) would be \$90.58 per year. That's just \$7.55 a month and covers everyone who lives in your home. Figure out how much you pay and the value of the Library services you use: www.bcpl.org/about/calculators/

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SEPTEMBER

- 6 Fall Basketball
- 7 Fall Volleyball
- 11 Dog Swim
- 17 Fly Fishing Basics
- 19 25 & Over Fall Volleyball
- 21 Start Smart Sports Development

OCTOBER

- 8 Community Garage Sale
- 29 Jack-O-Lantern Contest & Walk



NOVEMBER



- 5 Decorate a Tree for Wildlife
- 19 Tom Turkey
- 28 Letters from Santa Deadline

DECEMBER

- 3 Holiday Crafts
- 14
- 15 Breakfast with Santa
- 16
- TBA Basket Classes



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Employee Spotlight: Justin Pack



Justin Pack

Justin Pack serves as the Assistant Superintendent for the Boone County Golf Courses. In this role, he is responsible for the day-to-day grounds operations at Lassing Pointe Golf Course and also advises the Head Superintendent on the care and upkeep of both Boone County Courses. His knowledge and expertise bring life to the courses and have had a great impact, as evidenced by the fact that Lassing Pointe has been rated the NUMBER 1 PUBLIC GOLF COURSE in the Commonwealth of Kentucky by *Golfweek's Best: State-by-State Courses You Can Play, 2016*.

A graduate of Simon Kenton High School, Justin obtained his Bachelor's Degree in Agronomy from the University of Kentucky in 2002. He has gained valuable experience interning and working at a number of courses in the region and has used his educational background and real life experience to help make Boone County's golf courses the best in the Commonwealth. "Justin brings a passion and energy that pushes us to be better every day," commented Head Superintendent Greg Bulmer.

When not working to improve the courses, Justin enjoys playing golf and reading. He is a Boone County resident and is married to wife Lauren. In December, he will celebrate his daughter Libby's first birthday.

Judge/Executive Gary W. Moore noted, "The immediate thing that comes to mind when I think of Justin is how energetic he is and how committed he has been to making our Boone County Golf Courses the very best they can be. We are fortunate to have him on our team!"

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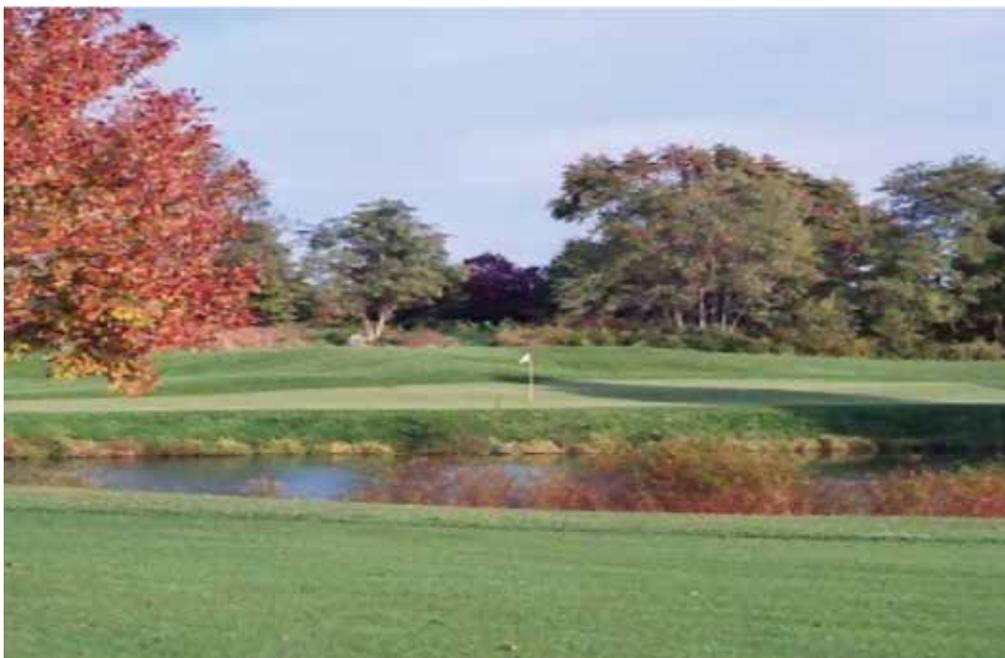
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Boone County Fiscal Court

Northern Kentucky Heroin Helpline launched

The Northern Kentucky Heroin Helpline is modeled after the highly successful Helpline program run by the Addiction Services Council (ASC) in Southwest Ohio for more than a decade. ASC handles approximately 20,000 calls annually from individuals in need, and their family and friends. These calls represent needs from “frequently asked questions” about alcohol and drugs to emergency treatment options. ASC will pair callers with the best possible match in service. A significant number of the incoming calls are also crisis related.

Calls will be answered by licensed, professional counselors 24 hours a day. Through the Helpline, ASC assesses about 1,200 individuals annually and successfully places the overwhelming majority with providers within Southern Ohio and Northern Kentucky.



“The Northern Kentucky Regional Heroin Helpline is a critical component in providing assistance to those who are suffering from addiction and for the family and friends of those suffering from addiction. Our provider, Addiction Services Council, has a proven track record and will bring a wealth of expertise to those in need. This is another example of Northern Kentucky creating positive, meaningful partnerships to assist our region.”

-Boone County Judge/Executive Gary W. Moore