

# WHAT'S Happening!<sup>TM</sup>

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Spring/Summer 2017



Science in  
Play Exhibit  
now at the  
Main  
Library!

Science in Play2GO makes science personal, fun, participatory, and relevant — empowering kids and adults to learn together, and for life, all through the power of PLAY!

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## SCIENCE IN PLAY EXHIBIT, continued from page 1

Designed by Kentucky Science Center specifically for ages 8 and under, with program opportunities for students of all ages, Science in Play2Go combines curiosity and critical thinking, creativity and problem-solving, with Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (S.T.E.M.)

Science in Play2Go is built around the concept of “loose parts”— materials that can be re-imagined in countless ways—and open-ended

play, allowing children to naturally develop 21st century learning and S.T.E.M. skills. Some of the areas included in this exhibit are the Shapes & Stuff store, a Build Your Own Roller Coaster Room, a giant Litebrite, and the Science Depot, which features a different theme and activities each week. The Science in Play exhibit will be available at the Main Library in LaGrange from March 4 through May 27. It is free and available to the public during library hours.

### FROM THE DIRECTOR

#### *“So long, it’s been good to know ya.”* - Woody Guthrie



There are copious ways in which public libraries make a difference: in lifelong learning; job readiness; early literacy; homework assistance; educational attainment; outreach to at-risk, imprisoned, vulnerable and homeless populations; all the while championing diversity and equal access for all.

The impact public libraries have on their communities is powerful and a direct result of dedicated library professionals and paraprofessionals. For these changing times, a public library still remains a safe place to challenge and support one another with innovative ideas and best practices. It is a place to embrace change and to celebrate success. The superb staff of all of the Oldham County libraries demonstrates an ability to listen and change lives by just opening the library doors and welcoming everyone in with no judgement.

As I reflect on my 33 years at the Library in Oldham County, the last 16 years as its director, I am confident that the OCPL will remain relevant and meaningful and that it will continue to deliver value to the

Oldham County communities. I will be retiring this summer and as I look forward to a different situation and new directions, I will always have a passion for libraries. For me—it has to be simple—we do important work in libraries and we need to continue to do so. The world is changing quickly—sometimes for the better, sometimes for the worse and we owe it to our communities to be a place of refuge, of inspiration, of hope, and of inclusion.

I am grateful for all the steadfast trustees who work to promote the Library and do so with no compensation. I am also grateful for all of the current and former employees of the OCPL with whom I have worked and planned. And lastly, I am grateful to the citizens of Oldham County for affording me the opportunity to get to know them and serve them.

*Susan Eubank*

## Exciting classes and events!

Check out the Library's website at [www.oldhampl.org](http://www.oldhampl.org) for more information about regular and special programs!

■ **Computer Classes:** free computer classes are offered monthly at the Main Library. Classes cover a variety of topics from basic computer skills to a range of Microsoft Office programs. Please register online or call for specific courses.

■ **Gold Club:** This program for seniors explores different topics each month. Come join with other adults and enjoy a cup of tea! This group meets each second Thursday of the month at 10 am at the Main Library.

■ **Open Game Day:** Every 3rd Saturday from 1-5 pm at the Main Library is game day! All ages are welcome to drop in for board game fun. Games are provided, along with staff to help assist in learning how

to play. Meet new people, have a family game time, or just explore the world of tabletop gaming.

■ **Adult Writers Group:** The Adult Writers Group is open to writers of all experience levels. This club meets on Saturday twice a month in the digital media lab of the Main Library. Participants bring work to share, participate in prompts and writing exercises, and discuss different techniques and opportunities. Check the online calendar for specific meeting dates.

■ **Teen Events:** There's something special for teens each week at the Main Library! Every Thursday night from 6-8 pm is a different theme. Come geek out with the Anime club, make a new craft with Club Create, or watch a movie with the Film Club. See website for program details.

## Oldham County Public Library

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Susan Eubank,

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#### • **Main Library**

308 Yager Avenue, LaGrange, KY 40031

#### • **South Oldham Public Library**

6720 W. Hwy 146, Crestwood, KY 40014

#### • **Mahan Public Library**

12505 Harmony Landing Rd.,  
Goshen, KY 40026



# Nature and play for everyone at Creasey Mahan



Creasey Mahan Nature Preserve, a visitor-supported public charity in Goshen, hosted a whopping 45,000 visitors last year alone. This 170-acre family-friendly destination offers nine miles of trails, a two-acre native wildflower and fern woodland garden, a natural history museum with a demonstration bee hive, recreational fields, picnic areas and wedding and party sites. In addition, Creasey Mahan hosts year-round community events and school field trips.

### The NEW Forest Friends Playground

Based on community input and through witnessing the high usage of our families, Creasey Mahan is actively raising funds to install a DREAM playground called "The Forest Friends Playground." We are extremely grateful for support from Oldham County Fiscal Court, Oldham County Community Foundation, North Oldham Rotary Club, other organizations and many kind donors.

The Forest Friends Playground will be ADA-accessible so children of all abilities and needs may play together. It will offer oversized forest creatures like an 11' long orange newt, a giant turtle and frogs, as well as gigantic boulders and logs similar to those found in the forest at the Preserve. Kids will love the 23' tall tower with slides and activities, a 10' canoe and many more options for the entire family to play together.

We are thrilled to announce that Phase One of the Forest Friends Playground will be installed this May! Although the final DREAM playground will be 13,000 square feet of amazing playground equipment and an outer walking path, the funds raised to date allow us to install 4,000 square feet of this new way to play.

### You are invited to the Creasey Country Fair

The Preserve still needs to raise \$300,000 to make the entire DREAM playground come true. With this in mind, we are hosting a new fundraiser – "Creasey Country Fair"

on Friday, May 12 – located at the Safe Harbour Arena Barn (across from Hermitage Farm) in Goshen.

This adult-only event will feature the amazing country-rock-party band, "**Artie Dean Harris and Bourbontown**," along with fantastic games and activities,

food trucks, cash bars, a cake walk, lots of prizes, raffles, auction items and much more. Tickets are only \$15 per person or \$25 a couple. To buy tickets or to be a sponsor, visit [www.KYNaturePreserve.org](http://www.KYNaturePreserve.org) or call 502/228-4362.

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**CREASEY COUNTRY FAIR**

**12TH OF MAY**

**SAFE HARBOUR ARENA**  
10301 W HWY 42 GOSHEN, KY 40026

**6PM - 10PM**  
ADULT ONLY EVENT

**TICKETS**  
**\$15 EACH**  
**\$25/PER COUPLE**

A Fundraiser for the new Forest Friends Playground at Creasey Mahan Nature Preserve

For more details and to purchase tickets please visit [KYNaturePreserve.org](http://KYNaturePreserve.org) or call 502.228.4362.

### Creasey Mahan Nature Preserve

**12501 Harmony Landing Road  
Goshen, KY 40026  
502/228-4362**

**Tavia Cathcart Brown, Executive Director**

*Creasey Mahan Nature Preserve is open to visitors FREE of charge every day of the year, from dawn to dusk. Phase One of the NEW Forest Friends Playground will be installed in May 2017.*

# Oldham County Adult and Community Education

## At Oldham County Adult Education, all services are FREE!

- We offer GED instruction in Crestwood and La Grange locations.
- Day and evening classes are available.
- We offer online GED preparation with 24-hour availability, English as second language classes, and National Career Readiness Certificates and Kentucky Essential Skills Certificates.
- Call 502/241-6018 for more information, or check out our website at [www.oldham.kyschools.us/adulted](http://www.oldham.kyschools.us/adulted) or Facebook.com/OCAdultEducation

## Oldham County Community Education offers fee-based enrichment classes

- Classes available in fall and spring semesters.
- We offer classes such as Beginning Spanish, Digital Photography, Calligraphy, Child Care Professional Development and more.
- We also offer classes for youth, such as 3-D Computer Design and Video Game Design
- Visit our website to see the new class listings the 2nd week of August.

- Call 241-6018 for more information or visit our website at [www.oldham.kyschools.us](http://www.oldham.kyschools.us).

[us.adulted.org](http://us.adulted.org) or [Facebook.com/OCCommunityEd](https://Facebook.com/OCCommunityEd).



**Life-long learning. It's a way of life!**

## Arts Center summer camps offer a fun and creative learning experience

The lazy days of summer will be upon us in no time and parents everywhere are wondering how to fill their child's summer with fun camps and activities. The Arts Center's summer camps are bursting with fun and creativity. If your child has a special talent or passion that he or she is interested in deepening, or would like to explore a new interest, the Arts Center offers over 40 camps in theatre, dance, music, and the visual arts. Most camps are a half day long, or combine a morning and afternoon camp to create a full day camp experience.

If your child has an interest in theatre, look no further than these amazing theatre camps! **Imagination Live, Beauty and the Beast, Fairy Tale Theatre** are perfect for the younger set. **Actors Studio, Triple Threat, High School Musical, Page to Stage, Audition Room, and Get the Part! Teen Acting Camp** are favorites for honing acting, singing, dancing, and

auditioning skills. Looking for a little comedy or drama this summer? We offer **Improvaganza** and **A Week of Improv**.

Dance classes are offered year round. During the summer, students ages 3 to 18 may enroll in weekly **Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Musical Theatre**, or the **OCPT Audition Prep Workshop**. Little ones ages 4-10 will enjoy two new offerings: **Disney Beauty in the Beast Dance Camp** and **Disney Moana Dance Camp**. **Adult Ballet, Jazz, and Tap** classes meet weekly during the summer.

Private music, and voice lessons are offered year round for all ages. The **Early Childhood Music** program for ages 0-5 develops your child's musical skills and cultivates a love for music through weekly class activities. Elementary students with some strings experience may enhance their skills in the **Summer Junior Orchestra, Rock 'n Roll Explorations** and

**Bluegrass Music** welcome students of all experience levels and offer a great opportunity to try a different style of music. **Songs of Summer** is a choir camp for grades K through 6th.

Is your child crafty, imaginative, loves to paint, draw, or play with clay? We can enhance their skills while providing a fun outlet for them to express themselves. Some of our most popular camps are **Me and My American Girl, Puppet Palooza, Sketchbooks & Journals, Super Hero/Princess, Comic Book, Upcycled Textiles, Little Adventurers, Fairy Friends**, and



pottery camps for all ages. For the budding or more serious artists and crafters we offer camps in **Future Artist Entrepreneurs**, and **Creating Masterpieces Inspired by Masters**.

The **Summer Visual Art Institute** for high school students is an intensive course of study held for two weeks every summer and may be used for high school credit. This year's focus will be on ceramics.

Visit [www.ocartscenter.org](http://www.ocartscenter.org) to view the complete listing of camps, classes, and private lessons. You may register online or by calling 502/241-6018.

## Oldham County Schools named a District of Distinction

The Kentucky Board of Education and the Kentucky Department of Education have recognized Oldham County Schools as a District of Distinction.

Oldham County Schools is one of only 16 Kentucky school districts that earned the recognition under the Unbridled Learning: College and Career Readiness for All accountability system. To qualify, a district must have an overall accountability score at the 95th percentile or higher (based on achievement, gap, growth, college and career readiness, gradu-

tion rate and program reviews), meet its current year Annual Measurable Objective, have at least a 95 percent participation rate in statewide assessments and not have a Focus or Priority School. The achievement data is based on K-PREP testing in spring 2016.

*OCS Superintendent Greg Schultz and OCBE Chair Joyce Fletcher accept the District of Distinction banner from Kentucky Commissioner of Education Stephen Pruitt and Kentucky Board of Education Chair Bill Twyman.*



### Now hiring smiling faces

Come be part of our family! Oldham County Schools is hiring bus drivers. We offer competitive pay, great benefits, and the best students anyone could ask for! Earn money while we train you for your CDL. Our drivers don't just transport children — they are role models and mentors. Call 222-9337 or visit oldham.kyschools.us to apply.



### Oldham County Schools

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## Museum is open — new look, new hours

After being closed for two years, the Peyton Samuel Head Family Museum is open to the public once again. In addition to being open Tuesday-Saturday from 10 am-4 pm, the museum now has Sunday hours from Noon to 4 pm. New Sunday programs in the museum include:

**The Artifacts Speak:** Held every first and third Sunday of the month from 1-3 pm, this program features a knowledgeable volunteer

or demonstrator who will speak about artifacts from the Historical Society's collection. Future presenters include:

- **May 7** – Lucy Ricketts will demonstrate open fire cooking.
- **June 3** – Terry Peterman, gun maker who supplied the museum with its replica long rifle.

**Fifth Sunday Free:** Every fifth Sunday throughout the year, admission to the museum is free for children under age 16! These Sunday's

feature special demonstrations and children's activities.

**Feature Film Sunday:** Held every second and forth Sunday of the month. Shown in the D.W. Griffith Theatre will be selections from Oldham County filmmaker D.W. Griffith. On the second floor of the museum in the Living Room exhibit, home movies from various events in Oldham County will play. Selections highlight personal movies from Oldham County residents,

special occasions and public events.

The Peyton Samuel Head Family Museum is open Tuesday-Saturday, 10 am- 4 pm and Sundays, Noon - 4 pm. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors, students and military with an ID, and free for ages 4 and under. Admission to the museum is free with a paid membership to the Oldham County Historical Society. For more information contact the History Center at 502/222-0826.

## Oldham County History Tours More dates added!

*Our popular tour series returns for the 2017 season with walking, boat and van tours. All tours require reservations through the Oldham County History Center by calling 502/222-0826.*

### Special Tour!

#### Confederate Cemetery

**Walking Tour:** April 22, 11 am-1 pm. \$25, lunch included in ticket price.

#### Ohio River Tours

*(Tours include cash bar)*

• **Ohio River Lunch Cruise:** Wed., April 19, 11:30 am-1:30 pm. \$45 per person includes lunch.

#### Ohio River History

**Cocktail Cruise:** Wed., July 12, 6-8 pm. \$55 per person includes heavy appetizers.

#### Ohio River Lunch Cruise:

Thurs., October 12, 11:30 am -1:30 pm. \$45 per person includes lunch.

#### Walking Tours

10:30 am-Noon/\$15 per person, \$10 for 12 & under, under 4 free

#### Westport Walking Tours:

June 16, July 7, August 4

#### La Grange Walking Tours:

June 2 & 23, July 14 & 21, August 11 & 25

#### Pewee Valley Walking Tours:

June 9 & 30, July 28, August 18

#### Group Tours for Vans and Buses

*(Fees do not include rental/fee for van or bus which must be arranged by the group)*

#### Cemetery Tours

#### Highlighting the Civil War & the Underground Railroad:

\$25 per person

#### The Underground Railroad & Civil War County Tour:

Offered year round/\$25 per person.

#### Walking Tours for Vans, Special Groups & Buses:

Any Walking Tour can be scheduled for large groups (offered year round/\$15 per person).

#### Ohio River Cruise:

Can accommodate up to 100 people/\$45 per person for lunch/\$55 for evening. Reservations for this cruise must be made 2 months in advance.

## 2017 History Dinner Series

6:30 pm dinner followed by program.

\$20 members/\$22 non-members

**(Dinner included, cash bar)**

#### Thursday, April 20

**Rusty Williams**, author of "My Old Confederate Home: A Respectable Place for Civil War Veterans"

#### Thursday, June 15

**Betty Boles Ellison**, author of "The True Mary Todd Lincoln: a Biography"

#### Thursday, August 17

**Eddie Price**, author of "One Drop — A Slave"

#### Thursday, October 19

**Rona Roberts**, author of "Classic Kentucky Meals: Stories, Ingredients & Recipes" from the Traditional Bluegrass Kitchen

## Colonial Trade Fair

Saturday, June 3 & Sunday, June 4, 10 am- 4 pm

**Held in conjunction with Arts on the Green**

Truly a Revolutionary experience! See the sights, sounds and smells of 18th century life in Kentucky. Ongoing demonstrations, visit with Kentucky authors, shop for unique, hand-made items, visit with re-enactors who portray the past, cannon demonstration.



## Summer Camps

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED by calling 502/222-0826.

### Junior Ranger Archaeology Field Camp.

**Thursday, June 8 & Friday, June 9, 9 am-3 pm.** Cost \$75 per child for both days/recommended for children ages 7-12. Lunch/snacks included in fee. Learn about the archeology program at the History Center which focuses on antebellum Kentucky and what an archaeologist does. Visit the History Center's Archives and see how documents and artifacts are preserved. Many hands-on activities.

### Junior Ranger Underground Railroad Field Camp.

**Thursday, June 15 and Friday, June 16, 9 am-3 pm.** Cost is \$75 per child for both days/recommended for children ages 7-12. Lunch/snacks included in fee. Learn about Kentucky's hidden Underground Railroad. Participants will discover sites that relate to Oldham County, abolitionists in our area and

Henry Bibb, a slave with ties to Oldham County.

### 2017 Archaeology Institute for High School Students.

**Monday, July 17–Friday, July 21, 9 am-3 pm.** Cost \$200 per student and takes place at the Gatewood Plantation site in Trimble County with noted archaeologist Jeannine Kreinbrink. Included is a field trip to Cincinnati's Freedom Center on the last day. Students meet at the History Center/transportation provided to the site and the Freedom Center. This camp explores the Gatewood Plantation—the last known Kentucky residence for slave Henry Bibb, before his final escape from slavery to Canada. Perfect for high school students who want to get their hands dirty (literally!) and explore history outside of a textbook. Camp is sponsored by the Peyton Samuel Head Trust. Scholarships available.

## Quads Car Club Events

**Let's Dance the Night Away Street Dance.** Saturday, June 24, 8-11 pm. Featuring The Mystics, food, cash bar. Tickets \$20 per person. Held near Oldham County History Center campus.

**Fundraiser at the Cherry House.** Saturday, July 1, 9 am-5 pm. 18th annual Barney's Auto Fest will feature a Fundraiser

for the Oldham County Historical Society at the Cherry House in La Grange. Open car show. Cash give-a-ways, silent auction, awards. Pre-registration \$20/deadline June 12.

For more information or to purchase tickets for the Street Dance contact Barney Barnett at 502/548-8755 or the Oldham County History Center at 502/222-0826.

*Save the Date!*

### Oldham County Historical Society

### 2017 Annual Gala “Summertime Blues” Friday, June 23

Honoring **Dr. Robert Arvin**  
as the J. Chilton Barnett Champion of  
Oldham County History Award Recipient

## School and Scout Group Programs

Come explore our campus through a field trip or summer day camp experience. The History Center is now booking programs that correlate our exhibits with school curriculum. This is done in a fun, hands-on way that will leave a lasting impression on students. Programs can be structured to what is being taught in the classroom or special age-appropriate topics geared for groups looking for a summer outing. Includes museum tour.

## Join us for History Hounds!

### HistoryHounds

Thursdays, 10-11am  
Rob Morris Educational Building  
Ages 0 - preschool  
Spring Session: February 2-May 25  
Fall Session: August 17-Dec. 7



## Public Archaeology Digs at Gatewood Plantation

**Sunday, April 23; Saturday, May 20; Sunday, September 18;  
Saturday, October 14 • 11 am-2 pm**  
**Free Event. Reservations required by calling 502/222-0826.**

Each year the Oldham County History Center hosts several public archaeological digs at Gatewood Plantation in Trimble County, Ky. Once located in Oldham County, the plantation is the last known site where Henry Bibb spent time in Kentucky

as a slave before escaping to freedom in Canada. Many artifacts have been uncovered at this site to enable the History Center to better interpret and document the life of slaves in Oldham County. Participants are responsible for providing their own transportation.

# Oldham County EMS meets highest standards, dedicated to growth

In recent years, there have been many changes at Oldham County EMS. The first big change was in 2012, when the Oldham County Ambulance Taxing District contracted with Baptist Health La Grange to provide management support for the service, making all EMS personnel employees of the Hospital.

On July 2016, through the support of the Taxing District and the hospital, the Oldham County EMS staff achieved national accreditation through the Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Services. On top of receiving no deficiencies during the inspection, the Oldham County EMS became one of only three ambulance services in Kentucky to achieve this status.

In addition to achieving accreditation, here are just a few of the team's new initiatives:

- Staffing:** All ambulances are staffed with an emergency medical technician and a paramedic, which enables us to perform Advanced Life Support services. Dedicated to education and training, we also provide our team professional growth opportunities. An example includes the development of a Critical Care Emergency Medical Technician – Paramedic team.

- Special Medical Operations Group (SMOG):** Realizing that our area has unique hazards such as a major railway running through the County, and the proximity to I-71 and the Ohio River, our staff created the Special Medical Operations Group (SMOG). These responders receive special training in hazardous

materials, confined space rescue, swift water rescue and high angle rescue. They also work closely with the Oldham County Task Force and Oldham County Fire Districts.

- Transition Care Paramedic Program:**

As our newest initiative, the Transition Care Paramedic Program is a pilot program in collaboration with Baptist Health La Grange. Using a practice model from the Western United States, the program sends paramedics into the homes of recently discharged patients who meet specific criteria to provide support and evaluation. The program aligns patients who are at high risk of readmissions with home visits made by a paramedic on days three, seven and 14, post-discharge from the hospital. One of the primary program goals is to help residents heal in their homes instead of in the hospital.

Oldham County EMS, managed by Baptist Health La Grange, has a tremendous group of employees that strive to be on the leading edge of medical care. We are fortunate to have an approximate retention rate of 90 percent of our seasoned staff, and have worked hard to stay within the established tax rate of .0495 percent while continuing to make improvements.



*The Oldham County EMS held a christening ceremony for their new headquarters on January 12.*



*The new OCEMS headquarters is located at 1101 New Moody Lane in La Grange.*

In addition, we provide a full range of American Heart Association courses such as CPR, Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Pediatric Advanced Life Support and others. If you are interested in a training

program, please contact Major David Price, education coordinator at 502/222-7250 or visit our website at [oldhamcountyems.com](http://oldhamcountyems.com). In case of an emergency, always call 911!

## Baptist Health La Grange



**BAPTIST HEALTH**  
LA GRANGE

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

# Colonel Oldham fund raising drive a success!

In the Fall Issue of *What's Happening!*, I announced a fund drive to create a memorial statue in honor of Colonel William Oldham, Revolutionary War soldier and Oldham County namesake. It is very pleasing to be able to report that the fund drive has exceeded its goal!

A memorial statue of revolutionary war soldier Colonel William Oldham will be dedicated in July 2018 on Oldham County Day.

The original goal was set at \$135,000, to cover the cost of materials and compensation for the sculptor. Thus far, \$145,834 has been generously contributed by organizations and individuals. Additional funds are still welcome to help with displaying historical information and a dedication ceremony.

Louisville sculptor, Matt Weir – a graduate of St. Xavier High School, has begun the laborious task of creating a handsome 10' bronze statue. It will be mounted on a 3' white limestone base and situated in the circular area on the plaza in front of the Oldham County Courthouse. Matt expects to be finished early next year.

The LaGrange Project Guild is helping with the dedication, planned for our traditional summer day of celebration – the third Saturday in July, Oldham County Day 2018. All donors of \$35 or more receive a colorful, specially struck 2 ½"



commemorative coin displaying Colonel Oldham on one side and the Oldham County seal on the other side. Major donors will be recognized on a permanent display.

While there are no existing pictures of Colonel Oldham, a

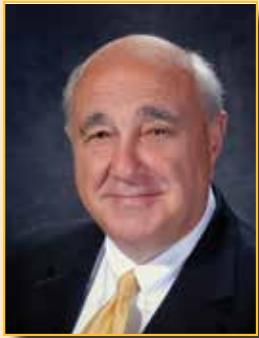
direct descendant with the same name – Will Oldham, has been very helpful with modeling the statue. Our memorial will also recognize 21 other Revolutionary War soldiers who were living in Oldham County at the time of the 1840 census and are

believed buried in the county. Many of these patriots have descendants still living in the county.

*David Voegele*

Oldham County Judge/Executive

# Interested in participating in county government?



**David Voegele**  
Oldham County Judge/Executive

Although some positions benefit from technical experience and/or education related to the mission of the agency, the responsibility associated with most positions can be learned by someone with common sense and good will.

**If you have interest in helping with public service, send your resume to [dvoegele@OldhamCountyKY.gov](mailto:dvoegele@OldhamCountyKY.gov).**

In addition to the magistrates on Fiscal Court, who are serving in an elective office, there are many additional administrative bodies operating in the County that manage public services for residents. As Judge/Executive, I recommend to Fiscal Court the appointment of citizens to serve as directors and commissioners for these agencies.

The positions of director and commissioner are essentially the same. For the most part, these are individuals who volunteer to fill

the important role of providing direction and oversight for specific public services. Some boards and commissions have the authority to levy a tax or determine rates charged for service, others do not. Two boards have the ability to impose fines. One board has the ability to adjust property tax.

In all, I recommend appointments to 30 different agencies, including the Planning Commission, Board of Adjustments, Code Enforcement Board, police

and sheriff merit boards, six fire department boards, Library and Health Department boards, the Environmental District, water boards, road taxing districts, Tourism Commission, Oldham-LaGrange Development Authority, Chamber of Commerce, Ambulance Taxing District, Storm Water District, Extension District, Board of Appeals, and the Tri-County Community Action Agency Board.

The Board of Education is separate from Fiscal Court. It is

an independent five-person board elected by the community.

Because circumstances change and terms in office expire, there is always some turnover among directors and commissioners. Most directors and commissioners serve without compensation. Appointment terms run from 2 to 4 years.

Although some positions benefit from technical experience and/or education related to the mission of the agency, the responsibility associated with most positions can be learned by someone with common sense and good will. I always welcome interest from citizens who would like to participate in county government.

Oldham County has a lot going for it. The combined talent, skill, interest and energy of everyone participating at some level leads to the best possible community. If you have interest in helping with public service, send your resume to [dvoegele@OldhamCountyKY.gov](mailto:dvoegele@OldhamCountyKY.gov).

## Did you hear the good news? Passports now available in Clerk's office

Making an appointment and the usual long wait that goes with getting a passport through the Post Office has suddenly become much more convenient for residents who choose to get their passports from the Oldham County Clerk's Office, where no appointment is needed.

Beginning last November, County Clerk Julie Barr began processing applications for

passports at her office in LaGrange. Hours are Monday through Friday, 8 am to 3 pm. The cost is the same as at the Post Office and two forms of payment are needed. One check goes to the U.S. Department of State and another check to pay for processing by the Clerk's office and a photo, if needed.

If you have questions, contact the Clerk's office at 222-9311.



# What can you do to clean up our streams?



Follow our Stream Restoration Project  
and learn about events at:  
[Facebook.com/CurrysForkWatershed](https://www.facebook.com/CurrysForkWatershed)

1. Give the stream plenty of room to move around, and don't change its path.
2. Leave a wide buffer of trees and shrubs (a no-mow zone) along streams.
3. Maintain your septic system with a pump-out and inspection every 3-5 years.
4. Pick up after your pets. If it's on the ground, it's in the water!
5. Dispose of trash, debris, and yard waste properly to keep it out of our creeks.

### Curry's Fork Watershed



Jen Shean, Curry's Fork Watershed Coordinator  
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502/222-1476, ext. 1403

## Aquatic Center opens Friday, May 26 at 4 pm!

### Pool hours

Monday-Saturday, Noon-7 pm  
Sunday, 1-6 pm

### Admission cost

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

### Season pool passes

- Family Pass (4 family members)  
OC residents - \$300
- Family Pass (3 family members)  
OC residents - \$240
- Family Pass (2 adults)  
OC residents - \$180
- Individual Pass (ages 13 & up)  
OC residents - \$120
- Senior Pass (ages 60 & up)  
OC Residents - \$110  
*Out of county pool passes add \$25 fee.*

### Pool party rentals

The Aquatic Center may be rented for parties on Wednesday, 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 \$3.50 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 beginning Monday, June 5! Classes meet Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday mornings from 10:30-11:15 am. \$40 for 8 classes ("Silver Sneakers" participants, just swipe your card at the Community Center).

### Swim lessons

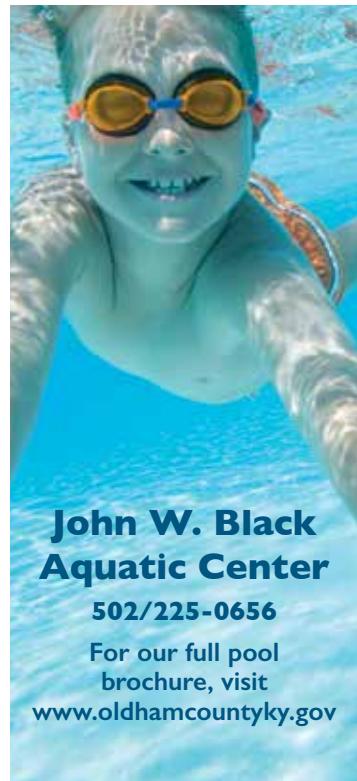
We offer swim lessons on a variety of days and times for anyone ages 3 & up. Six classes cost \$60. Call us for registration information.

### 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](mailto:ocpswimming@yahoo.com) to get involved.

### Dog Party: Sunday, September 10, 1-3 pm

Bring your dog to the Oldham County Aquatic Center for a dip in the pool held on the last day of the Aquatic Center season from 1-3 pm. Only \$5 per pup, people are free! Immunization records from your veterinarian must be shown at entrance to enter pool area.



### John W. Black Aquatic Center

502/225-0656

For our full pool brochure, visit

[www.oldhamcountyky.gov](http://www.oldhamcountyky.gov)

## 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](http://www.oldhamcountyky.gov)

### UPCOMING PROGRAMS

#### Archery Lessons

Lessons taught by certified archery instructor, Gary Parsons, will be offered for individuals ages 8 & up. Classes will meet once a week for five weeks for 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 17 and meets twice a week for 12 weeks. \$65 fee includes entry into the Firecracker 5K (July 8) and a T-shirt.

#### U.S.S.S.A. Softball Leagues

Men and coed leagues. \$435 per team (includes USSSA sanction fee) includes up to a 10-game schedule plus a single-elimination tournament. League play begins the week of May 15.

#### Beginning Youth Tennis Lessons

For ages 6-15. Meet at the courts at Wendell Moore Park and Briar Hill Park. Morning classes: Meet twice a week for four weeks for \$56; Evening classes: Meet once a week for 6 weeks for \$42. Sessions start in June. Limited space available.

#### Beginning Youth Golf Lessons

Held one evening per week for five weeks. Clinic for children ages 6-12 begins in early June and costs \$65 per participant.

#### Zumba Classes

This beginners class will introduce students to the basic Zumba movements in a fun, non-threatening atmosphere. Classes meet on Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday, 6- 7 pm. Cost is \$4 per class for drop-in and \$3 per class, with purchase of 10-class punch card. Classes held at the John W. Black Community Center. Contact Tanya at 502/758-4834 for more information.

#### Baby Boot Camp

A 60-minute total body workout, and your little one(s) can come with you. No need to find childcare! Demo class scheduled at Wendell Moore Park on Tuesday April 18 at 10 am. Weekly classes will be offered starting in late August. For more information: visit [babybootcamp.com](http://babybootcamp.com), check out our Facebook page (Baby Boot Camp Louisville-NE) or email meagan.daup@[babybootcamp.com](mailto:babybootcamp.com).

### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### WoodSongs Coffeehouse

**April 20, June 3 & 4 (at Arts on the Green), September 21, October 19 & November 16, 6:30 pm**

The home of Oldham County's "roots music" scene held John W. Black Community Center!

#### Mother/Son Dance

**May 12, 6:30-8:30 pm**

Held at the John W. Black Community Center. Features a live DJ and prizes. \$15 per couple (add \$5 for each additional son). Tickets available by calling 225-0655.

#### OCPR Down & Dirty Obstacle Mud Run

**May 20**

For ages 12 & over. Come push yourself to the limit on our 5K mud run course that includes over one dozen challenging obstacles. Registration fee includes an after party

with a DJ and food trucks! Visit our website to sign up!

#### Kids Fishing Derby

**June 3, 9-11 am**

The OC Parks Department is offering a free Fishing Derby for kids ages 1-15 at Wendell Moore Park. Prizes will be awarded for the three largest fish, by length, caught by the kids. This is a free fishing weekend for kids – no fishing license necessary!

#### July 4th Freedom Celebration

**Tuesday, July 4**

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

#### Sprint Triathlon

**September 9**

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.

#### 8th Annual Oldham County Parks 5K Run/Walk Race Series:

This is our 7th annual run/walk race series featuring your Oldham County Parks. Challenge yourself in these vastly different terrains:

- Earth Day 5K Run/2-mile Walk**

**Saturday, April 15, 8 am**  
Morgan Conservation Park

- Firecracker 5K Run/2-mile Walk**

**Saturday, July 8, 8 am**  
Westport Park

- Skeleton 5K Run/2-mile Walk**

**Sunday, October 1, 2 pm**  
Wendell Moore Park

- 360° Chiropractic Turkey Trotter 5 Mile Run/Walk**

**Saturday November 18, 8 am**  
Wendell Moore Park



## Striving to deliver the best service

Clean, delicious drinking water is one of the many benefits of living in Oldham County. Every day, we deliver millions of gallons to thousands of customers. Now, we have even better ways to serve you.

**Did you know we moved?** We're now located at 2160 Spencer Court, which is off Commerce Parkway in LaGrange, with a drive-through window to receive payments. Commerce Parkway is the new road that runs between LaGrange and Buckner, parallel to I-71, and south of Highway 146. Our hours are 8 am-4 pm, Monday through Friday.

**Have you received an abnormally high bill?** A new digital system lets us read your meter from the road. We can determine if you have a leak, when it started, and how much water you're losing. By the end of the year, all of our customers will be part of this network.

**Need to pay your bill?** Our website makes it easy. Visit [www.oldhamcountywater.com](http://www.oldhamcountywater.com). There you can sign up for automatic payments. You'll need to know your Oldham County Water account number, which appears on each bill, and have basic information available about your bank account. Another option on our website is to pay your bill with a credit card.

**Have a question about your account or service?** You can call and speak with one of our friendly staff members. Our number is 502/222-1690. We have three lines, so if they're all in use, you might get the

answering machine, but that doesn't happen often. We're here for you.

**We monitor your water 24/7/365.** Making sure you have all the clean water you need is our daily priority. We're lucky in Oldham County, because our water supply is plentiful, and from a pristine source, the Ohio River Alluvial Aquifer. It's filtered naturally, through sand and gravel, before being treated for final use.

**We're "water only."** Sewer issues are not handled through our office. You'll need to reach the sewer office that serves the area where you live.

**You haven't had a rate increase since 2009.** Increases are inevitable, but we're very careful stewards of that pristine water, our customers' money, and our county's water infrastructure.



Lacey Cunningham

Part of that job goes to our newest employee, Lacey Cunningham, Financial and Administrative Manager.

Oldham County Water District CEO Russ Rose said, "Mrs. Cunningham's previous work history, coupled with her utility experience and educational background as a Certified Public Accountant with a Master's of Business Administration, will allow her to help carry the Water District forward in the years to come."

At the Oldham County Water District, we strive to deliver the best service to each customer. We appreciate your business.



### Oldham County Water District by the numbers

- **1.2 billion gallons of water treated annually**
- **13 million gallons of daily treatment capacity**
- **3.5 million gallons of daily water use**
- **8,200 customers**
- **350 miles of pipe infrastructure maintained**
- **130-foot deep wells for water sources**
- **3/4" to 36" pipes in use**
- **18 employees, over half for more than 10 years**

### Oldham County Water District

2160 Spencer Court, LaGrange, 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**

**OLDHAM COUNTY**  
**water** DISTRICT

## Adult day program helps families living with Alzheimer's, Dementia

Tri-County Community Action Agency in Buckner offers an adult daycare program for individuals over the age of 50 with Alzheimer's, Dementia or other diagnosis which requires assistance. As a licensed medical model the program offers a range of care from supervision to assistance with personal care.

Local residents can register a loved one, then choose any schedule during the week for care for the loved one. The cost is \$8.25 per hour for private pay, or can be billed for Medicaid recipients. Program hours are 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday.

"Our program is staffed by caring individuals for whom this work is a mission," said Brenda Fox, Executive Director. "We fine-tune each person's experience, to make the care personal. We like to say, 'we

live in their moment.' We can provide a shower, give medications, assist in the provision of therapies, and just be with your loved one, interacting, cooking, eating, playing games and cards, talking, watching television, all while you take a break, or get other things done. You know your loved one is safe, and happy."

The program is free to enroll, with flexible scheduling, and even provides transportation services for \$4.

"We have room for many more new friends," said Fox. "And that's what it has become — a group of friends who enjoy spending time together. I urge families to let us help. Caring for an elderly family member can be exhausting, mentally and physically. We're here to help."

More than 5.5 million Americans have Alzheimer's, Fox said, with cost



of care being a huge factor for many families.

"Families can use our program for 4 hours a week or 40 hours. They can schedule as needed. So don't wait until you are completely overwhelmed. Get your loved one enrolled today. Whenever you need to take a break, you can let us provide safe care for your loved one."

The cost for a day of care includes breakfast, a hot lunch, and a snack in the afternoon.

**For more information, call Tri-County Community Action Agency, 502/222-1349.**



## New program aids families dealing with addiction

Families dealing with substance abuse and misuse issues can reach out to Tri-County CAA's new COMPASS program.

"Families often feel lost, and powerless, in the face of addiction," said Brenda Fox, CAA Executive Director. "Our court system recognizes the need for alternative measures, not just punishment, and this program attempts to bring together every available asset for success."

The program grew out of needs identified by the community, said Fox. "Judges were noticing a recycling of inmates, who came in with substance abuse problems, were sentenced, served time, left jail, and then quickly returned to the

courtroom on another substance abuse charge. Substance misuse is a real problem across the country with Kentucky identified as third in the nation in overdose deaths," said Fox. "We work to help your family member find an appropriate fit for care, including access to rehab, understanding insurance benefits, and finding programs serving those whose rural ways aren't always suited to programs based in big cities."

This unique approach unites everyone from judges to offenders to find treatment and solutions to addiction. Since it began in August, the Compass program has assisted 70 people on multiple levels, including

securing admittance to treatment programs throughout the state. It also connects those in recovery to support groups and other resources.

Help is also provided to understand the application of Casey's Law. The law became effective in Kentucky in 2004, and was inspired by the death of Casey Wethington, of a heroin overdose at age 23. The law allows the parents, relatives, or friends of an addicted person to lawfully intervene and request involuntary, court-ordered addiction treatment for their addicted loved one.

The Compass program is open to anyone in Oldham, Henry, and Trimble counties. "This is an amaz-

ing approach that will be modeled by other counties," predicted Fox. "We provide access to a full spectrum of assessment and treatment options. Don't suffer alone. Reach out for help."

**For more information, call 502/222-1349.**

**Caring volunteers are also being sought for all programs. For more information on volunteering, or the programs above, call 502/222-1349.**

## Are you afraid of falling?

The Health Department, KIPDA and Tri-County Community Action Agency are partnering to offer a free 8-week falls-prevention program called, "A Matter of Balance." This evidence-based program emphasizes

practical strategies to reduce fear of falling and increase activity levels. Participants learn to view falls as controllable, set realistic goals to increase activity, change their environment to reduce fall

risk factors, and exercise to increase strength and balance.

Classes will be held at the Tri-County Community Action Agency (located off 393) beginning Wednesday, April 19. Classes will be

held from 10 am-Noon. Classes are FREE but registration is required. Please call Lisa at the Oldham County Health Department at 502/222-3516, ext. 145.

## Quit Smoking with our FREE group class.

Call Liz at 222-3516 X143 for more information.



## Protect yourself this summer

Did you know that you could be breeding your own mosquito problems? Most people think that it takes lots of standing water for mosquitos to breed and become a nuisance, but the reality is that some types of mosquitos, including those that can cause disease, can breed in even small amounts of

standing water. Children's toys, watering cans, household gutters, and birdbaths are just a few of the common items around your home that can hold water and become a breeding ground for these pests. Homeowners should be proactive and protect themselves by:

- Eliminate standing water around

their home and yards

- Wearing EPA approved mosquito repellents while outside
- Wearing protective clothing such as long sleeves and pants when possible

For more information on Zika, a mosquito borne disease making

recent headlines, visit the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) website at <https://www.cdc.gov/zika/index.html>. This website includes the latest travel advisory information and ways to best protect your health from Zika and other mosquito borne diseases.

## THANK-YOU to the Oldham County Board of Health!

*In the arena of human life the honors and rewards fall to those who show their good qualities in action." —Aristotle*

The Oldham County Health Department is the public agency charged with performing the statutory obligations of public health services and addressing priority community health needs. We prevent disease, promote wellness, and protect against health threats daily thru various mechanisms. This work is accomplished due to the foundational support and leadership of the Oldham County Board of Health.

The Oldham County Board of Health is made up of persons who voluntarily represent our community according to their explicit expertise to do so.

Their contribution to maintain and improve the health status and wellbeing of our community is important to recognize and vital to our future. Please join us in saying 'THANK-YOU' to these valued community leaders.

### Madonna Ringswald, D.O.

Physician Rep/ Medical Director

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## Do you have questions about... a healthy pregnancy... a healthy baby?



**Call: 502/222-3516**

Pregnant moms or newborns less than 3 months old

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Earn up to \$85 in gift cards during your first 3 months in the program.

## Oldham County landowners and students recognized at awards banquet

The Oldham County Conservation District's 36th Annual Awards Banquet was held on February 23 at the John Black Community Center. Each year, the District recognizes educators, students and landowners that make significant efforts to promote conservation of the County's natural resources.

The Jim Claypool Art Contest is open to all Oldham 1st through 5th graders. This year's County winner was Lilah Menard from Crestwood Elementary School. The Conservation Writing Contest is open to students in 6th-12th grade with this year's County winner being Maggie Hall from St. Aloysius School. The contest focuses on a different conservation theme each year. This year's theme was "Backyard Adventures: Exploring the Trees in Your Hometown." Forest Ranger Sara Huffman from the Kentucky Division of Forestry was the guest speaker. The contest is made possible through a partnership between Kentucky Farm Bureau and the Kentucky Association of Conservation Districts. Entries from local winners will go on to be judged against approximately 60,000 others from across the state. Students, teachers and principals.

Fumika Satoh from South Oldham High School was the recipient of the H. Glenn Watson Conservation Scholarship. The scholarship is presented in memory of Glenn Watson to a graduating senior who, like Glenn, has volunteered in the community to help others. Tanya Watson was in attendance to present the award this year.

Recognized for exceptional conservation efforts and care of the land was Tami Anderson as Outstanding Cooperator. The award recipient must implement the best management practices with long-term conservation efforts on land they own or manage. As an Outstanding District Cooperator, this individual's efforts in protecting the fragile resources of soil, water, woodland or wildlife resources are often modeled by others in the community.

Trevor Taylor was selected as Master Conservationist, the top honor awarded in the state to deserving landowners. The Master Conservationist Award is the highest recognition presented to private landowners by a local Soil and Water Conservation District for individual land stewardship efforts. Less than two percent of private landowners or farmers are recognized as Master Conservationists. To qualify for this award, the landowner must have completed over 90 percent of their soil and water conservation plan for the land under their control. In doing so, almost all, if not all of their land-based natural resources are protected from serious degradation and are managed for sustainability. Their conservation practices and management techniques are those to be modeled and are often emulated by others seeking to achieve similar levels of success.

**Be on the lookout this fall for information about the 2017 contests, and join in the fun and prizes!**



**Writing Contest**  
Winners – 1st, 2nd, 3rd place at St. Aloysius and County:  
**Maggie Hall – 1st**  
**Kayla Burnam – 2nd**  
**Anna Schickel – 3rd**



**Art Contest Winners – 1st place at their school:**  
**Olivia Baker, Centerfield Elementary;**  
**Lilah Menard, Crestwood Elementary;**  
**Allison Buckley, St. Aloysius School**



**Art Contest Winners – 2nd place at their school:**  
**Joslyn Tompary, Centerfield Elementary;**  
**Anna Powell, St. Aloysius School;**  
**Colin Taylor, Crestwood Elementary**



**Art Contest Winners – 3rd place at their school:**  
**Lindsey Franz, St. Aloysius School;**  
**Jake Hamill, Crestwood Elementary;**  
**Zakk Lehman, Centerfield Elementary**



**H. Glenn Watson Scholarship Recipient:**  
**Fumika Satoh, South Oldham High School**



**Outstanding Cooperator:**  
**Tami Anderson**

# Easy tips for subdivision gardeners to improve soil health

Have you ever wondered why your efforts at landscaping or gardening haven't produced the lush, green plants and trees of your dreams? There are many factors at play, but if you live in a subdivision, chances are, it's not your fault.

Soil preparation for building homes in the past was almost non-existent, with very little alteration of the soil. Today's subdivisions are installed with large ground-moving equipment that strips the topsoil and compacts the underlying soil to an almost cement-like hardness. Next comes the disguise of sod and flowering trees that look nice at first, but do not thrive as they should.

Don't be discouraged! There's still hope, but it requires diligence and patience because productive soil takes time. Here's a few tips to eventually return your soil to the life-giving organism it was meant to be.

- 1) Do not pick up grass clippings... they are natural organic material that breaks down and improves the soil (looks and works best when grass is cut a small amount more often);
- 2) Choose plants and trees that are native to the area... there is a much greater chance they can withstand the environmental and weather conditions in Kentucky;
- 3) Apply a layer of compost... the quickest way to return organic nutrients to the



soil;

- 4) Mulch with a good quality material and
- 5) Do not over fertilize... over fertilization makes the plant/tree "lazy" and they will not put the effort into growing a deep root system.

If you follow a few, easy steps, your soil will eventually return to a productive state that will give you the beautiful landscape or garden that all will admire!

## Oldham KY Tourism & Conventions

# Oldham Tourism promotes YOU in “Oldham KY Film”

“Oldham KY Film” is a new program through Oldham KY Tourism and will serve as the Oldham Liaison for ALL filmmaking projects within the County. Details such as contact info, filming locations, photos, public safety needs, permit and fee contacts, extras, caterers, etc. will be maintained by the Oldham KY Tourism office. If you are interested in being listed on TourOldham.com/Film as a film-related business or film shoot location, email one photo for each location to Kim Buckler at Director@TourOldham.com or contact us at 502/222-0056. Also, be sure to like our community Facebook page, “Your Own Backyard – Oldham County.”

What do big red barns and scary mansions have in common? They are filming location requests received by the Oldham KY Tourism office in the last year. Oldham is being marketed for its own uniqueness... bourbon, horses, trains, and now, its ties to the Underground Railroad. As a matter of fact, in the last two years Oldham has been seen on ESPN, NBC Sports, Hallmark, the Discovery Channel, and Velocity ... just to name a few.

### Got farmland?

Have you considered selling portions of your large farm — but don't want to advertise it's for sale? We are not a real estate office, but

get asked if we know of 50+ acres for sale. Call Kim if you would like more

information about current acreage needs.

## Oldham KY Tourism & Conventions



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Kim Buckler, Executive Director • Director@TourOldham.com

## We help grow kids, families, farms, and gardens!



Oldham County Extension provides research-based programs for everyone. Our programs include classes, outdoor activities, clubs, diagnostic services, and advice in three main areas: 4-H Youth Development, Family & Consumer Sciences, and Agriculture & Natural Resources. Through these programs, we support self-reliance, leadership, business, and community development.

### Upcoming Programs

We offer programs throughout the year on a wide variety of topics. These range from 4-H Character Counts to Nutrition to Pasture Management to Vegetable Gardening. Following are just a few programs coming up this spring and summer. Find details and other program information on our website <http://oldham.ca.uky.edu/> or by calling 502/222-9453.

- 4-H Clover Campaign – Begins May 1
- Master Cattleman – Begins May 4
- Come Sew With Us - May 22
- Canning Boot Camp – June 8 or June 9

### The Oldham County Cooperative Extension Service offers something for everyone!

- Kids Cooking Camp – July 10 -12
- Master Gardener – Begins September 1

### Diagnostic Services

We offer many diagnostic services — most of these are free, but there are fees for some like soil testing and hay testing. These are a few of the services offered:

- Farm visits for advice on production and troubleshooting problems
- Pest identification (weeds, insects, plant diseases)
- UK Extension plant pathology laboratory analysis
- Soil testing and fertilizer recommendations
- Hay testing
- Pressure canner testing

### Community Impact

We evaluate programs each year to measure community impact. For example, 4-H staff work with students each year to develop public speaking skills. Last year, over 545 youth participated in this program, learning effective public speaking

skills that will carry them far in future careers and service work.

Extension also benefits the community through our volunteers. Last year, volunteers contributed over 49,000 hours of service in Oldham County. This included volunteer work to provide leadership for programs, service to charitable projects, and garden work at Creasey Mahan Nature Preserve and Yew Dell Gardens.

Extension offers something for every resident. No matter what you're growing — kids, families, farms, or gardens — give us a call and learn how we can help.

### Oldham County Cooperative Extension Service

1815 North Highway 393  
La Grange, KY 40031  
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College of Agriculture,  
Food and Environment  
Cooperative Extension Service



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## Domestic Violence Protective Orders

In 2016 the Kentucky Legislature made significant changes to procedures available to victims of domestic violence. Kentucky's Domestic Violence law allows a victim of domestic violence to file a civil petition for legal protection through a "protective order" when the person has been a victim of domestic violence and abuse, dating violence and abuse, sexual assault, rape, sodomy, or stalking.

### Emergency Protective Order (EPO)

An Emergency Protective Order (KRS 403.730) is a temporary emergency court order designed to stop domestic violence by placing restrictions and limitations on the alleged perpetrator of domestic violence. The order is temporary, lasting up to 14 days, and is meant only to provide immediate protection pending a court hearing for a Domestic Violence Order (DVO). Before issuing an Emergency Protective Order (EPO) the Court hearing the petition must find that the Petitioner (victim) has been physically injured or assaulted, sexually abused or assaulted, threatened with physical injury or some action that has placed the victim in fear of immediate physical injury or sexual abuse. The Petitioner seeking the protective order must be a qualifying family member, or a member of an unmarried couple with a child in common.

### Domestic Violence Order (DVO)

A Domestic Violence Order (KRS 403.175 through 403.785) is a court order entered after a hearing placing restrictions on the alleged

**While Protective Orders do not ensure protection from domestic violence, the existence of such an order empowers local authorities to take extraordinary steps in protecting you or your children should the order be violated or should you or your family find yourselves in danger.**



perpetrator of domestic violence. When granted, a Domestic Violence Order may restrain a person's future actions including no contact, specified distances from residences or locations and temporary custody and child support. The Domestic Violence Order may last up to three years after which the Court may extend the order upon a timely petition. The same eligibility requirements exist for the Domestic Violence Order as for the Emergency Protective Order.

### Temporary Interpersonal Protective Order (TIPO)

In 2016 the Legislature added new provisions expanding prohibitions against domestic violence to include individuals in a dating relationship in which physical injury, sexual abuse and other types of instances of domestic violence may arise. Whether a dating relationship exists between the parties is determined by the courts on a case by case basis weighing several factors including declaration of romantic interest, the length of the relationship and expectations of affection. Like Emergency Protective

Orders, Temporary Interpersonal Protective Orders only last for a short period of time until a hearing can be held by the Court for an Interpersonal Protective Order (IPO).

### Interpersonal Protective Order (IPO)

Interpersonal Protective Orders provide protection for victims who find themselves in a violent dating relationship. Like Domestic Violence Orders, Interpersonal Protective Orders may last for a period of up to three years. However, in the event of Stalking, Rape, Sodomy or Sexual Abuse the Court can provide that the order be effective for a period of up to 10 years. At the expiration of the IPO the Petitioner can seek an extension of the IPO.

### Foreign Protective Order (FPO)

Protective Orders from other states may be enforced in Kentucky where the victim has established residency in Kentucky.

Petitions for Protective Orders are accepted by the office of the Oldham County Circuit Court Clerk in Oldham County Kentucky during working hours. After hours you should contact law enforcement or your private attorney.

While Protective Orders do not ensure protection from domestic violence, the existence of such an order empowers local authorities to take extraordinary steps in protecting you or your children should the order be violated or should you or your family find yourselves in danger. The court order allows schools or work places to prevent the alleged abuser from gaining access to the victim. If you have any need of further information regarding Domestic Violence Orders please feel free to contact our office.

**For information concerning child support, please contact our child support office at 502/222-9655.**

### Oldham County Attorney



**John K. Carter**  
**Oldham County Attorney**

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## Coalition for a Healthy Oldham County

# E-cigs. Not harmless. Not healthy.

**FACT:** Almost all e-cigs contain nicotine including those that claim they are nicotine free.

**FACT:** The FDA hasn't found any e-cig to be safe and effective in helping smokers quit.

**FACT:** E-cigs DO expose others to secondhand emissions which cause cancer, including lead, acetone and formaldehyde.



## The Oldham County Health Department offers FREE smoking cessation classes for teens and adults.

The group meets one hour per week and uses nicotine replacement products and group support.

For more information or to register, call 222-3516 x 143.

### Coalition for a Healthy Oldham County



Monthly Coalition Meeting on the last Wednesday of the month at the Oldham County Health Department at 12:30 pm.