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Thoughts From the Mayor

Carla Kreitman,
Mayor
City of Blue
Ridge Manor

Blue Ridge Manor is a home rule city in Jefferson County, Kentucky. It operates under a Mayor and Commission form of government.

In addition to a beautiful residential area with various condo complexes, association and private homes, the City of Blue Ridge Manor also has a small commercial business area, as well as a wonderful quiet municipal park, known as Hardesty Park.

Notes from the Mayor:

It is not like me to be brief. If you are ever the victim of one of my emails, letters, or reports for work, or, well my past Mayor's notes, you'll probably sigh that it takes me a long time to get to the point. But for the purposes of this newsletter, I'm working on it.

This is a great community. We have a lot to offer. We live in a city small enough to know most everyone, but big enough not to be on top of each other's business.

We are caring, friendly people, interested in our community, each other. We are also busy, busy people. In these turbulent times, with crazy natural disasters and even more disturbing man-made ugliness, I keep pondering a question of what makes a community, and how do we, both as individuals and collectively, positively impact each other and become a force for good. Especially when so many things tug at us.

My belief – we need to smile when we walk, notice our surroundings, communicate with each other (e.g. pick up the phone, knock on the door, wave from the road, call with a question.) My challenge to myself, and I invite you to accept this challenge as well: Continue the conversation. Maybe start the conversation. Do you know your neighbor? It is only through listening and recognizing each other's value and worth that we can continue to grow community. And I also believe this. Paying it forward is a good thing. A smile is contagious. You'll note this letter is full of information, dates for future activities. There are some summaries of ordinances that you may find relevant and interesting. Some phone numbers, and website information, where you can find out more. I respectfully ask you to take a look at what our city is up to, maybe step outside your comfort zone, and join us. All are welcome.

– Respectfully Yours, Mayor Carla Kreitman

Look Inside for
KEY Information:
Important Upcoming Dates,
Which Commissioner to Call
for What & Phone Numbers?

More Information at:
blueridgemanorky.org



Grim Trails is an outdoor Halloween attraction open Friday and Saturday nights from Dusk to 12:30 AM through October. Coupons for \$5 off the price of admission are available for residents of Blue Ridge Manor by calling **548-3880**.

You Can Help Improve Our Waterways!

Do not flush medications.

Once it was common practice to flush your medications down the toilet. Your doctor or pharmacist may have directed you to do this. We now know these substances are bad for the environment and can leach into our water sources, the wastewater treatment process does not remove the matter contained in them so they end up on our waterways.

You can properly dispose of your medications at:

Jefferson County Sheriff's Office

531 Court Place, Suite 600
M-F, 8 - 4 p.m.

St. Matthews Police Department

3940 Grandview Avenue
M-F, 8-4 p.m.

As part of our Earth Day celebration in the spring, we will try to schedule a pickup in the City of Blue Ridge Manor, for your convenience.

Another way to help our waterway, is to delay using your washing machine and dishwasher during rain events - they can fill up the sanitary sewers and contribute to sewer overflows.

Compost your grass clippings and decrease your use of fertilizers and pesticides. When it rains these chemicals leach into our streams.

Put pet waste in the trash for pick up.

This way the bacteria doesn't enter our waterways...



A Bump In the Road... SAFETY First

Ok, they are humps. Not bumps. There is a difference. The speed humps as installed have been met with both displeasure (e.g. temporary signs vandalized or stolen) and also, believe it or not, lots of kudos. These speed humps were placed on the city streets after much deliberation, and they are definitely slowing down the traffic and cutting through. Our next challenge is to tackle the problem of those who continue to blow through the stop signs. Fielding a complaint from someone about the extra time it takes to go over a speed hump, my response is simply, if it saves one child, or a toddler running in front the stroller from being rolled over, your extra second is ok by me. *Safety first.*



The City of Blue Ridge Manor has both a residential and a commercial maintenance ordinance, both of which have procedures and/or penalties for failure to properly maintain property within the limits of the City. (No. 8, Series 2011) Additionally there is an ordinance regarding inoperable vehicles, and parking of boats, motorized vehicles, campers. (No. 1, Series 2016) Please familiarize yourself with these ordinances. We have recently received several complaints regarding violations, and we are investigating and will be notifying homeowners regarding violations.

On a similar note, we received multiple complaints regarding noise in the City, particularly regarding fireworks. Concerns were raised regarding basic safety - common sense would dictate that you not place or set off fireworks in the middle of a city street, where there is traffic and that you remember that many of your neighbors have small children, or pets who are sensitive to noise, particularly noise outside of a reasonable timeframe. By all means, let your flag fly on July 4th or New Year's Eve, and maybe an occasional birthday hurrah, but remember common sense safety rules and your neighbors.

Future Agenda Items:

Rental Properties/Airbnb

The City has been discussing the rise of rental properties and Airbnb properties and concerns regarding turnover and the potential for properties to not be maintained.

Park Conservation

Several citizens have expressed an interest in putting together a comprehensive plan for park conservation and improvement.

Trash Pick Up & Recycling Tips

Trash, recycling, and yard waste are picked up each Thursday. In weeks with a major holiday such as Thanksgiving Day, pick up is delayed one day.

- Place your trash out the night before or no later than 5:30 AM.
- Receptacles should face the street (handle/wheels in back).
- All branches and limbs must be no more than 4" long and 6" in diameter and must be bundled.
- Bundles should weigh no more than 20 pounds each.



Acceptable Recyclables

- Plastics numbered 1-7
- Aluminum and Tin Cans
- Glass Bottles/Jars
- Paper: Newspaper, File Folders, Junk Mail, Envelopes, Phone Books, Magazines, White Paper, Frozen Food Boxes, Milk Cartons, and Cardboard (2' x 2' maximum)

Not Acceptable

- Styrofoam or Polystyrene Foam
- Plastic Shopping Bags (*i.e.* grocery bags)
- Ceramics
- Window Glass, Mirrors, & Light Bulbs
- Batteries
- Wrapping Paper or Wrapping Paper

Questions regarding trash, yard waste or recycling?

Call Republic Services: (502)-638-9000

Special Events Planned for 2018

Citizen Appreciation Day/Open House

February 18, 2-5 pm.

Perennial Plant Exchange/Love the Earth Day

Saturday, April 21, plant exchange 9-11 a.m.

Annual Picnic

Saturday, June 9, 2- dusk

Popsicles in the Park

Sunday, August 12, 2-4 p.m.

Fall/Pumpkins In the Park

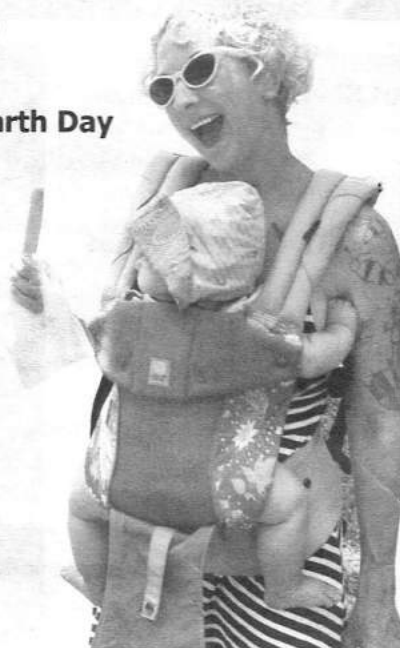
Sunday, October 21, 2-4 p.m.

Light Up the Park!

Saturday, December 1st, 5-7 p.m.

JUNK PICK UP DAYS

April 19th, 2018 and September 20th



Mark your Calendar NOW for future 2017 Events

Pumpkins in the Park

Sunday, October 22 from 2:00-4:00 PM at Hardesty Park

City Commission Meetings

The fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Middletown Fire Station Division 2, across the street from the BRM entrance on Shelbyville Road. Enter door on right side of building.

Note: There will not be a meeting in December.

Light Up Hardesty Park

Saturday, December 2 from 5:00-7:00 PM

City Meetings 2018

All city meetings held at 7 p.m. at the Middletown Fire Department Division #2

January 22	February 26
March 26	April 23
May 28	June 25
July 23	August 27
September 24	October 22
November 26	



Be considerate
PET OWNERS.
Pick up and curb
your pets please!

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We encourage each resident and business to get better acquainted with their City and what it has to offer. Our monthly meetings are held at the Middletown Fire Station #2 at 7p.m. on the fourth Monday of the month. The City of Blue Ridge Manor belongs to you.

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