

Audubon Park City Newsletter



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FROM THE DESK OF MAYOR BOZEMAN

Hello! I am so excited to be your mayor for the next four years! This term has been off to an exciting start, especially weather wise. It was nice to see the neighborhood come together after the windstorm caused so much damage to our city. Many thanks to those who volunteered to help clear the roads, assist neighbors, and to those who worked on the weekend to get Audubon Park back to its beautiful state.

Thank you to all of those who have served on committees in the past years and volunteered your time by decorating streetlights during the Christmas season, amongst other service projects that make our community home. Stephen Cullen volunteered his time for 10 years as Audubon Park's Building Director. We thank him for his years of service and welcome Mitchell Kersting who has taken the volunteer position. Special thanks to our past mayors, Dorn Crawford and Tony Williams. Mr. Williams was the catalyst for the improvement of the roads, new street signs, updated sidewalks, and park improvements around our city. When you see them at the Dogwood Festival, please thank them for their years of service.

The 52nd Dogwood Festival plans have been set for April15th! We are having several food trucks and live music to celebrate! We are in need volunteers and sponsors for the many positions necessary for our festival. Attendance for our spring and fall festivals continue to rise and part of what makes them special is putting on these events together. For more information regarding volunteers and sponsorships, please check out our cities' Facebook page, or email dsaudubon@gmail.com.

Garbage pickup! Everyone's favorite topic! If you have a missed pickup, please contact me on the day of the missed pick up, so I can reach out to our contact at Waste Management. Please email me with your name, address and

which service was missed, so I can provide the information to Waste Management as soon as possible. mbozeman@audubonparkky.org Remember to put the appropriate waste in the proper waste bin in order to ensure a pickup.

News You Can Use!

- April 15—The 52nd Dogwood Festival and Food Truck Invasion 12pm-9pm at Wren Park
- · May 13th—City Bike Ride with Vic's Classic Bikes
- June 1st—Online Credit Card Bill Pay will be updated for parking and code enforcement citations, as well as building permit fees. The option to pay your Audubon Park Property Tax online is currently available.
- · June 3rd—Audubon property taxes will be mailed.
- · July 1st—4th of July Parade at Oriole Park 9:30 am
- · September 30th—City Wide Yard Sale 8am-2pm
- · September 30th—Auktoberfest 4pm-9pm



FOREST BOARD NEWS

Aaron Morris- Chairperson

If it feels like an early spring to you, you're not alone. Our friends at the National Phenology Network who track this sort of thing tell us that spring is about 20 days ahead of schedule for our

area! (https://www.usanpn.org/news/spring) You might have noticed the spring crocuses, hyacinth and some magnolias blooming. Red maples are also waking up – one of the first trees to visibly emerge from the dormant winter.

For the forest board, that means spring tree planting is here! We have our shipment of new trees in hand and will begin planting in a few days. If you see a small white flag planted – that's a spot for a new tree! We received 23 dogwoods of three different varieties, 5 hornbeams, 5 tulip poplars, 5 Osage oranges, and 5 London Planetrees.

Our priority is replacing the dogwoods we've lost in our parks. Another priority is the strip along Cardinal Drive between Chickadee and Oriole, bordering the country club. Some golfers apparently haven't been practicing and are slicing a lot of shots across Cardinal Drive. Hopefully some new trees will make up for their poor aim. After that, we will begin replacing trees that have been removed due to damage or disease.

If you are on the list to get a tree, we'll do what we can until our supply is gone. Then, it's time to start planning our order for next year's spring planting. Spring pruning is largely complete, and we're about to start a new round of treatments on our dogwoods. I've been inspecting some of these in the parks and along the right of way and personally – I'm going to go ahead and predict a great spring bloom just in time for the Dogwood Festival in April.

If you have any tree-related questions or concerns feel free to email me, aaronlane@gmail.com or call/text at 502-641-7810. You can also leave a message with my dog Wallace who runs along the fence at the corner of Linnet and Cardinal. Fair warning—he's terrible about delivering them.

Pest control done the right way! 502.519.9777



AUDUBON PARK POLICE

Teddy Laun- Police Chief



2023 seems to be flying by already and Spring is right around the corner. By now, you should have noticed the increased visibility of our officers with

the addition of the bold, new graphics on some

our police vehicles. We hope everyone likes our new look.

In addition, we are upgrading our handheld radios and some of our in-car computer equipment. (Thank you to Parkway Village for the donation of 4 radios!) These upgrades will help increase safety for our officers, improve communications agencies. with other streamline our records keeping and most importantly, allow us to provide the residents with better and more efficient service. Our goal is to make this a great place to work for our officers and a great place to live for our residents. We appreciate the continued support of the residents, the council and Mayor Madeline Mittel Bozeman as we work toward those goals.



502.471.7984

The Dogwood festival is quickly approaching, and we can't wait to see everyone! Be safe and remember if you need an immediate police response, please, call the Jefferson County Telecommunications Center at (502) 574-5471. Your information will be documented by a trained telecommunications officer and an onduty police officer will be notified immediately to assist you. See you all around the Park!

AUDUBON PARK GARDEN CLUB NEWS

Joanne Bader

Festival of the Dogwood Will Be Here Soon!

Audubon Park will be celebrating its 52nd Annual Festival of the Dogwood in little more than 45 days on Saturday, April 15th! The Garden Club has always asked – and you residents always deliver – that everyone start cleaning up your yards and gardens in anticipation of the Festival which heralds the start of spring and showcases the

beauty of our city's dogwoods and beautiful homes. While no one knows exactly when the dogwood blossoms will pop, please don't forget to spotlight your dogwood trees and any other flowering shrubs and trees so that our wonderful neighborhood sparkles and shines for the many visitors from all over Louisville that flock to our city.

Brightside Cleanup on April 15th

Audubon Park's Garden Club coordinates the semi-annual Brightside Cleanup each April and October, focusing its efforts on the Preston Street corridor contiguous to the park's Preston entrance. April's cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, April 15th, beginning at 9 am. Marie Eff, a garden club member, is the event's coordinator and will have garden gloves, trash bags, and t-shirts available for all volunteers. It would be helpful if participants could bring rakes, brooms or other tools to help clean up trash, weeds and other debris. Let Marie know if you have teens needing community service hours! She can be reached at 635-7928 if you have any questions. This year's clean up event is especially timely since it takes place the morning of the Festival of the Dogwood so please help "brighten and cleanup" our signature entrance on Preston.

Upcoming Garden Club Programs:

All programs, unless noted otherwise, are held at Audubon Park City Hall, at 1 pm. All Audubon Park residents are welcome to attend and to bring a friend. If you are interested in joining the Garden Club, please contact Membership Chair, Janet Shumate, at 636-0111.

- -Tuesday, April 11th: "Gardens of Churchill Downs" with guest speaker Matt Bizzell, Director of Horticulture at Churchill Downs. This program, as part of our Spring Luncheon, will be held at Audubon Park Country Club at 3265 Robin Road at 11:45 am. There is a fee for the luncheon and reservations can be made by contacting Grace Worful at 375-9041.
- **-Monday, May 8**th: "Tour of Whitehall". This program will take place at Whitehall, 3110 Lexington Road, Louisville, KY 40206 at 11 am for a tour of the gardens. We will carpool from Audubon Country Club parking lot at 10:30 am.

-Monday, June 12th: "Tour of A Member's Garden" to be held at the home of Jean Dietz, 2300 Wendler Lane, Louisville, KY 40272 at 11:30 am. We will carpool from Audubon Country Club parking lot at 11 am.



Reminders

- · Be a good neighbor and pick up after your pets!
- Building permits are issued through City Hall and the form can be downloaded from our website under "Building Permit." If you have a project in mind, please call City Hall or email clerk@audubonparkky.org for more information.
- Permits are required for any work on city street easement trees including pruning or removal. Permits allow for the city to confirm tree companies are insured.
- Otto Mock is the Audubon Park Code Enforcement Officer. If you have questions about tree pruning, building plans, or would like to make a complaint regarding a violation, please reach out to Otto. 502-554-6105 or Audubonparkcodeofficer@gmail.com
- If you are going out of town, you can put your house on House Watch free of charge. Officers keep a close eye on your property and conduct area checks while you are away. Fill out the form on our website under "Forms/sign ups."

- Kentucky's Constitution allows property owners who are 65 or older to receive the Homestead Exemption on their primary residence. The exemption amount is subtracted from your property's assessed value, reducing your property tax liability.
- Trash can only be set out the day prior to pick up and must be removed from the street the day of garbage collection. Any mattresses or upholstered items set out for pickup must be wrapped in plastic.

COMMUNICATIONS

This will be the last <u>delivered</u> newsletter. The cost to print the newsletter and the lack of volunteers to deliver them is what has prompted this decision. Newsletters will still be published on a quarterly basis; however, they will be delivered to your email inbox. We will have

a paper copy at City Hall for anyone who would like a paper copy. It will be important that you sign up on our website in order to receive this communication.

We have two resident communications systems. **Audubon Park News** and **Reach Alert**. Visit our website and under the Forms/Sign Ups tab, click on the Notification button. Please register for both Audubon

Park News and Reach Alert so we can communicate with you. Other ways to receive info from Audubon Park! Facebook Pages associated with the city:



- Audubon Park City Hall
- o Audubon Park Police Department

Please visit our website, <u>www.audubonparkky.org</u> for more information.

Waste Management Garbage Collection Schedule
All Services: Trash, yard and recycling

March 28: Trash & yard waste

April 4: All services

April 11: Trash & yard waste

April 18: All services

April 25: Trash & yard waste

May 2: All services

May 9: Trash & yard waste

May 16: All services

May 23: Trash & yard waste

May 31: All services

June 6: Trash & yard waste

June 13: All services

June 20: Trash & yard waste

June 27: All services

July 5: Trash & yard waste

July 11: All services

July 18: Trash & yard waste

July 25: All services

August 1: Trash & yard waste

August 8: All services

August 15: Trash & yard waste

August 22: All services

August 29: Trash & yard waste

September 5: All services

September 12: Trash & yard waste

September 19: All services

September 26: Trash & yard waste

October 3: All services

October 10: Trash & yard waste

October 17: All services

October 24: Trash & yard waste

October 31: All services

November 7: Trash & yard waste

November 14: All services

November 21: Trash & yard waste

November 28: All services

December 5: Trash & yard waste

December 12: All services

December 19: Trash & yard waste

December 27: All services



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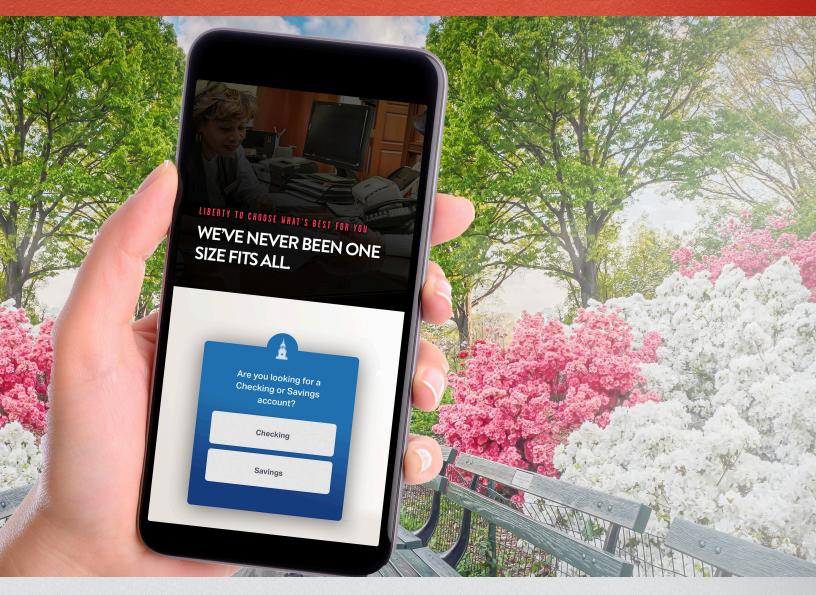
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