



Newsletter

February 2017

February Facts

BACKDOOR TRASH PICK UP: If you are receiving Homestead or Disability Exemption from Jefferson County Property Valuation Administrator, you are eligible to have (only) your household trash picked up from your backdoor. To begin this service, please call the City Office.

NEW NEIGHBOR WELCOME PACKETS: Information packets are available for new and almost-new residents. Please call the City Office to request that one be delivered to you.

INSURANCE PREMIUM TAXES: Perhaps you have noticed that there is an itemized charge on your insurance bills. Kentucky law charges 5% tax on all casualty/liability, fire/allied perils, health, inland marine, life, vehicle, and all other risks insurance payments. The tax is paid to the city of residence. Collecting entities can increase the tax rate as sustainable revenue. Instead of increasing this tax, the city council is asking you to ensure that your insurance agent has correctly coded your premium payments to City of Plantation. Thank you!

City Office Phone: 425-4449

BPeak@PlantationKY.com

Please call our City



Office to volunteer!



**Brightside & Passport Health Plan Community-Wide Cleanup
Saturday, April 15th, 2017**

**Groups unable to participate on Saturday may select a date within the week surrounding the cleanup.*

Make a difference this spring!

Register your family, friends, employer, place of worship, organization or school for the Brightside/Passport Health Plan Community-Wide Cleanup. In 2016, Brightside volunteers collected nearly 56 tons of trash from streets, sidewalks and green spaces during our Community-Wide Cleanups!

Groups select their own cleanup sites or can ask for assistance in site selection based on the results from our March Brightside Cleanliness Assessment. **Brightside offers FREE litter bags and gloves**, and will coordinate trash collection with our partners at Louisville Metro Solid Waste Management.

T-Shirts available to first 5,000 volunteers registered!

- T-Shirts and size requests will be honored on a first-registered, first-served basis.
- T-Shirts not collected Sunday, April 9th, will be given to the next group waiting.

Supply Pickup:

Sunday, April 9th, 2017

Time and Location: Iroquois Amphitheater (1080 Amphitheater Rd.), 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

Pick up will be held on the Main Stage of the amphitheater.

Please plan on sending one or two representatives from your group to pick up your team's supplies.

Registration: Three great options!

Online: www.BrightsideInc.org/clean

Mail: Brightside - Metro Hall; 527 W Jefferson St. Suite: 606, Louisville, KY 40202

Fax: 502-574-1584

Thanks to our Sponsors

Brightside's Community-Wide Cleanup is made possible thanks to the generous support of Passport Health Plan, the Kentucky PRIDE Fund, Louisville Metro Solid Waste Services and individuals just like you.

*Brightside. Donor funded and volunteer driven
for a more beautiful Louisville.*



**PASSPORT
HEALTH PLAN**



**Kentucky PRIDE
Fund**

Expeditionary Service Medal:

'Eastern KY Wildfires' Major Rick Baker
(2nd award), Sgt. Jeff Landers,
FF/ENG Derrick Clarkson, FF Brandon Clark
November 11, 2016

Lyndon Fire Achievement Medal:

'Board Service' Capt. Lee Look (4th award)
June 11, 2016

Lifesaving Medal 2nd Class:

'Medical Assist' Capt. Andrew Sasse (2nd award)
Sgt. David Cole, FF/ENG Derrick Clarkson (3rd award)
August 4, 2016

Lifesaving Medal 1st Class:

'Off duty Medical Assist' Sgt. Charlie Strobel
August 29, 2015

'Ice Rescue' Capt. Andrew Sasse, Sgt. Jeff Landers, FF/ENG Derrick
Clarkson, FF/ENG Derek Andriakos, FF John Allen, FF Corey Maria
February 7, 2015

Medal of Honor:

'Ice Rescue' Sgt. David Cole February 17, 2015

Lyndon Fire Department Awards Dinner



2017

2017 Award Recipients

Fire Service (Length of Service) Awards

5 Years

Byron Richardson (2013)
Nemanja Stamenkovic (2013)
Derrick Clarkson (2013)
Ryan Helton (2014)
Larry Odom-Groh (2014)
Tony Phillips (2015)
Gary Rogers (2015)
Charlene Johnson (2015)
T. J. Southard (2016)

10 Years

David Cole (2014)
Bruce Broecker (2016)
Derek Andriakos (2017)

15 Years

Vicki Beldon (2015)
Stephen Dunlany (2015)
Jeff Landers (2015)
Ernest Zink (2016)
Jeremy Leffler (2016)
Lee Look (2017)
Charlie Strobel (2017)

20 Years

Rick Baker (2015)
Rich Bliven (2015)
Andrew Sasse (2017)
Tommy Hedden (2017)

30 Years

David Joels (2013)
Kevin Baker (2015)
Maury Tischendorf (2016)

35 Years

David Howser (2015)

40 Years

John Stich (2014)
James Hodge (2016)

45 Years

Bill Pierce (2016)

*Congratulations, Bill Pierce,
Resident of City of Plantation,
On 45 years of serving us!*

Promotions and Appointments

David Howser	Chief	Tim Brandon	Engineer
Jeremy Leffler	Major	Steve Hagen	Firefighter
Lee Look	Captain	Brandon Clark	Firefighter
Ryan Helton	Sergeant	Phillip Neuner	Firefighter
Ryan Fletcher	Engineer	Travis Herthel	Firefighter
T. J. Southard	Engineer	Brian Carnell	Firefighter

Actions

Chief's Commendations:

'Engineers Training' Sgt. Charlie Strobel
(2nd award) November 11, 2016

'Multi-Jurisdictional Training'
Major Jeremy Leffler May 1, 2016

Unit Citations:

'MVA' Q1654 1P Capt. Rich Bliven (2nd award)
FF/ENG Stephen Dunlany (4th award)
FF/ENG T.J. Southard
FF Chris Tidwell
January 14, 2015

'Med Assist' Q1654 1P Capt. Rich Bliven
(3rd award), Sgt. Ryan Helton
FF Travis Herthel, FF David Taylor
E1632 1P Capt. Nemanja Stamenkovic,
Sgt. Jeff Landers (4th award), FF Luke Donovan
November 4, 2016



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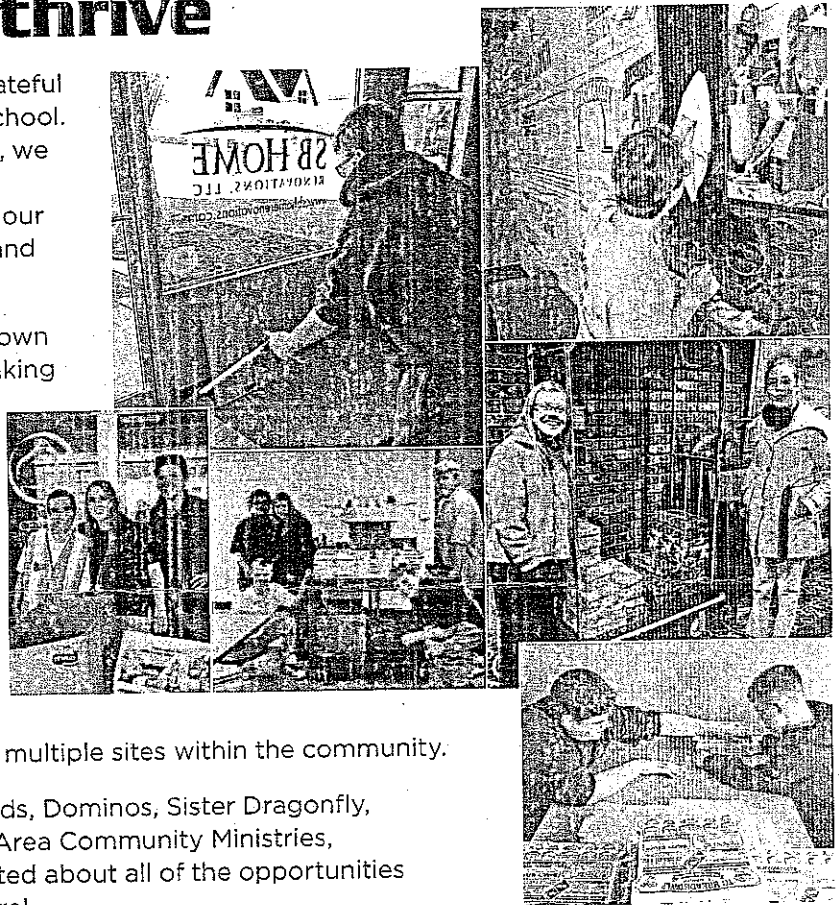
New programs provide opportunities for students to thrive

Pitt Academy students and staff are always grateful for those in our community that support our school. As a way for us to give back to our community, we started a "Community Give-Back Program" for our students. This program provides a way for our students to show others how much they care and offers a way for them to give service to others.

Events for this program have included dress-down days to raise funds for other local charities, making holiday cards for hospital patients and those in nursing homes, holding collection drives for canned food and other items (such as blankets, clothing, hygiene items, etc.), and making Easter baskets for local children in need.

In the 2016-17 school year, we also initiated the Community and Workplace Instructional Program for our high school students. This program offers students the opportunity to learn and practice valuable workplace skills at multiple sites within the community.

Some of our workplace partners are: McDonalds, Dominos, Sister Dragonfly, Dare to Care, SB Home Renovations, Eastern Area Community Ministries, Sav-a-Lot and our school's office. We are excited about all of the opportunities this program has and look forward to the future!



Pitt Academy would like to sincerely thank each of the organizations that contributed to our mission over the past school year. The following organizations provided grant funding to Pitt Academy or have pledged funding for the upcoming school year:

Among our Corporate & Foundation supporters:



Mark your Calendar!

**Spring Cleaning &
Recycling Event**

Saturday, April 15th

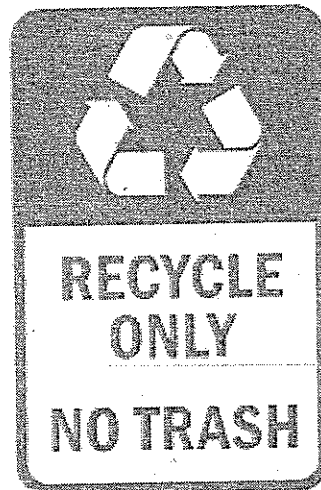
9:00 AM - Noon

8712 Bayberry Place

Sponsored by:



Real Estate Consultants



- **Old electronics recycle**
- **Donate clothing/gently used shoes & old toys**
- **Shredding available of old documents
(3 file storage boxes/bags per household)**



Everyday Fitness Ideas from the National Institute on Aging at NIH
www.nia.nih.gov/Go4Life

Exercising in a Safe Environment

You've made a plan to be more active, and you're ready to go outside and get started. But before you do, make sure that you can exercise safely in your neighborhood. Here are a few tips that can help you stay safe as you get moving.

Think ahead about safety.

- Take an ID and cell phone with you, but stay alert by not talking on the phone as you walk.
- Let others know where you're going and when you plan to be back.
- Stick to well-lit places with other people around.
- Take a flashlight and be sure you have reflective material on your jacket or walking shoes if you walk in the early morning or evening.
- Put lights on the front and back of your bike.

Walk safely in rural areas.

- Be sure drivers can see you.
- Always walk facing oncoming traffic.
- Look for a smooth, stable surface alongside the road.
- If the road has guardrails, see if there's a good walking space behind the barrier.

If you don't feel safe exercising outdoors, be active inside.

- Find local stores or malls large enough for you to walk around.
- Walk up and down your stairs a few times in a row. Be sure the stairwell is well lit and has railings for safety.
- At home, do the strength, balance, and flexibility exercises in *Exercise and Physical Activity: Your Everyday Guide from the National Institute on Aging*.
- Work out with an exercise DVD such as the *Go4Life* DVD.



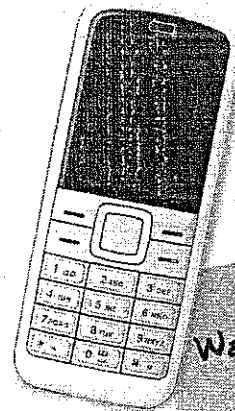
Quick Tip

Be alert to outdoor safety and enjoy your exercise!

VISIT

www.nia.nih.gov/Go4Life

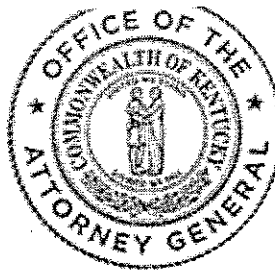
- Read more tips for adding physical activity to your day.
- Print useful tools.
- Order a free exercise guide or DVD.
- Share your exercise story.



WENT FOR A WALK
IN THE PARK
AT 9:30 AM.
BACK IN AN HOUR!



National Institute on Aging



COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Beshear: Warns of Facebook Customer Service Scam

Con artists looking to cash in on search for customer service

FRANKFORT, KY. (Feb. 22, 2017) – Attorney General Beshear is warning Kentuckians that a popular web search could result in them becoming a victim of a scam.

Reports suggest "Facebook customer service" is searched for about 27,000 times a month in the U.S. and scams linked to those searches are being reported.

"A quick online search for a Facebook customer service phone number could connect Kentuckians to a real, live con artist and not a legitimate Facebook employee," said Beshear. "Kentuckians need to know that Facebook does not offer account customer service over the phone. If users need assistance with their account they should contact Facebook directly via their online account."

Reports of the scam suggest callers to the phony customer service number will be connected with a scammer who pretends to be a Facebook customer service representative. The fake employee acts as if they can help the caller with their account for a fee and asks the caller to purchase a gift card and then call them back in order to provide the activation code.

Beshear also said Kentuckians could avoid falling victim to most scams by steering clear of payment via gift cards.

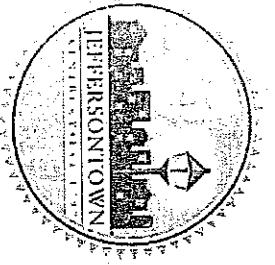
"Gift cards are one of scammers preferred methods of payment. They are difficult to trace and nearly impossible to recover," said Beshear. "If someone asks you to read the activation code of a gift card over the phone as payment – hang up it is most likely a scam."

Recent news reports of the Facebook customer service scam are helping to educate the public, and Facebook as well as web search engine companies are working to combat the scam. Facebook recommends customers visit, <https://www.facebook.com/help/> to seek help with their account.

Over the past nine months, the Office of the Attorney General has received 15 reports of a variety of scams related to Facebook and eight consumers reported losing more than \$35,000.

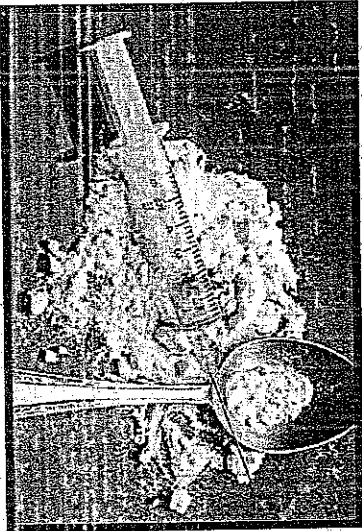
Counties where Facebook related scams were reported include Boyle, Floyd, Franklin, Grant, Hickman, Jefferson, Kenton, Leslie, Perry, Pulaski and Scott.

Kentuckians who suspect a scam should complete an [online complaint form](#) and relay contact information to the Office of the Attorney General Scam Alert Hotline at 502-696-5345.



Reasons for Change

The City of Jeffersontown and Jefferson County has been strongly impacted by the heroin and opioid epidemic. Jefferson County is experiencing an average of one opioid-related overdose death a day. Overall, drug-related crime, public health issues, and overdoses in our community have pushed our police to develop innovative programs to address this crisis. We wanted to implement a program with proven success at reducing drug-related crime and removing barriers to treatment.



Jeffersontown's Dedication to Drug Enforcement

The Jeffersontown Police Department is strongly dedicated to bringing justice to drug dealers and suppliers in our city. While we will continue to arrest and prosecute drug traffickers to the highest extent, this program aims to reduce their clientele by minimizing the stigma of addiction and removing barriers to recovery. This program only applies to persons who walk into the police station and voluntarily ask for help. The Jeffersontown Police Department will be a safe place for those who are ready to for help with their addiction.

How can you help?

Donations:

While we are partnering with local organizations and PAARI to reduce costs, your donation will help fund participant transportation costs and general operating costs for the program.

Volunteers:

Volunteers are the "Angels" of the Program. Volunteers will support and assist the participant throughout the intake process.

Angels are a critical part of the program and we are in need of caring and supportive individuals to help. Volunteer applications are available at www.jeffersontownky.com

Treatment Resources:

We are always in need of more treatment resources in the community. Please contact us for partnership information. Check out the Police Assisted Addiction Recovery Initiative at www.paarus.org for more information on nationwide partners.

Contact:

Sgt. Britney Garrett

Jeffersontown Police Department
10104 Taylorsville Road, 40299

502-267-0503

bgarrett@jtwkypd.org

www.jeffersontownky.com

What is the Jeffersontown Angel Program?

Any person who enters the Jeffersontown Police Department and requests help with their addiction to opiates will be immediately screened into our Angel Program for placement in a local treatment facility. Officers will connect people with substance use disorders to treatment options in the community, while volunteer "Angels" support participants during the intake process.

Moreover, officers will dispose of any drugs or drug equipment in the participant's possession and not charge them with a crime. Ultimately, our goal is to refer participants to local, in state, or out-of-state treatment facilities which provide an appropriate continuum of care based on the participant's needs.