

PERSONELLITIES

Benefits Corner

Flexible Spending Account Rollover

The rollover of 2016 unused FSA funds was completed on April 18th. Your 2017 balance should reflect the rollover amounts. You can view your account at www.meritain.com.

Spring Wellness Series

The 2017 Spring Wellness Series will wrap up this month. Nancy Lange, Financial Planner with ICMA-RC, will be presenting a lunch and learn on financial planning on May 23 at noon. Please register on Doc # 721730 on or before May 18th.

Fitness Challenge

The City's Annual Fitness Challenge is underway. We are in our 5th week of the 10 week challenge. There are 31 City employees competing. The challenge ends on June 3rd.

Save the Date

5/16/17 – Raising Well-Adjusted Kids (www.lifeserviceseap, ID: bgky, Password: employee)

5//23/17 – Spring Wellness Series

Outdoor Grilling Tips

The Bowling Green Fire Department suggests the following tips to keep your family and home safe while grilling food:

- * Grills should be placed well away from buildings, bushes, and other objects. Never use a grill on or under a balcony.
- * Grills should never be used indoors or inside an unventilated area, as doing so would be both a carbon monoxide poisoning risk and a fire hazard.
- * When grilling over charcoal, only use starter fluid developed specifically for barbecue grills.
- * To start a charcoal fire, soak your briquettes with starter fluid & let them sit for a few minutes before lighting.
- * To reignite a sluggish charcoal fire, use paper or kindling. Never add starter fluid to hot, glowing or flaming charcoal.
- * Before starting a gas grill, confirm that the link between the propane tank and the fuel line is operating correctly and not leaking. If a leak is suspected, turn off the gas immediately. Do not use the grill until the leak is fixed. Never use a match to hunt for leaks.
- * Long-handled tools and barbeque mitts are good protection against contact burns.
- * Children and pets should be kept away from the grill until the equipment has fully cooled.

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Congratulations

April Promotions:

Josh Hancock, to Public Works Technician

Amelia Bowen, to Communications Center Manager

Focus on...

Neighborhood & Community Services Department: What's Happening this Spring at NCS

For Neighborhood & Community Services, spring brings mowing season and moving season, with a major gearing up in activity across all divisions:

Neighborhood Target Areas: In addition to sending more weed notices in the growing season, Code Enforcement begins its annual series of **Neighborhood Target Area** inspections. Target Areas provide a way for residents to use targeted, free services to help demolish dilapidated out-buildings and structures, remove old tires, and take care of other code issues at no charge. The division follows up the free service week by conducting proactive code inspections of every parcel in the area.

Animal Control: While Animal Control officers Terry Steff and Katja Ford are usually out chasing down more animals roaming in the spring, they are also currently working to review and update Chapter 5 "Animals" of the Code of Ordinances, which has not been updated in a decade.

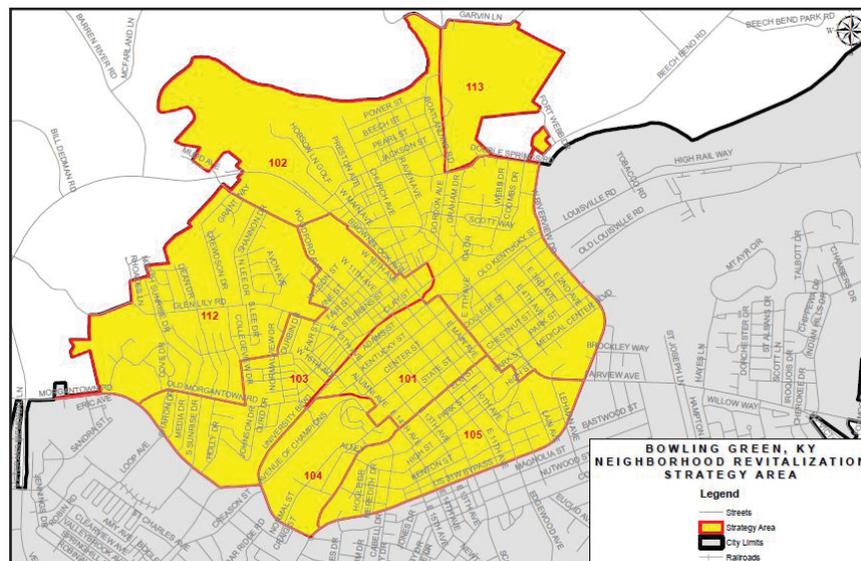


Academy for New Americans: The International Communities Liaison program is currently hosting its second year of the **Academy for New Americans**, a leadership program similar to Team Bowling Green and the Citizens Police Academy but geared for new Americans from across the globe who now make Bowling Green their home. Twenty-seven participants representing 13 different countries and speaking 18 different languages are participating in AFNA, which will meet monthly until graduation in June.

Building Boom: The Building Division has been busy with some very large industrial projects, including the new Bilstein Steel in the Kentucky Transpark, two expansions at General Motors, and 3 expansions at Kobe Aluminum in the South Industrial Park. Perhaps surpassing all of these projects will be the new 300,000 square foot warehousing development by Project Balance in one of the few remaining lots left in the transpark. That's the equivalent of roughly 5 ¼ football fields under roof! Bowling Green is also seeing a boom of multi-family residential housing units, which keeps us hopping with plan reviews and field inspections. Before the end of 2017, we expect to issue new permits for another 1000 apartment units that are now in the application planning process.

Looking for Landlords: Our Housing Division has been recognized multiple times as a high performing agency as it administers more than 600 Housing Choice Vouchers (Section 8) to assist families with obtaining safe and decent housing in Bowling Green. While the City is now approaching close to 70% rental households and we're building a record number of apartment units, our staff continue to seek out new landlords willing to accept vouchers so that recipients can find quality housing.

Neighborhood Improvement Program: We have been working with all City departments on this new approach to investing in projects in the BG Reinvestment Area. We're currently wrapping up two main projects in the Reservoir Hill neighborhood around our building: improvements to Reservoir Hill Park and the Private Property Improvement Program (PPIP), which provides grants to individual property owners, landlords and businesses to make exterior improvements to their properties in the 105.2 census block group. Meanwhile, we're already planning for projects in the next neighborhood, which is bounded by Old Morgantown Road, Old Barren River Road, Morgantown Road, and Normalview.



CITY HALL



#BGGovToGo is the City's new brand of neighborhood outreach and brings City government into neighborhoods and to special events around the community. It's one part exhibit booth, one part block party in a van, and one part mobile service center providing Citizen Information & Assistance. Want to see #BGGovToGo in action? Stop by the Independence Bank Family Fun Night at West End Park on West Main Avenue on Friday, June 2 at 6:00 p.m. for free concessions, an outdoor movie, conversation with elected officials, lawn games, and other fun.

Disaster Response Training

You may not think of building and code inspectors as responders, but in the event of a disaster in our community, NCS will be among the first wave of the City's effort for recovery and helping to get families back into homes. From doing initial damage assessments and determining building safety, NCS electrical, building and code enforcement inspectors have an important role to play.



Slated for demolition to make way for the addition of needed parking at Kereiakes Park, the former Trax Running building provided an opportunity for both Police and Fire departments to conduct vitally important field training. After public safety trainings concluded, for the first time, NCS code enforcement and building inspectors used the building to participate in a local Disaster Assessment exercise in preparation for practicing the assessment steps they would take in evaluating conditions they might encounter following a local disaster.



Building Services Manager Jeremy Segur and Code Enforcement Inspector Brad Schargorodski led and coordinated the exercise, which was a follow-up to classroom training they presented together earlier this quarter. Our hard hats are off to Jeremy and Brad for their leadership in this endeavor!

Code Enforcement Coordinator James Napper is responsible for overseeing the final days of the Trax building: its ultimate demolition is merely days away.



Russell Sims Aquatic Center

Opening Day
May 24, 2017

(WEATHER PERMITTING)

City Administration
Offices will be Closed
Monday, May 29 in
Observance of
Memorial Day.

Original Hot Brown



1/2 cup butter
 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
 3 cups milk
 6 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese
 1 egg, beaten
 2 tablespoons heavy cream

salt and pepper to taste
 2 pounds sliced roasted turkey
 1 tomato, thinly sliced
 8 slices white bread, toasted
 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese
 8 slices crispy bacon

1. Melt the butter in a saucepan over medium heat. Stir in flour with a whisk or fork, and continue to cook and stir until it begins to brown slightly. Gradually whisk in the milk so that no lumps form, then bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Mix in 6 tablespoons of Parmesan cheese and then stir in the beaten egg to thicken. Do not allow the sauce to boil once the egg has been mixed in. Remove from the heat and stir in the cream.
2. Preheat the oven's broiler. For each hot brown, place two slices of toast into the bottom of an individual sized casserole dish. Cover with a liberal amount of roasted turkey and tomato slices. Spoon sauce over the top of each one and sprinkle with some of the remaining Parmesan cheese.
3. Place the dishes under the broiler and cook until the top is speckled brown, about 5 minutes. Remove from the broiler and arrange two slices of bacon in a cross shape on top of each sandwich. Serve immediately.

May 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Jared Carpenter	2 Delbert Reeder	3 Melinda Jones Chase Ledford Spencer Taylor	4 Patrick Henderson Evan Scharlow	5 Robert Kirby	6 Jan Tuttle
7 Tommy Burris Benjamin Storey	8 Jeremy Maynard Kristopher Mitchell Jeremy Purichia	9	10	11 Vance True	12 Omar Rogers Joe Webb	13
14 Robert Balge Jean Hurt	15 Kacy Brown Michele Owen	16 Isaac Anthony David Bragg Jay Dougherty Ryan Johnson Samantha McDonald Justin Reesy	17 Scott Blair Pam Boose James Napier	18	19 Moe Hillard Michael Jonker	20 David Sterner
21	22	23 April Fulcher	24 Pam Ritter Brian Scott Benjamin Williams	25 Brad Adkins Hallie Mooney Jonathan Moyers Ashley Rimington	26 Joe Hardin James Hillard	27 Tyler Norris Daniel Phillips
28	29 Jared Tichacek	30 Michael Alexander Todd Edge	31			