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The Honorable W. Thomas Hewitt
Mayor of Anchorage



June 2015



Anchorage Civic Club 4th of July Celebration!

- ▶ Fireworks over Owl Creek Country Club
 - ▶ Firecracker Walk/Run
- ▶ Parade, Picnic, Games, and Awards

July 3 – Fireworks, co-sponsored by the Owl Creek Country Club

Enjoy the fireworks show at Owl Creek Country Club starting at dusk Friday evening. Please be considerate of the golf course and park your vehicles appropriately. Kindly do not bring your own food, beverages, or fireworks on the premises.

July 4 - Firecracker “Almost” 5K/10K Walk/Run



Start the holiday with a walk/jog/run. Registration is at 7:30 a.m. outside the lower level of the Anchorage Café. The race begins at 8:00 a.m. Entry fee is \$20 for adults, and \$10 for kids 12 and under, and includes a souvenir shirt. Prizes will be awarded for the best time by age category and distance. The course is approximately 5K; twice around for 10K. The race begins in downtown Anchorage, moves through Anchorage streets, and concludes with The Anchorage Trail loop.

Registration forms can be downloaded at www.anchoragecivicclub.com and completed in advance to expedite registration the morning of the race.

Independence Day Parade

Join your family and friends for the Annual Anchorage Independence Day Parade! Registration begins at 4:45 p.m.

Motorized vehicles: Anchorage Presbyterian Church; Non-motorized: Anchorage Crossings parking lot. The parade starts at 5:30 p.m.



Prize Categories:

- Best Bike/Scooter
- Best Family
- Most Original
- Judges' Award
- Best Golf Cart, etc.
- Best Horse/Animal
- Most Bizarre
- Norman Rockwell Small Town USA
- Best Car/Truck
- Good Neighbors

Presentations, Picnic, and Games!

6:15 p.m. – Announcements at the gazebo. Mayor's speech, Firecracker Run winners, parade winners, and presentation of the manure spreader.

6:30 p.m. – Picnic on the Lawn. Please bring your own food and beverages.

7:00 p.m. – Games! Hula-Hoop, tug o'war, egg toss, and more. Fun for the entire family!



ST. LUKE'S 8th ANNUAL PIGNIC

Saturday, June 13th • 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.



Join your Anchorage neighbors for one of the best events in town! Bring your family and friends, and join the fun under the shade of oak trees or under the tent. Feast on award winning BBQ, wash it down with cold lemonade, or meet at the beer wagon, or sip some wine. Kick back and listen to some great live music from the "oldies-style" band, and let the kids play on the playground or in one of the bouncy houses. There will be a silent auction as well as a raffle for many specialty items for the adults.

All you can eat BBQ with sides: \$12 for adults. Hot dogs with sides: \$6 for children 11 and under. You can't beat this kind of fellowship, food, and fun on a Saturday summer evening. All profits to go charity.



CARS vs TRAINS – IT'S NO CONTEST!

Every day, people tempt fate and die on railroad tracks. Most people are surprised to hear that every three hours a person or vehicle is hit by a train in America. Last year Kentucky incurred a 36.7% increase in grade crossing collisions, and there has been one vehicle/train collision in Anchorage this year. Trespassing on train tracks or violating rail crossing laws is a losing proposition. The crossing gates and flashing lights are there for good reason. When you see tracks, **always** think "train." Some rail safety fundamentals to help save lives:

- ▶ Trains don't travel at fixed times. Always expect a train at each highway-rail intersection.
- ▶ All train tracks are private property. **Never** walk near or play on tracks; it's illegal trespass and highly dangerous. By the time a locomotive sees a trespasser or vehicle on the tracks, it's too late. The average train passing through Anchorage is 6,000 feet long and takes a mile to stop!
- ▶ A train can extend three feet or more beyond the steel rail, putting the safety zone for pedestrians well beyond the three-foot mark.
- ▶ Trains can move in either direction at any time. Sometimes cars are pushed by locomotives instead of being pulled.
- ▶ Trains are quieter than ever, producing no telltale "clackety-clack." Any approaching train is always closer, and moving faster, than you think.
- ▶ Stay alert! No texting, headphones, or other distractions that would prevent you from hearing an approaching train. Never mix rails and recreation.



2015 ANCHORAGE TAX BILLS

Property tax bills were mailed to Anchorage residents on April 22nd. If you have questions regarding your invoice, please call City Treasurer Renee' Major at 245-4654, Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tax payments must be postmarked on or before May 31, 2015, to qualify for the discount.



City of Anchorage 2015 Tax Collection Schedule

	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>End Date</u>
1% Discount	4/23/15	5/31/15
Face Amount	6/1/15	6/30/15
1% Interest per month	7/1/15	until paid
25% Penalty	11/1/15	

ST. LUKE'S CAMP MAPLE

St. Luke's Preschool is currently signing up children for six, fun-filled themed summer camps for children ages two through ten years of age. Camps run from 9 a.m. through 1:30 p.m., and are conducted by qualified staff. Visit stlukespreschool.wix.com for more information.



ANCHORAGE FIRE & EMS NEWS AND INFORMATION

Anchorage Fire District Earns ISO Class 1 Ranking

On Wednesday, May 13, the Anchorage Fire Department was awarded a public fire protection Class 1 ranking, making it just one of three departments in Jefferson County to earn this distinction, and part of an elite group of only 101 departments in the entire country. The Insurance Service Organization (ISO) scores departments on their water systems, hydrant flows, firefighter training, equipment, and minutes to fire suppression. Anchorage Fire was previously designated a Class 3 district so the change acknowledges the improvements made by the department. The ISO classification is used by insurance companies to set fire insurance pricing so, starting next year, Anchorage residents should see a decrease in their fire coverage premium. This is truly a major honor and accomplishment for the Anchorage Fire Department.



On hand for the announcement and presentation by ISO representative Nate Johnson to Chief Rockwood were Mayor Tommy Hewitt and Ambulance Board Chairman Albert Entwistle.

Anchorage Fire & EMS District Receives American Heart Association Award

A **Mission: Lifeline® EMS Silver Award** was presented to the Anchorage Fire and EMS District for implementing quality improvement measures for the treatment of patients who experience severe heart attacks. Anchorage joins only 447 other EMS agencies in the U.S. and 15 EMS agencies in Kentucky to receive this award.

Mission: Lifeline's EMS recognition program recognizes emergency responders for their efforts in improving STEMI (ST Elevation Myocardial Infarction) systems of care and improving the quality of life for these patients.



June 6 & 7, 2015

Annual Crusade for Children

This year's Crusade takes place June 6th and 7th. Anchorage Fire and EMS will be contacting residents in late May and will begin collecting at Anchorage intersections on June 3rd. They appreciate your support and thank you in advance for helping them serve these very special children.

Dial 911

Should you experience a fire or medical emergency, please remember that your first call should always be to 911! Do not call the firehouse or the police station until after you have called 911. And remember, in a fire emergency, **"Get Out and Stay Out!"**

Can Emergency Responders Find You?

Are your house numbers clearly displayed street side so that fire, EMS, and police can quickly locate your home in case of an emergency? Are your house numbers faded or missing altogether? Emergency responders need to find you fast! Your life depends on it.

Summer Storms

During this storm season, remember to stay away from downed power lines. If you see downed power lines, notify LG&E. If you believe they pose a danger, call 911 immediately.



TAGS HELP BRING YOUR PET HOME!

Anchorage is experiencing a large increase in the number of wandering pets. The fire chief reports that on average three dogs are turned in each week, and that's in addition to the residents who take in a found dog or cat until someone calls the City about their lost pet.

City emails to residents about lost and found pets can only do so much. **PLEASE** make sure your dog (and cat) has a collar with identification and a phone number to call if found. If your phone number has changed recently, please replace the tag! And, if your dog has an electric fence collar, this might be a good time to change the batteries to ensure it's working properly. Animals will be taken to Metro Animal Services' Manslick Road facility for collection if an owner cannot be identified.

Alice McKinley to Retire – Join Us for Coffee and Pastries to Celebrate!

Assistant to the Mayor Alice McKinley will retire from City Hall at the end of May. Residents who wish to extend their farewells to Alice are invited to City Hall on Wednesday, May 27th from 9 to 10:30 a.m..

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IMPORTANT CITY NEWS!

PHONE NUMBERS:

City Hall (8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., M-F)	245-4654
Police Department	244-0562
Fire Department	245-6755
Industrial Disposal	638-9000

EMERGENCIES **Call 911**

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Clyde Ensor	Bill Fowler
Dan Fultz	Becky Miller
Bill Wilkinson	

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Connie O'Connell	Neil Ramsey
Brian Rublein	Bill Wetherton

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Receptionist/Clerk
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City Attorney
City Engineer & Flood Safety Officer
City Zoning Officer
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