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The Honorable W. Thomas Hewitt
Mayor of Anchorage



May 2018

OFFICER CYPERT RETIRING

Officer Tom Cypert joined the Anchorage Police Department in March 2012, after serving 11½ years with the Shelbyville Police Department, with the last several as Sergeant. Cypert was a Deputy Sheriff with Jefferson County Sheriff's Office for 2½ years before leaving for Shelbyville. Prior to that he was a Cavalry Scout in the US Army. Officer Cypert will retire from the Anchorage Police Department on June 1, 2018. Thank you Officer Cypert for over six years of great service. The City wishes you well in your retirement. You will be missed!



MAY IS NATIONAL PRESERVATION MONTH

Mayor Hewitt with support of Anchorage City Council proclaimed May 2018 as National Historic Preservation Month in Anchorage. The National Historic Preservation Month was established by the National Trust for Historic Preservation 1973 to promote historic preservation and community pride in local heritage sites. The original Anchorage Historic District was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1979 and was expanded in 1992 to include most of the town. There are now over 50 National Register and Kentucky Landmark houses within the city limits. The Anchorage Historic Preservation Commission oversees the regulation of changes to landmarks and property in the district. Thanks to the cooperation of Anchorage residents, the town is able to maintain and benefit from its historic and architectural character.



2018 ANCHORAGE TAX NOTICES

Anchorage City Real Property, and Personal Property tax bills for businesses operating in the City, were mailed to property owners and businesses in late April. Note: The Ambulance tax is not included on this bill due to the recent merger and will be included on the

Jefferson County tax bill, which will be mailed at the end of this year. If you have any questions concerning your invoice, please contact Deputy City Treasurer Sara Ritchie at City Hall, 245-4654, Tuesday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. For your convenience, after-hours tax payments can be dropped off at the Anchorage Police Department on Park Road. For security reasons, please do not leave payments under the doormat or attempt to slide them under the door of City Hall.

City of Anchorage 2018 Tax Collection Schedule

	Start Date	End Date
1% Discount	5/1/18	05/31/18
Face Amount	6/1/18	06/30/18
1% Interest per month	7/1/18	until paid
25% Penalty	11/01/18	

HOLIDAY SCHEDULES

- ◆ Anchorage City Hall will be closed on Monday, May 28, 2018, in observance of Memorial Day.
- ◆ Republic Services will run on a one-day delay for trash, yard waste, and recycling during the week of May 28th.

IMPORTANT INSERT IN THIS EDITION

The City of Anchorage is required to publish all ordinances passed by City Council. Though many ordinances may not directly affect everyone in the community, this information is made available to all property owners in the City.

PRIMARY ELECTION

Primary elections will be held on May 22, 2018. Polls open at 6:00 a.m. and close at 6:00 p.m. Visit the Jefferson County Clerk website at <http://www.elections.jeffersoncountyclerk.org/> for election information. The designated voting location for Anchorage is Anchorage Presbyterian Church.

ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR AN EXEMPTION?

Homestead Exemption

Kentucky's Constitution allows residential property owners who are 65 or older to receive a Homestead Exemption. The exemption amount is subtracted from the property's assessed value before taxes are calculated. The exemption amount may be adjusted every two years to reflect a change in the cost of living index used by the United States Department of Labor. For 2018, the exemption amount is \$37,600. Only one exemption is allowed per household. Those who currently receive the exemption need not reapply; the exemption is valid as long as the property is owned and occupied by the applicant. Instructions and an application may be printed from the City of Anchorage website www.cityofanchorage.org. Applications need to be filed with City of Anchorage, Jefferson County PVA, and Anchorage Public School.

Disability Exemption

Property owners who have been declared totally disabled for the previous twelve (12) months by any public or private retirement system may be eligible for a Disability Exemption. A driver's license or birth certificate, and documentation verifying the disability (Social Security Form TPQY, Notice of Award Letter, etc.) is required. Unlike the Homestead Exemption, the Disability Exemption **must be resubmitted every year** to confirm continued eligibility. Social Security can provide a TPQY Form with the entitlement date on it. The current \$37,600 exemption amount is subtracted from the property's assessed value before taxes are calculated. Only one exemption is allowed per household. Instructions and an application may be printed from the City of Anchorage website. Applications need to be filed with City of Anchorage, Jefferson County PVA, and Anchorage Public School.

JEFFERSON COUNTY TAX APPEALS SESSION OPENS EARLY

Anchorage property owners are unique as assessed values of their real property are determined by two different entities: the City of Anchorage Tax Assessor and the Jefferson County Property Valuation Administrator. Appointments for tax assessment appeals for the City are held in February of each year. While tax assessment appeals for Jefferson County are annually in May. Under state law (KRS 133.120) property owners who wish to contest their Jefferson County assessment must first complete the PVA Online Conference during the Open Inspection Period (OIP). The PVA Office will open online conferencing early this year, beginning at 12:00 p.m. on April 27, 2018 and will close conferencing on May 21, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. Beginning April 30, 2018, PVA assistance will be available Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and will continue until 4:00 p.m. on Monday, May 21, 2018 at the Middletown Library, 200 Juneau Drive, Louisville, KY 40234, (502) 245-7332.

The 2018 open inspection period begins on May 7, 2018 and ends on May 21, 2018. Visit the Jefferson County PVA website www.jeffersonpva.ky.gov for more information or to complete the online conference. For questions, please contact the Jefferson County PVA Office at (502) 574-6224.

NEW! CROQUET & BYOB ROSÉ EVENT

Saturday, June 2 at 4:00 p.m.

Wagner Park

Rain Date: Sunday, June 10, 2:00 p.m.

Your Anchorage Civic Club is pleased to present a fun, new community event for 2018 – **Croquet & BYOB Rosé at Wagner Park**. This adults-only event is designed for neighbors to meet one another and enjoy our park and some lovely refreshments – as well as a little friendly competition. The event will feature a croquet tournament with 16 four-person teams, elegant hors d'oeuvres, music and camaraderie. Come and play or come and watch! For questions or more information, contact Aimee Cherry at aimeejon.cherry@me.com.



Registration: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0f44aea828a02-byob> No registration is required for spectators.

Registration fee: A minimum of 2 dozen hors d'oeuvres per team for the refreshment table – presentation counts!

Attire: Teams are encouraged to wear "croquet white" and to creatively individualize their team uniforms.

What to bring: Bring your own chairs and Rosé.

CRUSADE FOR CHILDREN COLLECTION CHANGES

The WHAS Crusade for Children is just around the corner. This 65th annual fund-raising event for local children with disabilities will be held May 28th through June 2nd 2018. Historically, the fire department has set up a road block at Park Road and Evergreen Road. This year, in the interest of safety to our staff during peak traffic hours, we have chosen to discontinue this practice. You may drop off your donations at the fire house any time during this week. Thank you in advance for supporting this worthwhile cause.



The Anchorage Public School will also be collecting Crusade for Children donations in the morning carpool line on May 17 and 18.

EASY CARE FOR STORM DRAINS



Over the winter, storm drains may become blocked by limbs and other debris. Homeowners are responsible for keeping their culverts and drains clear to avoid the ponding of water and possible flooding. It is not necessary to remove grates

from storm drains. Simply use a rake to remove debris and place it in an appropriate yard waste container for pickup. Please note, limbs and sticks should be in bundles no longer than three feet in length. Any time you are clearing your driveway, sidewalks or gutters, take a moment to clear the storm drains.

Remember that storm drains are not to be used for dumping trash or chemicals. Many drains flow directly into local streams.

WHY WEAR HELMETS?

Every year, in the U.S., hundreds of bicyclists are killed and thousands end up in emergency rooms. Wearing a helmet can reduce or prevent serious injuries or even death. Every bike, skateboard, skate, or scooter ride for kids or adults should begin with putting on a helmet. Adults should set a good example by always wearing a helmet and encourage children to wear helmets starting at an early age. Be sure to buy helmets that meet the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) requirements. To ensure helmets fit properly: check to make sure they have a snug fit with the chin strap buckled, sit level on the head and low on the forehead (about one to two finger widths above the eye brows). Let kids pick a colorful, decorative helmet or personalize it with stickers. Be safe and have fun!



ANCHORAGE ARCHIVES SEEKING THEATRE ITEMS

The Anchorage Archives is updating the Anchorage Children's Theatre files. Archives is seeking minutes, programs, clippings, photographs and other memorabilia for the years of 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2012, 2014, and 2015. Original items may be donated, but copies are also welcome. For questions or to arrange donations, please contact Anchorage Archivist, Peg Revell at pegrevell@twc.com or 245-8389.

MUMMERS & MINSTRELS AUDITIONS MAY 20 & 21, 2018

This summer the group will produce an award winning lively, hand clappin', toe tappin' rendition of **Sing Down the Moon: Appalachian Wonder Tales** based on the book by Mary Hall Surface and David Maddox. Journey into the Appalachian Mountains in the award-winning musical, that deftly weaves six traditional tales and original music into a keepsake quilt of mountain lore and wisdom for the whole family.

This musical play incorporates singing, mountain dances, music and giant puppets to create a highly theatrical, storytelling style. This year, auditions for the production are scheduled for the evenings of 20-21 May 2018, with performances 26-29 July 2018. There are opportunities for 10-40 men and women and some children ten years old and up. Children accepted must be accompanied by a parent or other responsible adult during all rehearsals and performances. Please bring your own CD accompaniment or sing a cappella.

Banjo, fiddle, guitar and perhaps other instrumentalists are also needed.

If you are interested in supporting Mummies & Minstrels by becoming a patron or a sponsor, please contact Ron Kiser at ron92647@gmail.com or call 502-744-2041.

Mummies & Minstrels, Inc. is a participatory non-profit community theatre providing a creative outlet for artistic and technical talent through quality performances in celebration of musical theatre.

HOW TO GET RID OF BULK ITEMS AND PAINT



Spring cleaning means getting rid of unwanted, unused, and broken items. This is a great time to contact local charities to donate items that are in good condition and keep them out of landfills. Items that cannot be donated and are too large to fit in the regular trash carts can be scheduled for picked up. Contact Republic Services at (502) 638-9000 to request a bulk item pick up. One bulk item per week is permitted and must be placed at the curb. Republic Services requires mattresses and box springs to be individually wrapped in plastic.

Republic Services wishes to remind residents that paint must be dried before being placed in the trash. Kitty litter can be used to dry paint, but it must be thoroughly stirred in, and paint can lids must be off.

