The City of Audubon Park Newsletter

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FROM THE DESK OF MAYOR BOZEMAN

Hello, neighbors!

Summer is a time of change and we have many new residents in Audubon Park. I want to welcome you to this wonderful City! This newsletter will provide important city updates, community resources, and opportunities to stay involved.

Support the Audubon Park Foundation!

The Audubon Park Foundation, our local 501(c)(3), has partnered with the Kroger Community Rewards Program. By linking your Kroger Shopper's Card, Kroger will donate to the Foundation at no cost to you.

We have our first five residents enrolled, and we certainly appreciate their civic mindedness. Imagine the impact if more residents participate! If you need help registering, please contact us.

One of the many benefits of living in Audubon Park is our dedicated police department, which provides 24-hour coverage throughout the city.

If you need to speak to an officer day or night, need assistance, or have a question call 502.574.5471. This is the Sherriff's Dispatch Office. They will direct you to an Audubon Park Police Officer or give your message to the officer on duty.

- Audubon Park is a no soliciting City. This means we do not give permits to businesses or individuals to sell subscriptions/pest control services or the like. If you see a solicitor, call the Dispatch number and have an Audubon Park Police Officer come to the location.
- Personal events in the park such as graduations and birthday parties must have a permit issued by the City.
- Reach Alert is our primary communication tool (text, email or call) for community updates, safety, trash schedule, and events. To make sure you don't miss out on future events and important updates, we strongly encourage all residents to sign up for Reach Alert. It's the best way to stay informed and connected with what's happening in our community. https://tinyurl.com/yc7ct83y
- Golf Carts must be inspected by the JCSO and licensed through the City of Audubon Park. Drivers must hold a valid driver's license and young children must be in car seats. For information about exact requirements, call city hall.
- Remember to blow off the street after you cut your grass. Clippings and yard debris are homeowners responsibility and may not be left in the street or sidewalk. Our city drainage system does not connect to Louisville Metro Sewer and grass and yard debris causes clogs and flooding.
- Missed trash pick up? Or trash related questions? Email clerk@audubonparkky.gov
- Business and advertising signs in yards are prohibited by ordinance 110.65. If you have work done from a contractor, please remove the sign from your yard to remain in compliance.
- Every spring we get a lot of complaints about yards and deferred home maintenance. Our Code Enforcement Officer investigates each complaint and addresses it according to our

ordinance. If you have a question feel free to reach out to us, codeenforcement@audubonparkky.gov

- Trash, yard waste, and recycling can be set out the day prior to collection. All containers must be removed from the curb or street by end-of-day (midnight) on collection day. If you have a large item pick up, make sure to let the City Clerk know so we can inform our Code Enforcement officer of the pickup date.
- Sidewalks are the homeowner's responsibility to maintain. Each year the City sets aside money to help improve sidewalks. If you would like to partner with the City to improve a sidewalk, or one in front of your house, reach out to us. clerk@audubonparkky.gov
- Permits are required for any work on city street easement trees including pruning or removal. Tree companies must have insurance on file at City Hall.
- If you have questions about building plans or would like to make a complaint regarding a violation, reach out to our code enforcement team: codeenforcement@audubonparkky.gov
- Mattresses and upholstered furniture must be wrapped in plastic and scheduled to be picked up.

Independence Bank
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Here's a recap since our last newsletter:

The Dogwood Festival was well attended, until the rain! We had a record turn out and everyone enjoyed the new stage. Hoping for better weather next year.

State Representative Lisa Wilner awarded Chief Murdoch with a Citation of Appreciation from the House of Representatives from the Commonwealth of Kentucky for demonstrating bravery and quick thinking on November 5, 2025. Chief Murdoch was an initial first responder on the scene of the UPS plane crash.

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

Mick and Rick Vissing—Flagpole garden love
Tori Shackleton Wright—The success of the Dogwood Festival
Jason Payne—Employee of the Month
Bob Krebs—countless hours of volunteering
Ruthie Hornung—You don't want to miss her cookies that she brings to the Chili and Cornbread Cook Off with the Cops
Lloyd Alan Fetzer—updates on Preston Highway

THOUGHTS FROM COUNCILOR BRENNER

As you remember, in a prior newsletter, I outlined a plan that the Mayor and Council had discussed as to the formation of an entity that Audubon residents, or anyone for that matter, could donate to the improvement of Audubon Park (AP).

I am pleased to inform the citizens of AP that the city has formed a new 501-c-3 corporation called "Audubon Park Foundation". As I wrote in January, this entity is available for anyone to donate funds/assets to, in a tax-deductible fashion, for use by the Foundation to the betterment of AP. Our hope is that as citizens consider their future donations, they may consider some part of that amount going to the Foundation, for the improvement of the City. Donations can be made in cash, or negotiable assets. If you have questions about this, please feel free to call me 502-939-9000. Thank you for your consideration.

AUDUBON PARK GARDEN CLUB NEWS

Brightside Clean Up and Recognition Of Park Resident Marie Eff

The Audubon Park Garden Club, under the leadership of resident Marie Eff, conducted its semi-annual cleanup of the Preston Highway entrance to Audubon Park on Saturday April 19th. While the weather was glorious, only 4 volunteers showed up to help clean and beautify this important entrance to our city. Fortunately, the level of trash and other debris was much less than normal - yielding two bags of trash for pickup. We would like to encourage more residents to participate in this event, held the 3rd Saturday of April and October, because it does have a positive effect on the city and only takes about an hour of your time! Bags and tools are provided – we just need folks to show up!

Marie Eff, who coordinates the two annual cleanup efforts, was recently recognized by Brightside Foundation with the Fred Wiche Volunteer of the Year Award. This award recognizes an outstanding volunteer for "their valuable and selfless commitment to keeping Louisville clean and green, their dedication and contribution to building of Brightside awareness, and their demonstration of Brightside's core mission" which to paraphrase encourages citizens to beautify and foster pride in community. Award winners are selected based on their impact on the community. Marie, through her many years spearheading this project in Audubon Park, exemplifies the type of individual Brightside looks for in awarding this recognition. Our city (and the Audubon Park Garden Club) is very lucky to have such an amazing person who lives here and displays such selfless volunteerism!

Upcoming Garden Club Programs

Summer is almost upon us and that means that the Audubon Park Garden Club programs go on hiatus after June and return in September.

During the summer, the program committee will work on a new slate of programs for the 2026-27 year which begins in September. We hope they will come up with several interesting and pertinent programs that appeal to a wide variety of gardening levels and interest.

If you or anyone you know would like to learn more about the Garden Club or join, please contact Membership Chair Janet Shumate at 636-0111 or Club President Rose Cantrell at 640-5299.

Keep Audubon Park Beautiful- A Reminder

As many people remember, last summer was especially hot and dry. Hopefully this summer will be more moderate - both in rainfall amounts and temperatures! But please remember to water your trees in times of scant rainfall! This doesn't have to be done daily, but rather is better to do less frequently, yet water deeply to get to the roots. Our trees are our heritage and source of pride for our city so do your part to keep them healthy! And please don't forget to leave out water for our feathered friends as well – birds need water too…and maybe providing a water source will keep squirrels out of your tomato plants as well!

TAXES

- Audubon Park taxes will be mailed in mid-July. The City Clerk must receive the payments on or before August 31st to ensure there is no penalty.

Join the Forest Board

Our City Forester, Ryan Lewis, is seeking one volunteer from each street to help contact neighbors about planting trees. In recent years, Audubon Park has lost many mature trees to the emerald ash borer, storms, and age. To help restore and strengthen our tree canopy, we're working toward a goal of planting 100 trees over the next two years.

If you'd like to serve as your street's tree liaison, please email clerk@audubonparkky.gov.

Save the Dates:

July 2nd —Independence Day Parade

July 4th — Audubon Country Club Firework show

August 31st—Tax bills due for Audubon Park

September 12th—City Wide Yard Sale

October 26th — 4th Annual Chili Cook Off with the Burn Center

Mayor Bozeman's Pride of Place
Pete Hall

Thank you to everyone who has made this stage possible. We are $5,000 away from our goal! Mayor Bozeman and I take great pride in this stage. It will remain a lifetime treasure in our neighborhood. We could not have built this stage without the support of the community, thank you to everyone!

Below is the list of Donation Recognitions. If you need to change how your name is listed, please let us know as we will be preparing the plaque for the stage. We will release a "final" mockup of the plaque prior to printing. Please know that you can still donate. Contact: Clerk@audubonparkky.gov

- J Gregory Clare
- Dr. Neal & Anita Garrison
- Lon & Kathy Edwards
- Nancy & Michael Heine
- The Joe Mittel Family
- Dorn Crawford
- Joe Bell Jr. Family
- Kevin and Erin Heine
- Mike Garner Sr.
- Al & Jan Huber
- Rob & Joanne Bader
- Pete & Laura Hall
- Tim & Carol Nicholson
- J.B. & Mitchell Klausing
- Audubon Park Garden Club
- Judy Greenwell
- Heger Family
- High Family
- Elizabeth Hall
- Nanci Overstreet
- Nick Daffin
- Hellmueller Family
- Mike Gardner Jr.
- Carolyn Stinnet
- Morris Family
- Laura Stevens
- Louisville Metro District 10

Donation recognition levels are as follows:

- **$500–$999:** Name included on the group dedication plaque (up to two words, e.g., "Smith Family")
- **$1,000–$4,999:** Full names listed on the group plaque (e.g., "John & Mary Smith")
- **$5,000–$11,999:** Individual plaque displayed near the stage, plus name inclusion on the main dedication plaque
- **$12,000 and above:** Naming rights for the stage (e.g., "The John & Mary Smith Stage" or "The Smith Family Stage")

This is a meaningful way to honor your family's connection to Audubon Park. For any questions. Phall@audubonparkky.gov

Suggestions from Residents:

· Consider parking in your driveway so that it is easier and safer for residents to travel down the street, especially in times of high traffic and narrow streets.

· Please consider wearing reflective clothing while out walking/running for safety at night and in the early morning.

· Sundays (and Saturdays) in Audubon Park has always been thought of a family day. If there is a way you can have your yard vendors do work on another day, that would enhance outdoor activities for families and your neighbors.

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