

WHAT'S Happening!

in Kenton County, Kentucky TM

Summer/Fall 2010

Sign Up Now for Community Ed Classes!

Program Schedule Fall 2010

www.kenton.kyschools.us and
click on Calendars

Registration is now open for Kenton
County Community Education classes.
You may register through email or mail.

- Email registration to:
Teresa.Wilkins@kenton.kyschools.us
- Mail registration form located on
inside back cover to:
Kenton County Board of Education
attn: Community Education
1055 Eaton Drive
Fort Wright, KY 41017

Questions, call 859/957-2633.

Community Partners

American Association of Retired Persons
American Heart Association
American Red Cross
Behringer-Crawford Museum
City of Ft. Wright
Ft. Thomas VA Hospital
Gateway Community College
Kenton County Animal Shelter
Kenton County Library
Literacy in Northern Kentucky
Mayerson Foundation
Mental Health Association of N KY
Ramage Civil War Museum
U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

Improve Your Health

Aerobics Plus

\$35 (Walk-ins welcome)

Mondays, Sept. 20 - Nov. 1 (7 wks)

6:15 - 7:15 pm

Summit View Elementary gym

Treat yourself to a great stress reliever! A 60-minute workout consisting of warm-up, aerobic and strengthening exercises, an easy-to-follow cardio segment along with toning and core strength. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat. Hand weights optional.

Instructor: Linda Toerner

Yoga

\$50 (8 wks)

Thursdays, Sept. 23 - Nov. 11

Session 1: 6 - 7 pm

Session 2: 7:15 - 8:15 pm

Fort Wright Elementary

Yoga is a practical and "easeful" approach to maintaining wellness. The emphasis is on relaxation and fitness through breathing techniques and gentle stretches. Wear a sweat suit or loose, comfortable clothing and bring a rubber mat. The demand for this class is so high, two rounds of classes will be offered.

Instructor: Diana Guy

Aquatics and Fitness

\$45 (Walk-ins welcome)

Tuesdays and Thursdays

Sept. 21 through Oct. 28 (6 wks)

6:30 - 7:30 pm

Scott High School Pool

Take time out for yourself! Keep fit and help your heart with this healthy form of exercise in the water.

Bring suit and towel.

*Instructors: Wendi North and
Sally Soderland*

Guided Meditation

\$24

Mondays, Sept. 27 - Nov. 8

6:45 - 7:15 pm (7 wks)

Fort Wright Elementary

Experience the numerous health benefits of breathing along with guided imagery for relaxation and stress reduction. Instructions will be given for breath awareness as a time-tested method for calming the mind and body. This class is designed to complement the Tai Chi class or may be taken by itself for wellness training.

Instructor: Jay Busemeyer

<http://holisticstressrelief.com>

Tai Chi Chuan

\$45

Mondays, Sept. 27 - Nov. 8

7:30 - 8:30 pm (7 wks)

Fort Wright Elementary

Learn greater self-awareness and increase your ability to center your mind and body in the present moment of gentle relaxation doing Tai Chi Chuan. Enjoy the peaceful feeling of physical movements that facilitate the flow of Chi or cosmic energy while relaxing your mind and body as one in motion. This class is designed for beginners, although all levels of experience in Tai Chi are welcome. Please wear loose-fitting, comfortable clothing. Maximum 40 people.

Instructor: Jay Busemeyer

<http://holisticstressrelief.com>

**Class listings continued on
next page.**

Kenton County Community Education

Improve Your Health, continued

Zumba®

\$35 (Walk-ins welcome)

Tuesdays and Thursdays
7 - 8 pm

Session I: Sept. 21 - Oct. 14

Session 2: Oct. 19 - Nov. 11

Summit View Middle Community Center

The Zumba® program fuses hypnotic Latin rhythms and easy-to-follow moves to create a one-of-a-kind fitness program that will blow you away. You will have a blast in one exciting hour of calorie-burning, body-energizing, movements that you will love.

Instructor: Carlye Burchett

Advance Your Technology Skills

Microsoft Word (2007)

\$90

Wed., Sept. 8 and Thurs., Sept. 9

6:30 - 8:30 pm

Simon Kenton High School

Learn how to create and format word documents, memos, resumes, and letters. Set up and perform mail merges.

Instructor: Nathan Jeffries

Microsoft Excel I (2007)

\$90

Mon., Sept. 13 and Tues., Sept. 14

6:30 - 8:30 pm

Simon Kenton High School

Learn to set up, format, and manipulate worksheets. Create basic level formulas.

Instructor: Nathan Jeffries

Microsoft Excel 2 (2007)

\$90

Wed., Sept. 15 and Thurs., Sept. 16

6:30 - 8:30 pm

Simon Kenton High School

Customize formulas and learn to analyze and manage data using intermediate to advanced level Excel tools.

Instructor: Nathan Jeffries

PowerPoint (2007)

\$90

Mon., Sept. 20 and Tues., Sept. 21

6:30 - 8:30 pm

Dixie Heights High School

Create professional-looking slide shows with graphics and animations.

Instructor: Nathan Jeffries

Microsoft Excel I (2007)

\$90

Wed., Sept. 22 and Thurs., Sept. 23

6:30 - 8:30 pm

Dixie Heights High School

Learn to set up, format, and manipulate worksheets. Create basic level formulas.

Instructor: Nathan Jeffries

Microsoft Excel 2 (2007)

\$90

Mon., Sept. 27 and Tues., Sept. 28

6:30 - 8:30 pm

Dixie Heights High School

Customize formulas and learn to analyze and manage data using intermediate to advanced level Excel tools.

Instructor: Nathan Jeffries

Microsoft Excel 3 (2007)

\$90

Wed., Sept. 29 and Thurs., Sept. 30

6:30 - 8:30 pm

Dixie Heights High School

This is an advanced class for people who have taken basic level Excel classes.

Instructor: Nathan Jeffries

Photoshop Level I

\$75

Wed., Oct. 13, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Dixie Heights High School

The class will start with a general tour of Photoshop's features and then quickly move into learning how to retouch and enhance images. Students will learn about Photoshop Layers, Adjustment Layers, text, and basic selection tools. Optimizing images for the web will also be discussed.

Instructor: Scott Richards

Photoshop Level 2

\$75

Wednesday, Oct. 20

6:30 - 8:30 pm

Dixie Heights High School

This class builds on techniques learned in Level 1. The class includes learning more refined techniques for making selections (isolating part of an image), including working in "quick-mask mode." Students will also learn how to "extract" an image from a complex background, and how to combine multiple images and text into a single "composited" image.

Instructor: Scott Richards

Develop Your Interests

Dance, Dance, Dance!

\$50

Wednesdays, Oct. 6 - Nov. 10 (6 wks)

7 - 8 pm

River Ridge Elementary

Swing and Foxtrot — Learn the basics of two of the most popular ballroom dances: the swing, an all-American couples rhythm dance that incorporates the use of underarm turns, side passes, push breaks, and whips; and the foxtrot, one of the most popular smooth dances. Both dance styles are perfect for the first dance at your wedding or for other social dancing.

Instructor: Greg Underwood

Fly Fishing

Free

Sat., Oct. 2, 10 am - 4 pm

Kenton County Library Erlanger Branch

Learn the relaxing sport of fly fishing. Will cover technique, knot tying, casting and maps of local fishing areas. (Limit 12) For more information, call 689-4294. Equipment not mandatory, but bring your own rod, if you have one.

Instructor: Joshua Rust - NKFF Adult Education Director



Beginners Toothbrush Rag Rug — Oval

\$45 + \$12 for materials to be paid to the instructor

Tues., Sept. 21 and Wed., Sept. 22

OR Tues., Sept. 28 and Wed., Sept. 29

6 - 8:30 pm

Summit View Middle School Community Center

Beginner's class. Learn to make a rag rug out of your fabric scraps or fabric. These rugs are quick and easy. Bring to class three 1 1/2 yard pieces of pre-washed fabric, scissors, and a tape measure. Pattern book and needle to be purchased from instructor for \$12. Introduction piece supplied by instructor. Limit 8 students.

Instructor: Louise Grivetti

Advanced Toothbrush Rag Rug — Oval

\$45 + \$12 for materials to be paid to the instructor

Mon., Oct. 4 and Tues., Oct. 5

6 - 8 pm

Summit View Middle School Community Center

Advanced class. You must have completed the beginner's class. Learn to make a quick and easy rag rug out of your fabric scraps or fabric. Bring to class three 1 1/2 yard pieces of pre-washed fabric, scissors, and a tape measure. Pattern book and needle to be purchased from instructor for \$12. Introduction piece supplied by instructor. Limit 8 students.

Instructor: Louise Grivetti

Donna Dewberry's One Stroke Painting, Holiday Project

\$80 (all materials provided)

Tues., Oct. 12; Wed., Oct. 13; Tues., Oct. 19; and Wed., Oct. 20

6:30 - 8:30 pm

Summit View Middle School Community Center

Advanced class. You must have taken Beginner's class. In this class, you will make two stunning holiday art projects.

Instructor: Louise Grivetti

Class listings continued on inside back cover.

Improve your computer skills with one of several technology classes!



An Open Letter to the Citizens of Kenton County

In a few short months my time as Judge/Executive will come to a close and I will return to the private sector. I have decided to use this last message to share a few of the successes my team and I achieved during the time we were entrusted with the welfare of the citizens of Kenton County.

Perhaps our greatest accomplishment has been in bringing to an end a debate that lasted a generation: the new Kenton County Detention Center will open in the fall of this year. The process by which we got to completion was not without pitfalls and a few missteps, but in the end the Commissioners, my staff, and I held ourselves responsible for completion of this project and our mission is accomplished.

I am also pleased to report the County is on solid financial footing, showing a year-end cash balance that exceeds any of the previous twenty years. While the economic conditions within the County have been stagnant, your County government has worked to restrain the growth in the cost of government by establishing partnerships for parks maintenance, reducing through attrition the number of full-time employees, and reforming the County's employee health care plans to more closely reflect those in the private sector. Collectively these measures have successfully positioned this county for sustained economic success moving forward.

We sought and secured passage of legislation to prevent any government, city, county or school district, from forgiving the property taxes of another without the consent of the units of government affected. In one instance alone our advocacy of this policy and subsequent passage of legislation literally saved the Kenton County Board

of Education hundreds of thousands of dollars.

We have created a home incarceration program for those individuals who are non-violent offenders awaiting trial. This program was implemented to keep down overcrowding in the County jail and has saved the County an average of \$1 million annually based on the daily cost of the program compared to what it costs per person for lodging in the Kenton County Detention Center.

We expanded roadside clean-up and environmental protection programs using inmate labor and held the cost to a minimum. This program, the first in the state, offers curbside pick-up, providing citizens with an outlet for white goods and other larger items that would otherwise wind up thrown over a hillside.

Each of the initiatives we have undertaken have been with a keen eye focused on moving Kenton County forward in a positive direction. The Commissioners, staff, and I, have kept our eye on the ball and made some tough decisions so that our children and grandchildren inherit from us a community that is economically vibrant, offering a quality of life that creates a spirit of enthusiasm for home ownership and dedicated to maintaining the highest possible quality of life for those who are the most vulnerable in our society, the aged, those suffering from mental health disorders and those who are in the deadly clutches of chemical dependency.

Kenton County is a great place to live, work, and raise a family and it has been an honor to have served as your County Judge/Executive.

Sincerely,

Ralph A. Drees

County Judge/Executive



Ralph Drees
Kenton County
Judge/Executive

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Animal Shelter News

Walton Pet Fair

The Third Annual Walton Library Pet Fair will be held at the Shelter on August 28 from 10 am - 1 pm. Bring your pet for a reading with Donetta the Pet Psychic. Nky-Ky9 will also be having training demonstrations and Deb Marvin from Lapis Wolf Studios will be do sketches of your favorite pet.

Walk-n-Wag Wednesdays

The Shelter's first annual walking club will meet every Wednesday from September 8 - October 27 from 10 am - 12 pm. Our Furry Friends at the Shelter need love, attention and walks. You can make the difference in the adoptability of our shelter dogs by providing much-needed exercise and attention. The fee to join is \$25, which includes a leash and t-shirt. For more information contact Elizabeth Cochran at 859/356-7400.

Dog/Cat Licenses Due!!

All dogs and cats in Kenton County are subject to licensing. For more information regarding fees and

purchase locations please visit www.kentoncounty.org.

We Need Your Help!

With increased space at the Shelter comes increased cost so we ask for your continued support. Your tax-deductible donation can be made out to the "Animal Care Fund."

Volunteers are always needed at the Shelter. If you are at least 18 years of age, love pets, and want to make a difference stop in and fill out an application.



Cincinnati Reds players Aaron Harange, Chris Heisey and Nick Masset took part in the Adopt-a-Thon held at the Shelter on Saturday June 12. Attendance was good and six dogs and six cats were adopted.

Kenton County Police

Patrolling the Dark Side of the Net

It's late on a Monday night; a middle-aged man is talking to a 13-year-old girl on the Internet. At first, the conversation is casual, but then the man takes the chat in a much more sinister direction. Shortly after the conversation started, the man asks the young girl where and when they can meet in person. Thankfully, the "girl" is actually Kenton County Police Officer Steve Benner, and the middle-aged man is about to find himself in jail. Since 2008, investigators from Kenton County Police Department have been scouring the Internet looking for predators who are attempting to exploit young children. As a result of these efforts, numerous suspects were arrested both locally and nationally. The investigation into these online predators revealed a number of suspects in possession of child pornography, and some suspects who were physically abusing young children. "We live in a nice community, and don't want to think these things happen in our own back yard, but they do, and that's why we are on the Internet too," said Officer Benner.

Staying on the Cutting Edge

In April, the United States Secret Service nominated Kenton County Police Detective Andrew Schierberg to attend the National Computer Forensic Institute's five-week Basic Computer Evidence Recovery Training. The Secret Service paid the entire cost of the training and provided the Kenton County Police Department with high-end specialized computer forensic equipment valued at \$20,000. "The demand for computer forensics in criminal investigations is growing exponentially," Detective Schierberg said. "It's becoming increasingly difficult to investigate a crime that doesn't, in some way, involve technology." With this new equipment and training, the Kenton County Police Department can now process computers and other digital media in order to recover evidence for use in criminal prosecutions.

Chief Ed Butler said, "This training was really a win-win situation for the Kenton County Police Department, other police agencies in the County, and the citizens. Local budgets are tight. This free training and equipment will assist in our investigative abilities and help reduce the back-log in computer forensics."

7th Annual BOB KROHMAN Car and Motorcycle Show

September 11 • 9 am - 3 pm



Pioneer Park, Covington, KY
Registration 9 am - Noon
Judging at 1 pm

Sponsored by the
Kenton County Police
Citizens' Academy Alumni

Rain Date September 18

Admission donation, kids 12 and under FREE

The Golf Courses of Kenton County

"We've got your game"

3908 Richardson Rd ~ Independence, KY 41051
859-371-3200 ~ www.kentoncounty.org

General Information

Join us for a fun-filled day of golf at our 54-hole facility. All three of our golf courses provide challenging and fun layouts for golfers of any skill level. Our original course, The Pioneer, measures 6,010 yards and plays to a par of 71. The Willows, designed by Dr. Michael Hurdzan, offers golfers a scenic and challenging test of tree lined fairways and undulating greens. Fox Run, designed by Arthur Hills, is consistently rated as one of the challenging public golf courses in the State of Kentucky.

Book Tee Times Online

Booking a tee time has never been more convenient! Make a reservation online through www.kentoncounty.org for any of our three golf courses up to 10 days in advance.

Golf Instruction

Women's Golf Clinics

Late Summer (10:30 am-Noon)

August 14, 21 and 28

Fall (10:30 am-Noon)

September 11, 18 and 25

Get Golf Ready in Five Days

The Golf Courses of Kenton County is bringing adults into the game of golf in a fast, fun and affordable way through the new Get Golf Ready in 5 Days program. The new industry-wide initiative is comprised of a series of five introductory lessons offered by PGA Professionals in a small-group environment from April

thru September for the affordable price of \$99.

"The Get Golf Ready program provides an affordable and rewarding educational experience for those who are interested in learning more about the game of golf," said Jason Laible, Head Teaching Professional. "The program will provide a casual yet structured setting using fun, skill enhancement formats to help participants become comfortable on the links and enable them continue to develop their skills as golfers."

Following the completion of the five-session program, a smooth transition into other Get Golf Ready graduate outings, such as the free and low-cost programs offered by Play Golf America will be provided (www.PlayGolfAmerica.com).

Get Golf Ready Dates -

Thursdays (5:30-6:45 pm)

• Aug. 12, 19 & 26; Sept. 9 and 16

• Sept. 23 & 30; Oct. 7, 14 and 21

Saturdays (12:30-1:45 pm)

• Sept. 18 & 25; Oct. 2, 9 and 16

Juniors: After School Golf Instruction

Our after school golf instruction program is a great way for juniors participating in summer golf programs to continue their involvement with the great game of golf.

Wednesdays (4:15-5:15 pm)

Sept. 15, 22 and 29; Oct. 6

*Please call Jason at 859/371-3200 or email jason.laible@kentoncounty.org for more registration information regarding our instruction programs.

Parks & Recreation Fall Programs & Events

For more information about any of these programs, visit www.kentoncounty.org.

Most of the programs are free; however, we do accept donations of non-perishable food and personal care items for Senior Services of Northern Kentucky. If there is a fee to participate, it is indicated (\$).

See location and other codes at bottom of page.

- Aug. 4** **Wild Wednesdays!** featuring Granville Griffith and Appalachian Beekeeping at MMP/10 am. RH&M
- Aug. 5** **(Almost) Every Other Thursday Science with Crystal Clear Science** featuring Spellbound by the Magic of Science! PP/10 am. KCPL STP&M
- Aug. 11** **Wild Wednesdays!** with Linda Salsbury featuring Eagle Bend Alpacas at MMP/9:30 am. KCPL STP&M
- Aug. 18** **Wild Wednesdays!** with Raptor, Inc. featuring Birds of Prey ~ Top of the Food Chain. MMP/10 am. RH&M
- Aug. 19** **(Almost) Every Other Thursday Science** with COSI on Wheels featuring It's Simply Chemistry. MMP/9:30 am. NKHD DTA STP&M
- Aug. 21** **You Fish Like A Girl!** Come on, girls, let's go fishin' with Rebecca Rebholtz and Out of Control Wildlife at MMP/9-11 am. We have everything we'll need except you. NO BOYS ALLOWED!
- Aug. 21** **Star Gaze 2** with Cincinnati Observatory Center and Midwestern Astronomers. One-hour indoor program titled 'A Tale of Two Astronomers' followed by telescopic night sky viewing. Meet at Kenton County Public Works building in LRP/8 pm.
- Aug. 25** **Wild Wednesdays!** with Josh Batkins from Big Bone Lick State Park. MMP/9:30 am. STP&M
- Sept. 9** **Senior Harvest Celebration** ~ BIG fun for those 50 or better! Kenton County Fairgrounds/Time: TBA. Register at 859/392-1920. \$
- Sept. 11** **Bob Krohman Memorial Car Show.** PP/Registration from 9 am; Awards at 5 pm. Rain Date: Sep 18. \$
- Sept. 25** **Great Outdoor Weekend** ~ Banklick Creek Clean-Up at PP. Meet at North end of park by Soccer fields. 9 am. Followed by Volunteers picnic at Noon.
- Sept. 25** **Great Outdoor Weekend** ~ Critters in the Crick with Out of Control Wildlife at PP. 1 pm.
- Sept. 26** **Great Outdoor Weekend** ~ Doe Run Nature Trail Hike with Peggy Kelly at DRL. 11 am.
- Sept. 26** **Great Outdoor Weekend** ~ Geocaching with OKIC at DRL. A GPS Adventure. 1 pm.
- Sept. 27** **Punt, Pass & Kick Football Skills Contest** for boys and girls 8-15. Punt, Pass, and Kick for distance and accuracy (think straight line). Presented in cooperation with Independence Parks & Recreation. Memorial Park in Independence/4-7 pm.
- Oct. 9** **World Wide Star Count** ~ Help Shed Light on Light Pollution with Tom East. Meet at Kenton County Public Works building in LRP/Time TBA.
- Oct. 15** **Halloween's One Night of Fright**, the Haunted Halloween Trail presented by Jude's Custom Exhaust, Auto Repair & Towing. A quarter-mile of torch-lit and creepy trail through the deep, dark woods. Free admission with donations of non-perishable food and personal care items for Senior Services of Northern Kentucky accepted. MMP/7 pm-??
- Oct. 16** **Great Pumpkin Races.** Fastest pumpkins down the ramp to the finish line win cool prizes! 3 weight classes. Free entry with non-perishable food and personal care items for SSNK accepted. MMP/Racing pumpkins must be registered by 12:45 pm. Cincinnati Zoo creepy-creature visit at Noon.
- Nov. 5/ Dec. 6** **Letters To Santa ~ Letters From Santa.** Children who write letters to Santa will receive return letters from Santa just before Christmas. No postage to the North Pole is necessary when mailed in special mailboxes at any Kenton County Public Library. It's free with donations of non-perishable food and personal care items for Senior Services of Northern Kentucky gratefully accepted.

Shelterhouse Reservations. Reservations will be accepted beginning the first Monday in February. Our eight shelterhouses (which include those located in Lincoln Ridge, Middleton-Mills, Richardson Road, and Pioneer parks) are available by advance reservation and payment of a non-refundable permit fee. We accept personal checks, money orders, and cash. A permit entitles the permit holder to exclusive use of the shelterhouse from 9 am until dusk. You may make shelterhouse reservations between the hours of 7:30 am and 4 pm, Monday - Friday. Our office is located at 3902 Richardson Rd., Independence, KY 41051 and just inside the entrance to the Golf Courses of Kenton County. Call 859/525-PLAY (7529) for availability.

LRP (Lincoln Ridge)
DRL (Doe Run Lake)
MMP (Middleton-Mills)

PP (Pioneer)
RRP (Richardson Road)
STP&M (Snappy Tomato Pizza & McDonalds)

RH&M (Ryland Homes & McDonalds)
KCPL (Kenton County Public Library)
NKHD (NKy Health Dept.)

DTA (Dominach's Taekwondo Academy)

Homestead and Disability Exemptions

Are You Eligible?

Homestead Exemption - Persons eligible for the exemption must be at least 65 years of age. Proof of eligibility is required (driver's license, birth certificate, etc.) **DON'T WAIT UNTIL YOUR BIRTHDAY!** If you will turn 65 this year (2010), come in now for this benefit.

Disability Exemption - A person must be classified as 100% totally disabled under any government and/or most private retirement system(s). In addition, the following provisions must be met:

- The applicant must have maintained the disability classification for the entire previous or current year.
- The applicant must have received disability payments while under this classification.
- Verification/documentation should be submitted to the property valuation administrator's office **before December 31**

of each year to show continuing eligibility. Applications filed after December 31 will apply to the next year ONLY.

- All applicants must own and occupy their dwelling.
- Proof of eligibility is required. Some examples are: Medicare card, Social Security disability award letter, corporate insurance award letter, 1099, etc.
- The state of Kentucky only allows one exemption per property. (Must be your primary residence)

Where to File

You may file for Homestead and Disability Exemptions at the Kenton County PVA office:

Kenton County PVA
303 Court Street
County Building (2nd Floor)
Room 210
Covington, KY 41011
859/392-1750

TAX BILL TIME

Tax Bills will be mailed around the first week in October. Tax Bills are mailed by the Kenton County Sheriff. If you have questions about your tax bill or if you do not receive a tax bill by the 2nd week of October you should contact the Kenton County Sheriff's office (859/392-1800). If you have questions regarding your city tax bill you should contact the city in which your property is located. Please contact our office if you have questions regarding mailing address, exemptions or assessment. 859/392-1750 or e-mail: info.kentonpva@kentoncounty.org

Kenton County PVA

Mark E. Vogt, PVA

303 Court Street, Room 210 (second floor), Covington, KY 41011
phone: 859/392-1750 • fax: 859/392-1770 • www.kentonpva.com

Hours of Operation:

Monday-Friday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Contact our office regarding Wednesday evening hours.

Kentucky Dept. of Revenue — Freddie Free Roader Program — www.revenue.ky.gov

The Problem

Thousands of Kentuckians are beating the system through the improper use in Kentucky of motor vehicles bearing out-of-state license plates or improper use of temporary or other tags. Such use costs Kentucky millions of dollars annually in motor vehicle usage tax and ad valorem property tax.

The Law

Kentucky law requires the registration of motor vehicles within 15 days from the date they are brought into Kentucky for use. A 6 percent motor vehicle usage tax is levied on motor vehicles for the privilege of operating on Kentucky highways, based on the value at the time they are first placed in service in Kentucky. Property tax is assessed annually on vehicles situated (located) in Kentucky on Jan. 1, based on their fair cash value.

Who Loses?

You do! Kentucky residents beating the system by registering vehicles in other states in order to avoid motor vehicle usage tax and ad valorem property tax make you, the honest taxpayer, the LOSER. Also, new residents beating the system by failing to register their vehicles within 15 days after they move into Kentucky makes you the LOSER. The ultimate LOSERS are your local school districts and

services dependent on revenues from the evaded taxes.

Where the Money Goes

The motor vehicle usage tax is used to build and maintain Kentucky's highways. **Approximately 60 percent of the ad valorem property tax is returned to the local community, funding your public schools, your fire departments, your police departments, your ambulance services, your libraries, etc.,** with the remainder contributing to the General Fund.

The Solution

If you observe Kentucky residents evading the system by operating motor vehicles on Kentucky highways for more than 15 days with out-of-state license plates or more than 30 days with temporary or other tags, please help the Department of Revenue identify these FREEROADERS by calling toll free 1-800-882-8990 or completing the online form at www.revenue.ky.gov. When you call, give as much of the information as possible on the Tip Information Sheet. **You need not identify yourself when calling or submitting an online tip.** The Department of Revenue will take appropriate action to collect taxes due.

Governor Beshear Signs Affordability Legislation



Kentucky legislators and community representatives witness the signing of House Bill 504. (Photo Credit: Kentucky's Creative Services - Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet)

On April 14, Kentucky Governor Steve Beshear signed House Bill 504 (HB 504) into law. This landmark legislation requires regulators to consider affordability in Clean Water Act compliance efforts for Kentucky communities and their residents.

While this law does not negate the need for future rate increases, it does require the Kentucky Division of Water (KDOW) to consider the costs of infrastructure improvement projects and the maximization of environmental benefits when negotiating and implementing

improvement plans with local communities and U.S. EPA Region 4.

One way that HB 504 addresses the affordability issue is requiring KDOW to consider extending the time required for a sewer utility to make infrastructure improvements, which also would help make compliance with the Clean Water Act more affordable. In addition, the bill supports the use of innovative approaches such as "green" technology to improve water quality, similar to the approach that SD1 is taking in Northern Kentucky, as another way to make these improvements more affordable.



Catch Some Rain

In early 2009, SD1 launched its pilot rain barrel program. Rain barrels collect and store rainwater from rooftops

for use in dry weather to give thirsty gardens, flowers and trees a drink. They help keep excess storm water out of the sewer system and help prevent rain from picking up pollution and carrying it to the nearest body of water.

SD1 customers will still be able to purchase "Raintainers" while supplies last. The "Raintainer" is a 55-gallon rain barrel that has an aesthetically pleasing appearance and includes a connection for a hose, making it possible to draw water from the barrel. The lid of the "Raintainer" can be used as a self-watering planter, and can also be easily removed, making cleaning the inside of the barrel simple.

For more information visit www.sd1.org/rainbarrels or call SD1's Storm Water Hotline at 859/578-6745.

SD1 Honors "Protecting the Environment Award" Recipients

The 2010 Protecting the Environment Award ceremony was held on June 29 at Twenhofel Middle School. The award ceremony recognized three scout troops, six teachers and three individual students who have gone above and beyond to protect the environment and water resources in Northern Kentucky.

For the second year in a row, the \$2,500 in cash prizes was sponsored by Walmart (Ft. Wright, KY). Additional event needs and prizes were donated by the following partners: John R. Green Company (Covington, KY), the Kenton County School District (Ft. Wright, KY), Kroger (Erlanger, KY), Meijer (Florence, KY), Natorp's Garden Stores (Florence, KY), Panera Bread (Crestview Hills, KY) and the WAVE

Foundation at the Newport Aquarium (Newport, KY).

The three scout troops were awarded between \$300 and \$500 each to complete projects with an emphasis on education and environmental service during the 2010-2011 school year. Additionally, six teachers were each awarded \$200 mini-grants to purchase supplies for teaching water-related topics to their classes next school year and three individual students were recognized for completing a spring-time pond and shoreline clean-up in Hebron, KY.

SD1 has hosted the Protecting the Environment Award program since 2003. The purpose of the program is to reward local individuals and groups involved in protecting the environment and Northern Kentucky's water resources.



(From left to right) Christopher Sanders, Kevin Sanders and William Sanders, all students at Sanders Home School, pose for a photo with SD1's mascot Splash McClean after being honored with the "Protecting the Environment Award."

SD1



1045 Eaton Drive • Fort Wright, KY 41017
phone: 859/578-7450

Hours of Operation:
Monday-Friday, 8 am - 4:30 pm

Smoke-Free Laws Save Lives and Money

You quickly notice the flashing lights of an ambulance in the parking lot as you pull into work. You see Paul, your co-worker, on a stretcher. You think, "Probably a heart attack."

You know Paul is struggling to make ends meet ...

- How much will the ambulance ride cost?
- What about the time in the hospital?
- How long will he be off work?
- Will Paul get to see his children graduate from high school or get married?
- Will his grandchildren know him?

In the blink of an eye, his life has changed drastically.

Paul is not a smoker but smoking is allowed at work. Exposure to secondhand smoke is a leading cause of heart disease and heart attacks. Secondhand smoke claims the lives of 46,000 Americans each year as a result of heart disease. According to the Surgeon General, nonsmokers who are exposed to secondhand smoke at home or work in-

crease their chance of heart disease risk by 25% - 30%. Even a little bit of secondhand smoke is bad for your heart.

Comprehensive smoke-free laws that cover all workplaces and public places in Northern Kentucky would save lives by decreasing the num-

ber of heart attacks by 15% within the first year, and 36% over three years. That would mean 339 fewer heart attacks in Northern Kentucky within three years. Hundreds of your co-workers, family members, and friends each year would be spared the trauma, disruption, and cost of a heart attack.

Smoke-free laws protect the health of workers. As of July 1, 2010, 27 Kentucky communities had enacted smoke-free legislation. Not only do smoke-free laws save lives, they also save money. Consider the cost of the ambulance ride, time in the hospital, and time off work. Secondhand smoke costs the United States \$10 billion annually in health care costs and lost productivity.

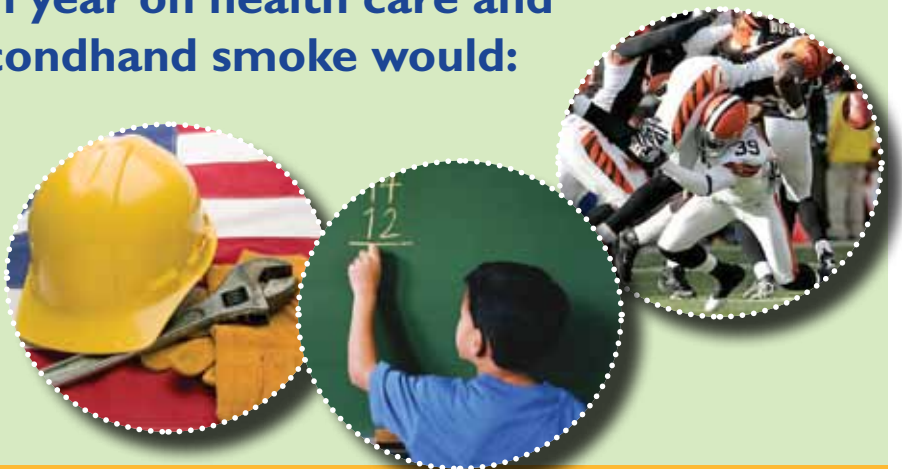
Day after day, Northern Kentucky pays a steep price by allowing our workers to be exposed to secondhand smoke — both in lives and money. The clock is ticking ... lives are being lost.



Secondhand smoke claims the lives of 46,000 Americans each year as a result of heart disease.

The \$10 billion spent each year on health care and lost productivity from secondhand smoke would:

- More than double Kentucky's 2010 Pre-K through 12 education budget
- Put 231,000 Americans back to work for a year
- Pay for the salaries of the 2009 Cincinnati Bengals, more than 100 times



The Clean Indoor Air Partnership is sponsored by the Tobacco Policy Research Program in the University of Kentucky College of Nursing.

EXTENSION Today

IN KENTON COUNTY

Fall 2010

What Is Cooperative Extension?

The mission of Kentucky Cooperative Extension is to make a difference in the lives of Kentucky citizens through research-based education. County agents serve as the gateway between the universities and you, delivering educational programs in horticulture, agriculture, and natural resources, family and consumer sciences, 4-H youth development, and community and economic development.

4-H Youth Development



4-H youth learn by doing.

4-H is a non-formal education program open to all interested youth. Participants are between the ages of 9 and 18 and reside in every demographic area — rural, urban, and suburban. 4-H enables youth to have fun and meet new people and offers a wide range of projects, programs and activities that every member can do well, helping all youth to reach their fullest potential. 4-H youth learn by doing



Master Gardeners visit Split Rock Conservation Park.

to acquire knowledge, develop life skills, and form attitudes that will enable them to become self-directing, productive, contributing citizens.

Agriculture

The agriculture community in Kenton County is very diverse.

The Extension service offers classes for cattle, equine, forage, crop and poultry producers. In addition, services like soil sampling, water quality, and natural resource management are addressed with the support of the University of Kentucky. Over the past decade a transformation from tobacco to more self-sustaining crops is the new trend in farming operations in Kenton County. The Cooperative Extension Service offers support and research resources to make this transition easier for any resident of Kenton County.

Kentucky Cooperative Extension — making a difference in the lives of Kentucky citizens through research-based education.

Horticulture

The Kenton County Cooperative Extension Horticulture program provides educational training and technical horticultural assistance to the community.

Whether you have a stressed plant, a brown lawn, a pesky bug, or interest in arboriculture, community gardens, and/or farmers' market — we are here to help you. Take advantage of our free diagnostic assistance, free research-based publications, and free soil testing available to all county residents. Stop

by and visit our Outdoor Education Center. Master Gardener volunteers help us grow a demonstration garden where you can learn about trees native to Kentucky, sustainable fruit and vegetable gardening, cut flower production, season extension, beneficial insects, rain barrels, composting, All American Selection plants and UK annual plant trials.

Family and Consumer Sciences

Your Family and Consumer Sciences agents continue to work towards improving the lives of Kenton County individuals and families through education, research, and outreach.

This fall, in conjunction with our neighboring counties, we are sponsoring a wellness challenge event for our families. The Northern Kentucky Cooperative Extension Family and Consumer Sciences Agents challenge all individuals in the area to complete at least 10 physical activities, each lasting at least 30 minutes, between Sept. 1 and Oct. 10, 2010. Track what you do and return the form to be eligible to win prizes. Whatever you do, get out and be physically active. Then, tell us what you did and you might win a prize! See inside for details.

CLASSES

KENTON
COUNTY
EXTENSION
CLASS
SCHEDULE

FALL 2010

Active for Life

Tuesdays and Thursdays, July 20 through September 30, 9:30-10:30 am

Kenton County Library, 401 Kenton Lands Rd., Erlanger

An exercise program for older adults designed to build flexibility, strength and range of motion. Participants will exercise in and around a chair. A "walk-a-mile" segment is done each week (walking in place). Please bring a light set of weights and dress comfortably. No charge for the class.

Planting the Fall Garden

August 5, 6 pm, Durr Center

Learn how to build successful fall gardens from demonstrations in our Outdoor Education Center gardens. Discussion will provide information regarding season extension, variety selection, low tunnels, high tunnels, cold frames, square foot gardening, and soil care ... plus a garden tasting!

An Hour to Learn — Zucchini

August 12, 6-7 pm, Durr Annex

Repeated: *August 13, 11 am-Noon, Durr Center*

Are you overwhelmed by zucchini? During this "hour to learn" we will discuss how to preserve your zucchini bounty and a variety of ways you can prepare and enjoy.

Adult Beginning Sewing: Pajamas

Thursdays, August 26 through September 30, 5:30 - 8:30 pm, Durr Annex

The project for this class is a pair of pajamas. Learn all the basics with the Kenton Co. Extension Service assisted by Master Clothing Volunteers. Fee for class: \$5* (includes pattern). Class size is limited.

10-10-10 Challenge by Northern Kentucky Cooperative Extension

September 1 to 10-10-10 (October 10, 2010)

Complete 10 eligible physical activities, tell us what you did, and be eligible for prizes. The goal is to inspire Kenton Countians and Northern Kentuckians to "get moving" for better health and well-being. Details available by calling our office.



Lunch and Learn Autumn Garden Series

Last Three Fridays in September,

Noon -12:45 pm, Durr Annex

Join us on your lunch break September 10, 17, and 24, to learn about Seed Saving from the Garden, followed by Landscaping with Natives, concluded with Backyard Birds! Don't forget to bring your co-workers and a brown bag lunch. Come once, come often!

Grandparents/Relatives Raising Children Support Group

Second Friday of each month on

September 10, October 8, November 12 and December 10, Noon-1:15 pm, Durr Annex

All grandparents or relatives raising children are invited to attend this monthly gathering to foster support as well as discover information on local resources and issues related to raising children. Monthly topics may vary. A free light lunch and child care is provided. Registration is requested by noon the day prior to each meeting.

Lose Weight Without Dieting

September 14, 10 am, Durr Annex

To keep pounds off permanently, it's best to lose weight slowly. Many experts say you can do that without going on a "diet." Instead, the key is making simple changes to your lifestyle that will help you lose weight and keep it off. This lesson will share tips to help you lose weight without dieting!

Don't Let Falls Get You Down

September 16, 10 am, Durr Center

While the risk of falling and of being seriously injured in a fall increases with age, older adults are not falling because of their age. In fact, falls are not an inevitable part of aging. During this session, we will address risk factors, so a person can lower his/her chance of falling.

Computer 101

September 21, September 28, October 5, October 12, 2010. (This class will be four weeks.) 10-11:30 am OR 6-7:30 p.m. (Two different sessions, please choose one), Durr Annex

Do you have a computer and have no idea what to do with it? This class is for beginners with no computer experience. Class will teach how to turn on the computer, parts of the computer, basic operation skills, and word processing using WORD in Office 2007. The class is limited to 8; minimum enrollment for class to be held is 4.

Where Does Your Money Go?

Thursdays, September 23 and September 30, 6-7:30 pm, Durr Annex

This two-week class will cover tracking expenses, identifying spending leaks, needs vs. wants, establishing written financial goals, and developing a spending plan.

County Fair Animal Projects

Tuesday, September 28, 6:30 pm, Durr Center

Are you curious what it would take to show a pet or livestock project at the county fair? This information-filled class is designed to help you decide. In addition to learning about the different projects from leaders and 4-H members, you will learn about community 4-H clubs that are specific to pets or farm animals. Come learn with us ... it's fun!

Tree Planting Party!

October 6, 10 am-12 Noon, Durr Center

That is right; we are getting ready for another Tree Planting Party at Kenton County Extension's Outdoor Education Center! We are in need of volunteers to help plant native trees along our Trees of Kentucky trail. Learn proper tree planting techniques and take home a tree to plant in your own landscape! Light lunch provided to all participants. Please pre-register; limited volunteers needed.

Adult Beginning Sewing: Pajamas

Wednesdays, October 6 through November 10, 5:30-8:30 pm, Durr Center

The project for this class is a pair of pajamas. Learn all the basics with the Kenton Co. Extension Service assisted by Master Clothing Volunteers. Fee for class: \$5* (includes pattern) Class size is limited.

• checks payable to Tri County Home Economics program



Take the 10-10-10 Challenge — get fit and earn prizes!

Body Recall

October 11-December 17, M-W-F,

9-10 am, **Durr Center**

This nationally recognized exercise program originated at Berea College and was designed to reclaim a level of fitness for older adults, including flexibility, strength, balance, and coordination for the body. The class meets three times a week for 10 weeks, and participants must wear comfortable clothing for movement. Class size is limited to 40 participants. Fee is \$25* for the 10-week session, \$5 for returning students.



Transferring Photos Using Technology

Thursdays, October 14 and October 21 (2 week sessions), 10-11:30 am OR 6-7:30 pm (2 different sessions, please choose one),

Durr Annex

Do you have photos on your digital camera and don't know what to do with them? This class will illustrate how to transfer pictures from the camera, save the files, e-mail photos, and save to CD or DVD. The second class will cover tips on utilizing software to enhance the photos. Must have prior computer knowledge. Class is limited to first 8 callers for each class. (Minimum of 5 participants for class to be held).

Stay on Your Feet!

Thursdays, October 14 through November 18, 9:30-11 am

Kenton County Library, 401 Kenton Lands Rd., Erlanger

This six-week series is targeted towards seniors or anyone with balance concerns. During the six weeks, participants will learn ways to think differently about falls, get up from a fall, and how to reduce falls. Additionally, exercises will be taught to increase physical strength, flexibility and range of motion so that participants can become steadier on their feet. No charge for the class. Class size is limited to 25.

Backyard Bird Feeding

Thursday, October 21, 1 pm OR 6:30 pm

Durr Annex

This class is designed to learn the basics of feeding our backyard birds. Learn about types of feed, species in our area and how to develop habitats for our birds. This class is offered in afternoon or evening session, choose the one that fits your schedule. This program is great for beginners or seasoned veterans of bird feeding. See you there!

S Is for Squash

October 22, Noon-1 pm, **Durr Annex**

Don't know the difference between butternut and buttercup squash? Want to learn if you can substitute one variety of winter squash for another? Wonder if winter squashes are nutritional stars? Discover answers to these questions and more, and sample several varieties of winter squash during this program.

Safe Food for Group Gatherings

October 26, 10 am

Durr Annex

Does your church or civic group serve food for memorial or other services? Do you provide meals or snacks to other members? Be sure it is safe and of high quality by attending this seminar. Don't take the risk of anyone getting sick due to foodborne illness.

Energy in Your Home

October 28, 10 am, **Durr Center**

Repeated: 6 pm, **Durr Annex**

What simple steps can you take to reduce energy use in the home? Learn the methods and changes most likely to have the best payback on energy bills. Choices in heating and cooling systems and appliances, as well as other products and practice that could be considered for the home will be included.

Stretching Your Home Improvement Dollar

Friday, October 29, Noon - 2:30 pm

Covington Center for Great Neighborhoods

Whether you are selling or settling down in a house, join us for this educational workshop to learn about:

- Landscaping for curb appeal
- Low maintenance lawn care
- Strategies for staging your home
- Updating your home interior
- Return on investment

Building Nesting Wreaths for Kids!

November 2, 1-3 pm, **Durr Center**

Children age 7-12 are invited to build nesting wreaths with recycled materials. Youth will weave wreaths with gathered plant materials and decorate with feathers, cotton balls, yarn, fabric, etc. Our feathered friends like to harvest from these decorative wreaths to build nests for their young. Youth will also be invited to make a clay pot suet bird feeder. Program limited to 15 participants.

Internet Shopping Skills

November 3, 10-11:30 am OR 6-7:30 pm

Durr Annex

As gas prices go higher do you want to do some of your shopping on the Internet? This class will focus on how to utilize the Internet for shopping and security measures while online. You will need prior computer knowledge. Due to computer usage, class is limited to 8 for each session. (Minimum enrollment for class to be held is 5.)

Going Green in the Home and Garden

Friday, November 5, 10 am-2 pm

Kenton County Public Library

Join the Kenton County Cooperative Extension agents for this informational workshop designed for anyone with interests in learning more about ways to conserve energy and natural resources both inside and outside the home. Specific sessions include: Rain Barrels and Rain Gardens; Composting; Indoor Air Quality and Green Cleaning; and Recycling and Energy Conservation. A light lunch will be served. Registration Fee: \$5. Please register by visiting the Kenton County Extension website at www.kentoncountyeextension.org or by calling 859/356-3155.

Safety on the Internet

November 10, 6-7:30 pm, **Durr Annex**

Did you want to learn how to protect yourself while online? This class will focus on safety precautions while on the Internet (including facebook).

Art is All Around You

November 11, 10 am, **Durr Annex,**

OR

November 18, 6 pm, **Durr Center**

This lesson will explore ways to increase our ability to see, value, and appreciate artwork that is around us. The rich resources of the museums all across Kentucky which collect, display, and interpret artwork of all kinds will be examined. Participants will learn skills to increase their approval and enjoyment of a variety of different art forms. A representative from the Behringer-Crawford Museum will also be present to discuss local artifacts and art housed at their location.

Holiday Open House

November 17, 4-7 pm, **Durr Center**

Before you know it, it will be time to "Deck those Halls" again! During this open house, stop by and you will see a variety of decorating and easy gift giving ideas, plus try some delicious food ideas. Your fee will include tasting and a book of instructions and recipes for items shown and tasted. Class Size limited. Class fee - \$6*

Evergreen Family Swag

December 2, 1-3 pm, **Durr Center**

Join us for this fun make-and-take opportunity! Participants are invited to learn about suitable evergreens for their landscape while crafting a charming winter swag for their home. We will provide refreshments, instruction, winter greens, wire forms, and mini frames; but ask that you bring gloves, pruners, and family portraits to embellish your swag. \$7 fee per participant; program limited to the first 25 paid registrants.

• checks payable to **Tri County Home Economics program**

Check out the exciting upcoming 4-H and Garden Artisan Series classes on the next page!



Learn how to shop on the Internet effectively and securely.

Registration required for all classes. Call 356-3155 to register.

KENTON COUNTY EXTENSION HAS TWO CONVENIENT LOCATIONS: **Durr Center**, 10990 Marshall Road, Covington, KY • **Durr Annex**, 3099 Dixie Highway, Edgewood, KY.

www.kentoncountyeextension.com



Don't Miss These Exciting Opportunities with 4-H!

4-H Livestock

All interested youth desiring to participate in livestock programs must enroll in 4-H and complete six hours of instructional training in order to be eligible for livestock participation. Certified livestock hours are offered November through January. Youth interested must complete the educational programs during this time period and earn six hours to be eligible to participate in livestock programs. Please contact the Extension office by October 1 to become involved in livestock projects. New members will learn about the process. If you are new to 4-H, please contact Diane Kelley at 859/356-3155 for additional information.



4-H Bring a Buddy to Sew Mondays from January 24, 2011, through February 21, 2011, 4-6 pm Durr Annex

This is the first 4-H sewing unit for clothing construction. Completion of this class is required for youth to participate in more advanced sewing projects and special sewing project days. Any youth (ages 9-18) and an adult buddy will learn how to operate a sewing machine, choose fabric, cut out a pattern, sew seams and make a casing. The youth will complete one or more of the following projects during the class: shorts, skirt, or pants. Sewing machines are provided. Participants will purchase one pattern, fabric and matching thread during the class. 4-H Agent, Mary S. Averbek and our Master Clothing Volunteers will teach the sessions.

4-H Safe Sitters Babysitting Classes

Held throughout the year at various locations

Youth aged 11 years or older will learn the basics of babysitting including child development, safety and first aid, care of infants and children, and learning activities for young children. A certificate of participation is awarded to those youth that participate in all class sessions. Instructor: Mary S. Averbek.

4-H Horse

All interested youth desiring to participate in horse programs must enroll in 4-H and complete six hours of instructional training in order to be eligible for horse participation. Certified horse hours are offered November through March. Youth interested must complete the educational programs during this time period and earn six hours to be eligible to participate in horse programs. Please contact the Extension office by October 1 to become involved in horse projects. New members will learn about the process. If you are new to 4-H, please contact Diane Kelley at 859/356-3155 for additional information.

4-H Shooting Sports Club

Meets Second Thursday of each month, 7 pm, Durr Center

4-H shooting sports is an introduction to the safe responsible use of firearms and archery equipment – a valuable life skill. Youth are trained by a certified leader on how to handle and shoot firearms safely. While competition is not the main focus, the program offers opportunities to participate in shooting events. This program is for youth 9 to 18 years old. If interested, call Denise Donahue at 859/356-3155.

4-H Clover Bud Meetings

Fourth Tuesday of each month, 6 pm Durr Annex

Do you have a child who wants to join 4-H but is not 4-H age? This club is for you. Children in school K-3 are invited to become a clover bud. We will do fun activities such as crafts, cooking and science each month. If interested, call Denise Donahue at 859/356-3155.

Garden Artisan Series

Invasive Plant Random Weave Basket Workshop

September 30, 9 am-4 pm
Middleton-Mills Park/Durr Center

Join us for this full day workshop, to learn how to identify and use invasive plants in crafting beautiful random weave baskets! Participants will meet at Middleton-Mills Park, located off of Rt. 16 in Taylor Mill, at 9 am. There we will hike through the woods in search of natural materials to use in weaving. After a "fresh from the garden" lunch, participants will meet at the Extension Service to craft their baskets. Instruction provided by basket artisan Judy Dominic. \$35 fee per participant includes instruction, supplies and garden lunch; please bring gloves and pruners. Program limited to the first 15 paid registrants.

and refreshments. Program limited to the first 15 paid registrants.

Getting Started with Gourd Art

Tuesday, November 9, 5-7 pm
Durr Center

Gourd artisan Debbie Bowles will join us to present information on history, growing, harvesting, curing, and decorating gourds from the garden. Each participant will have an opportunity to make a gourd-geous bowl with provided gourds and other natural garden materials. Debbie will also bring along other gourd art pieces to share ideas and techniques like wood burning, coloring, embellishing, and finishing. \$15 fee per participant includes instruction, supplies, and refreshments.

Soap Making from the Garden

October 19, 1-3:30 pm, Durr Center

Join a local soap artisan to learn how to craft liquid pump soaps and bar soaps — both infused with accents from our garden. Each participant will have an opportunity to make-and-take liquid soap during this workshop. Instructions for bar soap and a take home bar of soap will also be provided. \$25 fee per participant includes instruction, supplies, bar of soap,



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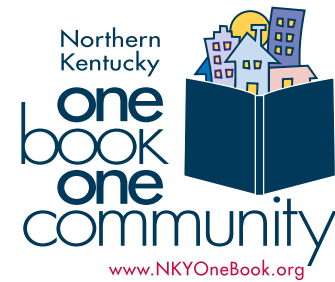
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The Cooperative Extension Service is an educational organization that links the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture and Kentucky State University with area residents. They provide university resources, programming and expertise in community and economic development, agriculture, horticulture, food science and safety, family and consumer sciences, and 4-H youth development.

Party Before the Storm — One Book One Community

What kind of party would you throw if you were going to row solo across the Atlantic Ocean for four months? Find out as the Erlanger Branch Library hosts the kick-off event to the One Book One Community reading program on Wednesday, September 8 from 7-8:30 pm featuring food, music and more.

This fall, all Northern Kentucky libraries invite you to read the featured One Book *A Pearl in the Storm* written by Tori Murden McClure. In this book, experience McClure's journey across the Atlantic in a 23-foot plywood boat, not knowing that it would be one of



the worst seasons for hurricane on record. Get the book at your library, participate in supporting programs and meet the author this fall. For program information, dates and times including information about Ms. McClure's visit, go to www.nkyonebook.org.

Get a Card and Get Books, Movies, Games and More!

Don't forget, getting a library card is free and easy. All you need is a valid ID with your current address or a recent piece of mail. Children can also receive a free Library card with parent permission. Go to www.kentonlibrary.org/aboutus for information.

Job Seeker Assistance

The Library has a myriad of resources to help those looking for a new job or those wanting to improve their job skills. Each Library location offers hands-on free computer classes in programs such as PowerPoint, Excel, Word, Job Searching on the Internet

and more courtesy of a Workforce Development Grant. Additionally, the Library has many job seeker resources available in each location and online at www.kentonlibrary.org/business/jobs. Check the calendar class dates, times and locations.

Kenton County Public Library

Mary Ann Mongan Library

502 Scott Blvd., Covington, KY 41011 • 859/962-4060

Durr Branch Library

1992 Walton-Nicholson Rd., Independence, KY 41051
859/962-4030

Erlanger Branch

401 Kenton Lands Rd., Erlanger, KY 41018 • 859/962-4000

Use your library card during September to get discounts and freebies at stores, restaurants and businesses throughout Northern Kentucky. Pick up a list of participating businesses at the Library.

FREE Stuff to Do!

Through the Lens of Adam Jones

Tuesday, August 31 at 6:30 pm, Erlanger Branch Library

Internationally recognized Kentucky photographer Adam Jones guides you through his techniques in photographic situations. Registration required, 859/962-4002.

Enhance your Job Search with Career Accelerator

Friday, September 3 from 10-11 am, online

In this online class participants will learn how to use the Career Accelerator database and the personalized Job Search Portfolio which allows job seekers to plan, tailor, and track multiple job searches at the same time while providing easy access to all their saved information. Must have access to a computer and Internet connection. Provide your email when registering.

Teen Online Book Discussion Kickoff

Wednesday, September 8 from 4-6 pm, Durr Branch Library

Read the first book to be featured in the teen online book discussion *City of Bones* by Cassandra Clare. Pick up the book at the kickoff and learn about the online discussion.

A Party Before the Storm

Wednesday, September 8 from 7-8:30 pm,
Erlanger Branch Library

Celebrate the kickoff to our fourth annual NKY One Book One Community series with a free party featuring food and music from Bacchanal Steel Band!



Weight Loss and Wellness

Tuesday, September 14 at 7 pm, Covington Library

The Foundation for Wellness Professionals covers looking and feeling better and younger, losing weight and helping diabetic symptoms.

Fourth Annual Chicken Rodeo

Saturday, September 18 at 11 am, Durr Library

If you are quick on your feet, compete in our Chicken Rodeo and try chasing a hen across the finish line. Prizes awarded and all ages welcome. Register, 859/962-4032.



PowerPoint

Tuesday, September 21 at 6:30 pm, Durr Branch Library

Learn how to create online presentations for work, school or personal use. Register, 859/962-4031.

Intro to Legal Research

Thursday, September 30 at 6:30 pm, Erlanger Branch Library

In this computer class, you'll learn how to search for and find primary legal materials for both Kentucky and the federal government.

Puppy Tales

Monthly, dates and times vary. All locations

Boost your child's reading skills and self-confidence by having them reading to a non-judgmental audience — a dog! Check calendar for dates and times. Registration required.

Weekly Preschool Storytimes

Dates and times vary. All locations

Build your preschooler's love of reading and books by participating in a weekly storytimes. Sessions feature stories and songs and sometimes a craft. There are storytimes for even babies. Check online at www.kentonlibrary.org/ events for dates, times, location and registration information.

St. Elizabeth Diabetes Treatment Center Opens

Most local physicians are intimately familiar with the concerns and complications of diabetes. According to the American Diabetes Association, Kentucky is the seventh highest among all the states with more than 300,000 adults diagnosed. Despite those numbers, this region has long been lacking a single center of premium services and expertise for the treatment of diabetes. St. Elizabeth is doing something about that by opening its Regional Diabetes Center at St. Elizabeth Covington.

The center is the only one of its kind in the Greater Cincinnati region, offering patients the medical expertise and care of the single greatest number of diabetes specialists and auxiliary services available in one location locally. In total there are six board-certified endocrinologists

staffing the facility, complimented by 14 diabetes educators and numerous additional healthcare professionals skilled in assessing and meeting the many needs of individuals with diabetes.

“There are many things that make this center unique in this region,” says noted Northern Kentucky endocrinologist and Medical Director of the new center, Dr. Linda Hermiller. “It’s not only the largest such practice in Greater Cincinnati, but it’s one of the largest east of the Mississippi. That allows our patients to get appointments quickly and then to get very comprehensive care from their first visit on through all follow-ups. They can come in on a new patient visit and see an endocrinologist, then spend a significant amount of

time with an educator. Most offices can’t offer that level of care and involvement.”

That initial visit is just the beginning of an array of services available in this one-stop shop at the Covington center. The 15,000 sq. ft. facility offers ample exam and treatment rooms, state-of-the-art equipment, a health-care library, and conference rooms for group education classes. Since the center is located within the newly opened St. Elizabeth Covington location, patients also can take advantage of all the auxiliary treatment services on site that they may need to manage their health, including lab and diagnostic imaging services, physical therapy, the Women’s Wellness Center and the Wound Care Center.

The center’s concentration of board-certified endocrinologists also

offers specialist support for a range of endocrine and metabolic disorders including:

- Diabetes
- Thyroid disease, including ultrasound-guided biopsies and thyroid cancer
- Osteoporosis, metabolic bone disease and calcium disorders
- Hypogonadism
- Lipid metabolism
- Pituitary disease
- Polycystic ovarian syndrome
- Adrenal disease
- Abnormal weight-gain evaluation and therapy

If you are interested in taking advantage of the convenience and high caliber healthcare at the St. Elizabeth Regional Diabetes Center, visit www.stelizabeth.com/diabetes or call 859/655-8910.

St. Elizabeth Healthcare CEO Joseph W. Gross to Retire



Joseph W. Gross



John S. Dubis

Joseph W. Gross, President & CEO of St. Elizabeth Healthcare, will retire at the end of 2010 following almost 25 years in the top post. Under his leadership, St. Elizabeth has emerged from a modest community-based hospital into a thriving healthcare system, featuring six hospital facilities throughout Northern Kentucky, two free-standing ambulatory surgery centers, more than 6,000 employees and 900 physicians, 34 primary care office locations, and five free-standing imaging centers.

He introduced many innovations that raised the level of healthcare excellence in Northern Kentucky, including a family-centered, single-room birthing unit; a free-standing surgery center; the Center for Women’s Wellness; numerous physician joint ventures; and a major expansion at St. Elizabeth Edgewood which incorporated a free-standing hospice center, medical offices, a new behavioral health center, a new outpatient center, and a medical group practice. In addition, he launched the St. Elizabeth Foundation for the advancement of health and indigent care causes in Northern Kentucky.

During his tenure, St. Elizabeth Edgewood has been named one of America’s 50 Best Hospitals by HealthGrades for four consecutive years, one of the nation’s 100 Top Hospitals by Thomson Reuters for five years,

the first hospital in the tri-state to be awarded Magnet status by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) for excellence in nursing care, one of the 10 best hospitals to have a baby in America by *Fit Pregnancy Magazine*, one of the top hospitals in America by *US News & World Report* and by *Money Magazine*, and voted the “Best Place to Work in Greater Cincinnati” in the Grand Company category by the *Cincinnati Business Courier*. St. Elizabeth is one of only four hospitals in the country to concurrently achieve HealthGrades America’s 50 Best, Thomson’s Top 100 and ANCC Magnet status.

Mr. Gross will be replaced by John S. Dubis, current Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. Mr. Dubis is responsible for all day-to-day operations of St. Elizabeth Healthcare and was instrumental in the integration of the former St. Luke/

St. Elizabeth Hospital organizations. Through his efforts, Mr. Dubis has led the effort to improve quality, customer service, and efficiencies throughout the new health system while expanding programs and services.

Mr. Dubis received his Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) and Masters in Health Administration (M.H.A.) from Washington University in St. Louis. With more than 32 years of senior healthcare executive leadership, Mr. Dubis is an ideal candidate to succeed Mr. Gross. Prior to coming to St. Elizabeth, Mr. Dubis spent 15 years as a senior executive with SSM Healthcare, one of the country’s largest Catholic healthcare systems. His leadership tenure includes working at two major academic medical centers, a children’s hospital, and other major community hospitals.

Water Main Replacement Schedule

Dixie Highway – Erlanger – From Lytle Avenue to the county line. Project currently under design

Oliver and Cox – Independence – On Oliver and Cox. Project currently under design.

Morgan Court – Park Hills – From Emerson to the end of the street. Project currently under construction.

Altamont Road – Covington – From John Street to River Road. Project currently under construction.

Pointe Benton Street – Covington – From Benton to the dead end. Project currently under construction.

Erlanger 2010 water main replacement – Erlanger – James Avenue from Dixie Highway to Lloyd Avenue, McAlpin Avenue from Dixie Highway to Lloyd Avenue, Lewis Circle from McAlpin Avenue to the dead end, Forest Avenue from Dixie Highway to Lloyd, Fitzgerald from James Avenue to Sunset Avenue and Lloyd Avenue from McAlpin Avenue to Forest Avenue. Construction expected in late summer of 2010.

Elsmere 2010 water main replacement – Elsmere – Swan Circle from Park to dead end, Caldwell Drive from Elken to Swan, Orchard Street from Kenton to Caldwell, Kenton Street from Dixie Highway to Bedinger and Maple from Caldwell east 150'. Project currently under design.

Pleasant Street and Pike Street – Bromley – Portions of Pleasant Street from Shelby to Pike Street and Pike Street from Pleasant Street to Hayward Alley. Project currently under design.

Fort Wright 2010 Water Main Replacement – Fort Wright – East Henry Clay Avenue from Kyles Lane to Highland Avenue, Highland Avenue from East Henry Clay Avenue to Hanser Drive, East Crittenden Drive from Kyles Lane to Basswood Circle, Cumberland Drive from Kyles Lane to Basswood Circle, Henry Clay Court from East Henry Clay Avenue to the end, Christine Court from East Henry Clay Avenue to the end, Basswood Circle from East Henry Clay Avenue to the end,

Fayette Circle from East Henry Clay Avenue to the end, and Ridgemont Avenue from East Henry Clay Avenue to the end. Project currently under design.

Dixie Highway / West Pike Street Water Main Replacement – Covington – From 1408 Dixie Highway to Grays Peak. Project currently under design.

Garrard Street Water Main Replacement – Covington – Garrard Street from 4th to 8th Street. The mains on 6th and 7th Streets between Stanford and Garrard Street will also be replaced. Project currently under design.

Silver Avenue Water Main Replacement – Fort Mitchell – Silver Avenue from Dixie Highway to the end of the street. Project currently under design.

Geisen Avenue Water Main Replacement – Lakeside Park – Geisen Avenue from Dixie Highway to the end of the street. Project expected to begin in the summer of 2010.

Arbor Court Water Main Replacement – Independence – Arbor Court from Beechgrove Drive to the end. Project currently under construction.

Robbins, Greenup, and 10th Street Water Main Replacement – Covington – Robbins Street from approximately 16 West Robbins Street to Prospect Street. The main on 10th Street will be replaced from Washington Street to Greenup Street. Services on Greenup Street will be switched over from an existing 8" main to a 20" main from E 10th Street to E 11th Street. Project currently under design.

SUBDISTRICT PROJECTS:

Sub-district G additional streets currently under design:

- Cherry (off KY 17, North of Apple)
- Kenton Station Road (KY 177 to dead end)
- Marshall Road (KY 177 to #9325)
- White Villa Estates (North Lake Road)
- White Villa Estates (Lakeshore, Maple)

Improvements to Treatment Plants

Ft. Thomas Treatment Plant



Memorial Parkway Treatment Plant

Construction began in May on two projects that will add new water treatment processes to the Memorial Parkway and Fort Thomas Treatment Plants. These processes will enable the District to meet new drinking water regulations going into effect in 2012. These regulations are unfunded mandates that we must meet as a water provider. The first process involves sending water through deep beds of carbon to remove compounds that are present in the raw water. The compounds removed by the carbon may be present naturally by leaves and sticks in the Ohio River that later react with chlorine to form minute levels of disinfection byproducts, or

they may be present from routine or accidental discharges into the river. The second treatment process will add disinfection by ultraviolet (UV) light. Using UV in addition to chlorine greatly improves the effectiveness of the disinfection process. The District will be the first water utility in Kentucky to use both of these processes. These new treatment processes will enhance the quality of the drinking water for customers in Northern Kentucky. The bids of \$36 M for construction were significantly below what was expected. Construction will continue through summer 2012 at both sites.

Northern Kentucky Water District

The Board of Commissioners' meetings typically take place the third Thursday of each month at 12:30 pm, 2835 Crescent Springs Road, Erlanger, KY 41018. Please check www.nkywater.org for any changes to this schedule.



Summertime Is a Great Time to Try TANK!

Kenton County residents can try TANK for transportation to all of their summer fun. If you're staying around town this summer, be a tourist in your own town and try using TANK to get around. The hassles of parking in crowded lots and fighting traffic are only a memory when you take TANK!



Reds

The Reds are having a fantastic season — be a super fan and head to the ballpark for a game. The Southbank Shuttle is a great way to get there. Park in Covington at one of the free/low-cost parking lots or on-street parking and enjoy a convenient ride to the game. Then enjoy an after-game treat at one of the many restaurants on the route!

Kentucky Symphony Orchestra Concerts

TANK service to the Summer KSO series at Devou Park is back by popular demand! TANK will pick up concert-goers at Covington Catholic High School and transport them free of charge to the Bandshell Amphitheater at Devou Park. The shuttle is being provided for free as a community service partnership between TANK and the Kentucky Symphony Orchestra.

“The KSO concert series provides a great way for families to gather and enjoy time together,” said Andrew Aiello, TANK Deputy General Manager. “We are happy to do our part by providing the shuttle transportation to help with parking challenges in Devou Park. TANK buses are a lower-cost alternative



for commuting and events like these provide a great way for people that have never used TANK to try us.”

On **Saturday August 7**, join the KSO for “Fun, Fun, Fun” as they take on some favorites from the 1960s.

On **Saturday, September 4**, the KSO performs traditional circus marches and music with hi-wire hi-jinks for the “Cirque a Devou.”

The free concert shuttles will operate from 6 pm until 7:30 pm before the concert and return trips will begin immediately after the concert is over.



Bengals

Season-ticket holders and occasional attendees alike agree that TANK is the only way to get to home football games. TANK offers service on the Southbank Shuttle to a special stop just one block away from Paul Brown Stadium. Park in Covington and catch the Shuttle to the game — it's the best way to avoid the pre- and post-game traffic!



Back to School

If you need to do back-to-school shopping or even get a head start on your holiday shopping, look no further than TANK. The #1 Florence route serves all the major shopping destinations in Northern Kentucky, as well as downtown Cincinnati.

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– Ashley N. Williams, NKU

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- 1 Florence (travels Dixie Hwy.)
- 3 Ludlow/Bromley
- 5 Holman
- 7 Rosedale/Latonia
- 9 Taylor Mill/Independence
- 17X Villa Hills Express
- 18X Edgewood Express
- 19X Beechgrove Express
- 30X Independence Express

- 33 St. Elizabeth South/TANK P&R/Crestview Hills Town Center
- Southbank Shuttle

Park and Ride Locations:

- Buttermilk Park and Ride (17X)
- Hands Pike Park & Ride (30X)
- TANK P&R (5, 8, 30X, 33)
- Independence P&R (30X)

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Public Consensus Emerging on Hillside Issues

Several facts emerged from the recent public forum on hillside issues. Northern Kentucky's hillsides are viewed as community assets by virtually all who attended. And, the practice of working together for public policy consensus still works in a seemingly-polarized America.

The second NKAPC-sponsored public forum, held at Lakeside Christian Church, served as a platform for attendees to share their questions and comments about hillsides directly with the planning commission's 16-person panel of professionals. The panel is assisting staff with technical issues raised during NKAPC's effort to build consensus on the future of the area's hillsides.

"It was a productive meeting and we heard some good discussion," said Scott Hiles, NKAPC's deputy director for infrastructure engineering and one of the staff's coordinators for The Hills project. "We had a continual flow of speakers throughout the evening."

Most of the speakers were residents, property owners, and professionals who have an interest or affiliation with the area's hillsides. The open-microphone-style meeting helped lead the discussion, and ultimately allowed the group to come to the first point of consensus developed through the project.

"The audience and panel agreed that regulations [on the use of hill-

sides] are necessary as long as they are reasonable and not overly-burdensome," Hiles said.

"Our task will be to pursue a course where controls do not infringe on anyone's constitutional right to use their property while also recognizing that individual actions can impact surrounding properties." The panel and staff will discuss the appropriate level of regulation at future meetings.

The panel and audience also agreed that there is a need for both conservation and development of hillsides, and that a balance between the two is necessary. "We're not going to advocate full conservation and we're not going to allow development everywhere with absolutely no controls," Hiles said.

Staff is collaborating currently with its 16-member panel and local technical professionals who work with hillside issues. The goal is to gain a better understanding of the issues that make hillside development difficult and expensive. With a better understanding of these factors, staff will be better prepared to facilitate discussions regarding where development should be encouraged and where conservation might be a better alternative.



All citizens and those not able to attend the public forum meetings are encouraged to participate in an online hillsides discussion forum posted recently on NKAPC's website:

www.nkpc.org/HillsProject.html



All citizens and those not able to attend the public forum meetings are encouraged to participate in an online hillsides discussion forum posted recently on NKAPC's website (www.nkpc.org/HillsProject.html). Participants may weigh in on issues related to hillside preservation, development, preservation, and property rights.

"We welcome their comments on the online forum," Hiles said. "It's another way for us to understand better how the public feels about our hillsides and this effort which is designed to build public consensus on their future."

All comments provided during this effort — and the consensus opinion that emerges from it — will be incorporated into Kenton County's new comprehensive plan, scheduled to be complete by early 2012.

Comprehensive plans are a tool used by communities to define their citizens' hopes and aspirations for the future. By reducing them to writing, the community describes how it wants to grow and prosper. This creates a published standard to be used by elected and appointed officials. It also sets forth the community's expectations for those who choose to pursue growth and development.

Give Your Pertussis Protection a Boost



Whooping cough, also called pertussis, can be dangerous for young children. A child with the bacteria can have severe coughing fits, which can lead to vomiting. (Photo courtesy of CDC.)

Cases of whooping cough, also known as pertussis, have dramatically increased in Northern Kentucky in recent years, causing concern

over an illness that can be severe for infants under age 1.

Between January and June, more than 70 cases of whooping cough

have been reported in Northern Kentucky. Our region usually only has 25 cases per year.

A vaccine for whooping cough is given to infants, but it appears that the effectiveness wears off as people get older. Therefore, the Health Department recommends that anyone age 11 to 64 be vaccinated with the Tdap booster shot, which will provide renewed protection against whooping cough. Parents, grandparents and caregivers for children under age 1 are strongly encouraged to get their booster shot.

Parents of young children should make sure that their child has been vaccinated for whooping cough, typically given in a combination shot called DTaP, which includes vaccine for tetanus and diphtheria as well. The vaccine is usually given in four doses, with the first dose at eight weeks of age and the last at 15 to 18 months of age.

The vaccines are available through local doctors' offices, as well as through the Health Department. For more information, please visit <http://www.nkyhealth.org/pertussis>.

Take the Bite Out of Rabies

Don't forget to get your pet vaccinated against rabies. Kentucky law requires it for all dogs, cats and ferrets.

Additionally, you can protect your pets by taking the following steps:

- Keep your pets under direct supervision so they do not come in contact with wild animals.
- Call your local animal control agency to remove any stray animals from your neighborhood.
- Spay or neuter your pets to help reduce the number of unwanted pets that may not be properly cared for or regularly vaccinated.

Keep your family safe from wild animals that may carry rabies as well:

- Do not handle, feed or intentionally attract wild animals with open garbage can or litter.
- Never adopt wild animals or bring them into your home.
- Teach children to never handle unfamiliar animals, wild or domestic.
- Prevent bats from entering living quarters or occupied spaces in homes, churches, schools, and other similar areas, where they might come in contact with people or pets.
- When traveling abroad, avoid direct contact with wild animals and be especially careful around dogs in developing countries.



IN MEMORY OF DR. KATKOWSKY

The Health Department and the community lost a leader and a friend with the death of Steven R. Katkowsky, M.D., District Director of Health. Dr. Katkowsky died of complications related to stomach cancer on March 11.

Dr. Katkowsky was District Director of Health for the Northern Kentucky Health Department from January 2008 until his death. Under his leadership, the Health Department responded to the swine flu (H1N1) pandemic, faced increased demands and leaner budgets



due to the state of the national and regional economy, implemented a new payroll system and began the process of becoming an accredited public health department.

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NORTHERN KENTUCKY
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HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Kenton County Community Education

Develop Your Interests, continued

Introductory Photography \$30

*Mondays, Oct. 4 & Oct. 11
7 - 9 pm*

Dixie Heights High School

Whether you are using digital or film, this class will teach you better composition, how to “see” pictures, and to “capture the moment” with professional-looking results. Professional photographer Jim Osborn will bring his years of expertise to class. Bring your camera!

Instructor: Jim Osborn

Advanced Photography \$30

*Mondays, Oct. 18 & Oct. 25
7 - 9 pm*

Dixie Heights High School

Digital as well as film photography will be covered in depth. Professional photographer Jim Osborn will expand your skills with in-depth instruction on the art of photography. A basic working knowledge of photography is needed for this class. It is recommended you take the Introductory Photography class before you tackle this one. Bring your camera!

Instructor: Jim Osborn

Personal Enrichment

A Woman's Guide to Money Matters Free!

*Tues., Oct. 19, 7 - 8:30 pm
Dixie Heights High School*

Bring your mother, sister, daughter and friends to discuss preparing for and living in retirement and paying for a child's education expenses from a woman's point of view. Learn what you can do now to address your financial goals and create a strategy for the future.

Instructor: Jacqueline Levoir

Introduction to Conversational Spanish \$40

*Thursdays, Sept. 23 - Oct. 14 (4 wks)
6 - 8 pm*

Scott High School

LEVEL 1: This fun, challenging introduction to beginning conversational Spanish covers simple dialogues and phrases perfect for use in many situations. Whether for professional, travel, or personal use, knowing a second language can enrich your life! By the end of the 8-hour class, the learner will be conversant on a basic level on the topics of greeting people, counting, days of the week, dates, asking about family, foods and colors.

Instructor: Lori Wall

CPR Training \$35 to NKYEM (Must register in advance.)

*Thurs., Oct. 14, 7 - 9 pm
Summit View Middle School Community Center*

One evening only; CPR training for the public by the Northern Kentucky Emergency Medical Service. Minimum 8 students.

Instructor: Northern Kentucky Emergency Medical Service

Youth Activity

Karate for Kids \$45

*Tuesdays and Thursdays
Sept. 21 - Nov. 23 (13 classes, 7 wks)
(No class on Nov. 2)*

6:30 - 8 pm

Caywood Elementary

Karate offers a great form of exercise enabling students to develop self-discipline, agility, coordination, and the ability to set goals for themselves. Class will be taught by ninth degree black belts. (ages 2nd grade and up.)

Instructor: Steve Mullikin



Registration Form

Make checks payable to Kenton County Community Education. Mail to Kenton County Board of Education, attn: Kenton County Community Education, 1055 Eaton Drive, Fort Wright, KY 41017

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____

Home phone _____ Business phone _____

Course title _____ Date _____ Time _____ Tuition fee _____

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If Kenton County School District is closed for inclement weather, all Community Education classes are cancelled.

The Kenton County School District

District Presents at Harvard University



Sharon Cross, Kenton County Education Association President, Superintendent Tim Hanner, and Deputy Superintendent Terri Cox-Cruey discuss the order of the Harvard presentation.

Superintendent Tim Hanner and Deputy Superintendent Dr. Terri Cox-Cruey along with Kenton County Education Association President Sharon Cross, presented *Strengthening the Quality of Instruction through Improved Communication and Mutual Respect*, to educators from around the country at Harvard University on July 8.

The presentation showcased the district's unique partnership among

its administrators, teachers association and students. The partnership, built on respect and cooperation, achieved the goal of developing a common approach for providing high quality instruction for every student, in every classroom, every day.

“The district administrators and teachers worked together by defining quality instruction, and the discussions were grounded on what was the best for all students. This is

a partnership that will ensure our students will graduate prepared to compete in the global work market,” said Mr. Hanner. “When entities treat each other with respect, all matters can be discussed equitably. When our teachers association works with our district, we work together for solutions — all groups are listened to and issues are explained in detail so mutual agreements can be attained.”

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The Kenton County School District

District Achievements

The Kenton County School District's System of Excellence is comprised of 18 schools intensely focused on preparing students to compete in the global work market. The district's clear focus is guided through our three goals:

- Data-Driven, Researched-Based Teaching
- Quality Instruction, Every Classroom, Every Day
- Student Engagement beyond the Classroom

Highlights of the achievements of the district's goals include:

★ **Over \$10 MILLION earned in scholarships by the Classes of 2010!**

• **Kentucky Governor's Scholars Program** - 20 juniors were selected to the highly competitive and prestigious Kentucky Governor's Scholars Program. Congratulations to the winning students pictured at top right.

• **Governor's School for the Arts** - Over 1,600 students across Kentucky auditioned for the Governor's School for the Arts and only 223 were selected. Congratulations Dixie Heights student Lauren Garriott



Lauren Garriott



Rachel Roberts

and Scott student Rachel Roberts for representing The Kenton County School District.

- **Winning has its rewards!** Summit View Elementary E-WISE² Team won **Kentucky NEED State Elementary School of the Year and National Elementary Rookie School of the Year!** As the winners, the team members were invited to the NEED conference in Washington, DC, June 25-28. In addition to the prestigious award ceremony, students were afforded the opportunity to tour the Capitol, the White House, major monuments, and the Smithsonian.
- Woodland Middle School students won first place at **Student Technology Leadership (STLP)**. Woodland Middle School students Matthew Tarka and Mason Stewart (pictured in photo, bottom right) were awarded first place in the Student Technology Leadership Program (STLP) Presentation Division on May 11 at the Lexington Convention Center and Rupp Arena. Markie Duffy (at right) represented the region as a Cyber Reporter. The mission of the Student Technology Leadership Program is to advance individual capabilities; to motivate all students; and to create leadership opportunities through the use of technology.

KENTUCKY GOVERNOR'S SCHOLARS



Dixie High School
Annabelle Michaela Carrell, Victoria Amanda Kuhlman, Emma Marie McGregor, William Cristophe Menkhaus, Franklin Robert Muntis, Lauren Alycia Schuck, and Lauren Elizabeth Schultz



Scott High School
Amanda Jane Barth, Jennifer Lee Fredley, Coty Michael Groeschel, Tyler David Groneck, Colton Atticus Gurley, Sarah Frances Handlon, and Jenna Marie Lebkamp



Simon Kenton High School
Erica Rae Blau, Emily Mary Braunwart, Elyssa Nicole Carmony, Jessie Lynn Cooper, Kaitlyn Marie Marsh, and Shelby Elizabeth Meier



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