

Dear Friends,

## From The Mayor

In addition to inviting you to Prospect's 50th Birthday Party (see invitation below left) I am writing to report on three matters: 1) our police staffing issues and additional police news; 2) LDG's lawsuit against the City; and 3) the completion of the new pedestrian bridge in Harrods Creek Park.

News about our Police. I am pleased to report that Prospect has employed two new police officers. As with all new hires, we carefully vetted these individuals. Both officers have significant law enforcement experience and have unblemished records. With these officers on board, effective October 1, we will once again have officers on duty in the city 24 hours per day, seven days per week. The City Council approved a significant increase in pay for our full time

officers, and that increase made it possible for us two recruit the two new officers. I extend my thanks to the council and to our citizens for their support of our police. Police Chief Jeff Sherrard will be retiring on October 31. During his twelve years

in Prospect, Jeff has led our department to become the highly professional depart-



ment that it is today. I will nominate our assistant chief, Tony Denham, to become the new chief and Sergeant Michael McKeehan to be our assistant chief. At its October 21 meeting, the Council will vote on those appointments. If the Council approves, Tony and Michael will assume their new duties on November 1.

The City will be hosting a reception in Jeff's honor. Please join us for that event on Thursday, October 24, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Hunting Creek Country Club. This reception will give us an oppor-



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tunity to visit with one another and to thank Jeff for his service.

Developer's lawsuit against Prospect. As I have previously reported, LDG, the developer of the large apartment complex proposed for Timber Ridge Drive across from the Kroger gas station, sued Prospect and Metro Louisville for alleged viola-

All City Of Prospect Tax Bills

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*Have Been Mailed* The 2024 real estate city tax bills were mailed to all property owners on August 30, 2024 and are due in the face amount by Monday, September 30, 2024 (USPS post-mark is accepted as date paid). If you did not receive a tax bill, or have any questions about taxes, please visit our website at https://www.prospectky.us/tax, or contact City Hall at 502-228-1121 / email: tax@prospectky.com.

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tions of fair housing laws and sued Prospect for alleged tortious interference with contract. We believe that the suit lacks merit. Because the developer is seeking multiple millions of dollars in damages, the city takes the case seriously. The case had been scheduled for trial this month, but the court has remanded the trial date and will assign a new date that will probably be in the summer of 2025. In the meantime, the court will be considering various motions for summary judgment that have been filed by the parties.

Pedestrian bridge. Our contractor has completed work on a new pedestrian bridge in Harrods Creek Park. The bridge crosses a stream that supplies water to the canoe and kayak launch, and it provides pedestrians, grass cutting equipment, and emergency vehicles with access to the east end of the park. The bridge looks terrific, and it will be an asset to Prospect for many decades. I extend my thanks to our Council and Parks Committee for their support of this important improvement. Doug Farnsley - Mayor



From Left to right: Project leader Herb Shulhafer, Prospect CAO John Carter, Parks Committee leader Linda Wardell, Mayor Doug Farnsley and Public Works Director Ron Cundiff look over the nearly completed pedestrian bridge in Hunting Creek Park.

## Prospect Library Wants You!

Well any gently used books you may have lying around any way! The Prospect Library needs your help. We need donations for our 2025 book sale!

> To keep expenses low, the library has no full time staff. Rather, it runs with the help of the City Hall front desk staff and dedicated library volunteers.

The sale provides funds to add new books to our children's collection as well as to our permanent collection. To have a successful sale we need more donated books. We can use hardbacks, paperbacks, novels, biographies,

children's books, self-help, travel, and gardening.

Ask your friends, family, and neighbors to contribute materials to this worthy cause! Drop donations off at the library located on the second floor of city hall. We hope to see you at the library!



Coffee with the Mayor The Next Coffee with the Mayor event will be held Friday October 11 from Noon to 1 PM at the Prospect Starbucks on US 42.



ROSPECT CITY NEWSLETTER

Trees to move forward from the spring tornado, more trees to replace and build for the future, so mark your calendar for October 19th, 9 am to 12. There will be 75 trees available to residents at no cost at City Hall. Forestation Board members will be there to assist, and there will also be arborists available with next level, professional expertise.

Available trees include some popular favorites, as well as some varieties to add interest to your landscape. These are 3 gallon container trees. The offering includes: October Glory Red Maple, Katsura, Carolina Silverbell, Kousa Dogwood, Sweet Bay Magnolia (multi-stem). These are mid-size trees in terms of long term grown, and most have spring blooms.







# Saturday, Sept. 28, 2024 (Rain Date: Sept. 29) 10 am - 1 pm 10am - 11am is Sensory Friendly - no horns, lights or sirens

## **TOUCH THE TRUCKS**

PRESENTED BY BY THE PROSPECT AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, KROGER/PROSPECT AND THE CITY OF PROSPECT!

**EVENT GOLD SPONSOR:** 



**LOCATION:** PROSPECT KROGER 5929 TIMBER RIDGE DR. PROSPECT, KY . FRONT PARKING LOT CLICK QR CODE FOR MORE DETAILS!

## **FOOD/DRINKS/CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES/COSTUMED CHARACTERS** Prospect Area Chamber of Commerce \* Kroger \* City of Prospect \* Oldham County Public Library, Goshen Branch \* Prospect Police \* Rumpke \* Anchorage Middletown Fire & EMS \* Ernst Concrete \* Lillys Soft Wash, Redemption Solar and Roofing and Brownsboro Hardware and Paint, KLA Schools and more!

Scheduled to appear: Tony the Tiger, Princess Peach and the Fairy God Mother, Storm Troopers, Face Painting and more!!



### Harrods Creek Park Trail Bash November 24

The Prospect Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee is excited to announce the return of the Harrods Creek Trail Bash scheduled on November 24, 2024 after a one-year hiatus. This year the race is part of a series of events celebrating Prospect's 50th anniversary of incorporation. The ribbon cutting ceremony of the new Orange Trail bridge will take place immediately before the race begins. The popular 5k/10k race through this beautiful park is ideal for new trail runners looking to experience the trail running world for the first time and for veterans of the sport looking to maintain off-season fitness. Prospect residents can receive a \$10 discount with the code

"prospect" at check out. If local businesses would like to be a sponsor, or citizens would like to volunteer, please contact city hall (502-228-1121). You can sign up at: https://runsignup.com/Race/KY/Prospect/HarrodsCreekTrailBash Slots are filling in fast so hurry and reserve yours today!

#### Parks And Recreation Committee Welcomes Newest Student Member

The Prospect Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee is pleased to introduce Abby Potter, the student member for the current academic school year. Abby, a lifelong resident of Prospect, grew up in Hunting Creek and spent countless hours hiking the trails in Harrods Creek Park and Putney Pond. A senior at Sacred Heart Academy, Abby is active in the school's Go Green Club and the Sanctuary Garden. She has been a volunteer at Yew Dell Botanical Gardens the past two years and recently volunteered at the Prospect Kidz Fest. Her passion for the environment and love for nature is evident, making her the ideal student to join the committee. We are excited to have her onboard and know her energy and enthusiasm will make an impact.





## Name The Foxes Contest

Prospect Parks and Recreation is looking for suggestions for naming the individual foxes on the carving at Little Hunting Creek Park.

Successful entries must be received no later than 12PM Tuesday, October 1st. Entries should include names for all four foxes (Dad, Mom and two kits). The winners will be announced at the October 5th Prospect Birthday Party in Little Hunting Creek Park. The 4 wining entries will each receive a \$20 cash prize! Send entries to Ron Cundiff at citymaint@prospectky.com with "Fox Names" in the subject line.

Pictured Left: The Fox sculpture in Little Hunting Creek Park with chain saw sculptor Harley Dougherty.

# Sign, Sign, Everywhere A Sign......

It's that time of year again! Election season that is! And with it comes the multitude of support via campaign signs. A quick reminder to residents that Prospect city ordinance 157.27 (H) disallows the display of political yard signs until 30 days before any election and requires that they be removed 7 days after the election. Yard Signs displayed before October 5th or after November 12th may be removed by the city code enforcement officer. At no time are signs allowed on city owned property.





Two Events!

# Opening Reception October 13, 2-5pm

From Oct 13 - Jan 5, 2025



2-Day market in City Hall Library where artists display and sell work

October 12 & 13

October 12: 11am - 3pm October 13, 2-5pm

## **OPENING DAY RECEPTION:**

- Meet the artists
- 2 Demonstrations on clay hand-building
- Live music entertainment with Squirrel Jam

# The City of Prospect welcomes you to an art exhibition featuring 28 artists working with clay, paint and/or photography.

Dawn Della Bella Julie Besten Janet Britt Beverly Bruntz Catherine Bryant Brian Buehler Donna Chancellor Leigh Crady Alison Cohen Marty Edlin Kathy Finnegan Steve Fleece Scott Greenwell Jessica Guinn Nancy Zillox Hall Helen Merrick Tracey Morris Judy Mudd Page Penna Randy Peters Pat Propes Jan Ruzich Dee Sipes David Schuster Jenn Sung Laura Hasselwander Weis Debbie Wheat Karen Wyssbrod

**Our Sponsors:** 

Opening Reception will run Concurrently with the ArtistsMarket \* Refreshments

\* Entertainment: **Squirrel Jam**, an acoustic quartet playing fun music!

**Exhibit Hours:** October 13 from 2-5 pm and during weekly Prospect City Hall office hours

**Location:** Prospect City Hall, 9200 US Highway 42, Prospect, KY

**Free Shuttle** provided by Caal World Wide Limousine Service to and from Prospect Point Shopping Center



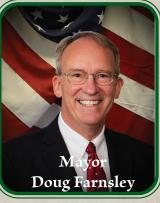




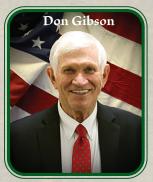


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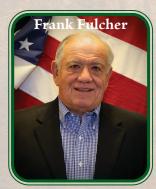
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| Monday                              | Prospect Police Dispatch228-COPS(2677)               |
| Friday8:30 - 3:30                   | Police, Fire & EMS Emergency                         |

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