



The City of Cold Spring  
5694 E. Alexandria Pike  
Cold Spring, KY 41076

MARCH, 2010

# COLD SPRING NEWS

## MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

March 2010 Newsletter

Dear Cold Spring Residents and Business Partners:

A record total snowfall level for the month of February and Mother Nature still does not seem yet ready to show us the beauty of Spring. I hope you and your family are safe and warm. If the economy has not been tough enough on local businesses, to lose additional daily income because of weather adds to the struggle. We'll make it through as the mail service motto reminds us - **"neither snow nor rain or heat nor gloom of night!"**

Updates:

**City Resident Feedback Survey:** Enclosed with this newsletter is a brief but important resident feedback survey. Please take a few minutes to complete the survey and let your City leaders know your viewpoints, thoughts and suggestions. Simply fill out the survey, fold in half with the return City address showing on the outside of the survey, seal (tape or staple), add postage (thank you for helping the City budget) and mail. We would like to have your response by the end of March. **THANK YOU** very much for participating.

**CITY BUDGETING PROCESS:** It's that time of year again; please do not hesitate to let me and your council representatives know how you would like the City's monies spent to best serve you. Your input is **VERY** important! **REMEMBER**—you can always see how your tax dollars are currently being spent via our website: [www.coldspringky.com](http://www.coldspringky.com), where you will find budgets, monthly expenditures and financial summaries.

**SNOW REMOVAL:** It has been a very tough period for our crew. Frequent, quick falling and deep snowfalls equal tiring long hours. Thanks for the hard work, guys.

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION:** As always, several events are planned for the Summer. A schedule of events is included later in this newsletter. Volunteering to support these fine events is a wonderful way to get involved in your community! If you would like to volunteer for any event, please contact the City building.

**SPEEDING:** With warm weather arriving, automobile speeding increases. Very simply put—**PLEASE DON'T SPEED**. The vast majority of speeding in our City neighborhoods is by our own residents or their friends. **YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**

**"SEE IT / CALL IT":** We've discussed many times over the past several years that our City is not unlike other cities in the Tri-State area and around the country. Substance abuse and drug-related crimes are a major component of crime in our City. It is estimated that approximately 80% of all crime in our City is drug-related. Our Police Department is doing an excellent job in proactively deterring this growing issue in our City as well as teaming up with our residents. Your help and "watchful" eyes are very important parts in crime deterrence. If you see something that is suspicious or "just doesn't seem right" please do

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IF YOU SEE IT...CALL IT

911 FOR EMERGENCIES

292-3622 CAMPBELL COUNTY  
DISPATCH

441-6289 COLD SPRING POLICE

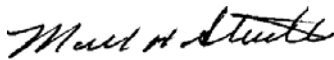


not hesitate to call County Dispatch at 859-292-3622 and your information will be immediately forwarded to one of our officers. Of course, in an emergency, dial 911.

As you know I am very proud of all City departments. Your City staff works very hard to be sure the fine services you have known and come to expect continue to be of highest quality. The City's staff is always ready to answer your questions, listen to your concerns and help however possible.

Please remember that council meets the second and fourth Monday of every month at 7:30 pm. I urge each and every citizen to please attend ONE of the meetings we will be holding in 2010. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me with any issues or suggestions. I can be reached at 859-441-9604, Extension 26 or [mayor@coldspringky.com](mailto:mayor@coldspringky.com). I look forward to hearing from you and hopefully meeting you at a council meeting someday soon!

Wishing you a wonderful, fun and very safe spring and summer.



Mark Stoeber, Mayor

#### PARKS, RECREATION & TREE COMMISSION EVENTS



**Easter Egg Hunt...** The Cold Spring Parks, Recreation & Tree Commission will hold its annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 27th, at 1 pm at Municipal Park. This event will be held for age groups 0 thru 9, with groups divided into various age categories. Each child will receive a treat bag filled with goodies.

#### Arbor Day....

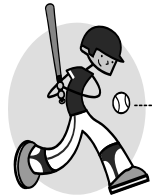
Arbor Day will be held on Saturday, April 17th at 11 am at Friendship Park. Free seedlings will be distributed. There will be grilled hot dogs and refreshments for all.

**The Cold Spring Cruise-In / Concert** will be held on Saturday, August 14th at our Municipal Park. The Cruise In begins at 4 pm and the Concert begins at 8 pm. More details to follow in our summer newsletter.

**Yard of the Month....** This popular program will be starting up this Spring and a winner will be selected each month, from May thru October. If you or your neighbor have a beautiful yard that deserves consideration, fill out a nomination form, available at the city office or on our website at [www.coldspringky.com](http://www.coldspringky.com). The winner will receive a framed, matted photograph of their home and yard, and a sign will be displayed in the winners yard.

#### Cold Spring Night at Florence Freedom.....

Florence Freedom will play the Sliders at Champion Window Field in Florence on Friday, June 18th, with game time at 7:05 PM. Tickets will be available for purchase at the City Building for \$9.00.



#### Operation Hug Gearing Up.....

In February 2010, Cold Spring's adopted Soldiers, the FSC 3-187th INF have been deployed to Afghanistan for a 1 year tour of duty. Operation Hug is gearing up to provide care packages for these brave men and women. Operation Hug is in need of supplies to ship in our care packages as well as funds to pay for postage. If you are interested in helping Operation Hug and supporting OUR Soldiers, please consider donating supplies from the list of suggested items displayed in the City Building's vestibule, or visit the City's website [www.coldspringky.com](http://www.coldspringky.com) and click on the link. The items most needed are small packets of wet wipes, snack foods, protein bars, hard candies, gums, mints & individual drink mixes.

This will be the third deployment Operation Hug has undertaken in providing care packages to these Soldiers. Our care packages mean so much to the Soldiers and they have expressed their deepest gratitude to the residents of Cold Spring for our unwavering support, thoughts, and prayers. Please help us to continue this important moral support!

A bin has been set up in the City Building vestibule to collect all donated items. Operation Hug will be hosting fundraising booths at all Park Recreation & Tree Commission events. We hope you will stop by to visit our "Hug Booths" and consider giving just \$1 to help us.

Any contributions of items, cash and check donations made out to Operation Hug can be dropped off at the City Building, 5694 E. Alexandria Pike, Monday thru Friday, 9 am to 4 pm. Special arrangements can be made for after-hour deliveries. Please contact the City office at 441-9604 with any questions. Thanks again for your support of our troops and keep them in your prayers!



# POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

by Col. Edward Burk

## See it, Call it!

This is a slogan to encourage more citizen participation in crime prevention in their respective neighborhoods. We are seeking your help and eyes on the streets and business areas of the city to report suspicious activity and crimes. The department sometimes takes reports on car break-ins, vandalism, etc. in the city. Days or weeks after an event, the neighbors talk about the event. Inevitably someone will call the department and state that they saw someone in the neighborhood about the time of the incident or noticed an unusual car in the neighborhood. It may well have been related to the event or maybe it was not. Unfortunately because of the time between the incident and the call we will have no way of knowing if the two events were related or who was involved.

It would be more helpful if the call came when the suspicious activity or strange car was noticed. That is what we are asking of you, the citizens or businesses, to call when you see something out of place. Simply put, **"See it, Call it"**. Call the dispatch center at 292-3622 or if critical, call 911. That way we send an officer to investigate the issue, perhaps before it is an issue. The person(s) may not be up to anything or they may be involved in a crime. We will not know until we arrive to investigate or till the crime is reported.

Another important note is that the City is proposing the change of the curfew hours for juveniles. Part of this is a response to issues in the Sturbridge area and in part to match state laws regarding driving curfews. The first part of the ordinance is to change the restrictions for those less than 13 years of age. Currently they are to be off the streets from 10 pm until 5 am any day of the week. The new **curfew will be from 10 pm to 6 am any day of the week**. This will match the morning time currently used for those under 18.

Current law is that juveniles ages 13 to 17 need to be off the streets between 11 pm and 6 am Sunday through Thursday and 1 am through 6 am on Fridays and Saturdays. By spring **the curfew will be between 11 pm to 6 am Sunday through Thursday and midnight through 6 am on Fridays and Saturdays**. The change for this group will be the loss of 1 hour on weekend nights. Part of the reasoning for the change is to mirror the current driving restrictions on drivers with restricted licenses. Drivers under 18 are not to be driving between midnight and 6 am unless they have a valid excuse as stated within the law.

**There are exceptions in the ordinance.** These are being accompanied by a parent, guardian, or custodian or being with an authorized adult or carrying out an errand as directed by parent, etc. The other big exception would be participating in, going to or returning from employment, school functions, entertainment etc. or when exercising 1st amendment rights, or when the minor is on a sidewalk in their yard or the next door neighbor's yard when there is no objection by that neighbor.

Officers in the past have taken the juveniles home or told them to go home. In the future the officers have been instructed to take the juveniles to the office and call the parents to come and get them. Also the parents will sign a promise to produce the juvenile in court at a time determined by the courts. We are encouraging parents to make sure that they and their children are aware of the ordinances and outcomes. If there are any questions about the ordinance, call the office.

We are looking forward to the new opportunities and interaction with the people we serve.

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## CODE ENFORCEMENT

**PODS/DUMPSTERS** - Anyone who plans on using a portable on demand storage unit (POD) or dumpster is required to obtain a permit from the city clerk's office, which allows you to place the unit on your premises for a 14 day period. An extension may be granted upon showing a good cause, but the unit placement in no event shall exceed 28 days.

**TEMPORARY SIGNS** - You must obtain a temporary sign permit from the city clerk's office before you place your sign. The cost is \$10 but \$5 is returned to you when you remove your sign and return the permit sticker. The sign is only allowed on the premises of your event. Four sign permits are allowed per year per property, and each permit is good 14 days.

**HIGH GRASS AND WEEDS** will be closely monitored. Property owners are expected to keep their grass and gardens mowed and trimmed. Violations will not be tolerated.

## CLERK'S NOTES:

**US CENSUS...**The 2010 Census is in full swing. We ask that you do your part and respond cooperatively with census surveys. Not only do these surveys provide accurate population counts, but they also help determine federal and state funding for targeted communities. Your response is very important to you and your City.



**DO YOU WANT TO BECOME INVOLVED IN YOUR CITY?** We have a great group of volunteers working on our various Boards: Ethics, Planning & Zoning, Parks, Recreation and Tree, Code Enforcement, and Board of Adjustment. If you are interested in serving on any of these Boards, please contact the city office at 859-441-9604 for consideration. The next time we have any openings available, you may be contacted. Also, our Parks, Recreation and Tree Commission or Operation Hug group always need volunteers throughout the year to assist with city events and help run booths.

**E-MAIL ADDRESSES FOR QUICK INFO...**The City would like to start up a citywide e-mail system, which will be very useful in notifying residents in times of emergencies, such as snow emergencies, change in trash pick up, or to send reminders or the city newsletter via e-mail. If you would like to be included on our e-mail notification system, please send an e-mail to [clerk@coldspringky.com](mailto:clerk@coldspringky.com) or phone our office at 859-441-9604, and supply us with your e-mail address. This information **WILL NOT** be shared with anyone.

**GED HELP....**The Alexandria Adult Learning Center, 8236 Main Street (behind the Alexandria city building), can help you obtain your GED. Their next scheduled New Student Orientations are March 22nd & 23rd at 9 am. For more information, phone 859-757-6836.

**RUMPKE** has expanded their recyclables list. They will now accept all plastic bottles and jugs (regardless of the plastic number), and also clean pizza boxes.

**CAMPBELL COUNTY SPRING CLEANUP** will be held on March 26th, 27th and 28th from 8 am to 6 pm. Normal trash and debris can be dropped off at the Campbell County Police Station in Alexandria, Pendery Park, or the Road Department on Race Track Road. Only the Race Track Road location will accept tires (limit 4), batteries, propane tanks, scrap metal & appliances as well as household debris. No Liquid accepted at any of the above locations.

**CITY WEBSITE:** By accessing the city's website, [www.coldspringky.com](http://www.coldspringky.com) you will find information about your city, meeting minutes, and even budget / finance information showing how your tax dollars are being spent. Included in the links is our new Police Department website, [www.coldspringpd.org](http://www.coldspringpd.org), where you can access information on the neighborhood focus program. This site will also include valuable information on police efforts in our Community.



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