

THE ANCHORAGE

NEWS FROM THE CITY OF ANCHORAGE, KENTUCKY

November 2023

Anchorfest 2023



The clouds parted and the sun shined brightly on October 19 just in time for the annual Anchorfest celebration, which is hosted by the Anchorage Civic Club to welcome all new residents to the community. New and existing Anchorage families gathered at the Anchorage Fire Station and enjoyed authentic German food and desserts made by the Anchorage Garden Club.

2023-2024 Directories



The new 2023-2024 Anchorage Civic Club Directories are here! Per tradition, distribution of the directories began at Anchorfest. If your family's directory was not picked up at Anchorfest, please stop by City Hall 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday to pick up one, as part of your civic club membership. Civic Club membership is required for the 2023 year to receive the biennial directory. Not a member yet? No problem. Print this [Civic Club Membership Form](#) and bring the completed form and dues of \$40 to City Hall to get a directory.

Utility Vehicles for Off-Road Use Only

Kentucky Revised statutes define an All-Terrain Vehicle "as any motor vehicle used for recreational off-road use" including UTVs and side-by-sides. These vehicles cannot be registered for road use as regular motor vehicles in Kentucky, and none of the other vehicle categories found in the [Kentucky Motor Vehicle Code](#) are conducive to registering a UTV as street legal.

In general, it is not permitted to operate an ATV or UTV on any public highway, roadway or right-of-way of any public highway or roadway in Kentucky.

A driver may cross a two-lane public highway on an ATV or UTV so long as the driver follows these guidelines:

- Cross the street at as close to a 90-degree angle as practical and safe; and
- Do not travel on the highway more than 2/10's of a mile.

An ATV or UTV may only be operated on a two-lane public highway if the driver is engaged in farm or agriculture related activities, construction, road maintenance, or snow removal.

The City of Anchorage does not permit ATV and UTV/side by side use in the city limits.

Anchorage Public Works Completes Beautification Project at City Hall



Many thanks to the Director of Public Works and staff for their hard work completing the recent landscape improvements at City Hall and the grounds surrounding City Hall. Dead trees were removed. Shrubs were pruned and reshaped, and old mulch was removed and new added. Several boxwood shrubs damaged during the recent winter were replaced after the City Forester recently determined the shrubs were beyond salvaging. The Public Works staff quickly jumped into action to remove and replace them as the final touch on this beautification project.

Hike the Anchorage Walking & Horse Trails November 5



Come join the Anchorage Trail Board members on an Anchorage Trails Hike on November 5, at 11:00 a.m. Meet at the Popovich's home at 2001 Homewood Drive. Dogs, kids, and friends are welcome, and parking is available on site. There will be an option for a short hike or a longer hike. The longer hike will be approximately 1.7 miles. Light refreshments will be provided.

Turkey Trot 2023 November 23

Start your Thanksgiving Day with the annual Turkey Trot 5K. Registration is at 8:30 a.m. in front of the Sea Hag in downtown Anchorage and the race starts at 9:00 a.m. Cost is \$20.00 for adults, \$15.00 for Civic Club members, \$5.00 for runners under 21, \$40.00 maximum for the whole family, and FREE for members of the Anchorage School Cross Country Team.

From the Forestry Board



2024 CALENDARS ARE AVAILABLE AT CITY HALL

If you did not take home a beautiful 2024 Forestry Board calendar while at Anchorfest, you may pick up a copy at City Hall during regular business hours (8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.). Each household is entitled to one calendar free of charge; while supplies last, additional calendars may be purchased with cash or check for \$6.50 each.

IT'S TIME TO PREPARE YOUR TREES FOR WINTER

- Continue to water newly planted trees until the ground freezes.
- Plant new trees only before the ground is frozen. Water thoroughly and apply 3-4" of mulch in a flat donut shape, not a "volcano."
- If a newly planted tree will be exposed to strong winter winds, consider staking the tree for winter or constructing a barrier.
- Protect young tree trunks with deer guards or other barriers (e.g., landscape fencing, stakes and twine, etc.). Deer can cause severe damage by rubbing their antlers on tender bark throughout fall and winter.
- Check soil 4-6" deep for moisture. If necessary, water mature trees until rain or snow provides moisture.
- Prune dead, dying, damaged, and diseased branches.

If you are concerned about the ability of your tree or trees to withstand harsh winter storms, consult an arborist and plan to remove or prune any potentially dangerous trees while the weather is amenable.

City of Anchorage Seeks to Hire PT Public Works Employee

**NOW
HIRING**

The City of Anchorage Public Works Department has an immediate opening for a permanent part-time maintenance person. The ideal candidate will have building, ground, and road maintenance experience. The position is part-time - 22 hours per week and offers

great benefits.

Call Gary Burkhead at 502.245.9700 or stop by Anchorage City Hall, 1306 Evergreen Road, Anchorage, KY 40223 for more information or an application.

Anchorage Public School is Looking for Substitute Teachers

Anchorage Public School is looking for reliable, available substitute teachers; they are the unsung heroes of the school. Substitutes are talented individuals who are always ready to provide help and coverage when needed most. One of the benefits of being a substitute teacher is that you can always say 'no' to a call; of course, we hope you say 'yes'. It's a great way to make your own schedule and work flexible hours.

If interested, please contact Deanna Taylor at deanna.taylor@anchorage.kyschools.us to [submit your application](#).

We can't wait for YOU to join the APS team!

Scouting for Food

Boy Scouts of America will be hosting its annual Scouting for Food event on Saturday, November 18, and our own Anchorage Cub Scout Pack 274 (<https://www.AnchoragePack274.com>) will be collecting food donations from Anchorage residents' doorsteps between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on November 18. Flyers will be distributed to residents' homes the weekend of November 11 providing a reminder to help contribute to this annual event that helps replenish our local food banks when they are in the most need.

For more information, please visit the Lincoln Heritage Council Seneca District Scouting for Food website (<https://www.lhcsenecasff.org>). If your donation does not get picked up on November 18, please contact lhcsenecasff@gmail.com, to ensure a pickup is completed.

Drainage Solutions

There are many ways homeowners can improve drainage and prevent erosion near their homes. Creating a dry creek bed can carry water away, building a berm can redirect storm water, and catch basins, rain gardens, and rain barrels can store water to release slowly or for later use. Drop by City Hall and pick up a free MSD rain garden handbook or read it online at [MSD's website](#) to learn how to create and maintain a rain garden. Be sure to apply and receive an Anchorage tree preservation permit before constructing dry creek beds, catch basins, rain gardens, or regrading to change drainage.

Anchorage APTA Christmas in Anchorage

Please join us on Saturday, December 9 at Anchorage Public School for Christmas in Anchorage. This beloved community tradition is back and will be a fun-filled day of holiday cheer.

The festivities begin at 8:30 a.m. with the first seating of the all-new *Breakfast with The Grinch*. Beginning at 9:00 a.m. join us for a collection of other activities including the holiday boutique, horse-drawn carriage rides, photos with Santa, story time and crafts with Mrs. Claus, our famous North Pole Bakery, and much more.

Pick up your pre-purchased annual ornament and mingle with friends and neighbors as we celebrate the holiday season together.

For even more merriment, Anchorage residents are invited to the **Holiday Party and Home Tour** on Thursday, December 7 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at the home of Boomer and Niki Whiting, 12325 Forest School Road. This elegant evening of neighbors, hors d'oeuvres, and beautiful holiday decor is the perfect way to kick-off this special weekend in Anchorage.

Mark your calendar to experience these holiday favorites that you don't want to miss.

2023 Christmas in Anchorage Ornament



The full-grain leather Clayton & Crume Ornament, proudly handcrafted in Louisville, is sure to add a touch of refinement to your tree for years to come with its classic design developing a unique patina over time.

The ornament measures 4"w x 4.5"h and includes a leather hanging loop and gift box. Quantities are limited.

Pre-order for \$26.00 at [Christmas Ornament Orders](#) by November 6.

Light Up Anchorage December 2

Celebrate the start of the holiday season with the annual lighting of the Anchorage Christmas tree. Join your Anchorage neighbors for Light Up Anchorage December 2 at the City Hall Gazebo. Hot chocolate and cookies will be served, while supplies last. Visit with Santa and Mrs. Clause, and hang an ornament on the community tree. Bring an ornament from home, or purchase one from the Anchorage Civic Club for \$5.00.

Ornaments can be personalized with your family name to hang on the tree year after year. Santa will be visiting 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. with tree lighting at 5:30 p.m. We hope to see you all there.

Lighting of the Yule Log and Carol Sing at Hobbs Chapel - December 3

The Anchorage Garden Club invites you and your family to attend the annual Lighting of the Yule Log and Christmas Carol Sing on Sunday, December 3 at 6:00 p.m. at Hobbs Chapel located on Osage Road across from Wagner Park. There is no rain date.

This event is a community favorite. Bring a candle or flashlight, gather around the bonfire and sing traditional Christmas carols as we ring in the holiday season. Songbooks will be provided.

Calendar of Events

[November 5](#) Anchorage Walking & Horse Trails Hike

[November 18](#) Scouting for Food

[November 23](#) Turkey Trot

[November 23 - 24](#) City Hall and Public Works Closed for the Holiday

[November 23 - 24](#) Republic Services 1-Day Delay

[December 2](#) Light Up Anchorage

[December 3](#) Yule Log Lighting and Carol Sing

[December 7](#) APTA Holiday Party and Home Tour

[December 9](#) APTA Christmas in Anchorage

[December 25 - 26](#) City Hall and Public Works Closed for the Holiday

[December 25 - 29](#) Republic Services 1-Day Delay

Emergency Assistance List

The Anchorage Emergency Preparedness Committee maintains a list of residents who are contacted in preparation of emergencies or inclement weather. If you or someone you know would need assistance during an emergency and would like to be added to the resident emergency check list, please call Pat Welsh at 502.314.5685.

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