



Mayor's Council Update

September 27, 2016

Key Updates:

Hand Free Ordinance Communication



Hands free ordinance signs are in and installation will begin this week, with temporary signage indicating start date of October 14th. There was an article in last weeks' Blast, and will also be an article in the upcoming Water Bill Newsletter regarding the new law. An article and FAQ re: the law are posted to the front page of Bexley.org.

Anna Wernicke Alley @ Montrose Alley at Montrose was dedicated for Anna Wernicke on September 16. Temporary sign will be there for a year and then will be given to Mrs. Wernicke. Anna has for over 20 years served as the overseer of the Safety Patrol at Montrose.



Francis and Montrose Pilot Tree Program

Francis and Montrose pilot tree program has been created by Bexley Beautification Fund in partnership with the City. The program offers a \$100 discount off of installed trees from a nursery on residents' private property, in consultation with City arborist.

Dog Park Study Group Update

Bexley Dog Park Study Group met and narrowed focus area to Schneider Park. Next steps include working with the Rec Board and others to incorporate the use into the Alum Creek Park plan and to determine an implementation plan.

Eastmoor SID Update

The Eastmoor SID (Special Improvement District) project is maturing, with the organizers of the SID currently working on getting sign-off from a critical mass of Main Street businesses in order to make progress on the concept. We are talking to the SID organizers about Bexley participating in a material way in order to strengthen the SID concept and provide additional service to the eastern portion of the Main Street corridor in Bexley.

Budget Meetings Are Underway

Still on track to have a budget ready for introduction at the October 18th Council meeting.



Jeffrey Park Alcohol Policy Program Update

The Big Green Egg Cooking Competition happened last weekend at Jeffrey Park. The event was the first use of the new policy allowing alcohol to be served at 2 events per year at the park. The event attracted over 600 visitors and raised over \$25,000 for the James Cancer Research Hospital, and was organized by the Buckeye Cruise for Cancer in conjunction with Specialty Gas House and with support from the City. Bexley's own Larry First took top award from the competition with his Lang Stone cookout team. There were no issues observed by on-duty officers.

Bexley is Promoting the Teal Pumpkin Program for Trick-or-Treat

The Teal Pumpkin Project, coordinated by the Food Allergy Research & Education organization (FARE), helps make sure all children will come home on Halloween night with something they can enjoy. It just takes one simple act: offering non-food treats, such as glow sticks or small toys, as an alternative to candy. Last year, households from all 50 states and 14 countries participated. This is a worldwide movement to create a safer, happier Halloween for all trick-or-treaters.

How to Take Part:

- Provide non-food treats for trick-or-treaters.
- Place a teal pumpkin in front of your home to indicate to passersby that you have non-food treats available.
- Display a free printable sign (click here to download) to explain the meaning of your teal pumpkin. We have some printed at City Hall you can pick up too!
- Learn more about the effort at the Teal Pumpkin Project website.



P.S. Trick-or-Treat in Bexley will be observed on Monday, October 31st, from 5:30 to 7:00 pm.

Coming Up:

September 29, 4:00 pm:	SWBMP Steering Committee
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October 3, 6:00 pm:	Bexley CIC Meeting
October 5, 8:00 am:	National Walk to School Day
October 5, 5:30 pm:	Rec Board Meeting
October 6, 7:00 pm:	Bex Talks feat. Joe DeLoss, Social Entrepreneur (Hot Chicken Takeover)
October 10, 5:30 pm:	Taste of Bexley
October 13, 7:00 pm:	BZA Meeting
October 14, 6:00 pm:	Bexley Harvest Festival
October 18, 5:30 pm:	Board of Health Meeting
October 18, 6:00 pm:	City Council Meeting
October 31, 5:30 - 7:00 pm:	Trick-or-Treat hours in Bexley
November 5, 9:00 am:	Coffee with the Mayor feat. Cols. Fire Dept. @ Bexley Coffee Shop
November 11:	Shop Hop Preview Party
December 3:	Bexley Festival of the Arts at Montrose
December 4, 4:00 pm:	Tree Lighting at Drexel Circle

