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# Eastland Parkway Neighborhood News

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## NOVEMBER NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

### CANCELED

There will NOT be a November Neighborhood Meeting. The weather will more than likely be uncertain to host an outdoor meeting this month.

Hopefully by spring, Covid will be more under control and indoor meetings will be possible.

As always, please express your concerns to the board members by emailing [lexepna@gmail.com](mailto:lexepna@gmail.com).

Thanks goes to Christ Centered Church for allowing us to use their building and grounds for many years.

## HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST

It is exciting to announce that the neighborhood association will be able to host its annual holiday decorating contest. This contest is offered in the sole interest of fostering neighborhood spirit.

Many families spend hours decorating their houses and it is fun to tour our neighborhood to enjoy their hard work.

The plan for this year is to return to judges from outside the neighborhood plus the facebook judging.

The categories are:

- **Best Holiday Home Award**
- **Best Holiday Block Participation Award**
- **Most Kid Friendly Award**
- **People's Choice Award (vote on FB)**

Signs will be placed in the yards for the first place and honorable mention winners of each category and announced on our Eastland Parkway Neighborhood Association Facebook page.

To participate in this contest, home decorations should be completed no later than **Monday, December 13, 2021**. Turn your lights on each night. Weather and availability of judges will determine the judging night.

To participate in the **People's Choice Award**, upload a picture of your house or a neighbor's house (with their permission). Even if you don't get the time or energy to decorate your house, please participate by voting for this award. The winner will be determined by the most "likes" or comments on the photos. This award will close on accepting pictures on **Monday, December 13** and voting will be **December 14 (Tuesday) - December 19 (Sunday)**.

## DECORATING WINCHESTER RD ENTRANCE

Volunteers are needed to help decorate the front entrance walls for the holidays. These stone walls and landscaping are viewed by thousands as they travel along the Winchester Road corridor.

By decorating this entrance with garland, lights and wreaths for the month of December, we demonstrate to the city that our neighborhood is a welcoming place.

If you would be willing to donate an hour of time, please email [lexepna@gmail.com](mailto:lexepna@gmail.com) to volunteer. Depending on the weather, decorating will be a sunny day the weekend after Thanksgiving.

## CHRISTMAS DINNER

The Vineyard Community Church is hosting a special Free Christmas Dinner for the families in our neighborhood at 1881 Eastland Parkway.

This will be held Sunday, December 12 from 4 - 7 p.m. with three seating times.

You will need to plan ahead and reserve your spot by Tuesday, November 30. You may make your reservation by:

- <http://christmasdinnerat.thevineyard.cc/>
- Call (859)-258-2300

## SANTA & MRS. CLAUS' HELPERS

Jimmy and Susie Ellis are once again opening their back sunroom to Santa and Mrs. Claus at 1506 Anniston Dr. at the Eastland Parkway intersection. Bring your kids or pets and your camera. If you need an appointment time for a special need, call 859-299-3722.

They will be prepared for your visit on weekends starting the Saturday after Thanksgiving (Nov. 28) and continuing each Saturday (6-8 pm) and Sunday (3-5 pm) through Dec. 19.

Donations will be accepted, but are not necessary. They will entirely go to a family in need.

## TECHNOLOGY UPGRADES

Remember, the neighborhood association received Neighborhood Development Funds from the Lexington Fayette County Government for development of our neighborhood website and membership software.

The board has decided to try a program for a year. In the long run, it will allow the board to keep track of information and keep our website updated more easily.

The new website will change to [www.lexepna.org](http://www.lexepna.org). The change is from .info or .org. Please be patient with us as we make the transition and watch for exciting new changes on our website.

## SAVE PULL-TABS

As a neighborhood we are continuing to save pull-tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. When you get overloaded with the tabs, you can email the association for pickup or drop off on the porch at 1824 Dalna.

## PRUNING KNOCK-OUT ROSES

We've had a few heavy frosts this month. So now is a good time to prune back the knock-out roses bushes. If they are pruned now, they will bloom earlier in the spring. While you've got your pruners out, don't forget the street corner ones.

## Luggage, Backpacks, Duffle Bags & Carry Bags

As holidays approach and ANYTIME, Don Pratt collects and distributes these items to foster/adoptive kids or other groups in need - across Kentucky. He has been doing this for over 20 years as kids should not have to move in garbage bags.

If you get new and want to donate your used items please let Don know at [dbp91044@gmail.com](mailto:dbp91044@gmail.com)

## **DIXIE ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL**

We appreciate that Dixie's new principal, Cynthia Bruno, took the time to attend and speak to our association in September about the great things at Dixie.

Ms. Bruno had the opportunity to meet face-to-face with neighborhood people, board members, Police Resource Officer Andy Cain and Council Member David Kloiber.

## **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH**

It's the season of buying on the internet and having items delivered to our house. Yes, it is very convenient for us, but also for porch pirates to help themselves to our purchases. Ask a stay at home neighbor to pick up your packages or use one of the many methods available to track and keep your purchases safe.

Some folks are always casing the neighborhoods for unlocked cars. This is a huge problem all over town. So take valuables, gifts, and electronics inside. Lock your car doors.

It's so easy to start your car on cold mornings, but it makes it easier for the vehicle to be stolen.

Don't leave your key fob in the car.

Don't ever, ever leave a gun in your vehicle or laying around the house.. Our kids are precious.

Do check on neighbors as the weather gets colder.

Do provide a warm place for your animals during the winter. If you see a neighbor that is not, call our Humane Society.

Your association board is planning to revamp and refresh our neighborhood watch this winter. Look for more information in the spring.

Col. Richard (Dick) Allen is our neighborhood watch coordinator. If you want to be alerted of happenings in our neighborhood, please send a request to [lexepna@gmail.com](mailto:lexepna@gmail.com).

## **WINTER ACTIVITIES**

### **Christmas Dinner at the VINEYARD**

- Sunday, December 12
- Reservations by November 30
- <http://christmasdinnerat.thevineyard.cc/>
- Call (859) 258-2300

### **Santa and Mrs. Claus' Helpers**

- 1506 Anniston Dr.
- Bring your own camera
- Kids and Pets welcome
- Saturdays (6-8 pm) & Sundays (3-5 pm)

### **Lexington Christmas Parade**

- Sunday, December 12
- Downtown 5:30- 7 pm

### **Eastland Neighborhood Decorating Contest**

- Be ready for judging by Monday, December 13

### **Lexington Children's Theater @ The Opera House**

- Junie B. Jones - Nov. 27, Dec. 4, 5
- The Lion, Witch, & Wardrobe - Dec. 11,12,18
- Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters - Jan. 29,30, Feb 5,6

### **Holiday Lights, Performances, Nativities, Santa Sightings**

- [LexFun4Kids.com](http://LexFun4Kids.com)

### **Freely Given Café**

- The 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month
- Eastland Park Church of Nazarene
- 1605 Jennifer Road
- Free lunch for all ages

## **Neighborhood Church Announcements**

The neighborhood church events that are listed in this newsletter are events that are hosted for the community. All neighborhood churches are welcome to inform us of community events at [lexepna@gmail.com](mailto:lexepna@gmail.com).

## **HELPFUL CONTACTS**

### **6<sup>th</sup> District Councilman David Kloiber**

- 859-280-8243
- [dkloiber@lexingtonky.gov](mailto:dkloiber@lexingtonky.gov)

### **Neighborhood Resource Officer Andy Cain**

- Text – 859-492-9491
- [acain@lexingtonpolice.ky.gov](mailto:acain@lexingtonpolice.ky.gov)

### **Non-Emergency Police**

- 859-258-3600

### **Non-Emergency Fire**

- (859) 231-5600

### **Code Enforcement**

- 859-425-2255
- [code\\_enforcement@lexingtonky.gov](mailto:code_enforcement@lexingtonky.gov)

### **Humane Society**

- 859-233-0044

### **Eastland Parkway Neighborhood Association**

- President: Andrew Austin
- Vice-President: Cheri McMullin
- Neighborhood Watch: Dick Allen
- [lexepna@gmail.com](mailto:lexepna@gmail.com)

## **SYMPATHY**

The neighborhood would like to extend our sympathy to the friends and families that have lost loved ones that lived in our neighborhood. We aren't aware of all of these folks, but we do know of a few that have lived in this neighborhood for many years: Karen Conway, Tommy Watts, Betty Hughes, and Al McGregor. In the future, if you are aware of a loss of a neighbor, you can email [skecton@gmail.com](mailto:skecton@gmail.com).

## **NEW TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD**

We want to welcome the folks that have recently moved into our neighborhood. They include: Savannah Cruz & Eduardo Montes, Charleston; James & Alyssa Hicks, Martha Ct.; Daniel Richardson, Raleigh; Bridgett Thomas, Raleigh; Moise & Miriam Salgado, Memphis and Rosalind Crinean, Auburn; Terri Wright, Biloxi and Heather Lacy, Biloxi.

## **GENEROUS DONATIONS**

Donations made this quarter that were over and above dues were given by: Leo & Rachelle Brown, Shirley Coe, Amanda Gehman, Marty, Misty, and Marcia Hall, and Glyn Sparks. Thank to all for your contributions and service to our neighborhood this past year.

## **ASSOCIATION DUES**

Our neighborhood dues are based on a calendar year, from January to December. They are strictly voluntary as we are a neighborhood association, not a homeowners association. The dues are \$5 per adult in a household annually. Donations above the \$5 are appreciated and used wisely.

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### **Membership Dues for 2021**

- **Dues can be mailed to:**  
**Loys Mather, EPNA Treasurer,**  
**1544 Cantrill Drive, Lexington, KY 40505**
- Paid at any association meeting
- Make checks out to EPNA
- Venmo @LexingtonKy-EPNA.
- Venmo - please note name, address, email, dues/donations

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Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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