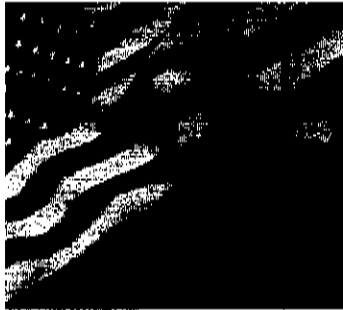


OLD STATE ROAD TO BE CLOSED TO THRU-TRAFFIC DURING CONSTRUCTION

This year's City street project is the reconstruction of Old State Road between St. Agnes and Terrace Drive. The contractor for the project will be R.A. Miller Construction and work will begin in late July. This project includes storm water drainage pipes, curbs and gutters, and a sidewalk.

During this construction Old State Road will be CLOSED to traffic between Sleepy Hollow Road and Terrace. Residents in the construction area will have access their homes, although there may be some delays depending on the stage of construction. Detour routes will be Amsterdam Road and Sleepy Hollow Road or Dixie Highway and Arlington.

Cinergy has completed replacement of the gas main along Old State and is finishing relocation of a few utility poles. Construction is scheduled in phases in an effort to have the area around St. Agnes nearly complete by the time school begins. The remainder of the project will be finished over the next few months.



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Building Permits

In these summer months many home projects are underway. A building permit is required when any structure is erected, moved, added to, or structurally altered. Please check with the city clerk before beginning any work to see if a permit is required.

Important Numbers

Emergency Services	911
Park Hills Police (non-emergency)	431-6172
Park Hills Fire Department & Rescue Squad (non-emergency)	261-3344
City Hall	431-6252
Drug and Poison Information	558-5111
Northern Kentucky Dog Warden Authority	356-3191
Kentucky Drivers License Bureau	727-8100
U.S. Post Office, 700 Scott Street, Cov.	261-4425

When It Rains, It Drains

Did you know that storm water runoff is considered to be one of the most significant sources of pollution to our nation's waterways? The United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) has developed new regulations that require communities across the nation to reduce the amount of pollutants entering waterways through storm water runoff. Virtually all Northern Kentucky communities will be required to comply with these unfunded storm water regulations by March 2003, and Sanitation District No. 1 is assisting them with the development of a cooperative storm water management program for the region.

Pollution in storm water comes from streets, yards and parking lots. As storm water runs across hard surfaces, it picks up debris and other potential pollutants along its path, carrying them to the nearest storm drain. Most storm drains in Northern Kentucky empty directly into nearby streams and rivers. Pollutants often found in storm water runoff include:

- motor oil
- lawn chemicals
- litter
- mud from construction sites

According to the USEPA, runoff from construction sites represents a significant contribution to water quality impairment. They have found that in a short period of time, construction sites can contribute more sediment to streams than can be deposited naturally during several decades, harming fish and surrounding wildlife. Polluted waters also have the potential to affect human health.

The ultimate purpose of these regulations is to improve water quality by reducing the amount of pollutants that storm water picks up and carries into storm sewer systems when it rains. The requirements clearly focus on two key issues:

- The general public must understand their individual role and responsibility of caring for our streams, lakes and rivers.
- We need to implement controls to protect our waterways.

Sanitation District No. 1 is committed to protecting the environment and public health of Northern Kentucky and to educating the community about the importance of storm water quality controls, which will become an even greater priority as our region works to meet these new requirements.

For more information on these efforts or to find out how you can help, please visit our website at www.sd1.org.

TEARING UP NEW PAVEMENT?

The City has received several questions regarding why several sections of the new pavement from last year's Amsterdam Road and Hillcrest Ave. project. The City's Engineer and Public Works Director monitor construction in progress and at the completion of each project develop a "punch list" of items to be completed or corrected. During that final review it was determined that the asphalt paving on Hillcrest did not meet the City's standards. Therefore the contractor removed the top layer of asphalt and repaved the entire street. On Amsterdam, the paving in a few areas was not aligned properly with the manhole covers in the street. This resulted in unnecessary bumps that needed to be corrected.

The street program is in place to provide long-lasting roads along with correcting storm water runoff problems and the City is committed to making sure the job is done right.

Garbage & Recycling

Always a popular topic with Park Hills residents is our trash pick up. Park Hills does a fantastic job recycling; something all of us can be proud of, however, with recycling sometimes comes problems associated with pick up. We hear complaints from time to time and that's OK because we need to know if you are getting the service we are paying for.

Recently several complaints have centered on missed streets for trash, missed recycling, and people seeing their recycling being picked up with the trash. We have been assured in recent meetings with Rumpke that these concerns are going to be taken care of.

You can help the process: make sure you are using your Red Recycling Bin to flag the recycling truck. **If the red bin is not out they will miss your recycling.** The red bin is a flag to the recycling truck that you have items for recycling. Recycling Bins are available at no charge at city hall. Recycling stickers are also available; use the stickers to identify other containers that hold recycling.

Make sure your trash is out the night before (not before 6:00pm) so that the trash hauler doesn't arrive before you put your trash out! If possible leave a small area between your trash and recyclables.

Let City Hall know if you are having problems, call 431-6252. Finally, don't take your frustrations out on city associates; they work very hard to service your needs. Politely let them know what happened. We log all complaints and use this information to help identify the need to change vendors. Thank you for helping improve the service!