



## FALLS CREEK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

### FIRST NEWSLETTER, 2025

- A brief summary of our Annual Meeting that was held 1/27/25:  
Presentation by Scott Reed, our Councilman and Jared Townes, his Assistant on the state of Metro Government, the Police Department and brief update on US 42 and the Watterson Expressway. There was also a brief presentation by the attending police officer, Brittany Rausch and our Property Manager from Kentucky Realty, Kurt Schuchardt.
- Election of the Board of Directors for a two year term:  
Karen Triplett Meier, Nancy Dupes, Patrick Wells and Jim Conner were elected for a two year term. The Board then elected for a one year term the following officers for 2025: Kenton Graviss and Jim Conner were elected Co-Presidents, Karen Triplett Maier, Secretary and Will Craycroft, CPA, Treasurer
- Street re-paving – it was mentioned that there will be some street and cul de sac repaving in 2025 – we will all be anxious to see what happens and when!
- Speed Humps – A resident requested that we investigate speed humps on Stockridge Rd. between Falls Creek Rd. and Sanctuary Bluff, and along Falls Creek Rd. The request has been submitted to Metro Government for review based upon their rigid standards.
- Issue with potholes on streets? Please contact Metro Call 311.
- Street light blinking or out? Call LG&E at (502)589-1444.
- Reminder of safety upon exiting and entering at both entrances.
- Reminder about neighborhood etiquette – we have two dog waste stations in the neighborhood. Please pick up after your dogs.
- LMPD Safety Information is posted on the back side of this newsletter. **(Over)**

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## Neighborhood Safety

- Know your neighbors. Speak to them. Greet them as they pass you. The more you know about your neighbors (good or bad), the safer all of you are.
- Look into forming or joining a **Neighborhood Watch**. It is an excellent opportunity to meet with neighbors and share information about what is happening in the neighborhood.
- Try to resolve small issues with neighbors in a friendly, non-confrontational way. Let the small things go.
- Respect other's property rights, even if their complaints seem petty.
- If a neighbor becomes dangerously hostile, don't "stand your ground." Instead, withdraw and call the police.

## Shopping Safety

- If you are shopping, plan how you will get your packages or groceries into the car safely. **NEVER** leave a child in the shopping cart while you put groceries in the car. Secure the child first and put the car keys in your pocket. A stranger can grab your child from the cart much faster than they can take the child from your car.
- Never put your purse or wallet down. Consider using a purse with a shoulder strap. Restroom floors are a ripe target for purse thefts.
- On a multi-store shopping trip, secure your packages in the trunk. Never leave packages visible in the car.

## Safety at School Events

- When attending school events, especially "away" games, be cautious about where you park. Walking around in a strange area looking for your car is dangerous.
- If trouble happens in the parking area, return to the school building and call for help.
- Teach your kids to **stay out of crowds** after the event. Have a plan for how they will get home. If a fight or shooting is going to occur, it will probably be in the "after crowd." Teach them how to get to a safe place in the event of trouble.

## Home Safety

- Your house or residence number should be visible from the street.
- Install deadbolt locks on good quality doors/door frames.
- All windows should have operational locks.
- All windows should be covered and there should be no views inside your house.
- Do not hide keys outside your home. Instead, give a key to a trusted neighbor.
- You should have sufficient exterior lighting around your home with no broken or damaged fixtures.
- Shrubs and bushes should be no higher than 32 inches in height and set back 1 yard from walkways so that they do not obstruct windows, doors or walkways.
- Tree canopies should be trimmed up to 8 feet and should not obstruct exterior lighting.
- Ensure that no landscaping materials, such as loose gravel and stones can be used as weapons.
- Earth berms should not create a visual obstruction and should be no higher than 2 ½ feet.
- Make sure landscape features do not provide a means of access onto the property or into your house.
- Graffiti or other signs of vandalism should be removed/repainted as soon as possible.
- Ensure your property is well maintained—the grass mowed and no trash or debris.
- If you have concerns, request for a police officer to perform a security survey of your home.
- If you decide to buy a weapon, consider Pepper Mace instead of a gun.
- If you do purchase a gun, get proper training and keep the gun under lock and key—especially if you have children. More children are killed by a weapon in the home than burglars.
- Have a "rally point," such as a trusted neighbor's house that is designated ahead of time if you must flee your house. Have your children practice going there and make sure the neighbor knows about it.