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## City recycles 30-plus tons every month

After six months, just under half of Oak Hill homes use the City's recycling program.

Some 44% of households recycle glass, paper, metal, and plastic. Out of 1,854,520 pounds collected, more than 21% were recyclable materials kept out of the landfill.

Each month, residents recycle 7 tons of glass and 25 tons of paper/plastic/metal while generating nearly 122 tons of waste.

## Oak Hill monthly recycling in pounds

Month	Waste	Non-Glass Recyclables	Glass	Waste + Recycling	Total Recycling	Diversion Rate
March	226,060	60,780	13,980	300,820	74,760	24.85%
April	249,240	43,640	17,260	310,140	60,900	19.64%
May	237,080	54,940	16,640	308,660	71,580	23.19%
June	262,600	46,260	16,120	324,980	62,380	18.85%
July	239,560	47,100	11,220	297,880	58,320	19.58%
August	248,840	52,720	10,480	312,040	63,200	20.25%
<b>Total Pounds</b>	<b>1,463,380</b>	<b>305,440</b>	<b>85,700</b>	<b>1,854,520</b>	<b>391,140</b>	<b>21.26%</b>
<b>Total Tons</b>	<b>731.69</b>	<b>152.72</b>	<b>42.85</b>	<b>927.26</b>	<b>195.57</b>	
<b>Monthly Tons</b>	<b>121.95</b>	<b>25.45</b>	<b>7.14</b>	<b>154.54</b>	<b>32.59</b>	

Participation: 808 of 1,850 households = 44%



## Recycling helps community, economy

Recycling is more than just a good idea. Recycling makes good sense for the community, the economy, and the earth.

- **Less waste:** When you sort recyclables from trash, you reduce the amount of waste to be disposed and lessen the negative impact of that waste.

- **More jobs:** Recycling is becoming a booming business. Your simple action of recycling supports the businesses (and employees) that sort, reclaim, and remanufacture recycled materials.

- **Saves resources:** Many products these days are made from recycled materi-

als. This slows the depletion of natural resources such as metal, as well as reducing the amount of energy used for mining new materials.

- **More forests:** Paper is one of the most frequently recycled and reclaimed materials. Every ton recycled saves trees.

- **Less pollution:** The energy saved by recycling an aluminum can instead of mining bauxite or reprocessing paper instead of creating it from trees means less energy must be generated from burning fossil fuels—a prime source of water pollution and greenhouse gases.

## Get this newsletter online to save money, resources

Oak Hill residents have the option of receiving this quarterly newsletter only online to save money and resources.

Subscribing to the electronic option saves the City money on paper, printing, and postage.

Households that have opted out are saving Oak Hill thousands of sheets of paper and hundreds of dollars in postage each year.

When you sign up, you receive a quarterly email with links to the website, where you'll find every story in the paper newsletter.

To sign up, visit [www.oakhilltn.us](http://www.oakhilltn.us) and fill in the box under the logo. You can unsubscribe at any time, and your address will not be shared with anyone unless you approve.

# City of Oak Hill

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The mission of the City of Oak Hill is to preserve its natural resources and residential environment; to offer an enhanced level of services to its citizens; and to provide a strong sense of community pride with historical awareness all within close proximity to a world-class metropolitan area.

## Meeting Dates

**Third Thursday**  
**Board of Commissioners Meeting**  
City Office, 5548 Franklin Pike Suite 102, 5 p.m.

**Fourth Tuesday**  
**Planning Commission Meeting**  
City Office, 5548 Franklin Pike Suite 102, 5 p.m.

**Third Tuesday**  
**Board of Zoning Appeals**  
City Office, 5548 Franklin Pike Suite 102, 5 p.m.

 **Don't throw away this newsletter. Recycle it!**

# Street, traffic, drainage projects underway

In addition to the various policy initiatives that the City has undertaken as described in Mayor Austin McMullen's column on page 4, Oak Hill is also working on a number of projects that deal with the day-to-day delivery of City services.

First among these is the recent adoption of the city budget for the 2011-12 fiscal year. As this document establishes what the City does during any given 12-month period of time, it is of extreme importance. We have included information regarding the budget in this newsletter (see page 5), as well as on the City website at [www.oakhilltn.us/finances.html](http://www.oakhilltn.us/finances.html).

A number of other projects are each in a different stage of development, including a traffic calming program, drainage study, sign inventory, Otter Creek Road drainage improvements, intersection improvements, and street pavement analysis.



## Traffic calming draft plan presented

The City recently held a public meeting on the traffic calming program. At this meeting, various ideas regarding the draft plan were presented to citizens in attendance. Information was also provided regarding traffic counts at various locations throughout the City. The meeting was very helpful to staff in getting direction from the citizens as to what should and should not be included in the final plan. The intent of this plan is to have a document in place that outlines how a citizen can request that the City address various traffic issues on city streets throughout the City.

A common concern that would be addressed by this plan is vehicles speeding through neighborhoods. The plan will outline the process that a citizen should take to have the City initiate a review of street conditions in a particular area. It will also outline a number of solutions that might be available

to address particular issues.

If the request meets the criteria to warrant action

based upon traffic data and neighborhood concern, the plan would have a list of progressively designed steps that could be taken to address the problem. The neighborhood group would assist the City in selecting the steps that they feel are most appropriate for their area. This plan is expected to be finalized within 60 days and will be available on the city's website for citizen use. However, if a particular situation poses a severe enough threat, the City may have to take action outside the scope of this traffic calming plan to expedite changes needed to address life, health, and safety.

## Drainage study completed

The results of the city-wide drainage study have been presented in a public hearing and have been on the City website for several months. The presentation of this information completes the first phase of the study to address drainage issues. The study identified various basins and sub-basins within the City that share issues related to drainage. It also prioritized these as to the areas that most need to be addressed. The City is currently assessing what the next step in this process should be.

## Street sign assessment required

Although federal guidelines have changed regarding the date at which non-functioning street signs within the City must be replaced, an assessment and maintenance plan is still required in the next two years. As a result, the City is putting together a plan to meet these requirements. Once that plan is finalized, we will begin changing out non-functioning signs in accordance with federal requirements.

The first set of federal guidelines required that all signs, regardless of condition, be replaced by January 2015. Due to the enormous cost of this undertaking nationwide, the requirements were amended to mandate replacement of a sign once its life-cycle or ability to function as designed has ended. This is a

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## Services offered by local cities

Services	Oak Hill	Forest Hills	Belle Meade	Metro Nashville
<b>Garbage Collection</b>	Twice a week 96 gallons Back door	None	Once a week 96 gallon Back door	Weekly 96 gallon Curbside
<b>Recycling Collection</b>	Twice a week Unlimited Back door	None	Once a week unlimited Back door	Monthly 96 gallon Curbside
<b>Chipper Service</b>	Monthly Leaf and limb Vacuum	Monthly Leaf and limb	Once a week Leaf and limb	3 times a year Leaf and limb
<b>Snow Removal</b>	Every road	Every road	Every road	Main arteries

much more common-sense approach to improving our roadways. The sign inventory will allow us to determine which signs need to be replaced based on condition, not an arbitrary date.

### Otter Creek roadwork

By the time you receive this newsletter, work will likely already have begun along Otter Creek Road near the intersection with Franklin Pike. The work will improve the ditch line along a section of the roadway. While the road will be open to traffic during construction, the City encourages residents and visitors to reduce trips through the area as much as possible until the work is complete. Building upon our effort to keep residents more informed on City activities, a meeting was held recently to discuss the project. All residents along the eastern portion of Otter Creek Road were invited to meet with City staff, the City Engineer, and the contractor who will be doing the work.

### Franklin/Battery/Harding improvement

Over a year ago, the City put forth three road projects for consideration. After receiving public comment, these projects were ranked as to their importance to Oak Hill. They were then submitted to the Nashville area Metropolitan Planning Organization for funding consideration based upon the priority determined by the MPO.

Our first choice (turning lane for vehicles traveling East on Tyne Boulevard and turning South on Franklin Pike) was passed over. However, our second priority was selected for funding, and the City was notified that the MPO would provide 80% of the estimated \$1.8 million required to upgrade the intersection at Franklin Pike, Battery Lane, and Harding Place.

The project will include the addition and/or extension of turning lanes and should provide safer ingress and egress for residents on South

Curtiswood Lane and Hazelwood Circle. After receiving the funding announcement, Mayor McMullen and I met with Tennessee Department of Transportation officials to seek additional assistance. Following that meeting, we were notified that TDOT would fund the additional 20% of the project. While the City will oversee the project, the total cost of the project will be provided by outside funding sources. It appears that the City will provide local funding only should we choose to add additional features to the project that are outside the scope of work. This has been considered as an option so that we can add some features that would make the intersection more aesthetically pleasing. The project will likely take three years to complete, but design work will begin soon.

### Engineer evaluating every mile

In an effort to better manage our roadways, extend their useful life, and be able to better project budgeting needs for roadways in the future, the City Engineer is undertaking a project on behalf of Oak Hill to evaluate every lane mile of roadway within the City.

This evaluation will determine the condition of pavement and treatments needed to extend its useful life. As the cost of paving has soared with increased petroleum costs, alternatives for treating existing pavement are more advantageous.

In previous years when paving was cheap, most cities simply paved a road and left it to be paved again when the asphalt lifespan was reached or when problems with the condition of the driving surface arose. With today's paving costs, minor treatment options can significantly impact the lifespan of pavement if applied prior to the road's beginning to deteriorate. However, all pavement will eventually need to be replaced, and this analysis will help us determine when it is the appropriate time to do so.



## Notify City of street cuts

If you see someone cutting up a section of an Oak Hill street, please notify the City office by phone or email with the location and company doing the work.

Please contact the City even if it is a recognizable utility such as Metro Water/Sewer or Piedmont Gas.

All private entities are required to get a permit, and publicly owned utilities are required to notify the City of this type of work.

It is important that the City verify that the road repair is done correctly so that your tax dollars will not have to be used to correct inadequate work by a private contractor or other utility.

Your reporting this to us acts as a check to be sure that they are abiding by their responsibility to do so.



See a full-sized map at [www.oakhilltn.us/documents.html](http://www.oakhilltn.us/documents.html)

## Projects protect residential zoning, establish firm legal and financial foundation

The City has recently made significant progress on several long-term projects. These improvements will preserve the residential nature of our neighborhoods and put our municipal government on a firm legal and financial foundation.

In July, the Board of Commissioners adopted a new zoning ordinance and official zoning

map, the first major revision to the City's zoning ordinance since 1991. However, several significant zoning ordinances were added around 2006.

Work on the new ordinance and map began more than a year ago. A great amount of public input helped to shape the zoning ordinance into a document that will project the character of our community for years to come.

Last month the Planning Commission updated the subdivision regulations and adopted a street classification plan. These documents, like the new zoning ordinance, serve to ensure that future development in Oak Hill is consistent with the neighborhood characteristics that make our City so unique.

This month the city's Financial Advisory Committee is considering a comprehensive policy that will guide investment and use of reserve funds, our primary financial resource. The challenges of the last three years have included diminished revenues, low interest rates and new financial risks. The new investment policy should address how the City can maximize the benefits of its financial assets.

In July, the Board of Commissioners adopted a new codification of the City's ordinances, last codified in 1991. Residents can use the new code to easily find all the City's laws on any particular subject.

These projects are a policy wonk's dream. Yet, they are critical to protecting our City, residents and resources. We are indebted to those whose important work on these policies will ensure the residential, financial and legal integrity of Oak Hill well into the future.

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### New resident

Vice Mayor Jennifer Claxton, her husband Jim and son Reeves are excited to announce the newest member of their family, Emma Roehl Claxton, born July 15.

## Helms named to TML board of directors

Oak Hill City Manager Kevin Helms was elected to a two-year term on the board of directors of the Tennessee Municipal League.

City Manager of Oak Hill since 2009, Helms was elected as one of eight district directors to represent his section of the state. He was nominated and elected during a district caucus of TML members from his region of Tennessee.

As a member of the board, Helms will propose and help determine legislation that municipalities need passed into law and will establish policy priorities for the League.

Founded in 1940, TML is a nonprofit organization created by cities and towns for mutual assistance and improvement.

## Goudge is new intern

Kate Goudge, a senior in Human and Organizational Development at Vanderbilt University, is working as an intern at the City of Oak Hill office during the fall semester.

City Manager Kevin Helms said she spends approximately 32 hours each week at the office and about three hours in class, for which she will receive 15 hours' credit. Because her degree requires an internship, her City position is that of a volunteer.

"While her duties are varied, her primary focus will be to learn about the internal and external operations of an organization," Helms said.

Goudge said she is looking forward to gaining a deeper understanding of how a governmental agency best serves the community and learning the day-to-day jobs of a governmental agency, something she would like to pursue long-term.

"This internship is the capstone project of my undergraduate degree," she said. "I will conclude my senior project by writing and presenting a proposal that identifies an organizational need or new opportunity that would benefit the City."

Her primary contribution will be to develop or redesign a number of Oak Hills's communication initiatives with residents while working in cooperation with City staff and contractors.

"I am excited about the fresh perspective that she can bring to our service delivery efforts and hope residents will take the opportunity to welcome her to Oak Hill," Helms said.



REVENUES	FY 2010 ACTUAL	FY 2011 ESTIMATED	FY 2012 PROPOSED
Building Permits	\$109,909	\$90,000	\$100,000
Sign Permits	\$0	\$425	\$500
Solicitors Permits	\$0	\$150	\$100
Planning & Zoning Fees	\$0	\$15,000	\$16,500
Telecommunications Fee	\$0	\$375	\$375
Charges for Services	\$0	\$450	\$400
TVA In Lieu	\$51,988	\$53,175	\$50,000
State Sales Tax	\$300,828	\$312,700	\$292,000
Local Sales Tax	\$28,712	\$45,750	\$47,000
State Income Tax	\$421,956	\$470,000	\$515,000
Metro Road Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Beer Tax	\$2,342	\$2,465	\$2,450
General Gas Tax	\$10,148	\$10,125	\$9,250
State Street Aid	\$125,072	\$129,175	\$120,000
Interest	\$296,890	\$133,000	\$110,000
Grants	\$0	\$213,954	\$70,000
Miscellaneous	\$7,578	\$3,725	\$2,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,355,423</b>	<b>\$1,480,469</b>	<b>\$1,335,575</b>

EXPENDITURES	FY 2010 ACTUAL	FY 2011 ESTIMATED	FY 2012 PROPOSED
Employee Salaries	\$250,579	\$253,250	\$264,000
Employee Benefits	\$102,210	\$23,000	\$24,000
Board Salaries	\$15,750	\$16,650	\$16,200
Professional Service Salaries	\$0	\$57,500	\$0
Retirement	\$0	\$42,000	\$42,000
Other Professional Service	\$155,325	\$49,000	\$90,000
Public Relations	\$45,406	\$52,000	\$45,000
Office Supplies	\$13,288	\$12,500	\$12,500
Rent	\$21,848	\$25,000	\$32,500
Employee Health Insurance	\$0	\$51,500	\$52,500
Liability Insurance	\$28,535	\$30,596	\$32,000
Worker's Comp Insurance	\$0	\$5,896	\$6,000
Property Insurance	\$0	\$171	\$200
Surety Bonds	\$0	\$0	\$500
Election	\$6,526	\$0	\$6,750
Miscellaneous	\$6,841	\$4,000	\$2,500
Repair & Maintenance	\$4,308	\$4,500	\$3,500
Dues & Subscriptions	\$4,533	\$5,000	\$5,500
Training	\$627	\$2,350	\$5,000
Travel	\$0	\$3,500	\$5,000
Auto Allowance	\$3,897	\$4,550	\$5,000
Legal Notices	\$2,048	\$4,000	\$4,000
Police Patrols	\$45,574	\$49,000	\$44,000
Utilities	\$10,150	\$11,500	\$9,000
Special Projects From Reserves	\$375,000	\$515,000	\$133,334
Operating Expenses	\$1,092,445	\$1,222,463	\$840,984
Capital Outlay	\$45,528	\$228,000	\$0
Street Supplies	\$3,125	\$17,500	\$5,000
ROW Mowing	\$0	\$20,000	\$27,500
Street Lighting	\$35,342	\$40,000	\$40,000
PW Emergency	\$0	\$350,000	\$17,500
Chipper Contracting	\$163,545	\$190,000	\$155,800
Street Repair & Maintenance	\$140,597	\$229,000	\$25,000
Snow/Salt Contracting	\$121,548	\$210,303	\$75,000
Professional Services	\$62,822	\$56,000	\$50,000
Special Projects From Reserves	\$0	\$145,000	\$0
Operating Expenses	\$526,979	\$1,257,803	\$395,800
Capital Outlay	\$0	\$62,500	\$0
Opt. Trn. Sanitation Fund	\$289,992	\$320,250	\$450,750
Total Operating Expenses	\$1,909,416	\$2,800,516	\$1,687,534
Total Capital Outlays	\$45,528	\$290,500	\$0
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$1,954,944</b>	<b>\$3,091,016</b>	<b>\$1,687,534</b>
Total Employees	4.25	4	4.25

FUND BALANCE	FY 2010 ACTUAL	FY 2011 ESTIMATED	FY 2012 PROPOSED
Beginning Fund Balance	\$7,997,455	\$7,397,934	\$5,787,387
Revenues	\$1,355,423	\$1,480,469	\$1,335,575
Expenditures	(\$1,664,952)	(\$2,770,766)	(\$1,236,784)
Other	(\$289,992)	(\$320,250)	(\$450,750)
<b>Ending Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$7,397,934</b>	<b>\$5,787,387</b>	<b>\$5,435,428</b>

## City of Oak Hill FY 2011-2012 Final Budget

The 2011-2012 City budget was approved on second reading at the July 21 Board of Commissioners meeting after a public hearing.

## Four members reappointed to BZA, Planning Commission

Attorney Tonya P. Matthews has been re-appointed to the Board of Zoning Appeals by Mayor Austin McMullen.

She has served on the BZA since 2009 when she replaced Lorilee Gulawick, who resigned for time constraints with two years remaining on her term.

Re-appointed to the Planning Commission were:

**Judy Hoover**, first appointed in 1996

**Art McWilliams**, 2002

**Julia Wesley**, 1999  
 "Their experience is invaluable to the City as they volunteer their expertise in making decisions to insure that Oak Hill remains the best neighborhood in Davidson County," Mayor McMullen said. "We thank them for continuing to serve the City," he said.

ADMINISTRATION

PUBLIC WORKS



Glen Leven Mansion was constructed in 1857 by John Thompson on part of a 647-acre tract. In 2006, the home and the remaining 65 acres were deeded to the Land Trust for Tennessee in 2006 with the stipulation that the land be left as open space without development or subdivision.

## Harvest Festival is Oct. 29

For an afternoon of fun for the whole family, don't miss the Fall Harvest Festival at Glen Leven Farm, 4000 Franklin Pike, October 29 from 2-6 p.m.

Live music, local snacks and drinks, and a children's area with activities for all ages will be available on the spacious grounds of Glen Leven Farm. There will be ample time to visit with friends and learn about what goes on at the Farm, including the vegetable garden.

A planning committee headed by Trayte Peters is seeking volunteers to help with the Festival, which hundreds of visitors of all ages enjoyed last year.

To volunteer to help with the Festival, call Kate Goudge at the City of Oak Hill at 371-8291 or email [katherine.m.goudge@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:katherine.m.goudge@vanderbilt.edu).

More information is at [www.landtrusttn.org](http://www.landtrusttn.org) and [www.oakhilltn.us](http://www.oakhilltn.us).



Photos by Ashley McDonough



## Residents invited to community gathering at Glen Leven Oct. 27

Future uses being considered for Glen Leven Farm at 4000 Franklin Pike will be discussed at a community gathering October 27 from 4 to 6 p.m.

"We invite the citizens of the City of Oak Hill to come and be an important part of the planning process for this Oak Hill treasure," said Jeannie Nelson, executive director of The Land Trust for Tennessee, which was bequeathed the property by the late Susan M. West.

"Your input will be invaluable as we discuss the future uses being considered," she said.

The Land Trust will communicate with Oak Hill citizens via mail about this event, so please watch your mailbox for a postcard. For more information or to share your email address with The Land Trust to receive updates via email, please call 615/244-5263.

The Land Trust for Tennessee is a not-for-profit organization whose mission is to preserve Tennessee's unique natural and historic landscapes for future generations.

## Land Trust's Once in a Blue Moon event is Oct. 22

The Land Trust for Tennessee's Once in a Blue Moon celebration will be held at the Glen Leven Farm, 4000 Franklin Pike, October 22.

The 11th annual signature fundraising event will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a tour of the Glen Leven property with stops at the circa 1857 home and the sustainably managed fruit and vegetable garden, followed at 6:30 p.m. with an art sale by The Chestnut Group offering "en plein air" paintings of lands protected by The Land Trust for Tennessee. Dinner, music, dancing and the traditional bonfire start at 7:30 p.m.

For more information and to make reservations go to [www.landtrusttn.org](http://www.landtrusttn.org) or call Beth Thomas at 615/244-5263.

# Campsey named City Safety Coordinator

Tommy Campsey, a veteran police officer, has been named safety coordinator for Oak Hill.

"We are fortunate to have someone with his experience and commitment to public service to be Oak Hill's official liaison with the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department," said Mayor Austin McMullen. "Captain Campsey has been with the Brentwood Police Department for 34 years and for the past 10 years has been commander of the Criminal Investigations Division."

Campsey said his previous experience would benefit the City. "The two communities of Brentwood and Oak Hill are virtual mirrors of each other," he said, "and I have worked hand in hand

with Metro Police over the years, including many cases with Tommy Jacobs," the city's first safety coordinator who retired in 2010.

Campsey will return to the process established by Jacobs in reporting crimes. "He will be responsible for scheduling the patrols of off-duty Metro Police Officers hired by Oak Hill based on information from the West Precinct," said City Manager Kevin Helms.

A native Nashvillian, Campsey has lived in Williamson County for the past 34 years. He is a graduate of Northwestern University Police Staffing Command College and attended Aquinas College and Columbia State Community College.



Tommy Campsey

**Emergency: 911**

**Non-Emergency  
Police: 862-8600**

**West Sector Patrol:  
862-7747**

**Oak Hill Safety  
Coordinator:  
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## Please report all crimes and suspicious activity

**FROM THE CHIEF** The first and foremost thought we need to convey to our citizens is the need to call the Metro Nashville Police Department, at the non-emergency number of 862-8600, when suspicious activity occurs in their area. For a suspicious person or suspicious vehicle call we prefer a chance to get an officer in the area quickly to at least identify the person or vehicle if a problem is discovered later. Hopefully by doing this you can help prevent a crime.

Then call me at 557-7329 or the City office at 371-8291 so we may pass the information to our patrol officers and to the rest of our citizens.

Another request I have had recently comes from concerned citizens wanting to get involved to help the police by organizing a Neighborhood Watch program in their area. They can do that by contacting either Lt. Dana Lyons or Sgt. Connie Tripp at the Metro West precinct at 862-7747, who will be glad to help you get started and stay in contact with your group.

### Get a free home security survey

Contact me for a free home security survey. I will be glad to assess your home's strengths and weaknesses and suggest improvements if needed.

### Vacation Watch program starting

Sign up for our free Vacation Watch program, and I'll arrange to have Metro Police keep a closer eye on your residence while you're gone. Sign up on the website or get a form from the office.

While we hope that this will reduce the risk of your property being burglarized while you are away, it is not a substitute for other important safety steps to take before leaving home for an

extended time. The form includes several questions to remind you of what should be done before leaving home to reduce the signs that no one is at your home.

Citizens can keep up to date with what's going on in their area by either checking the City's website at [www.oakhilltn.us/safety.html](http://www.oakhilltn.us/safety.html), then clicking on the city crime map on the left of the page. You can also check out the Metro Nashville West Precinct's monthly headlines or media releases at [www.police.nashville.org](http://www.police.nashville.org).

Please call me any time at 557-7329 or send me an email at [oakhillsafety@gmail.com](mailto:oakhillsafety@gmail.com).

Here to serve you,  
Tommy



## Stormwater Pollution Solutions

**Conditional use permit properties.** Dirt, oil, and debris that collect in parking lots and paved areas can be washed into the storm sewer system and eventually enter local waterbodies.

- Sweep up litter and debris from sidewalks, driveways and parking lots, especially around storm drains.
- Cover grease storage and dumpsters and keep them clean to avoid leaks.
- Report any chemical spill to the local hazardous waste cleanup team. They'll know the best way to keep spills from harming the environment.

For more tips visit [www.epa.gov/weatherchannel/stormwater.html#solution](http://www.epa.gov/weatherchannel/stormwater.html#solution)

*This stormwater management tip is provided as part of Oak Hill's education requirement under its state permit.*

# QUICK CALL LIST



## CITY OF OAK HILL

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## SOLID WASTE SERVICES

**Chipper Service**  
CleanEarth 371-8291

**Garbage/Recycling Pickup**  
EarthSavers 481-9640  
OakHill@earth savers.org

**Snow and Ice Management Service**  
Mid Tennessee Erosion Control:  
371-8291

**Public Street Repairs, Street Signage, and Drainage Maintenance**  
City Office: 371-8291

**Dead Animal Removal**  
City Office: 371-8291  
After Hours: 862-8971

**Emergency: 911**  
**Non-Emergency Fire: 327-1300**  
**Non-Emergency Police: 862-8600**  
**West Sector Patrol: 862-7747**  
**Oak Hill Safety Coordinator:**  
557-7329

## Tenth annual Yard Sale for the Cure is Oct. 22

Many Oak Hill residents plan to participate again in the 10th annual Yard Sale for the Cure on October 22.

Participants can have a yard sale at their home to generate money to be donated to breast cancer research. If you do not wish to have a yard sale, donated items can be dropped off at Cindy Baxter Smith's home at 5317 Franklin Pike for her yard sale. Please contact Cindy prior to the day of the sale to arrange the dropping off of items.

Participants will once again display balloons at their sites. Each location will have a list of other sales. To be on the list, you must RSVP to Pat Skow (pat@patskow.com) on or before October 14.

New this year will be two fully staffed Goodwill trailers for



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those items you wish to donate that did not sell. You will be able to get a receipt for your donations to Goodwill at the trailers, Skow said. One Goodwill trailer will be located at Cofers Chapel Free Will Baptist Church, 3915 Franklin Pike. The other trailer will be located in the north parking lot of Judson Baptist Church, 4900 Franklin Pike.

If you have questions related to the Oak Hill Yard Sale for the Cure, call Pat Skow at 615/969-6188 or Cindy Baxter Smith at 615/414-0011.

## OSLA hosts Oktoberfest on Oct. 1

Our Savior Lutheran Academy Oktoberfest and Silent Auction is Saturday, October 1, from 4 to 7 p.m. at 5110 Franklin Pike.

In addition to old-fashioned activities like a cakewalk and cake-judging contest the fair features a 30-foot mobile video game theatre with five 47" LCD television screens from Games on the Spot, plus German music and a silent auction of various items donated by businesses.

Barbecue from Bacon & Caviar will be for sale.

For more information call 833-1500.



miState Senator Jack Johnson and Tennessee Department of Transportation Commissioner John Schroer present an \$80,000 check to Oak Hill Mayor Austin McMullen for a TDOT Tennessee Roadscapes grant. The grant will enhance the entrance into the City on Franklin Pike near Woodmont Boulevard. While a final design has not been completed, possible amenities could include decorative welcome signs, decorative fencing, decorative lighting, and landscaping.

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