



# CITY OF BERRY HILL

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## Fall 2011 Newsletter



TDOT Commissioner John Schroer (second from right) presents a ceremonial check for the \$100,000 Tennessee Roadscapes Grant to Berry Hill City Manager Joe Baker, Commissioner Beth Sartain, and Mayor Harold Spray.

### Berry Hill Awarded Roadscapes Grant

The City of Berry Hill is the recipient of a Tennessee Roadscapes Grant of \$100,000, awarded by the Tennessee Department of Transportation. The grant will be used to fund landscaping on both sides of Franklin Pike at the southern entry to Berry Hill and



A rendering of the proposed entryway landscaping and welcome sign to be located on Franklin Pike south of the Berry Road intersection.

a new welcome sign near the intersection of Franklin Pike and Berry Road. In conjunction with Berry Hill's project, the City of Oak Hill was awarded a grant for a companion project at the Franklin Pike/Thompson Lane intersection.

### City Receives Planning Award

The Tennessee Chapter of the American Planning Association recently honored the City of Berry Hill with its Outstanding Planning Award - Small Community Plan, recognizing the City's adoption of its Community Development Code. The award was presented at the association's annual conference in Nashville.

At right, City Manager Joe Baker (center), Planning Consultant David Coode of Kimley-Horn & Associates (left), and Planner Bryan Collins of the Greater Nashville Regional Council (right) receive the TAPA Planning Award.



## **Fall Leaf Collection and Brush Chipping**

The Berry Hill Public Works Department provides fall leaf pickup for Berry Hill residents and businesses. Please don't bag your leaves. Just rake them to the edge of the street or drainage ditch for Public Works to pick up with the city's leaf vacuum. Please do not put leaves in the ditch, where they may cause flooding.

Beginning the last week of each month, the Public Works Department runs chipper routes to collect brush and limbs in the city and continues until all streets in the city have been covered. While extra routes may occasionally be run following storms, chipper service is generally limited to the last week of the month and is not available on request.

If you have brush and limbs, please leave them at the edge of the street but don't place them in your drainage ditch. Public Works cannot dispose of whole trees, logs, or limbs with a diameter greater than nine inches or a length shorter than two feet, because they will not go through the chipper. They also cannot collect limbs or brush clippings mixed with leaves, roots, soil, or rocks. No milled lumber may be chipped.

**Hired tree cutters and trimmers must remove all materials they cut.** Leaves and brush should only be left on your own property for pickup. **Dumping brush on city property (including parks and cul de sacs), highway department right of way, or vacant lots owned by others violates litter laws.**

## ***Making Merry in Berry Hill Event Scheduled for November 12th***

Make the Berry Hill District your destination for fun, food, and foolishness on Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, when Berry Hill businesses will kick off the holiday season with "Making Merry in Berry Hill".

The festivities start with Monell's traditional "Breakfast with Santa" beginning at 9am.

Immediately following breakfast, the Mayor's Parade will proceed down Bransford Avenue with a marching band. All are invited to join in.

Nationally recognized chainsaw artist, Kelly Madsen, brought in by Chilton's Turf Center, will carve a bear for future installation in the Berry Hill District. His name is Barry, the Bear of Berry Hill. This event is open for public viewing all day long.

Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus will be on hand to pose for pictures with kids and kids at heart. Bounce U. is outfitting a "Kids Zone" with lots of fun activities. Face painting and fantasy hair styling will be performed along the sidewalk and many stores will pour out into the streets with treasures.

Curious Heart is outfitting a Christmas Magical Mystery Tour Bus with on-board entertainment and stops at different shops in the immediate area serving refreshments.

Food and a wine and beer garden will be available all day. Green Door Gourmet will bring their mobile Farmer's Market featuring local goodies of all kinds, perfect for Christmas gifts.

Students from Nashville School of the Arts will be on hand for musical entertainment as well as Julian and the Morris Sisters and the fantastic Relegators cover band, which will wrap up the festivities in the early evening.

Come join us for a great kick-off of the holiday season in Berry Hill!

### **Azalea Park Shelter & Berry Hill Community Center**

The Azalea Park picnic shelter and the Berry Hill Community Center may be reserved for noncommercial purposes. Berry Hill residents and businesses may reserve on a first come/first served basis up to one year in advance. Nonresidents may reserve on a first come/first served basis up to two months in advance. There is no charge for using the facilities if you clean up after your event.

## Smooth Crossing

As part of its Berry Road improvements project, the City of Berry Hill has funded replacement of the notoriously rough CSX Railroad crossing with a new concrete crossing that is now complete. The City is proceeding with re-stripping the west end of Berry Road to add a turn lane at the Melrose Post Office and with the addition of a pedestrian crosswalk at Greystone Road, where the sidewalk moves from the north to the south side of Berry.



## Bulk Trash Pickup

It's time for our semi-annual bulk trash pickup. On the first two Fridays in November, the 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, Berry Hill residents with city-provided trash collection may leave large items at the edge of the street in front of their homes to be collected by PDQ Disposal. Items to be picked up may be placed out the day prior to the pickup or by 6 am on the collection day. Items that cannot be taken due to environmental restrictions are:

- Paint, oil, and other hazardous liquids or solids
- Tires and batteries
- Refrigerators, freezers and air conditioners, unless freon free certificates are provided
- Computers and monitors

If you have a question about a particular item, please call **PDQ Disposal** at 254-6666. These semi-annual pick-ups are the only times we can help you with bulk items. Please take advantage of this opportunity.



## Home is Your Castle, Why Poison the Moat?

Household wastes do not belong in storm drains, which carry runoff, polluted or not, directly into our rivers, lakes, and other water resources. Recycling is a great way to handle wastes like paints, solvents and related products, which could poison the places you like to swim, fish, or just visit. Read and follow directions on how to use a product, recycle what's leftover (or dispose of it according to local waste management procedures), and dispose of the container.

**If you don't want it in your water, keep it out of the storm drain!**

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**Monthly Meeting Schedule**

Board of Commissioners  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 7:00 pm

Board of Zoning Appeals  
 1<sup>st</sup> Monday at 6:00 pm

Zoning & Planning Commission  
 1<sup>st</sup> Monday at 6:15 pm

Traffic Commission  
 1<sup>st</sup> Monday at 6:30 pm

Municipal Beer Permit Board  
 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday at 6:00 pm

Municipal Court  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday at 2:30 pm

**Upcoming Events**

The **Berry Hill Halloween Party** will be **Monday, October 31st from 5 to 8 pm at Azalea Park**. Chili, hotdogs, chips and cupcakes will be served from 5:30 to 6:30, followed by costume contests, cakewalks, a bonfire and hayrides. The *Rusty Tabor Band* will entertain. All Berry Hill residents and businesspeople and their families are welcome.

The final **Making Music In Berry Hill** event of the year will be sponsored by the Berry Hill Business Association on Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, from 6–8 pm on the lawn in front of Curious Heart, at the corner of Bransford and Heather. This month’s event will have a Halloween theme and the *Relegators* cover band will entertain.

The semi-annual **Bulk Trash Pickup** for Berry Hill residents will be the first two Fridays of November, **November 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>**. (See article on Page 3)

The **Berry Hill District** is the place to be on **Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> for “Making Merry in Berry Hill”**. (See article on Page 2)

Join us on **Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup> for the Annual Berry Hill Holiday Open House at City Hall from 2 to 4 pm**. Come join your Berry Hill neighbors for plenty of refreshments and good fellowship. The jolly one himself will be here to see the kiddies and take photos with everyone. Come help us celebrate Christmas and the holiday season.

