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Hello Union Residents...

Mayor Larry here with another update. Let me give you an update on two fronts... Covid 19 And Our New Lifestyles, and Mt. Zion Road.

Covid 19 And Our New Lifestyles.

It is important to stay on top of the latest numbers so let me quickly review.

- In Northern Kentucky, there have been 12 additional cases as of last evening. 67 are in Boone, 111 in Kenton and 52 in Campbell.
- On a bright note, we have had no new deaths in the area in the last two days, bringing the total count of fatalities to 18.

The CDC still recommends that anyone going out in public should wear a face mask covering. In addition, many stores, including Kroger, are limiting the number of people who can enter a store at one time. Shopping should be limited to essential items, and you should send one person, if possible, to do these shopping trips. Many stores have also established early hours for the elderly, or first responders, to gather their groceries and other household needs. You can find out more on any store restrictions on the store websites, or by calling their service desks.

We still remain under the recommendation to shelter in place, and the peak of COVID-19 is expected here sometime in May. There are still several activities you can do to help you stay Healthy at Home. There are many online workout options, and our Boone County Parks (with a few exceptions) remain open for walking on the trails. You can walk in your neighborhood, or enjoy biking, or my personal favorite, riding a motorcycle. No matter what activity you choose, be sure to maintain social distancing, and if you go to a park or other recreation area and it is crowded, we ask you choose another so we can all continue to enjoy the Boone County Parks and outdoor spaces in Boone County.

Mt. Zion Road.

The new intersection at Mt. Zion and US42 is now open, and work is underway to make the old intersection a right turn in-right turn out only intersection. This is expected to open sometime in late May-early June. Work is continuing on the road, and with less traffic, has actually been moving ahead of schedule. So, that's a bright spot for the Pandemic.

Lastly,...

- It can be a challenge to find ways to stay busy in our homes, especially if you have kids. Puzzles, games, movies and outdoor activities (practiced with social distancing) are all good to do, or to provide a break from school. Our Boone County Schools are doing Non-Traditional Instruction (NTI), and there are many resources out there to help. Check out the Boone County Library website at bcpl.org for many of these resources in one handy place. The Schools are also providing FREE lunches for kids, and you can find out the schedule and pickup locations at boone.k12.ky.us
- One thing you can do, if you haven't already, is complete the 2020 Census. 2020census.org is open 24 hours a day, and you can complete your information in approximately 5 minutes. I am pleased to say that Union is leading all Northern Kentucky cities with more than a 72% response. We are just ahead of Cold Spring at 66%, so let's keep our city in the lead! Visit the Census website to learn more and complete your census today.

Remember we are all in this together. Let us continue to keep ourselves, our families, our friends, our neighbors, and our fellow Union residents safe and healthy. We will get through this together as a community.

Sincerely, Mayor Larry



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