FAYETTE ALLIANCE ANNUAL REPORT

Sitting here at my desk, I can't help but be proud of all that we accomplished this past year at Fayette Alliance.

2012 was a big deal for our organization. We completed a much-needed strategic plan, ushered many major land-use policies onto the books at City Hall, and sponsored several outreach events in the community—from Polo in the Park to the Citizen's Planning Academy.

Our work to create a vibrant city that is balanced with and connected to our unique Bluegrass farmland in Fayette County is ongoing...

Some 2012 highlights from our efforts at local government include, helping "hold the line" on the Urban Services Area from expanding into more farmland for development; supporting needed resources for the 21c hotel and Rupp Arena Arts & Entertainment District projects in downtown Lexington; advancing water quality improvement initiatives such as the "Capacity Assurance Program" and the inspection of illicit sewer connections in our neighborhoods; and sponsoring the upcoming Town Branch Commons Design Competition.

# We did a lot, but there's still much to be done.

Lexington is an inspiring place with remarkable land-use opportunities. With a burgeoning downtown, beautiful neighborhoods, and the most fertile agricultural land in the world—we have many blessings as a community.

The challenge we face is balance: how do we grow Lexington in a way that leverages not threatens—the very things that make this a wonderful place to call home and do business?

We will continue to answer this question in 2013, by pursuing incentives for good urban design and redevelopment, promoting the health of and responsible access to our productive rural landscape, and efficient improvements to our water quality systems— among other sustainable growth policies.

Needless to say, it's an honor and privilege to be a part of Fayette Alliance, and in turn contribute to the hometown that I love. Your help and support make everything possible, and together we can grow our city, and promote our farms.

All my best-

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JAMES M. & MISDEE W. MILLER Hillcroft Farms

# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

KNOX VAN NAGELL, J.D.

## ADVOCACY

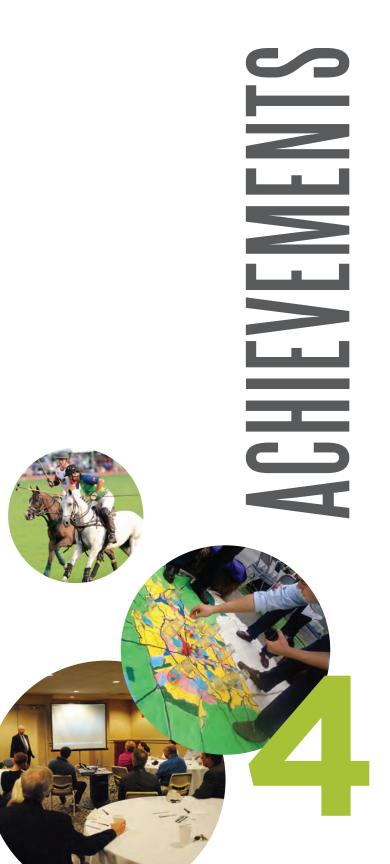
- Supported an ordinance that allows LFUCG inspectors to enter private property and fix illegal sewer connections—improving our poor water quality in Lexington. Council approved the ordinance.
- 2 Served on Design Excellence Steering Committee at LFUCG, to advance design guidelines and development incentives for downtown Lexington. Work is ongoing.
- Supported the University of Kentucky "Creative Pathway and Portal" grant application, to reclaim 800 feet of abandoned railroad on campus through trails, public art, and landscaping. Work is ongoing.
- 4 Monitored the Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment Committee at LFUCG, to advance responsible recreational opportunities throughout Lexington, and in particular, our productive and sensitive rural area. Work is ongoing.
- Supported an ordinance for "Pedestrian Oriented Business Districts", which allows for voluntary off-street parking reductions to promote downtown development. Council passed the ordinance.
- Supported a \$1.5 million allocation for the Rupp Arena Arts & Entertainment District "feasibility study"—to determine the financial, infrastructure and planning implications of the project moving forward. Council approved the allocation, to match state investment for the project. The study is ongoing.
- Supported the 21c Tax Increment Financing District—which will use local payroll and property tax revenues generated by 21c to finance the infrastructure improvements needed for the project. Council ratified the proposal, and work is underway to open the museum-hotel in the iconic old First National building by 2015.
- Served on the LFUCG Capacity Assurance Program Committee—to establish a regulatory framework by which Lexington can continue to grow, while restoring needed treatment capacity in our ailing sewer system. The committee issued, and Council ratified nineteen recommendations to administer the program—which will begin in July 2013.
- 9 Opposed a cell tower application on a scenic byway in rural Fayette County—as it constituted an illegal subdivision of land. Planning Commission denied the application.
- Monitored the LFUCG Environmental Quality Committee, and specifically its recommendations concerning the size and scope of a new sewer pump station at the Blue Sky Rural Activity Center—located off Athens-Boonesboro Road. Work is ongoing.
- Supported a local \$1 million "match" to the LFUCG Purchase of Development Rights Program in the FY 2013 budget process-- to advance their important goal of conserving 50,000 acres of prime Fayette County farmland forever.

## **EDUCATION**

- We partnered with the Gaines Center for the Humanities on the Lafayette Seminar in Public Issues, focusing on downtown development and design.
- 2 We sponsored Lexington's first Citizens Planning Academy, teaching local citizens the ins and outs of city planning, to better prepare community leaders for shaping the future of our city.
- The Allies of the Alliance organized our first LexRevealed: Discovering Fayette County's People & Places breakfast featuring Stan Harvey and Frank Butler who talked about the Rupp Arena Arts & Entertainment District and the Town Branch Commons projects.
- 4 We commissioned the Matrix Group to conduct an objective community survey in Lexington, discovering that 76% of Fayette Countians agree with our vision that Lexington can become the model for sustainable growth by creating a dynamic city that is balanced with, and connected to our unique, productive Bluegrass farmland.
- We gave presentations on the importance of sustainable growth in Lexington to many community stakeholders, including the Citizens Planning Academy; UK College of Law and Department of Geography; Garden Club of Lexington; several LFUCG entities including the Council, Greenspace and Planning Commissions; neighborhood associations; and many more.

## PROMOTION

- The Allies of the Alliance participated in PARK(ing) day, temporarily transforming a downtown parking spot into an interactive land-use map of Fayette County—to raise awareness about the importance of land-use planning in the city.
- 2 More than 700 people attended the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Bluegrass International Cup, benefiting Fayette Alliance and the Markey Cancer Foundation.
  - Sponsoring and planning the upcoming design competition for the Town Branch Commons development in downtown Lexington—to take place in January and February 2013.
    - Our first Evening in the Gardens featuring a garden tour by Jon Carloftis and talk by Sally Van Winkle at historic Mt. Brilliant Farm sold out.

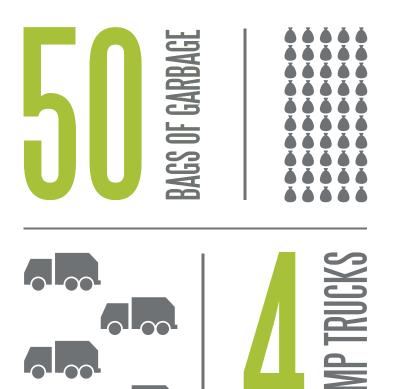


## SERVED ON THE 2012 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOALS AND OBJECTIVES STEERING COMMITTEE AT LFUCG

Findings guide the next decade of growth in Lexington. Per the committee's recommendations, Council adopted a "no expansion of the urban services boundary" planning policy, sparing more farmland from development at this time.



# REMOVED



Of debris and invasive species from Town Branch Stream during our annual stream cleanup.

SO THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO EFFICIENTLY AND EFFECTIVELY ACHIEVE OUR MISSION, FAYETTE ALLIANCE UNDERWENT AN **EXTENSIVE STRATEGIC PLANNING**, FUNDRAISING AND BRANDING AUDIT IN 2012 WITH THE HELP OF CONSULTANTS TREK ADVANCEMENT AND BULLHORN.

WORK IS ONGOING.

## VISION STATEMENT

Lexington-Fayette County will be the model for innovative and sustainable growth, by connecting and balancing its vibrant city with its productive and unique Bluegrass farmland.

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

Fayette Alliance is a coalition of citizens dedicated to achieving sustainable growth in Lexington-Fayette County through land use advocacy, education, and promotion.

As the voice for sustainable growth, Fayette Alliance believes that preserving our unique, productive Bluegrass farmland, advancing innovative development, and improving our infrastructure are essential to our collective success in Lexington.

Through our efforts at government and beyond, Fayette Alliance positively impacts planning and zoning policies - which are the building blocks of a better quality of life, economy, and environment for all of us.

### **STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

#### Maintain "Value-Add" Advocacy And Lobby Activities

- **a.** Provide fact based legal analysis on issues
- **b.** Continuity/succession planning for staff & board
- C. Improve efficiency & diversity in governance

## **2** Grow Number Of Constituents And Supporters

- a. Increase number of constituents
- Increase number of constituents who are also financial supporters
- **C.** Establish and promote events as "on-ramps" to build constituent and supporter base

#### **S** Expand Educational Programming

- **a.** Leverage marketing efforts to provide educational content for mission and policy positions
- D. Provide expert education to policy makers, stakeholders, constituents and the public via studies, symposiums, awards, workshops, speakers series and trainings
- C. Investigate the feasibility of establishing a 501 (c)
  3 entity to raise funds specifically for educational programming



# *Libby* **SAUTTER**



Occupation: Grassfed Beef Producer & Mom Supporter Since: 2006 Proudest Moment(s): When my kids do well... Bluegrass Favorites: Kentucky Horse Park, Grimes Mill House, Shakertown Best Way to Relax: A day out fox hunting, dinner with friends Why Lexington: It's a great place to raise kids. I Support Fayette Alliance Because: Without it, key development issues would go unchecked.

## Price BELL



Occupation: Bloodstock Agent Supporter Since: 2010 Proudest Moment(s): 2012 Community Survey Bluegrass Favorites: South Elkhorn, Palisades, Table 310 Brunch Best Way to Relax: Bike the Legacy Trail, walk Raven Run Why Lexington: The people and community I Support Fayette Alliance Because: We promote

*Lexington as the best place to live, work, and invest.* 

## Susan ENLOW



Occupation: Retired (Teaching & Health Care) Supporter Since: 2007 Proudest Moment(s): Overhearing compliments about Fayette Alliance Bluegrass Favorites: KY Horse Park, Legacy Trail, Elkhorn Creek Best Way to Relax: Horseback riding, cycling, kayaking Why Lexington: Horses, beautiful landscapes, right size city I Support Fayette Alliance Because: Their vision for Lexington is my vision.

## Todd A. CLARK



Occupation: Farmer Supporter Since: 2010 Proudest Moment(s): Most every moment with my sons Bluegrass Favorites: Keeneland, rural roads, and hot browns Best Way to Relax: Working on the farm Why Lexington: It's home! I Support Fayette Alliance Because: The Alliance strives to make Lexington a better place!

## Thomas **POSKIN**



Occupation: Regional Manager for Huntington Wealth Advisors Supporter Since: I heard their vision for Lexington roughly 2.5 years ago Proudest Moment(s): When thoughtful advice and effort achieve a great result for someone

**Bluegrass Favorites:** I really like it all the people, the places, and the things you can do

**Best Way to Relax:** Get some exercise **Why Lexington:** I love this place

I Support Fayette Alliance Because: I support growth but not at the expense of losing the things that make Lexington a great place to live and demonstrate that Lexington is an essential part of our American heritage. \_

#### EVENING IN THE GARDENS

All Occasions Event Productions, Inc. Apiary Fine Catering & Events Central Kentucky Youth Orchestra Crossgate Gallery Jon Carloftis Kentucky Eagle Inc. Longwood Antiques Matthew Carter Interiors Mt. Brilliant Farm Tiffany & Co.

#### POLO IN THE PARK

All Occasions Event Productions, Inc. Alltech Inc. Alt32 Apiary Fine Catering & Events AU Associates Barney Miller's Brookfield Farm Cooke's Landscaping Diamond A Farm Fasig Tipton Gainesway Hagyard Equine Medical Institute Henkel Denmark Landscape Huntington Bank **KBC** International Kentucky Eagle Inc. Kentucky Horse Park LV Harkness Markey Cancer Foundation Mt. Brilliant Farm P3 Promotional Products Plus Sayre School Shawnee Farm Software Information Systems, LLC Space Center Storage Thirsty Thursday Group Trek Advancement UK Healthcare Winter Quarter Farm

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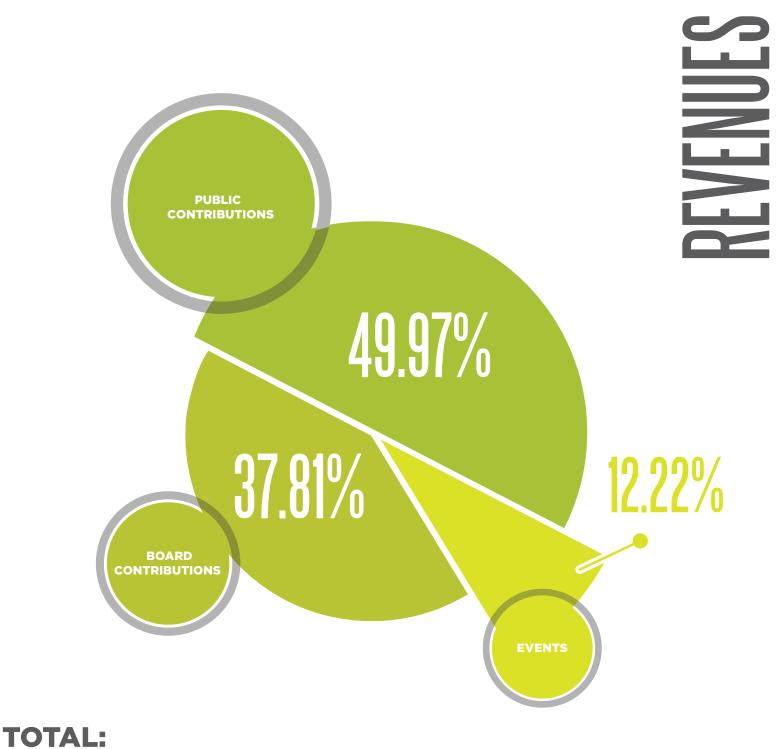
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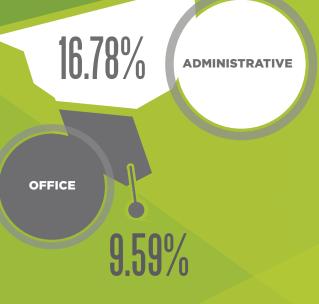


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## **TOTAL:** \$349,958.22

## SAVE THE DATE

An Evening in the Gardens at Historic Mt. Brilliant Farm THURSDAY, JULY 18th

7th Annual Bluegrass International Cup at Polo in the Park SATURDAY, JULY 20th at the KENTUCKY HORSE PARK

> WITH YOUR SUPPORT

> > We can grow our city and promote our farms in Lexington.