Bumblebee takes a turn at bat

In baseball, the player second in line waiting for a turn at bat is said to be “in the hole” sitting in the dugout with the team while one teammate is at bat and the player first in line is on deck outside the dugout.

This week Bumblebee, the machine drilling our waterway protection tunnel, is near Louisville Slugger Field in the hole being dug out 200 feet below Witherspoon Street behind the baseball stadium. But Bumblebee won’t surface at home plate.

The drill is about 37 percent through its 4-mile journey from the Portland neighborhood to its destination at Lexington Road and Grinstead Drive. In baseball terms, Bumblebee has rounded first base and is on its way to second.

The path that started at Twelfth and Rowan streets has so far seen the drill make its way eastward more than a mile, including a significant stretch below the Ohio River. The rest of the journey will go through the Butchertown and the Irish Hill areas before completion near Cherokee Park.
MSD Community Benefits Program promotes strategic partnerships for positive social impacts

MSD strives to be a good neighbor and we invite the companies that we contract with to use their resources to provide a positive impact to the communities we serve.

Our Community Benefits Program leverages economic, environmental and social impacts through our large-scale construction, professional services, and engineering projects by ensuring ratepayers benefit from MSD’s capital investment. The program encourages firms to invest in the community through a variety of ways, including workforce development, education and economic development.

These programs support job and contracting opportunities for local residents, as well as our firms; expand pre-apprentice and apprenticeship programs; support eco-literacy programs for youth; provide small business development growth, and so much more.

We invite our contractors to accomplish this goal by providing a Community Benefits Commitment of a financial contribution, volunteer hours, or in-kind services to local non-profits and schools in Jefferson County.

“Honoring our veterans

We honor the brave men and women who have made a great sacrifice to protect our families, our country and our freedom. MSD is proud of its 93 employees—14 percent of our workforce—who have served, or are currently serving, our country.

All are true American heroes.

RA Consultants are leading the way with this new initiative, as they give to sponsor YouthBuild Louisville’s Building Lives Breakfast.
This Thanksgiving and everyday... avoid a clogged pipe

Whether you are panfrying the morning bacon or deep frying the holiday bird, you always have leftover fat, oil or grease. The slippery mess should never be poured into a sink, toilet or storm drain where it can lead to plumbing or sewer problems and foul local waterways.

If you fry it up in a fryer

Louisville Metro’s full-service recycling centers accept household cooking oil left over from deep frying. It’s free and easy for residents of Jefferson County. You should first let the oil cool, strain out food particles and pour the oil into a container that has a lid. Then take it to the nearest full-service recycling center and hand it to a staff member. Louisville Metro has partnered with a private firm to collect the oil, which they recycle into biodiesel fuel.

If you fry it up in a pan

Fat and grease left over from routine pan frying can be disposed of with other residential garbage if handled properly. Just pour the grease into a container that has a lid, let it cool, and place it in the trash. That keeps it out of local waterways and sewers.

Using your sink’s garbage disposal or a grease-cutting detergent does not keep the gunk out of the plumbing and sewer system. Both merely break the solid material into smaller pieces that still flow down the drain and then build up on pipes. That eventually leads to troublesome backups and costly repairs.

To find a full-service recycling center near you, go to: Louisvilleky.gov/recycling

For more information about disposing of fats, oil, and grease, go to: LouisvilleMSD.org/HowYouCanHelp

Customer Compliments

Patrick Beasley and Darius Calloway did a heck of a good job restoring my yard after their work was complete. I appreciate their work and professionalism.

— Tony Garcia

I would like to thank Chris Huelsman for cutting and cleaning the drainage ditch near my home. I also appreciate Helen Givens who took my call.

— Praful Shesheth

Glen Cooper and his crew of Kaleb Green, James Rutledge and William Sanders did an excellent job removing the blockage from the drainage pipe near my home. They worked very hard and I appreciate their work.

— Ms. Veatch

MSD is available 24/7 at 502.540.6000
Report a sanitary sewer backup before contacting a plumber. It may save you some money.

Interested in working for one of our construction contractors? Visit MSDJobLink.org.
Upcoming Events

NOVEMBER 18
MSD Special Personnel Committee Meeting
10:30 PM, 700 West Liberty Street

NOVEMBER 18
MSD Board Meeting
1 PM, Open Session, 700 West Liberty Street

DECEMBER 16
MSD Board Meeting
1 PM, Open Session, 700 West Liberty Street

69,777 catch basins...
...billions of leaves!

Help prevent surface flooding in your neighborhood by raking leaves and debris away from catch basins — or storm drains — and properly dispose of the debris.

If a catch basin or storm drain is clogged or damaged, please do not attempt to fix it yourself.

Do not stand on or put your hand into the grate.

Contact MSD Customer Relations at 502.540.6000 or CustomerRelations@LouisvilleMSD.org — we will send someone to help.