



The Plainview News

Fall/Winter 2013-2014

Plainview, a neighborhood where we take pride in our community. Every resident plays a vital role in making our community a great place to live.

LETTER FROM PRESIDENT BRIAN ABRAMS



Plainview fills the air with the sound of final seasonal yard cuttings, leaf blowers at work, & the aroma of fireplaces gearing up. As neighbors begin to ready themselves for the Winter by completing final outdoor tasks to their homes, your Board of Directors is equally active in our beautification initiative which began in 2012.

Having now completed the tree canopy trimming of 153 trees along Timberwood Circle, rebuilt the damaged cobblestone sign at the North entrance of Timberwood Circle, installed electric to the final 3 islands located on Whetstone & Timberwood, and replaced all original stop sign posts located along Timberwood Circle, Whetstone, Florian, Ledbury, & Cambridge Station Road with new ornate black tubular post. Mayor Dieruf & the City Council were able to aid this effort by supplying new larger (& more reflective) stop signs. This project will continue throughout the subdivision in 2014.

The Mayor & City Council are also aware of some neighborhood road needs and are in the process of rating the condition of all roads for repair or replacement in a five year budget plan.

This year our Plainview pool & tennis center set a 2nd consecutive record breaking season. In 2013 the pool remained open 7 days weekly due to the tremendous positive public reaction. Our tennis pro continues implementing individual lessons as well.

We encourage each of you to join the Neighborhood Block Watch program which began in 2012. Since its inception we have seen a drop off in vandalism and other crime. For more information on this please contact Jeffersontown Police Officer Tom Dillard @ 267-0503. Your remaining Board (Norm Meyer,

Cathy Bowling, Bob Auslander, & Kristina Dreisbach) is always available for suggestions.

Mayor Dieruf encourages each of you to engage the community through the Jeffersontown website. Best location of interest to visit for all City information is: www.jeffersontownky.gov. The new site is interactive allowing you to sign up for instant messaging from City Hall. You can also Facebook City Hall at www.facebook.com/cityofjeffersontownky. Be sure to keep abreast of the new \$3.5 million Taylorsville Road Streetscape with groundbreaking due to begin later this month. This renovation to downtown Jeffersontown will be absolutely stunning!

As always, I am here to assist each of you so feel free to contact me @ 386-7777 or b.abrams@insightbb.com.

Kindest regards,
Brian Abrams
Plainview President Board of Directors

LOOKING FOR A WEB MASTER

The Plainview Residents' Association is looking for a web master, preferably a volunteer from our neighborhood. Our last web master has retired from his volunteer job of taking care of updating our web site. If you would have a few hours to donate to this project, it would be greatly appreciated. It will not require a whole lot of hours. Please call the office at 244-8240 if you are interested.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ANNUAL MEETING
NOVEMBER 13, 2013**

TWO CANDIDATES NEEDED FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

Two Candidates are needed to run for election to the Plainview Residents' Association Board of Directors. Please consider volunteering to be a candidate for the November election. Please send a brief resume telling us why you would like to serve your community. Include your name, address, telephone number, occupation and how long you have lived in Plainview. Mail to the Plainview Residents' Association, P.O. Box 436926, Louisville, KY 40253. To give us time to prepare and mail ballots to each resident, resumes must be postmarked on or before NOVEMBER 11, 2013. The elected Board members will serve a two year term of office. Volunteer some of your time to help keep Plainview an attractive upscale community.

2014 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING SCHEDULE

The Plainview Residents' Association Board of Directors meets every other month at the Tway House located at the Jeffersontown Plainview Swim and Tennis Center. Meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:00PM. All residents are invited to the meetings. Listed below are the meeting dates for 2014:

January 8, 2014	July 9, 2014
March 12, 2014	September 10, 2014
May 14, 2014	November 12, 2014

2014 HOMEOWNERS ASSESSMENT TO REMAIN \$220

The Plainview Residents Association is responsible for all maintenance and overall appearance of our neighborhood. This year's Board has authorized many new projects in conjunction with long overdue improvements to our infrastructure. The Board found innovative ways to implement cost cutting measures which has yielded dividends enabling us to proudly announce no need for an increase in dues next year. The Annual Assessment for 2014 will remain \$220. Notices will be mailed out to each of you in November. The full amount is due on or before December 31, 2013. After January 1, 2014 the amount becomes past due. After May 1, 2014 liens are placed against the property and interest is added to the unpaid balance. If you need to make your assessment in payments for the current year or have a lien then please call the office @ 244-8240. Your Board constantly works toward keeping your neighborhood attractive further enabling the property values to continue to appreciate. We thank you for your confidence!

DYING TREES IN PLAINVIEW EMERALD ASH BORER BEETLE

The Emerald Ash Borer Beetle has killed tens of millions of Ash trees in other states – destroying forests, fishing spots, campgrounds, and neighborhoods. Plainview residents are now witnessing the same devastation to their Ash trees. There are some chemical controls available to help prolong the life of your Ash trees but arborists recommend removing your Ash trees over the next few years and replacing them with another species of tree. The most effective way to stop the EAB is to not move firewood. The beetle's eggs & larvae tunnel into the tree they infest. Cutting a tree into firewood doesn't kill the EAB developing inside. People unknowingly transport the EAB hundreds of miles in firewood. It is important to only purchase firewood from local sources. Finally, before the onset of Spring, burn your remaining firewood to eliminate any chance of spreading larvae into living neighborhood trees.

CLARIFY A COMMON MISCONCEPTION REGARDING TREES LOCATED ON "EASEMENTS"

All trees located on any homeowner's easement belong to that homeowner. A common misconception in Plainview is that the Homeowner's Association is responsible for damaged, dying, or dead trees located in the easement between the sidewalk and street. That area still belongs to the individual homeowner; not to Plainview Residents Association or the City of Jeffersontown. The neighborhood association is charged with maintaining all grounds not owned by residents such as the common areas. We also maintain all islands which are owned by the City of Jeffersontown. Each year we remove a large amount of storm damaged, dying, or dead trees in the aforementioned areas. The City of Jeffersontown also clears fallen trees that obstruct roads or sidewalks, however, isn't responsible for removing the fallen tree, only its clearance. Please be cognizant of the health & condition of your trees. The Homeowners Association does have a horticulturalist on staff to aid in your tree concerns or questions.

REGULATION PROHIBITING OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES IN COMMON AREAS

Pursuant to Section 24 (a) of the Declarations of Restrictions for Plainview subdivision; the use and operation of motor vehicles including but not limited to automobiles, all-terrain vehicles, go-carts, motorcycles, dirt bikes, three wheelers, golf carts, utility vehicles, trucks, tractors, lawnmowers, or any other vehicle propelled by an engine or motor of any kind, within the common areas of the Plainview subdivision, shall be & is hereby prohibited, except for equipment being used to mow or otherwise maintain or improve the common areas pursuant to contract with the Plainview Residents' Association, Inc. Thank you for your assistance.

Have a safe and happy holiday season!

BELOW ARE SOME OF THE DEED RESTRICTIONS THAT AFFECT OUR RESIDENTS. PLEASE READ THEM CAREFULLY AND PLEASE HELP US TO ENFORCE THESE DEED RESTRICTIONS.

Deed restrictions were imposed for the mutual benefit of all property owners in the Plainview Subdivision. If everyone can abide by these simple restrictions, property values will be preserved and hopefully increased in the coming years.

SIGNS

PLEASE remember we do have a Deed Restriction against signs in your front yards for advertising or any other purpose. Please remember this when having work done to your home. The only signs allowed in your front yard are "For Sale" signs. No pointer signs are allowed. Open House signs are allowed on the day of the Open House and should be removed at the end of that day. Yard sale signs are permitted on the day of the sale and should be picked up after the sale is over. PLEASE help us to follow these sign restrictions. The office has received many comments from surrounding neighborhoods on how nice our subdivision looks without signs everywhere.

ADDITIONS TO YOUR HOME

PLEASE remember when making any changes to your home on the exterior, you need to seek the approval of the Board of Directors of the Plainview Residents' Association. This includes additions to your home, fencing, playhouses or any structure that is an addition to your property. Please contact the office for more information.

TREE REMOVAL

When removing trees from your yard, you need to seek the approval of the Board of Directors of the Plainview Residents' Association. Please contact the office for more information.

LISTED BELOW ARE OTHER ISSUES THE OFFICE RECEIVES NUMEROUS PHONE CALLS REGARDING:

PARKING

Some streets in Plainview are narrow and parking on the street can cause congestion and be dangerous for pedestrians, children at play and emergency vehicles. Do not use the grassy areas (between the street and sidewalk) for parking, these are easements, not parking spaces. PLEASE use your garages and driveways as much as possible and PLEASE do not block the sidewalks, ours is a pedestrian neighborhood.

PETS

The office receives many calls regarding dogs being left outside for hours and barking constantly. This is a disturbance to your surrounding neighbors. If your neighbor's dog is one of the offenders, perhaps discussing the problem with your neighbor is a good first step. If not, Jeffersontown has a nuisance ordinance and barking dogs are considered disturbing the peace. If you call the Jeffersontown Police Department, they will send an officer out to warn the offending parties. PLEASE be a good pet owner and good neighbor and attend to your pets needs.

Also, we have had some complaints about dogs and cats running loose in the neighborhood. Please remember there is a leash law in Jeffersontown and a Deed Restriction in Plainview. Article 8 of the Deed Restrictions specifically states "household pets shall at all times be confined to the lot occupied by the owner of such pet". Animal Control does patrol the neighborhood. We want to commend those Plainview pet owners who, when walking their dogs, carry "scoopers" and plastic bags to clean up after their pets. We ask all pet owners to carry plastic bags and clean up after their pets. We appreciate your thoughtfulness.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS - SAVE!

JEFFERSONTOWN PUBLIC

WORKS DEPT: 267-7273.

Includes trash collection, recycling, street cleaning, sidewalk repair, street repair

JEFFERSONTOWN CITY HALL:

267-8333.

Bill Dieruf, Mayor
City Council Members

JEFFERSONTOWN POLICE

DEPARTMENT: 267-0503.

Call this number for Block Watch Program and General Information

JEFFERSONTOWN WEBSITE

www.jeffersontownky.com

LG&E: 589-1444 - PRESS 1

Street lights out, repairs

ANIMAL CONTROL & PROTECTION CENTER:

363-6609 Stray Animals

MAILBOX REPAIRS OR NEW INSTALLATION:

Metal Boxes - Steel Creations

Ask for **Shawn** - 636-2100

Price: \$280.00

Wood Boxes -

Please call the office

Brick Boxes

Mike Perry - 419-0201

Total price for all materials and installation is \$700.00

GARBAGE COLLECTION:

Questions regarding trash collection and recycling ,please call Marcia @ J-Town City Hall - 267-8333

PLAINVIEW RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION:

Office: 244-8240

Fax: 253-9226

J-TOWN PLAINVIEW SWIM & TENNIS CENTER

SWIM—244-4670

TENNIS—244-4974

PLAINVIEW WEBSITE

www.plainviewassoc.com

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