

PLAIN TOWNSHIP NEWS

FALL 2013



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A Letter From The Board of Trustees

Fall is almost here and with fall comes football games, pumpkins, cooler weather, colorful leaves... and the flu! This year, Plain Township and AultCare are teaming up and combining forces to help make our community a healthier place by fighting the flu. Did you know that each year, in the United States alone, 200,000 people are hospitalized from flu complications and 36,000 people die from the flu?

We're doing our part to prevent the spread by inviting you and your family to join us on Tuesday, October 1st, from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Fire Station Number 5 located at 7858 Market Avenue in Plain Township to receive your flu shot and increase your awareness of flu prevention. Flu shots will be given to adults, 18 years of age and older only. The Aultman Wellness on Wheels

(WOW) van is attending and will also have the "germ detector" with them to evaluate the effectiveness of your hand washing techniques. The cost for a flu shot is \$20 - no appointments necessary.

Plain Township and Aultcare are excited to announce their new relationship promoting health and wellness throughout our community. We hope to see you, your friends and your family there! Please contact:

Abbey Roach with AultCare at (330) 363-6187 if you have any questions, comments or concerns.



CDC Flu Fact: Even healthy people can carry the virus that causes the flu. Do your part, consider getting a flu shot!

New Substation Open

The Plain Township Board of Trustees is happy to announce that the Sheriff's Office substation located within Fire Station # 3 at 2625 - 25th Street NW is now open.

The substation is not manned, however, it is a place where residents can meet with their Sheriff Deputies by appointment, instead of traveling to the Sheriff's office located off of Route 62.

Simply call (330) 430-3800, extension 0 to schedule an appointment. There is also a phone located outside of the substation door that rings directly to the Sheriff's Department when picked up.

Our deputies will also utilize this substation to work on reports and cases without having to leave Plain Township.

This collaboration between the Board of Trustees and Sheriff George Maier truly makes Plain Township a safer place to live, work, worship and play.



Photo L-R: Lt. Springer, Det. Konic, Trustee Haws, Sheriff Maier, Trustee Giavasis, Trustee Leno, Fiscal Officer Flex, Capt. George

FALL E-WASTE RECYCLING

Plain Township will be sponsoring another E-Waste Recycling Program this fall at the Plain Township Hall at 2600 Easton St NE, Canton, OH 44721 on: **October 21st thru October 25th Monday – Friday 7 a.m. – 6 p.m.**

Please note: There will be no recycling on the weekend.



Plain Township Board of Trustees Welcome

Detective William D. Konic

Meet our new Plain Township Detective!

Detective William D. Konic Jr. is a 1994 graduate of Cuyahoga Falls High School and joined the Stark County Sheriff's Office in 2001. Prior to his appointment of Detective for Plain Township, Detective Konic spent the last three years as a domestic violence investigator that was

funded under the VAWA (Violence Against Women's Act) Grant. Detective Konic has worked at the Stark County Jail, Civil & Operations Divisions and is a 2013 recipient of the Knights of Columbus Blue Coat Award. Detective Konic resides in Plain Township with his wife of 17 years, Jennifer



Psychological & Counseling Centre, LLC

Providing individual, child/adolescent, couples, group, family therapy and alcohol/drug programs.

1201 South Main St., Suite 100 330.244.8782
North Canton, Ohio 44720 fax 330.244.8795
www.vistapcc.com

House Numbers Available

Being able to find your residence or business is critical to aiding safety professionals in responding to an emergency. Residents can obtain signs with a blue metal background and large reflective numbers to aid in locating addresses.

To order, send the order form and a \$15 check to:

Plain Township Paramedics,
3625 Middlebranch Avenue NE
Canton, OH 44705

Call (330)492-4089 with questions.

House Numbering Order Form

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Zip: _____

Number on sign: _____

Direction of numbers on sign:

Horizontal _____

Vertical _____

**Proceeds benefit the
Plain Township Fire/
Medics Association**

Aluminum Cans for Burned Children

ACBC is an organization that helps child burn victims and their families by providing the following:

- *Special protective clothing not covered by insurance.
- *Non-medical items such as pets or toys lost in home fires.
- *Bicycles that help children exercise their injured bodies.
- *Transportation to out-patient treatments.

Many special events for child burn victims are also funded by Aluminum Cans for Burned Children thanks to your donations:

- *Annual holiday party.
- *Summer Burn Camp.
- *Fire safety educational programs that help prevent future tragedies.
- *An annual weekend outing for adult burn patients who have been treated at the Akron Regional Burn Center.

Your contribution of aluminum cans at any of the Plain Township Fire Stations is very appreciated!

Fire Station #1 - 3625 Middlebranch Ave NE

Fire Station #3 - 2625 25th Street NW

Fire Station #4 - 2855 Easton Street NE

Fire Station #5 - 7858 Market Avenue N



Plain Local Community Center for the Performing Arts

is pleased to present THE

TEMPTATIONS

Friday, October 11, 2013 at 8:00 pm
Live at Glen Oak High School Theater
1801 Schneider Street, Plain Township

Tickets are \$30—\$50

Call (330) 437-9791 for tickets and more information!



Prescription Drug Drop Off



In an effort to keep our citizens healthy and drugs off the street, the Plain Township Board of Trustees in cooperation with the Stark County Sheriff's Department, Stark County Metropolitan Narcotics Unit and Drug Enforcement Administration will have a free prescription drug drop off event; 10 am - 2 pm, Saturday, October 26, 2013 at Plain Township Hall, 2600 Easton Street NE. Deputies will take any unused prescription drugs, no questions asked and dispose of them safely.

This National Drug Take-back event has been a huge success in the past to keep unused drugs off the streets and prevent accidental poisoning.

Fall Yard Debris

With the fall season upon us, the Plain Township Zoning Department has begun to receive phone calls regarding leaves. Please be advised that there are **no** zoning regulations regarding leaves and/or leaf cleanup. Plain Township provides two yard waste recycling drop off sites (see page 8 for locations and hours). If you know of an elderly person or a neighbor needing assistance, lend a helping hand or suggest that they contact a local church or youth group for volunteers.

Zoning Certificate of Conformance

To ALL commercial property owners and potential tenants: A Certificate of Conformance Permit is required prior to anyone occupying a building in a Business, Office or Industrial District.

A NEW permit is required for any change in Business use, Change of ownership or Change of tenant. Applications can be picked up at the Plain Township Zoning Department during regular office hours.

Board Positions Available

The Plain Township Trustees are accepting letters of intent from persons interested in filling expiring terms for the Board of Zoning Appeals and Zoning Commission. One position to each Board will be appointed for a five-year term, starting January 2014. Interested persons must be legal residents of Plain Township and must be able to devote up to three evenings per month to hear variance, conditional use or rezoning requests. Zoning knowledge is preferred but not required.

Letters of intent should be accompanied by a resume and may be mailed to the Plain Township Zoning Department (ATTN: Zoning Director) 2600 Easton Street NE, Canton, Ohio 44721 or dropped off between the hours of 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. Letters of intent are accepted until *Monday, December 2, 2013*.

Sign Permits

Almost any temporary sign requires a sign permit. So before you put out the next banner or portable sign, make sure you have

obtained your sign permit from the Zoning Department.

A temporary sign permit is good for thirty days. You may put out a temporary sign for two months out of a six-month time period. Please apply for and obtain your temporary sign permit *before* placing it outside of your business. All permanent signs require permits! Please check with the Zoning Department for size regulations at (330)492-4686.



Schneider Community Dog Park

Plain Township residents and their 4-legged companions are blessed to have a beautiful dog park, Schneider Community Dog Park provides many benefits to our dogs, residents and our community. Our dogs and puppies are provided with a space to run off leash in a safe and supervised environment while socializing with their fellow companions.

A well exercised dog is a healthier happier dog and better neighbor at home. Our dog park also provides opportunities for their human owners to socialize. It brings people together and creates a greater sense of community. However, in order to maintain a successful dog park, responsible pet ownership is key! Before visiting the Plain Township Dog Park, be sure your dog has all of its vaccinations! Speak to your veterinarian and discuss the risks and benefits of vaccinating your dog for Bordatella or "kennel cough".

Kennel cough is a highly contagious respiratory infection. Keep on a regular heartworm treatment and flea control options. See your veterinarian regularly. Responsible pet ownership is the key to a healthy dog and a healthy dog park!

*"They motivate us to play,
be affectionate,
seek adventure
and be loyal."* - Tom Hayden



Paving & Microsurfacing

Our 2013 Plain Township Paving and Road Repair Project has now been completed. Approximately ten miles of roadway have been repaved.

We would like to thank our residents for their patience with any inconveniences that may have occurred during this time.

If you see dumping taking place, please call (330) 493-9904.

Sight Obstructions

Please trim back your trees, bushes, hedges, etc. that may cause a sight problem for drivers on your street. The courts have determined that there may be a joint liability between the property owner and the government agency for hazards in the right-of-way.

If you see an obstruction of sight in your neighborhood, please report it to the Plain Township Road Department at (330) 492-3423.

Right-of-Way Obstruction

Please remember that trash cans and portable or permanent basketball hoops cannot be placed in the road right-of-way. According to ORC Section 3767.15, no obstruction can be placed in the right-of-way.

Drainage Problems

Please remember not to rake leaves, grass clippings or other debris into the storm sewers, ditches or streets. Keeping storm sewers and ditches clean will help reduce drainage problems. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Also note that it is illegal to dump oil, antifreeze, herbicides, pesticides or other hazardous products into

ditches, culverts or catch basins. All violators will be prosecuted. If you see illegal dumping taking place, please report it to the Stark County Health Department at (330) 493-9904.

Permits Required

A Road Opening Permit is required for any excavation in the township right-of-way. The fee for this permit is \$50.

A Driveway Permit is required for new construction or any other improvements made to an existing driveway. This permit gives you instructions for paving and apron requirements. The fee for this permit is \$10.

Permits can be obtained by coming to the Plain Township Road Department, located at 6300 Heminger Avenue NE.

More information can be found on the internet at www.plaintownship.com.

Stormwater Marking

Plain Township is seeking volunteers for the stormwater curb marking program. We need groups of four or more such as Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, youth groups or anyone else who may be interested. What is storm water curb marking?

This is a coordinated effort to apply educational messages on local storm drains and basins that flow into important bodies of water. Organizing a curb marking project is a very important environmental initiative that can lead to cleaner, healthier recreation and drinking water for our homes, communities and our neighbors downstream.

To report right-of-way obstructions, please call (330) 492-3423.

The purpose of curb marking storm drains is to reduce or eliminate NPS pollution. Stenciling the words "Do Not Dump, Drains To Lake" warns the community not to dump pollutants in catch basins.

If you or your organization are interested, please contact Sean Moriarty at the Plain Township Road Department (330) 492-3423 or by email at smoriarty@plaintownship.com.



2013 MUTT STRUT
Coming to Schneider Park
September 29, 2013

The 2013 Mutt Strut is again at our very own Schneider Community Park!

Bring out your mutts and pups for a dog-gone fun day to support the Stark County Humane Society and Schneider Community Dog Park. The Mutt Strut is a two mile casual walk for dogs and their families. To help raise additional funds, participants are encouraged to solicit pledges per mile with a two-mile maximum. Registration will begin at noon. The walk will take place from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Only two dogs are allowed per walker. Each dog must be leashed, vaccinated and licensed.

A \$10 donation and one of the following is required: cat litter, dry/canned kitty or puppy food, feeding bowls and more. Contact the SCHS (330)453-5529 for more information!



Trick Or Treat

Get your goblins, superheroes and princesses ready!
Trick Or Treat in Plain Township will be Sunday, October 27, 2013 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Competitive Indoor Soccer

Competitive Indoor Soccer begins on November 1, 2013 with a registration deadline of October 25, 2013. This league is for skilled teams in the U-10, U-12, U-14, Adult Coed, Open Men's, High School Boys/Coed and High School Girls divisions. All Youth and Adult Coed registration is \$600.00/team; High School and Open Men's, \$630/team. Register by October 11th and receive a \$25 discount per team. Pay full registration by October 25th and receive \$25 off your team fee!



Recreational Indoor Soccer

Recreational Indoor Soccer will begin on November 2, 2013. All players in Kindergarten through Sixth grade are permitted to participate. Parents and guardians who would like to volunteer to coach a soccer team will receive one child's registration at a discounted rate of \$50.00. Registration will be taken at the Diamond Sports Complex on Saturday, October 5 & 12, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Call (330) 499-0000 for information.

Zumba Fitness



Zumba is a fitness class that combines dance and fitness moves for a fun workout. Music selections are both fast and slow rhythms to help sculpt the body. This class is modified appropriately for teenagers, adults and even senior citizens of any level, taught by an authorized Zumba fitness instructor. Three 8 week sessions!

When: Tuesdays, September 17 - November 5 from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Where: Diamond Sports Complex upstairs mezzanine, 2782 Diamond Street NE, Canton, Ohio 44721

Fee: \$32 per eight-week session OR \$5/Walk-in



Messy Hands

The Plain Township Parks & Recreation Department invites you and your little one to get creative with us at the Diamond Community Room! Everyday craft items used in CREATIVE ways! ALL things GOOEY and much more! - Paint! Clay! Imagination! Dress children in old clothes. We promise to get messy! Ages: 2 - 5 years.

When: Mondays, Session one; September 9 - October 7 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Mondays, Session two; October 21 - November 25 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Where: Diamond Community Room, 2782 Diamond Street NE, Canton, Ohio 44721

Fee: \$35 per child. Space is limited!



Creative Movement Dance Class, Ages 3 - 4 years

Designed for the early development of rhythm and movement. This is the perfect preparation for children going into tap, ballet, jazz dance, gymnastics and tumbling!

When: Wednesdays, September 18 - October 23 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Where: Diamond Sports Complex, 2782 Diamond Street NE, Canton, Ohio 44721

Fee: \$30 per child



Tumbling for Boys & Girls, Ages 5 - 7 years

Get your child moving in a new, fun, exciting class! They will meet new friends, learn acrobatic skills and most importantly — get exercise! Each week, learning how to do rolls, safely stretch, tumble, and more.

When: Fridays, September 20 - October 25 from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Where: Diamond Sports Complex, 2782 Diamond Street NE, Canton, Ohio 44721

Fee: \$30 per child

Women's Personal Protection Classes

NOW is the time to take personal protection classes. This six-week class is offered to all women ages 16 and over and will be taught by certified instructors from the Ohio Crime Prevention Association. A FREE 90-minute demo on September 25, 2013 at 6:30 pm, is where you will learn valuable crime prevention information, real situations, awareness, verbal assertiveness tips, and strategies that every woman should know. Mothers, daughters, sisters and friends are encouraged to enroll together.

When: Wednesdays, October 2 through November 6, 2013 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Where: Diamond Sports Complex, 2782 Diamond Street NE, Plain Township

Fee: \$30.00 per participant

Senior Programs

The Plain Township Parks and Recreation Department, in cooperation with Parkway AARP Chapter 5190, presents a series of seminars to bring together local senior citizens. On the fourth Thursday of each month, seniors can meet for lunch and listen to a guest speaker or enjoy entertainment at the lovely Chateau Michele, 2231 44th Street NW, Canton. Seminars are only \$11 and all senior citizens are welcome. Reservations must be made prior to attending.

All guests and visitors are welcome to attend two seminars before it is required by the AARP that you become a member of the national organization. Membership in the local chapter is \$9 per year. For more information, **contact Marge McClelland at (330) 497-0184.**

September 26, 2013 - 12:00 p.m. - Gardens - Cindy Petitti

Cindy Petitti will tell us "How to Put Your Garden to Bed"

Lunch: Country-Fried Steak with Mashed Potatoes OR Broiled Scrod with Baked Potatoes
Includes: Coffee or Tea, Salad, and Dessert!

October 24, 2013 - 12:00 p.m. - Line Dancers - Zeigler Follies

The Zeigler Follies will entertain us with their Line Dancers

Lunch: Baked Chicken OR Sausage & Peppers
Includes: Coffee or Tea, Salad, Pasta Marinara and Dessert!

November 21, 2013 - 12:00 p.m. - A Salute to Our Veterans

Lunch: Turkey with Mashed Potatoes OR Ham with Scalloped Potatoes
Includes: Coffee or Tea, Salad and Dessert!



Flag Football!

Get more football! Fall Flag Football has arrived!! Kids grades K-4th learn the basic fundamentals in a fun environment and build physical and athletic skills by working on speed, agility, catching and hand-eye coordination!

When: Thursdays, September 12 through October 17, 2013 from 6:00 to 7:15 p.m.

Where: Alpine Community Park, 3059 Alpine Street, Plain Township

Fee: \$60 includes team t-shirt and medal! Register online for only \$50at Jumpstartsports.com today!



Hummingbird Soccer for 3 & 4 year olds!

Have fun and learn the game of soccer with instruction in all aspects of the game, participation in fun drills designed to teach fundamental skills to young children and low-key, non-competitive games!

When: Tuesdays, September 10 through October 15, 2013 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. or 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Where: Diamond Community Park, 2782 Diamond Street NE, Plain Township

Fee: \$60 includes team t-shirt and medal! Register online for only \$50at Jumpstartsports.com today!



T-Birds T-Ball for 3 & 4 year olds & Rookie Baseball for 5 & 6 year olds!

Players learn the basics of throwing, catching, fielding, batting and base running!! Applying what they have learned in fun, non-competitive games! Rookies progress through the season from T-Ball to Coach Pitch Baseball!!!

When: Mondays, September 9 through October 14, 2013 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. & 6:30 to 7:45p.m.

Where: Ball field # 1 at Diamond Community Park, 2782 Diamond Street NE, Plain Township

Fee: \$65 includes team t-shirt and medal! Register online for only \$55 at Jumpstartsports.com today!



Introductory Volleyball for Boys & Girls, Grades 1st - 6th!

An exciting Volleyball experience for Boys & Girls at Alpine Park! Explore the fundamentals of Volleyball through action packed sessions designed to teach basic skills!

When: Thursdays, September 12 through October 17, 2013 from 6:00 to 7:15 p.m.

Where: Alpine Community Park, 3059 Alpine Street, Plain Township

Fee: \$60 includes team t-shirt and medal! Register online for only \$50at Jumpstartsports.com today!



Contact List

Elected Officials

Trustees (330) 492-4689
 Fiscal Officer/Finance (330) 493-1366
 County Commissioners (330) 451-7371

Fire & Rescue

Fire Administration (330) 492-4089
 Emergency Calls 911

History

Historical Society (330) 494-6187

Parks & Recreation

Plain Township Parks (330) 499-0000
 Park Reservations (330) 492-4689

Plain Local Sports

Community Soccer Club
www.communitysoccerclub.com

Holly Hills Baseball (330) 495-6333
www.hollyhillsbaseball.com

Greater Stark Co. Amateur Soccer League
www.greaterstarkasl.org

Plain Local Baseball (330) 280-2501
www.PLBSA.com

Plain Midget Football (330) 966-2475
www.plainlocalfootball.org

Big Dog Lacrosse (330) 685-7199
www.bigdoglacrosse.com

Police

Stark County Sheriff (330) 430-3800

Real Estate Records

Stark County Auditor (330) 451-7334

Recycling

Solid Waste District 1-800-678-9839

Road/Storm Sewer

Stark County Roads (330) 477-6781
 Stark County Sewer (330) 451-2303
 State of Ohio Roads (330) 452-0365
 Township Roads (330) 492-3423

Schools

Canton City (330) 438-2500
 North Canton (330) 497-5600
 Plain Schools Admin. (330) 492-3500
 Plain Bus Garage (330) 492-1918

Septic Systems

Stark Co. Health Dept. (330) 493-9904

Voter Registration

Board of Elections (330) 451-8683

Water Service

Canton City Water (330) 489-3315
 North Canton Water (330) 499-4801
 Aqua Water 1-877-987-2782

Zoning Permits

Plain Township Zoning (330) 492-4686

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E-mail: general@plaintownship.com or
 visit our website for an e-mail directory
www.plaintownship.com

YARD WASTE RECYCLING FACILITIES

Unassisted yard waste drop-offs are available at two locations. Leaves, branches, small tree limbs and other yard waste is accepted and may be loose or in paper bags. Please, no plastic bags.

Fire Station #4, 2855 Easton Street NE

- ♦ Monday, Thursday and Saturday, 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- ♦ Starting October 7, 2013, we will be open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and Sunday from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed for Columbus Day, Veterans Day and Thanksgiving weekend.
- ♦ Starting December 2, 2013, we will resume Monday, Thursday and Saturday, 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Warstler Brothers Landscaping, 4125 Salway Avenue NW

- ♦ Starting October 13, 2013, we will be open seven days per week, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Please note that we will close for the winter on January 10, 2014.

Note: Please be respectful of the times of operation as those are the only hours drop off is permitted.