Plain Township Aquatic Center

Early-Bird Rate Ends April 30 This Year

The Early-Bird rates end on April 30th. Memberships must be received in the Township office by April 30th for you to receive the discounted rate and a free guest card of 10 visits (15 visits for renewing members), a value up to $80.

The membership form was mailed to Plain Township and New Albany residents in the middle of February and e-mailed to all existing members, in January. The form can also be picked up at the Township offices located at 45 Second Street, as well as downloaded from our website www.plaintownship.org.

Membership rates are either Resident or Non-Resident, depending on your taxing district. Call the township if you’re not sure. Please send in the correct fee so your membership is processed in a timely manner. Membership rates for 2016 remain the same as last year.

Daily admission fees remain the same for 2016. Adults (age 18 and over) are $9.00, Youth (Age 3 – 17) are $7.00, seniors (Age 60+) are $5.00. And after 4:00 pm admission is $5.00 for everyone. Children 2 and under are free and must be in swim diapers. The 12 visit Patron 12 pass is $70.00, up to $38.00 in savings.

Movie night is back for 2017! We will show two movies. On Friday, June 16 we will show “Secret Life of Pets” and on Friday, July 21 will show “Finding Dory.” We will also coordinate our Float n’ Fireworks with New Albany’s fireworks. Come relax in our heated pool and watch the fireworks. The pool will remain open until 11 pm (weather permitting).

Member Only Hours were so well received the last three years, we have decided to continue with it for 2017, every Saturday from 11 am – 12 pm, members only will be allowed to enter the pool, as long as they swipe their membership cards. The pool will open to the public at 12:00 pm.

Member appreciation days will be every Tuesday, throughout the summer! Each member may bring one guest, for FREE! Family Night will also be moved to Tuesday evenings, starting at 5 pm. The concession stand will be running specials so you and your family can enjoy dinner at the pool. And remember, admission is only $5.00 after 4:00 pm.

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Join PTAC On-Line

PTAC accepts Credit Cards (Visa, Master Card & Discover). You can register on-line for memberships and birthday parties. Visit our website www.plaintownship.org click the link for membership registration and payment. Credit card transactions are made through a secure website.

Swim Lessons & Job Opportunities

Members can sign up early for swim lessons on Sunday, May 21 (11-2pm). Memberships must be processed prior to May 21st to be included on the “Member List” for lesson and swim team registration. Swim lesson registrations must be made in person by a parent or legal guardian. Opening day, Saturday May 27 will be for members and residents. Open registration will begin on Sunday May 28. Swim lesson forms are available on our website.

Summer job opportunities at the pool can be found on the Plain Township website by clicking “Aquatic Center – Employment.” Columbus Pool Management will be running our pool this summer. Contact CPM for lifeguard and front desk staff positions. For concession jobs, call Scott Nail at 1-800-931-8721 for information. Redwood Management, formerly Cardinal Concessions will operate the concession stand.
Community Backyard Program

In partnership with Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District, Plain Township residents are eligible for a $50 rebate on the purchase of native plants or trees. You pick the plant, and receive a $50 rebate. All you have to do is complete an online activity or attend a local workshop. Visit www.communitybackyard.org to learn more.

Together with our partners, we strive to promote stormwater education within Franklin County. Keeping rain where it falls and using it as a resource keeps our watersheds healthy and safe. We continue to promote the use of rain barrels and rain gardens, while introducing residents to backyard conservation practices, including composting, using native plants and trees in your landscape, and responsible lawn care maintenance by offering eligible residents $50 reimbursements once they purchase an approved rain barrels, compost bin, native plants and trees, or soil tests from a licensed retailer within the current year of participation.

The GreenSpot Community Backyards program is available to City of Columbus residents, participating municipalities, and Franklin County residents who register to be a City of Columbus GreenSpot member. The rebate program does re-start each year, giving residents that participated and received a rebate in past year’s an opportunity to explore another conservation method in their backyard year after year.

Junk Car Regulations

Junk car regulations are one of the most misunderstood codes in the Ohio Revised Code (ORC). Not all unlicensed and damaged cars are junk cars. Regardless of whether the vehicle is licensed, unlicensed, or considered a collectable, the state regulation falls under ORC 505.173 which defines a “junk motor vehicle” as a motor vehicle that meets all of the following criteria:

- Three model years old, or older;
- Apparently inoperable;
- Extensively damaged, including, but not limited to, any of the following: missing wheels, tires, engine, or transmission.

If you believe there is a junk motor vehicle in Plain Township that fits these criteria, please contact our office at 614-855-2087.

Hydrant Flushing

The Plain Township Fire Department will begin spring hydrant inspections mid-April. Firefighters will flush and pump out each of the 1000+ hydrants located in New Albany and Plain Township. Residents may notice a slight discoloration in their water during inspections, which run through the end of May. Any questions can be directed to Captain Myers at Plain Township Fire Department, (614) 855-7370.

Maplewood Cemetery

Plain Township residents, including those living within the City of New Albany in Franklin County, may purchase graves at Maplewood Cemetery at a reduced rate. The resident rate is a significant discount. Please consider your plans before moving out of the township or city.

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Remembering David “Beau” Schoener

It is with heavy hearts that we report the passing of one of our own - Firefighter Paramedic David "Beau" Schoener. On Sunday, March 12th, 2017, Beau passed away unexpectedly at his home of a heart attack. He was 39 years old.

Beau began his career as a Plain Township Firefighter on August 6th, 2003 and worked on 2 Unit. Beau was a passionate and dedicated firefighter; recognized multiple times for outstanding service to the department and the community. He also served in the Hurricane Katrina rescue efforts.

Beau was an exceptional person with an outgoing personality and was loved by everyone at Plain Township. He will be greatly missed, and his passing will leave a void in the department that can never be filled.

Beau was dedicated to his family, friends, beloved partner Chelsea, and most of all his son Jake. The Plain Township Firefighters Local 3850 has created a GoFundMe page (Beau Schoener Memorial Fund) to help support the family during this difficult time.

Emergency Preparedness

Whether you are at work, home, in a vehicle or on vacation The Plain Township Fire Department encourages every resident to prepare for natural and manmade disasters. Prepare by making a disaster plan, which includes a family communication plan and create a disaster supply kit that will allow you to survive on your own after an emergency. This means having your own food, water and other supplies in sufficient quantity to last for at least 72 hours.

Local officials and relief workers will be on the scene after a disaster but they cannot reach everyone immediately. You could get help in hours or it might take days. Additionally, basic services such as electricity, gas, water, sewage treatment and telephones may be cut off for days or even a week, or longer. Your supplies kit should contain items to help you manage during these outages.

- Visit [www.weathersafety.ohio.gov](http://www.weathersafety.ohio.gov) for sever weather awareness info.
- Visit [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov) for detailed information on emergency preparedness.

Look Before You Lock! Hot Cars Can Kill

On average, 37 children die from heat-related deaths after being trapped inside vehicles each year in the U. S. Even the best of parents or caregivers can unknowingly leave a sleeping baby in a car, and the result can be injury or even death. Hundreds of pets also die each year from heat exhaustion because they are left in parked vehicles. If you see a child or pet alone in a vehicle, call 911.

Temperatures inside a car can rise approximately 40 degrees within one hour. Leaving windows cracked does not make a difference. **At 70 degrees on a sunny day, after a half hour, the temperature inside a car soars to 104 degrees. After an hour, it can reach 113 degrees.**

Smoke Detectors

Fire can spread rapidly through your home, leaving you as little as one or two minutes to escape safely once the alarm sounds. A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat and fire. Your ability to get out depends on advance warning from smoke alarms and advance planning.

- Install smoke alarms in every sleeping room and outside each separate sleeping area.
- Install alarms on every level of the home.
- Test the alarms and change the batteries.
- Smoke alarms should be interconnected. When one sounds, they all sound. Pull together everyone in your household and make a plan (escape map).

An Escape Plan

Walk through your home and inspect all possible exits and escape routes. Establish a safe outside meeting place. Practice your escape plan.

Households with children should consider drawing an escape map of your home, marking two ways out of each room, including windows and doors. Also, mark the location of each smoke alarm and outside meeting place on the map.

Remind children that when the smoke alarm sounds they should get out and stay out! Once they are at their safe meeting place they should not go back inside until a grown up or firefighter tells them it is safe.

Visit [www.sparky.org](http://www.sparky.org) for videos and games to help educate children on fire safety. Click on the parent link to download activity sheets and an escape map plan.

This is a great way to get children involved in fire safety in a non-threatening way. Contact the Plain Township Fire Department at 614.855.7370, ext. 4 with questions about smoke alarms and escape plans.
UPCOMING EVENTS

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Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off Saturday, May 13

The Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio collects household hazardous waste. Regular HHW drop-offs can be made at 645 E. 8th Avenue, Columbus, 43201. Visit www.swaco.org for operation hours and a complete list of accepted items.

SWACO holds mobile collections around Franklin County each quarter. The next mobile collection is on May 13, from 8 am to 2 pm, at Ohio History Center, 800 East 17th Avenue, Columbus, OH 43211.

Used Oil • Antifreeze • Paint Thinners • Turpentine • Polishes Drain Cleaners • Adhesives Kerosene • Propane • Bleach Insecticides • Vehicle Batteries Pool Chemicals • Old Gasoline

Trash collection and recycling is provided by RUMPKE.

To set up service or for information, call 800-828-8171 or visit: www.rumpke.com.

Weekly collection is scheduled for Thursdays. Seniors receive a 10% discount at age 60+

Curbside recycling includes:
- Newspaper, magazines, catalogs, telephone books
- Mail, computer paper, brown bags
- Paperboard (i.e. cereal boxes)
- Cardboard boxes (broken down into 3 x 3 ft. sections)
- Plastic and glass bottles and jars
- Aluminum cans, siding and gutters
- Steel soup, food and aerosol cans