

# January 2010 BNA NEWSLETTER

## Bohls Neighborhood Association

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### Letter from the President

Carl Wasmuth, BNA President

#### Nixle

The Pflugerville Police Department has been publicizing the Nixle service that is now available in Pflugerville. It is possible to register with Nixle to receive messages in these categories: emergency alerts, important advisories, community updates, and traffic information.

Registration is easy. Providing full name, email address, and street address, and setting up a user name and password will suffice. The Nixle registration website is <http://local.nixle.com/register/>.

#### Neighborhood Forum

The (WordPress) Neighborhood Forum is up and running in addition to the (Facebook) Bohls Neighborhood Group. Directions for joining the Facebook group are available [here](#). A table of contents for the WordPress site can be found at <http://bninpfville.wordpress.com/about/> (Scroll down from the trail picture).

Like the Facebook site, the WordPress site will be operated as an independent project for its possible value in providing what an interactive website might offer for the Bohls neighborhood. It might be noted that online discussion groups, such as Yahoo Groups in other Pflugerville neighborhoods, are not all administered by a homeowners association or a neighborhood association.

## BNA Blue Santa Drive



Thanks to all who donated food and toys for the Blue Santa Drive and to those who helped with the distribution of bags and the collection of donations.

Edward Munoz, Jr., who is pictured here with Cpl. Mike Clowdus displaying two donated items on December 12 at the Blue Santa collection center, helped to transfer food and toys from the vehicles used in transporting the donations from the Bohls neighborhood.



## WINNERS OF THE 2009 HOLIDAY TRAIL OF LIGHTS



**1<sup>st</sup> Place – 1211 Firebush Drive**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – 1303 Petunia Lane**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place – 1209 Crossvine Lane**

**Honorable Mention – 1503 Mexican Heather Court**

**Honorable Mention – 1512 Santolina Court**

**Honorable Mention – 1500 Spring Peony Court**

Some Holiday Lights pictures from 2008 and 2009 can be seen on [this page](#).

## **Trash and Recycling Collections**

Information about the renewed trash and recycling contract between the City of Pflugerville and IESi was enclosed with recent city water bills. A video and more information about schedules can be found on [this City of Pflugerville web page](#).

There is a city recycling center at 2609 East Pecan Street. The center is open Monday through Saturday, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm.

## **From the Information Archives**

### **Our Neighborhood Association and Deed Restrictions**

The Bohls neighborhood does not have a homeowners association (HOA) with mandatory membership. If it did, then the HOA would be expected to enforce deed restrictions. Instead, Bohls has a neighborhood association with voluntary membership and no authority derived from the deed restrictions to enforce restrictions. After the construction of homes in the neighborhood was complete, Architectural Committees were left to enforce restrictions but with no provisions for funds to support enforcement. In 2003-2004, the Bohls Neighborhood Association was founded with a provision to give financial support to the Architectural Committees.

Maintaining the quality of living in the Bohls neighborhood with a neighborhood association rather than an HOA thus presents special challenges.

### **Code Enforcement Officers and Architectural Committees**

Complaints for possible action by the Pflugerville Code Enforcement Officers can be made directly to them by residents. Please see their website [here](#). Letters to be mailed to the Bohls Place Architectural Committee or the Bohls Crossing Architectural Committee should show the name of the appropriate committee along with the BNA Post Office box address on the envelope. Such letters will be forwarded to the designated committees.

### **Deed Restrictions**

Sample copies of the deed restrictions are on the BNA website <http://www.bohlsnews.org>. Official copies of the deed restrictions for your section of the neighborhood are available at the Travis County Clerk's office. The Travis County Clerk's website is <http://www.co.travis.tx.us/>.

## Helping Neighbors in Need

We have had inquiries concerning where Bohls residents can donate food and other items to help people in Pflugerville. With the downturn in the economy and layoffs, more and more people are asking for help. The following list contains the names and information on a number of local churches, agencies and organizations that distribute food to those in need. While contacting these organizations, I found that many churches use The Storehouse non-profit agency rather than distribute items directly to those in need. If you know of any other Pflugerville organizations that also have a food "pantry" or distribute household items, please let us know at [bohls2003@yahoo.com](mailto:bohls2003@yahoo.com) and we will update our list.

The following list includes the organization, location, phone and website if available. Contact the organization directly to determine what they need, when you can make your donation and where the donation should be taken.

Organization	Address	Phone	Web Site
First United Methodist Church	500 East Pecan St.	251-2575	<a href="http://www.pflame.org">www.pflame.org</a>
First Baptist Church	306 S. 10th St	251-3052	<a href="http://www.fbc-pflugerville.org">www.fbc-pflugerville.org</a>
Pflugerville North Rural Community Center - Travis County	15822 Foothill Farm Loop	251-4168	
Immanuel Lutheran Church	500 Immanuel Rd	251-4494	<a href="http://www.ilcpville.org">www.ilcpville.org</a>
St. Elizabeth Catholic Church	1520 N. Railroad Ave	251-9838	<a href="http://www.stelizabethpf.org">www.stelizabethpf.org</a>
Church of Jesus Christ Latter-day Saints	Bishop Richard Jamison, 700 N. Heatherwilde Blvd	252-4775	
Storehouse Mission	POP Center, 1202 FM 685 Suite C4&5	989-9989	<a href="http://www.thestorehouseofaustin.org">www.thestorehouseofaustin.org</a>

## Other Helpful Information

The Storehouse Mission has opened a thrift store in the POP Center at 1202 FM 685 Suite 7. The store is open Tuesday through Saturday 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM. You can shop there, volunteer or make donations. The proceeds from the store are used to help support the work of The Storehouse Mission. You can reach Johnnie the store manager at 989-0641.

The Church of Jesus Christ Latter-day Saints has opened a Bishop's Storehouse in Round Rock on Gattis School Road where food, sanitary items and cleaning supplies are distributed to people in need. Contact Bishop Richard Jamison, 700 N. Heatherwilde Blvd. or 252-4775 for information.

## City of Pflugerville Code Enforcement

We have had a number of emails recently concerning problems in the neighborhood. Many of these problems are covered by city ordinances. The Code Enforcement Department has two officers: Kenneth Jirasek and Pflugerville Police Officer, Mike Wilson. Kenneth and Mike have been very helpful with addressing problems in our neighborhood.

The city has recently passed updated ordinances that impact homeowners and may be of interest to you. Both are available on the City of Pflugerville website at <http://www.cityofpflugerville.com/>.

Code of Ordinances Chapter 99: Maintenance of Fences  
Code of Ordinances Chapter 95.43.B: Care of Public Trees

Code Enforcement can be reached at 670-5720 or the Police Department non-emergency number: 251-4004.

You can email Kenneth Jirasek at [kennethj@cityofpflugerville.com](mailto:kennethj@cityofpflugerville.com). Mike Wilson can be emailed at [mwilson@cityofpflugerville.com](mailto:mwilson@cityofpflugerville.com)

## Stray or Lost Pets



To report stray or lost pets, call the police non-emergency number 251-4004. Information about animals at the Pflugerville Animal Control Facility is available at [Petfinder](#).

The Pflugerville Animal Control Division web page may be viewed [here](#).

## Yard Debris

The City of Pflugerville provides chipping and pick-up of certain yard debris. Be sure to call and put your name on the list for chipping and/or pick-up.

**City chipping service:** To get rid of limbs and branches, contact the City of Pflugerville Streets Department at 252-2447 to be put on the schedule. They start on Monday but may take 2 to 7 days to complete their route and may be delayed due to rain. Place your yard debris close to the street in front of your home with the cut ends facing toward the street, but do not block the street or sidewalk. Limbs up to 9 inches in diameter will be chipped and they prefer that limbs not be cut, as long limbs are better for feeding the chipper.

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