

Winter 2011

# RICHLAWN GAZETTE

CITY OF RICHLAWN, PO BOX 7786, LOUISVILLE, KY 40257-0786

Welcome New  
Neighbors!!

Christian Lauria  
210 N Hubbards  
Lane

Kasey McKaig  
208 N Hubbards  
Lane



## Increasing Richlawn's Canopy

By Joe Bohannon

A recent front page article in the *Courier Journal* talked about Metro Louisville's declining urban canopy. It mentioned that Louisville's tree canopy only covers about 27% of Jefferson County compared to other cities that have 40 to 50 percent coverage. A task force has been formed to assess the decline and determine what can be done to correct it. The overall cost to the city would be significant to try and restore all the trees which have been lost over the years.

What can you as a resident of the city of Louisville do to help restore this diminishing natural resource? The answer is- plant a tree in your own front yard. Fall is an excellent time to plant a tree because there is abundant time for it to recover from transplanting and establish roots before spring growth begins. And the good news is the city of Richlawn is offering its residents an additional incentive to plant a new canopy tree. The City will reimburse 50% of the cost of the new tree and its planting up to a maximum of \$200.

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## Holiday Decorating Contest

In the spirit of the Holidays, Richlawn residents are encouraged to decorate the exterior of their home. A panel of judges, young and old, will determine the winners:

Best Decorated House	\$100
Two Honorable Mentions	\$50 each

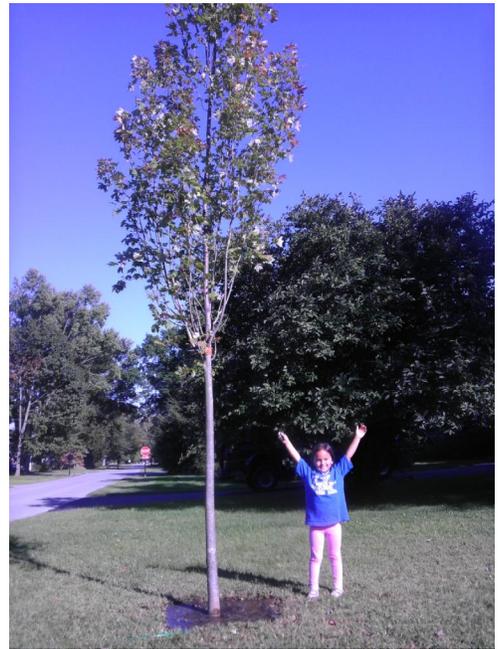
Judging will be done on December 22<sup>nd</sup>

Good luck!

## **Increasing Richlawn's Canopy**

If you decide to plant a tree, please contact Commissioner Joe Bohannon @ 899-3759 before making your purchase. The only conditions are that the tree has to be planted in your front yard and be one of the species approved by our city arborist.

A tree is an investment in your own home as well as your community. It adds to your property value, can reduce air conditioning costs and will provide a legacy for generations to come.



Kate & Andrew Renda's new tree!

## ***Ladies, You're Invited...***

The Richlawn Neighborhood Association is hosting a  
**New Year Celebration & Open House**

Friday, January 13th @ 7:00PM

Hosted by Sally Porter

102 Gibson Road

Please bring the following if your last name starts with

A – M Favorite appetizer to share

N – Z Bottle of wine to share

All ladies of Richlawn are welcome!

Please RSVP to Angie McDermott @ 895-4118



## Thank you!

### For making the Fall Festival a success!

This year's Fall Festival was a super party and we'd like to give a shout out to the neighbors who pitched in to make it so much fun!

A very special thank you to **Angie McDermott** for organizing the event! Her tireless effort made the evening a success!

Additional thanks go to everyone that helped with planning and clean-up:

Terry McDermott  
Henry Thoben  
Joe Bohannon  
Alicia Nordmann

Ian Cassidy  
Andrew Renda  
Jeff Barrick  
Pat and Laura Coomes

Finally, a big THANK YOU to **Kevin Ahern and The Bourbonauts** for entertaining the crowd!

If you would like to be involved in planning next year's event, please reach out to Angie @ 895-4118.

***Please remember to clean the drainage spouts and ditches on your property that run parallel to most of the roads in the neighborhood. This allows for faster run-off and improves the safety of Richlawn residents.***

#### Rumpke Waste Removal Schedule

The last yard waste pick-up was on November 28<sup>th</sup>.

Trash pick-up will operate on regular schedule on December 26<sup>th</sup> and January 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Christmas trees will be picked up each Monday throughout January.

## Richlawn Reminders

### City Officials

Mayor Pat Coomes  
205 Don Allen Road  
899-9324

[pfcoomes1@insightbb.com](mailto:pfcoomes1@insightbb.com)

### Commissioners

Henry Thoben  
896-8311

Andrew Renda  
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Would you like to contribute an idea, article or information to the next Richlawn Gazette? If so, please contact  
Alicia Nordmann @  
[a.nordmann@insightbb.com](mailto:a.nordmann@insightbb.com).

Should any questions arise concerning the City, please refer to the materials in the Richlawn Handbook or on the website at [www.cityofrichlawn.com](http://www.cityofrichlawn.com). If any resident needs a copy of the handbook, please contact Mayor Pat Coomes and he will deliver one to you.

### Richlawn Handbook

A Richlawn Handbook is distributed every two years. We ask that you please email [cityofrichlawn@hotmail.com](mailto:cityofrichlawn@hotmail.com) with any name changes.

### Richlawn Neighborhood Association

We welcome your participation and ideas. Call Angie McDermott @ 895-4118 to inquire about the next social event.

**City Signs:** Please do not tape anything to street signs or stop signs as it pulls the paint off!

**Pets:** Dogs and cats should be confined in your yard and kept on a leash when being walked. Please take along a scooper to clean up behind your pet. Please scoop after your pet when using Lang Field.

**Parking:** Please do not park on the street opposing a driveway.

Emergency vehicles must be able to get through the streets at all times.

Vehicles should not be parked within 25 feet of a stop sign.

Parking on the street is not allowed for a period longer than 15 minutes between the hours of 2am and 6am.

Parking at Lang Field on Ledyard Road is only allowed for persons using the field. Long term, day-in and day-out parking at Lang Field is not permitted under any circumstances.

**Insurance Premium Tax:** If you have not already done so, please contact your insurance agent and inform them that you reside in the city of Richlawn. By doing so, the insurance companies will send the insurance premium taxes to Richlawn instead of Jefferson County. These monies will be used for City expenses and help keep your property taxes low.

**Property Improvements:** As required by City Ordinance, contact Henry Thoben @ 896-8311 if you plan to do any improvements.

The City Commissioners meeting is held at 7:30pm on the third Monday of each month at Old National Bank located on the corner of Shelbyville Road and Hubbards Lane. Richlawn residents are encouraged to attend!