

Glenview Newsletter
Fall 2003

HOLIDAY SEASON

Regardless of the faith discipline that you embrace the holiday season is here. What is meant to be a joyous time for everyone can be a challenge for many.

As City Administrator I come in contact with many of our residents in the course of my duties and I know that several residents are recovering from or battling serious illness. Everyone gets wrapped up in the holiday season and we tend to forget our neighbors who may be hurting. Is there something you can do to help a neighbor who is dealing with health problems? Perhaps help with the shopping or detail the teenage son to help with raking leaves. Anything to make life a little easier particularly at this time of the year would be deeply appreciated by those in need.

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

This year Glenview completed some major construction projects. On Longview Lane the City repaired one bridge and replaced another. The bridge replacement seemed to take forever but really only took about two weeks. It is fortunate that a resident brought the condition of these bridges to the City's attention because the bridge at 6100 Longview was in very poor condition and in danger of a partial collapse if crossed by a large vehicle such as a fire truck.

After debating the issue for several months the City Commissioners solved several problems by repairing the shoulders along Glenview Avenue from Arden Road to Brittany Woods Circle. The repairs have eliminated the ditches filled with rocks that wash out every time there is a heavy rain and have provided a bit more driving and walking space which should make this stretch of Glenview a bit safer and allow two cars to pass without getting off the hard surface.

SNOW REMOVAL

Once again the City has contracted with Lawnco to remove snow and ice from the roads. Lawnco monitors the weather 24 hours per day during the winter and is on the way when ice and snow begin to accumulate. Glenview is one of Lawnco's primary customers, which means we get service first. That does not mean that every street in Glenview is serviced at the same time as it takes a few hours to get the trucks around the City.

Lawnco no longer does individual driveways and residents would be well advised to make arrangements with a snow removal service before it snows so that you can be an established customer when the snow piles up.

TREE REMOVAL

When storms blow through the City it is not unusual for one or more trees to come down. When this happens the City contacts our contractor to come out and open up the streets. After hours and on weekends the Harrods Creek Fire Department may assist in this task, as they need to be able to access all the streets.

The clearing is done in a priority order. If you live on a dead end street your street will be serviced first as there is no other way in or out. If you live on a street with multiple access roads you will be serviced last. It may be inconvenient but those who do not have a way out are serviced first. Sometimes a tree must be left in the road until LG&E arrives on the scene. The tree may have downed wires in it that could be hot. No one takes chances with electricity.

SIGN ORDINANCE

The City received a number of complaints during the recent elections regarding the prohibition of political signs. As a result the City is drafting language to be added to the ordinance that will allow a window of opportunity for a political yard sign during election campaigns. Residents will be informed of the changes.

INSURANCE PREMIUM TAXES

The City has begun to receive our portion of the insurance premium taxes. It is difficult to make a judgement after the first quarter but the collections are encouraging. Please make sure your insurance company and agent know that regardless of your zip code you live in Glenview, Kentucky. This income is important to Glenview as there are many projects that could be undertaken if funds were available. If you would like more stickers to place on your insurance bill please call my office at 292-1997

This income is important to Glenview, it helps us run the city better and helps reduce the likelihood of a tax rate increase. (Glenview's tax rate is 35% lower than the average of all other cities in the State of Kentucky.) There are more projects that could be undertaken if more funds were available, however the City Council is working very hard to manage the city with a tight budget and avoid a tax increase. If you have a different view, and would like to see more services and higher taxes, please let myself or the commissioners know.

DUMPING

Several piles of branches have been dumped on Glenview Avenue at Orion Road. Glenview has authorized our contractor to clean this up. If you should see anyone dumping or littering in Glenview please get a license number and report it to the City Administrator.

RESIDENTS CORNER

The City has received numerous calls from residents about walkers who are accompanied by unrestrained dogs. Please remember that Metro Louisville has a leash law.

A resident on Brittany Woods Circle called to remind everyone to walk on the correct side of the road and not to walk in the middle of the road.

Several residents have called about speeders including the Rumpke trucks. The City has spoken to Rumpke and has asked Metro Police to run radar on Brittany Woods Circle, Glenview Avenue and Woodside Road.

Some residents have called to complain that their neighbors are leaving garbage cans and the yard waste haulers out after collection day. This is unsightly and vandals have been known to make off with the waste haulers. The city pays extra for rear door collection of your garbage. (up to 3 cans) It is not necessary to take the cans to the street unless you have more than three cans per pick up day. Rumpke also empties the yard waste haulers on Mondays, if placed at the end of the driveway. Please **do not** place them on the street. Please return these cans to your rear yard or garage after collection. Please do not compromise the beauty of Glenview by leaving them on the street.

RUMPKE

After several months of erratic service Rumpke seems to have settled down and is providing acceptable service. If you experience difficulty in resolving any problems with Rumpke please call the City Administrator at 292-1997

BLAKELY WOODS SUBDIVISION

This summer and fall have been tough on the development due to the heavy rains that occurred throughout the summer and fall. The infrastructure would be complete and new homes would be going up but the weather has set the project back. Look for new home construction next spring.

Leonard Heydt
Administrator