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More recently, in 2024, the clocktower building underwent substantial remodeling, transforming it into a vibrant retail and restaurant space. This renovation has breathed new life into the building, offering visitors a chance to experience the heart of Plain City while honoring the legacy of "Uncle Sammy Taylor".

Housed in the historic Barto and Keiser building, the clocktower has weathered its share of challenges and transformations. It survived a devastating tornado in 1966, thanks to extensive repairs, and continues to operate without electricity, calibrated using a unique penny-based method devised by Battelle engineer John Wilcox.

The Plain City Clocktower is a cherished community landmark, symbolizing the village's rich history and enduring spirit. Installed in the early 1900s by Samuel Taylor, son of pioneer Richard Taylor, the magnificent Seth Thomas clock, purchased at the time for \$525, quickly became a defining feature of Plain City. In 1902, a grand festival celebrated its dedication, featuring music, speeches, and lively community gatherings.



PLAIN CITY

EST. CLOCK TOWER 1902

DISCOVERY MAP

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ACTIVITY GUIDE

2025



FUN FACTS

Whispering Bench
Have you ever whispered from one end of the bench to the other? You can at Pastime Park! Thanks to its natural acoustics, the Whispering Bench lets you send secrets across a long distance, a quirky favorite for visitors of all ages!

Jonathan Alder
The legendary Jonathan Alder was captured as a child can be found in Pastime Park, and the local school district proudly carries his name.

Heritage Rail Trail
Terminating just southeast of Plain City, the Heritage Rail Trail follows the path of the former Pennsylvania Railroad. It's a scenic, multi-use trail that connects Plain City to Hilliard.

Plain City blends adventure and relaxation, making it the perfect getaway for families, nature enthusiasts, and anyone looking to reconnect with the great outdoors.



For those seeking active recreation, Pastime Park & Campground is the heart of outdoor fun. With trails, playgrounds, ball fields, basketball and pickleball courts, an aquatic center, and camping amenities, it's a destination for all ages! Whether you prefer a primitive tent site or a full hook-up RV spot, the campground offers a welcoming environment to relax, stroll a pollinator garden, gather around a campfire, and create lasting memories.



PASTIME PARK

SHORT DRIVE AWAY

- Glacier Ridge Metro Park - 7 miles
- Indian Run Falls - 8 miles
- The Link (Bridge Park) - 9 miles
- Columbus Zoo and Aquarium - 10 miles
- Nationwide Arena - 24 miles
- COSI - 24 miles
- Short North Arts District - 24 miles
- Scioto Mile - 24 miles
- Columbus Museum of Art - 25 miles
- Mad River Mountain - 33 miles



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Plain City, OH 43064

Monday - Friday
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

For more information scan the QR code below.



The Big Darby Creek is one of the most pristine natural resources in Central Ohio. The creek, which runs through the heart of Plain City, is noted for its tremendous diversity and abundance of endangered fish species and freshwater mollusks.

Discover the natural beauty of Plain City, where outdoor adventures and rural landscapes await. The nationally-renowned Big Darby Creek invites visitors to enjoy aquatic activities through fishing, kayaking, or canoeing. Explore McKittrick Park for direct creek access and tranquil open spaces, or venture to McKittrick Preserve for natural trails and a fishing pond. Nearby, the new Heritage Trail features an unpaved loop trail and a shelter house, ideal for peaceful retreats and picnics.

BIG DARBY CREEK

EVENTS

- Annual Events & Celebrations
- Earth Day Celebration
- Bluegrass & BBQ
- Memorial Day Observance
- Music in the Park
- Plain City Farmers Market
- Der Dutchman Cruise-in
- Independence Day Parade & Festival
- Miami Valley Steam Threshers Festival & Parade
- Rock the Clock
- Fall Fest
- Halloween & Trick-or-Treat
- Veterans Day Observance
- Holiday Lights at Pastime Park
- Christmas Under the Clock
- Route 42 Holiday Hop
- Santa's Parade
- Visit our website for more info!

FUN FACTS

My Kind of 5K
Over 5,000 donuts are made in Plain City every day.



We like Plain City better anyway!
Originally named Pleasant Valley, the town had to be renamed after being informed that another town had already claimed the name.



Old Oak Tree
A mighty oak tree, rumored to be over 300 years old, stands just north of Plain City. Some say it witnessed the arrival of the area's first settlers.





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PLAIN CITY ROUTE 42 CORRIDOR



HISTORIC UPTOWN PLAIN CITY

VISITOR INFORMATION



Historic
Uptown Plain City
Highlight Map
to the Right

Eats & Treats

Uptown Map



1. **Buckeye Pizza**
209 W. Bigelow Ave.
2. **Drink Up Soda Shop**
179 E. Main St.
3. **Lee's Sports & Spirits**
209 W. Bigelow Ave.
4. **New Grounds Coffee House**
135 E. Main St.
5. **Pioneer Pizza**
132 N. Chillicothe St.
6. **Plain City Nutrition**
160 W. Main St.
7. **The Grainery**
138 W. Main St.
8. **Village Café**
155 W. Main St.

Route 42 Map

9. **Der Dutchman**
445 S. Jefferson Ave.
10. **Domino's Pizza**
553 W. Main St.
11. **Donatos Pizza**
480 S. Jefferson Ave.
12. **Dulce Vida**
461 W. Main St.
13. **Jan & Tony's Pizza**
900 Village Blvd.
14. **McDonald's**
200 S. Jefferson Ave.
15. **Mi Sombrero Express**
900 Village Blvd.
16. **Red Hen Café & Bakery**
542 W. Main St.
17. **Plain City Lanes & Pizza**
325 S. Jefferson Ave.
18. **Richwood Coffee**
x112 S. Jefferson Ave.
19. **Subway**
400 S. Jefferson Ave.

Retail & Specialty

Uptown Map



20. **114 West Bourbon & Cocktail Club**
114 W. Main St.
21. **Buckeye Brass & Wind**
202 N. Chillicothe St.
22. **Front Porch Home**
114 W. Main St. - Ste. 110
23. **Hammer & Stain**
153 W. Main St.
24. **Hometown Huddle**
265 W. Main St.
25. **Mainstreet Treasures**
156 W. Main St.
26. **Provisions Co.**
105 S. Chillicothe St.

Route 42 Map

27. **Bluescreek Farm Meats & Market**
8120 US-42 N.
28. **Carlisle Gifts**
445 S. Jefferson Ave.
29. **Country Closet Thrift Shop**
9800 US-42 S.
30. **Do It Best Hardware**
900 Village Blvd.
31. **Dollar General**
234 S. Jefferson Ave.
32. **Miller's Furniture**
300 S. Jefferson Ave.
33. **Old 42 Antiques & Vintage Market**
8690 US-42 S.
34. **Plain City Ace Hardware**
625 W. Main St.
35. **Plain City Village Market**
400 S. Jefferson Ave.
36. **Route 42 Bargains**
235 S. Jefferson Ave.
37. **The Cheese House**
9870 US-42 S.
38. **The Corner Cupboard**
9872 US-42
39. **Yutz's Farm Market**
6010 Converse Huff Rd

Wellness & Beauty

Uptown Map



40. **Artistry Beauty**
204 W. Main St.
41. **Bloom Personal Training**
134 Church St.
42. **Expressions Hair Salon**
124 W. Bigelow Ave. - Ste. A
43. **Hair Loft 120**
120 N. Chillicothe St.
44. **Main Street Nails**
151 W. Main St.
45. **Old American Barber Shop**
114 W. Main St. - Ste. 100
46. **Plain City Barbell**
250 Maple St.
47. **Rolling Pines Hair Co.**
264 W. Main St.
48. **Steadfast Barbell**
228 Gay St.
49. **Studio on Main**
260 W. Main St.
50. **Sweet Dreams Salt Therapy**
218 W. Main St.
51. **Village Massage**
121 W. Main St.

Event Space

Uptown Map



52. **Brick House Blue - The Station**
213 S. Chillicothe St.
53. **The Loft at Church Street**
134 Church St.
54. **The Silo**
138 W. Main St.

Parks

Uptown Map



55. **Bicentennial Park**
111 S. Chillicothe St.
56. **Big Darby Nature Preserve**
401 E. Main St.
57. **Heritage Trail Trailhead**
401 E. Main St.
58. **McKittrick Park**
350 E. Main St.
59. **Pastime Park & Campground**
370 N. Chillicothe St.
60. **Plain City Dog Park** (coming 2025)
183 Jackson St.
61. **The Public Square** (coming 2025)
134 Church St.

Route 42 Map

62. **OH-736 Rest Area**
8107 OH-736
63. **Bichsel Fields**
14200 OH-161
64. **Madison Meadows Park**
933 Caroline Dr.
65. **OP Soccer Fields**
8820 US-42 S.
66. **Plain City Aquatic Center**
160 W. Second St.

Fun & History

Uptown Map



67. **Bigelow Cemetery Marker**
350 E. Main St.
68. **Historic Clocktower Building**
101 S. Chillicothe St.
69. **Historic Farmers National Bank**
105 W. Main St.
70. **Plain City Heritage Mural**
168 W. Main St.
71. **Plain City Historical Society**
105 W. Main St.
72. **September 11th Mural**
102 E. Main St.
73. **The Depot at Public Square**
(coming 2025)
134 Church St.

Route 42 Map

74. **Ewing Historical Marker**
370 N. Chillicothe St.
75. **Jonathan Alder Pioneer Carving**
370 N. Chillicothe St.
76. **Plain City Lanes & Pizza**
325 S. Jefferson Ave.
77. **The Orchard & Company**
7255 US-42 S.

Schools

Uptown Map



78. **Plain City Elementary School**
580 S. Chillicothe St.
79. **Jonathan Alder High School**
9200 US-42 S.
80. **Jonathan Alder Junior High**
6440 Killbury-Huber Rd.
81. **Tolles Career & Technical Center**
7877 US-42 S.

Public Services

Uptown Map



82. **Plain City Public Library**
305 W. Main St.
83. **Plain City Post Office**
219 Maple St.
84. **Plain City Municipal Building**
800 Village Blvd.
85. **Plain City Police Department**
800 Village B lvd.
86. **Pleasant Valley Fire District**
650 W. Main St.

Fuel

Uptown Map



87. **Sunoco**
233 W. Main St.
88. **Amoco**
360 N. Chillicothe St.
89. **Marathon**
525 W. Main St.
90. **Shell**
400 S. Jefferson Ave.