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Next Meeting

Joint meeting for Gateway and Mansion Hill neighborhoods

**Tuesday, April 1, 7:30 p.m.,
St. Mark Lutheran Church,
corner of Monroe & Eighth Streets.**

Officers of the East Row Historic Foundation

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Letters of opinion to The Voice are welcome but must be signed if they are to be published. The editors reserve the right to edit for length. Thank you.

Seventh Annual Garden Walk Features 11 Gardens

The East Row Garden Club presents its 2003 Garden Walk on Saturday, June 21 and Sunday, June 22, an annual tour for the public that showcases the enchanting gardens of historic Newport, Kentucky. The garden club was established in early 1996.

The tour runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day in the East Row Historic District, the second largest historic district in Kentucky. During the tour, as visitors walk through the neighborhood, 11 gardens will be featured—each chosen for its distinctive imagination and design. Many gardens are small and enclosed by century-old brick walls and ornate iron fences, which are characteristic of the historic neighborhood's elegant Victorian Queen Anne and Italianate architecture.



One of the 11 Gardens on this year's tour

Mark your calendar East Row Yard Sale Saturday, July 12— 9-3

Reserve your spot early call Joyce at 431-0539

May Agenda:

- New Neighbors
- Presentation by George Darnell - Hope 6 Coordinator
- Presentation by Holy Trinity Schools
- Presentation on Newport Arts & Music Festival

- Presentation by Jan Mueller on her upcoming book "Soul of the City" a history of the Newport Public Library
- Committee Reports
- Old Business
- New Business



Seventh Annual Garden Walk

This year, the tour has been selected as an official event for master gardeners during the annual International Master Gardeners Conference 2003, which is scheduled June 18-22 at the Northern Kentucky Convention Center in nearby Covington, Ky.

Among the gardens is a spectacular hillside garden, which offers a panoramic view of the city of Cincinnati. The spacious garden, which was honored by the Cincinnati Horticultural Society and is featured in the April issue of Cincinnati Magazine, showcases several "rooms" designed on a series of levels, shade and sun gardens and innovative garden structures such as a "honeysuckle arbor."

Other gardens include:

- An Italian-inspired courtyard garden;
- An Anglo-Japanese style garden based on the art of feng shui;
- A small courtyard garden featuring a garden railway; the garden is lovingly called "The Little Garden That Could."

During the hours of the tour, some live musical performances are scheduled in most gardens. In addition, visitors will be presented with a handout at each garden listing the homeowner's eight favorite plants. The handouts have become one of the favorite highlights of the tour. Volunteers will also be in each garden to answer visitors' questions.

One relaxation area is planned along the tour route. Also, a shuttle bus will make periodic stops along the tour

Don't forget you need a certificate of appropriateness

All Exterior work performed in the historic district is subject to review by the City Historic Preservation Office.

Certificate of Appropriateness permits are required before a project can commence. These permits are free, and generally only take a few working days to process. Applications and the Design Guidelines are available at the City Building and www.cityofnewportky.org/nhpo/.

If you have any questions about the need for a COA or the permitting process, please contact Emily Jarzen, Historic Preservation Officer, at 292-3666, or ejarzen@cityofnewportky.org.



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route, including the hillside garden.

In addition, several local nurseries and artists will offer perennials, annuals and garden-related decorative art, accessories and gifts for sale.

Tickets will be \$15 per person, and sold from during the hours of the tour at Watertower Square parking lot, Sixth and Washington streets. Children age 12 and under will be admitted free. (Tickets will be sold until 4 p.m. each day.)

Proceeds from the Garden Walk will go toward Healthy Steps, a health clinic for Newport public school students based at Newport Middle School, and to finance neighborhood garden projects sponsored by the garden club.

The Garden Walk has a history of excellence. In 2001, three gardens were presented with special recognition awards by the Cincinnati Horticultural Society. In the past, the Walk has received national attention in Garden Design, Home and Horticulture.

A new event this year is an English Garden Tea, which is scheduled for 3:30-4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the Italian-inspired garden of Gerri and Bill Jones. The tea will be catered by York Street Cafe in Newport. Tickets, which do not include the cost for the tour, are \$25 per person. A limit of 25 tickets will be sold each day. Tickets to the tea are available in advance. For information, call (859) 291-2565.

Litterfest 2003

Litterfest 2003 - Saturday, May 10, 2003 through Sunday, May 18, 2003. Residents are encouraged to participate by cleaning up and disposing of trash and debris from their neighborhood or property. Dumpsters will remain available between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the City of Newport's Public Works facility located at 1020 East Ninth Street. During this event the City of Newport will make available to its residents, at no cost, the ability to dispose of household items, trash, and debris at the Public Works facility. Residents who require assistance with the disposal of larger items can contact the City of Newport at (859) 292-3637.

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by Barbara Bonney

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 - Tell the Court I Love My Wife: Race, Marriage and the Law—An American History (Peter Wallenstein)
 - Evolution, Creationism and Other Modern Myths (Vine Deloria, Jr)
 - Khrushchev: The Man and His Era (William Taubman)
 - Bad Boy Ballmer: The Man Who Rules Microsoft (Frederic Alan Maxwell)
 - The Last Frontier: Incredible Tales of Survival, Exploration and Adventure from Alaska magazine (ed. Jill Shepherd)
 - It's Hard to Make a Difference When You Can't Find Your Keys: The Seven-Step Path to Becoming Truly Organized (Marilyn Paul)
 - Embracing Uncertainty: Breakthrough Methods for Achieving Peace of Mind When Facing the Unknown (Susan Jeffers)
 - The Patio Kitchen Garden (Daphne Ledward)
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Some of the newest fiction titles:

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| Coontz, Stephen Liberty | |
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| Mapson, Jo-Ann | Along Came Mary |
| Johnston, Wayne | The Navigator of New York |
| Lechuk, Alan | Ziff: A Life? |
| Foster, Alan Dean | Drowning World |
| Emerson, Earl | Into the Inferno |
| Shields, Jean | Air Burial |
| Shaffer, Louise | The Three Miss Margarets |
| Powers, Richard | The Time of Our Singing |
| Roberts, Nora | Three Fates |
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 Library hours: Monday -Thursday 9-9; Friday 9-6; Saturday 9-5
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Newport Memorial Day Parade

Memorial Day Parade- May 26, 2003 at 9:00 a.m. - The City's annual Memorial Day Parade will begin at the Campbell County Courthouse and travel south on Monmouth Street to the City Building at Tenth and Monmouth. A ceremony honoring all Veterans

will take place in front of the City Building following the parade.


Is there interest in having a East Row entry in the parade this year? If so contact Bob Yoder at 491-2193 or e-mail at rjyoder@fuse.net

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Newport City Commissioners Meetings

Monday May 5 and 19

7 p.m., Multi-Purpose Room, City of Newport, 998 Monmouth Street. Information: 292-3666

Historic Preservation Commission

Wednesday, May 28

7 p.m., Multi-Purpose Room, City of Newport, 998 Monmouth Street. Information: 292-3666

Newport Board of Education Meeting

Wednesday, May 28

7:30 p.m., Central Office 3rd Floor, 301 E. 8th Street, Newport, KY (859) 292-3001

New Business: Every Last Detail

by Ian Budd

Last week Pat and I tried out a new Neighborhood business called "Every Last Detail". It is an automobile detailing business located at 409 East 10th Street and is owned by Mike and Cynthia Morley.

We not only received superb service, having our cars returned to us in a condition you would expect from a new vehicle driving off a dealer's lot, but also we got to enjoy conversation with two very pleasant new neighbors in our East Row district.

Mike and Cynthia moved into their home on the 900 block of Monroe Street in June last year having left the historic neighborhood of Mount Adams to come and enjoy the similar vintage of East Newport but without the problems of noise and parking that exist in Mount Adams.

Mike had been working in auto detailing for 7 years, so when he noticed that the existing shop on 10th street had closed its doors, he was very interested in what possibilities might exist for him to open a business of his own. In February, he and his wife took the plunge and started work on renovating the location. After an intense few weeks of work, they opened their doors for business in March.

Already they have been thrilled to meet so many of our neighbors who have come to visit bringing their business and support. Even though Mike and Cynthia had a good feeling about the East Row when they moved here, they had no idea of how really great it is until they started meeting all of us.

We'd certainly recommend a visit to say "Hello" and "Welcome" to them and check out the services they provide. Mike and Cynthia can be reached at 261-1234 ☺



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