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Mansion Hill

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**Deadline for submissions is the 15th of the month.**

Drop off at 611 Monroe Street or via e-mail:

Bob Yoder: rjyoder@fuse.net or  
Fran Blasing: fmbblasing@aol.com

#### Next Meeting

Joint meeting for Gateway and Mansion Hill neighborhoods

**Tuesday, August 2, 7:30 p.m.,  
St. Mark Lutheran Church,  
corner of Monroe & Eighth Streets.**

#### Officers of the East Row Historic Foundation

**Chair:** Bob Yoder

**Treasurer:** Jeff Hall

**Secretary:** Angela Siddall

**Gateway Representative:** Bill Kreutzjans

**Mansion Hill Representative:** Joyce Chastang

**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.**

### Riverfest Volunteers Still Needed!

Riverfest—the big fireworks celebration sponsored by WEBN, Toyota and others, will take place on Sunday, August 31. Once again our neighborhood association has the opportunity to sell WEBN merchandise in two booths set up on Riverboat Row in Newport. As many of you know, this is a major volunteer-driven fund raising event that raises much of the money that supports neighborhood beautification projects and other worthy causes.

We seek volunteers to set up and break down the booths, and to sell WEBN t-shirts and other merchandise. We also need volunteers to make telephone calls in advance of the event and to help with various tasks the day of. The booths are staffed in three shifts beginning at noon. The final shift, from 6:00—9:00 p.m., offers a front-row view of the spectacular fireworks. All volunteers get a free t-shirt.

Please call Ian or Pat Budd at (859) 491-7696 to sign up. Your help is essential to making this event a success!

### East Row Historic Homes Tour Update

#### Fran Blasing

The arrival of the Tall Stacks steamers, and the East Row Historic Homes Tour, is right around the corner. The twelve homeowners who have agreed to open their homes to the public on October 18 and 19 have been preparing for many months. The tour committee has been meeting monthly for almost a year. It's all coming together!

A special word of thanks goes to Roger and Donna Weddle, who hosted the Volunteer Sign-Up at their home on August 2 and 3. The response to the sign-up event was very good. Volunteer Coordinator Pat Budd is doing a fantastic job of organizing all the volunteer shifts. We still need help and it's not too late to sign up! For more information, call Pat at 491-7696.

Even if you missed the August 20 costume workshop present by Joy Galbraith of Costume Gallery, it's still not too late to reserve a costume at Joy's shop. Joy is offering special Tall Stacks rental rates, and the East Row Historic Foundation is partially underwriting the cost of costume rental! Please contact me to obtain a coupon for \$25 off your Tall Stacks costume rental. I can be reached at 261-0265. For more information about costumes, call Joy at 655-9140. Please reserve your costume by September 15.

The tour takes place on Saturday and Sunday, October 18 and 19 from 11:00 am – 6:00 pm each day. Tickets for the homes tour are \$20 per person and \$18 for Tall Stacks pinholders or groups of 10 or more. To order tickets please call our toll-free number: 1-866-EAST ROW. Tickets also will be available at the Wiedemann Mansion at Fourth and Park on the days of the tour. More information about the tour is available at [www.eastrow.org](http://www.eastrow.org) or [www.tallstacks.com](http://www.tallstacks.com)

#### September Agenda:

- New Neighbors
- Committee Reports

- Old Business

- New Business

Discussion on new Library landscaping project.

# Newport's Approved Trees

We relieved a question this month on what type of trees are approved for planting in the green space between the sidewalk and the street.

**Maples:** Red Sunset, October Glory, Autumn Flame and Armstrong

**Ash:** Autumn Purple, Rosehill

**Oak:** Pin Oak, Red Oak, Scarlet Oak

**Linden:** Little Leaf, Greenspike, Sterling Silver

**Plum:** Newport, Vesurius, Thundercloud

**Pear:** Aristocrat, Capitol, Cleveland Select, Chantilly

**Crabapple:** Harvest Gold, Indian Magic, Red Kinel, Sugar Tyme, Snowdrift

**Other:** Chinese Elm, London Plane Tree, Sweet Cream, Thornless Honey Locust, Sour Cream, WInter King Hawthorn, Fringe Tree, Golden Rain Tree, Crimson Linden, Service Berry, Columnar Norway Maple, White Dogwood - High Standard, Pink Dogwood, Ulkova, and Tulip Poplar.

## Voice Distributors Need for the Island.

If you have a few minutes a month to help us get the news out on what's happening in the neighborhood, we're looking for someone to distribute the Voice in the Island. If you're interested call Joyce at 431-0539



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## Bob Yoder

One of the joys of walking around the neighborhood is getting a chance to talk to your neighbors about the issues affecting them. This month, I've been asked to write about an issue that affects the entire neighborhood — dog poop.

The ERHF is currently working on designing and purchasing signs reminding neighbors to pick up after their pets. Though the city has posted signs at Providence Park, I for one think these signs, though helpful, are a little too graphic. Providence Park isn't the minefield it has been in the past. However, I would not recommend walking barefoot in the park just yet.

The city is patrolling and writing tickets to people who don't pick up. The \$25 fine isn't so bad, but sitting in court with drug dealers, drunk drivers etc. isn't the best way to spend an afternoon. So, please remember to pick up after your pet and dispose of the waste properly. Dumping the waste into the storm sewers isn't advised, especially with the problems we've had with the sewers backing up into basements.

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## ERHF Yard Sale a Huge Success!

(Editor's Note: Because of space limitations we we're not able to get this into last month's Voice. I hope a little late is better than never.)

Awesome, amazing, lucrative, fun... need I say more. The second annual yard sale was an overwhelming success. The weather was stellar, the participation was huge (over 100) and the crowds were eager to buy. Now all is quiet at my house, and the phone has stopped ringing off the hook. No more surprise visitors at my door looking for maps. It sure was a blast-I met lots of wonderful neighbors.

I realize two valuable lessons-never underestimate the power of JUNK and now there is plenty of room in my basement to start saving stuff for next year.

This is the BEST neighborhood; I am proud to call it mine.

Thanks

Joyce Chastang

P.S. Special thanks to my helpers Bob, Beverly and Angela

## Help Rescue Boxers Cause!

Entertainment 2004 Books are now being offered by Law Dawg Boxer Rescue to raise funds to help re-habilitate and re-home abused and abandoned Boxers. Entertainment Books are only \$35, and are packed with 50%-off and two-for-one offers at the best places in town. Even better, by purchasing an Entertainment Book, you will be helping us reach our fund-raising goal. To order your book call Jona at 859.261.8230, or 859.653.4052 or stop by 355 E 2nd Street, Newport, KY 41071. These also make great gifts and if you would like to order Entertainment Books for other cities please visit our website at [www.lawdawgboxerrescue.com](http://www.lawdawgboxerrescue.com). I can also drop-off Entertainment Books to Newport Residents.



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## ERHF Progressive Dinner Group

Twenty-four neighbors participated in the inaugural ERHF Progressive Dinner on May 17th! Since everyone had such a good time we agreed to get together again on September 20th, at 6:30 p.m. An Italian theme has been selected for this ERHF gathering. We hope you will join us for what promises to be another enjoyable evening of great food, libations (BYOB), and lively conversation!

Please indicate your interest in participating by: (1) deciding to either be a host home or prepare a dish, and (2) completing the form below. Please email it to Julie Smith-Morrow at [julie.smith-morrow@insightbb.com](mailto:julie.smith-morrow@insightbb.com) or send it snail-mail to her at 625 Washington Ave. by September 8th. Please call Julie at 581.5044 or Bridget Cassidy-Ziegler at 491.5005 with questions. We will determine how many host homes are needed for appetizers, dinner, and dessert based on the number of responses, and will contact you prior to September 15th. We hope these dinners will continue to be inclusive, so please invite your neighbors! All interested neighbors need to complete this form, so we don't miss anyone!

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

I (We) would be willing to host: \_\_\_\_\_ appetizers \_\_\_\_\_ dinner  
\_\_\_\_\_ dessert

(Please check any or all that apply and rank preference, 1 = most preferred)

I (We) prefer to prepare: \_\_\_\_\_ appetizer \_\_\_\_\_ dinner \_\_\_\_\_ dessert

(Please check any or all that apply and rank preference, 1 = most preferred)  
Suggestions:

## Library Announces Fall Programs

Fall fun at the Newport branch of the Campbell County library. Program running from September 9 though October 5

### Mother Goose Time

Tuesdays at 10:00 am (20 minutes)

### Pre-school Story Time

Wednesdays at 10:00 am (45 minutes)

### Pajama Story Time

Wednesdays at 7:00 pm (45 minutes)

### Book Bugs

Tuesdays at 3:00 pm (45 - 60 minutes)



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## This Month

### First Friday Gallery Hop

**Friday September 5**

6 p.m.- 10 pm, at over 20 galleries in Newport, Covington and Bellevue.

### Newport City Commissioners Meetings

**Monday September 8, and September 22**

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

### Historic Preservation Commission

**Wednesday, September 24**

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

### Newport Board of Education Meeting

**Wednesday, September 24**

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

### Riverfest

**Sunday, August 31**

WEBN Fireworks at 10:00 p.m. on the river

## Don't forget your COA!

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/hpdo/](http://www.cityofnewportky.org/hpdo/).

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](mailto:ejarzen@cityofnewportky.org).

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