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Deadline for submissions is the 10th of the month.

Next Meeting:

Joint meeting for Gateway and Mansion Hill neighborhoods is 7 p.m. on Tuesday, February 2, at The Sanctuary (Monroe and 6th Streets.)

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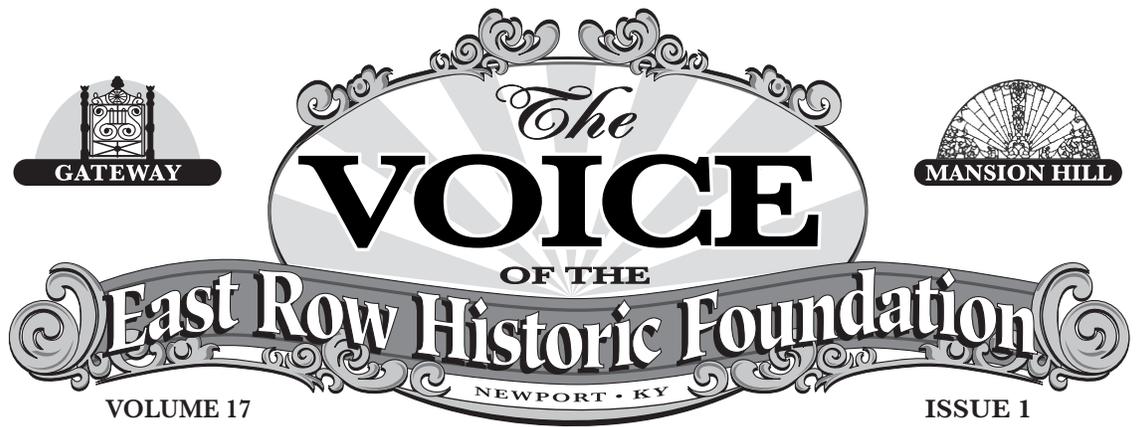
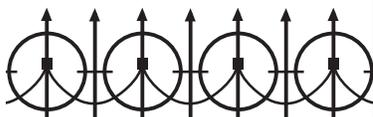
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Fresh Thyme Farmers Market to open Jan. 27

Midwestern specialty and organic grocer Fresh Thyme Farmers Market will hold its Grand Opening on Jan. 27 at Newport Plaza, 82 Carothers Road. With two locations already open in Cincinnati, Fresh Thyme is bringing its healthy offerings to Newport just in time for 2016!

Fresh Thyme stores don't follow traditional grocery store design, nor do they have tall aisles or glitzy fixtures. The store layout makes shopping for fresh and healthy food easy and enjoyable.

The produce department is the heart of Fresh Thyme Farmers Market. Their large selection of organic and locally grown produce is front and center in the middle of the store. Surrounding the produce department you'll find:

- Natural meat, raised without hormones
- Seafood flown in daily
- Hearty breads, delicious treats from local bakeries and hot out of the Fresh Thyme oven
- Healthy meals made in Fresh Thymes kitchen which are ready to eat on the run or in the cafe
- Barrels full of natural and organic bulk foods
- Midwest roasted organic coffee beans
- Aisles of nutritious and delicious groceries
- Earth-friendly cleaning supplies
- Fresh pressed juice bar
- Gluten-free and dairy-free options
- Plus a whole department filled with vitamins, supplements and body care products.



Fresh Thyme Farmers Market combines the spirit of a weekend farmers market, and the convenience of a neighborhood store, with the nutritious offerings of a natural food marketplace to create a NEW and healthy shopping experience in the Midwest, which will nourish your body while your pocket book prospers.

Visit Fresh Thyme Farmers Market online at freshthyme.com for the most up-to-date grand opening schedule and to sign up for exclusive coupons and email offers.



On the day of the Grand Opening, the first 200 people in line will receive 20 percent off their entire purchase. Regular store hours are 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. ☘

Commissioner meeting schedule and more

by City Manager Tom Fromme

On behalf of the Mayor and Board of Commissioners, we wish you a Happy New Year!

Here is the listing of the Board of Commissioner meetings and other Committee meetings for 2016:

Newport Board of Commissioners Meetings:

Jan. 11 (Caucus) Jan. 25 (Regular)
Feb. 8 (Caucus) Feb. 22 (Regular)
March 14 (Caucus) March 28 (Regular)
April 11 (Caucus) April 25 (Regular)
May 9 (Caucus) May 23 (Regular)
June 20 (Regular) July 25 (Regular)
Aug. 22 (Regular)
Sept. 12 (Caucus) Sept. 26 (Regular)
Oct. 3 (Caucus) Oct. 24 (Regular)
Nov. 14 (Caucus) Nov. 28 (Regular)
Dec. 12 (Regular)



All meetings of the Board of Commissioners are open to the public. Unless otherwise advertised, meetings are held at 7 p.m. in the first-floor Multi-Purpose Room of the City building at 998 Monmouth Street.

Any special meetings will be announced a minimum of 24 hours in advance by notice to the media and posting at the city building. Regular meetings are televised on local cable Public Access Channel 16, Caucus meetings are not televised. Agendas are posted at www.newportky.gov or call the city clerk at **859.292.3668**.

The following are regular meeting dates for other City Boards for the year 2016.

- Code Enforcement Board meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 5 p.m. as needed.
- Board of Adjustments meets on the third Thursday of the month at 4:30 p.m. as needed.
- Planning and Zoning Board meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 5 p.m. as needed.
- Historic Preservation Commission meets as needed on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 6 p.m.
- Urban Design Review Board meets as needed.
- The Newport Recreation Commission meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m.

To confirm if there are meetings scheduled, please call **859.292.3637**. Thanks for your efforts to continue to make Newport a great place to live, work, shop and play. 🐾

Victorian Christmas Tour recap

Thank you to all who made the 2015 East Row Victorian Christmas Tour a smashing success! Particular thanks goes to all our homeowners, The Carnegie Event Center, St. John's Church, and St. Mark's Church for opening their doors this year. We had great weather which helped with attendance, and totaled 1,346 paid attendees this year (up 281 from 2014). This is the ERHF's biggest fundraiser of the year, but is also a great source of publicity for our community. We received so many wonderful compliments from tour guests about how beautiful and vital the East Row and Newport is.

In addition, Tour Chair Brian Malone received a Cannoli Award from Mayor Peluso at the Commissioner's Meeting in December to thank the Christmas Tour Committee for their hard work on this year's tour. Thank you to the city and Mayor Peluso for their support of our annual Victorian Christmas Tour. 🐾



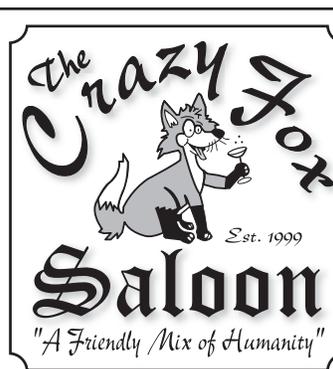
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Newport High School Making Positive Strides in College and Career Readiness

by Rachel Ball and Kelly Grayson

Newport High School has made tremendous gains toward increasing College and Career Readiness (CCR) by implementing strategies to motivate students and teachers ensuring the understanding of standards necessary for success in academic and technical assessments. Our teachers continuously build and maintain relationships with students nurturing a positive learning atmosphere. This allows us to focus on student needs and encourage them in areas where they need to improve. The district's efforts to focus on college and career readiness have helped eliminate any barriers between the school and community.

One of our priorities is to monitor assessment data, provide instructional strategies for teachers, and counsel students on college and career options and goals. In addition, teachers have developed curriculum and instructional strategies within the classroom that are geared toward college and career standards. Providing support for students is another major initiative in Newport Independent School District. Using assessment data, the CCR coordinator and classroom teachers are providing targeted intervention to students who are not meeting benchmarks on CCR assessments. These assessments include, ACT Explore, ACT Plan, The ACT, ACT WorkKeys and Kentucky Occupational Skill Standards Assessment. Our focus on data has helped to drive instruction and improve student learning.

Recently the Kentucky Department of Education released data that includes school accountability. Newport High School ranks as one of the highest College and Career Readiness Rates in Northern Kentucky. See chart below.

School	2014 2015	2014 2015	2014 2015	CCR Trend Data (Non Duplicated)				
	Enrollment	Accountability	CCR Accountability	2014 2015	2013 2014	2012 2013	2011 2012	2010 2011
Walton-Verona High School	489	85	100	81.1	85.2	79.5	79.8	58
Beechwood High School	637	89	94.6	32.10	96.6	89.4	88.8	64
Highlands High School	963	89.3	93.5	88.40	84.3	81.3	70.2	76
Newport High School	325	65.5	84.5	58.1	53.3	48.4	38.7	21
Boone County High School	1317	78.7	83.5	70.8	68.6	60.3	45	43
Campbell County High School	1534	78.7	82.8	70.5	64.6	66	56.5	47
Larry A. Ryle High School	1785	77	79.1	70.8	77.8	71.8	65.4	58
Conner High School	1307	77.4	77.3	69.9	68.3	63.3	66	53
Randall K. Cooper High School	1191	77.1	74.8	69.8	74	68.9	67.8	46
Dixie Heights High School	1406	76.7	74.3	68.6	61	54.7	49.1	46
Dayton High School	364	68.1	71.8	56.4	59.5	50	30.8	21
Scott High School	920	75.1	67.9	62.8	61.5	43.8	47.8	46
Simon Kenton High School	1708	74.3	61.5	55	52.5	53.1	41	38
Silver Grove School	(K-12) 139	72	57.1	57.1	23.5	26.3	26	43
Ludlow High School	380	73.5	50.9	50.9	59.4	55.6	44.3	33
Bellevue High School	315	65.4	49.1	46.3	59	55.1	38.8	22
Holmes High School	779	60	36.1	29.9	40.3	25.1	20.6	16

CCR Non Duplicated - used in meeting delivery target
 CCR Accountability - used in meeting AMO
 Sorted by CCR Accountability

In 2013, the Newport District created a position to focus on CCR, as well as Career and Technical Education. Rachel Ball, CCR Coordinator, has seen a positive impact in curriculum, and instruction during her time in this position. "Our students and teachers have shown growth in College and Career Readiness but there is still a



need for improvement. We must find better targeted instructional strategies to help students who may lack fundamental skills in Math and Reading. It isn't enough to just help students who enter below grade level though. Our job, as a school, is to help every student grow in College and Career Readiness," explains Rachel Ball.

The faculty works hard to grow students at all educational levels and promote a college or post-secondary culture within the school. Newport High School has seen significant growth in the amount of students showing an interest in post secondary education. Most notable, 66 NHS Seniors have registered to re-take the American College Test (ACT) during the December national test day. Beginning in August and tracked during the 1st semester the class of 2013 showed just under 7% as College Ready. By the efforts described above, Newport High School has seen growth in the Class of 2016 and is already at a 40% CCR rate in November. "It is important to recognize the increase expected after results are received from the December ACT test," explains Ball.

Finally, Newport High School focuses on providing students with opportunities to visit and apply to colleges throughout the state but most importantly received the much-needed financial aid. As



of December, 100% of the seniors enrolled at the high school in August have applied to Kentucky colleges. Centralized efforts to engage parents in financial aid and CCR workshops are being planned in conjunction with the Brighton Center and Boys and Girls of Greater Cincinnati. Our goal is that students will show continuous progress toward their personal learning goals, developed in collaboration with teachers and parents, and will be prepared for post-secondary education and career success. Family involvement contributes to many positive outcomes, including preparing your child to be College and Career Ready.



Tell them you support Team D at BW3's



Until Feb. 18, if you eat at Newport BW3's, please mention that you support "TEAM D". The Newport Intermediate boys' basketball team has a fundraiser going with BW3's for the next two months! Everyone that mentions "TEAM D" will have 10 percent of their total bill donated back to the team!

The offer is good for dining in or carry out; individuals or groups... and it doesn't cost you a thing!

Please, if you are eating at BW3's over the next couple of months, mention "TEAM D".

East Row Listserv – How Do I Sign Up?

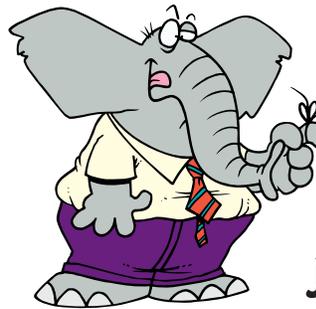
For those who may know about it, but may not know how to sign up to be part of it, here is the information on the East Row Listserv.



Just as an aside, a listserv is an electronic mailing list software application, consisting of a set of email addresses for a group, in which the sender can send one email and it will reach a variety of people.

To subscribe to the East Row Listserv, send an email to east_row-subscribe@yahoogroups.com. The group is moderated and you will receive an email when you have been accepted.

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As we live in a historic district, it is important to consult with the city's historic preservation representative prior to making any changes to the exterior of your home. This ensures the work conforms to the guidelines for the Historic District. It is also necessary to display a permit that shows the work has been approved. The Historic Preservation Officer is Scott Clark, City of Newport, 859.655.6347, sclark@newportky.gov

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