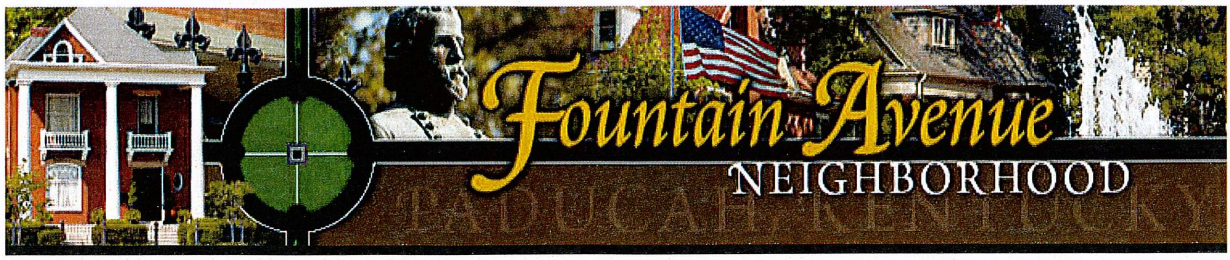

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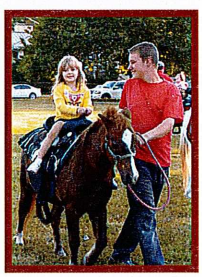
Fountain Avenue Community

Saturday, May 22, 2010 10 AM to 1 PM

This year the City of Paducah has teamed up with Fountain Avenue United Methodist Church and the Midtown Alliance of Neighbors to make the 8th Annual Event the best ever. You will not want to miss this one! In addition to the returning favorites like music, games, dancing in the street and fantastic Hotdogs, RC, and Moon Pies there will be a few additions. Children can ride ponies, and pet their favorite animals in the petting zoo or get a balloon animal made by the clown.



Grandpa Jones portrayed by David Hurt

The Midtown Alliance of Neighbors is proud to sponsor an appearance by "Grandpa Jones." Grandpa Jones comes to the Fountain Avenue Community Fair as part of the Kentucky Chautauqua Series. His appearance was funded in part by the Kentucky Humanities Council, Inc and Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels.

Lowertown Art and Music Festival

Friday, May 21, 2010
3 PM to 10 PM
Saturday, May 22, 2010
11 AM– 10 PM
Sunday, May 23, 2010
Noon-5 PM

This year's festival includes ten art a la carte demonstration carts that will be spread around the festival with artists demonstrating their work. In addition to the Lowertown artists, there will be 32 artists from a 200-mile radius. This year, there will also be Taste of Paducah with about 10 local restaurants setting up booths near the main stage.

After the Fountain Avenue Community Fair head to the Lowertown Art and Music Festival

LOWERTOWN ARTS & MUSIC festival

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Special points of interest:

- Gateway signage designs being reviewed
- Exterior Rehabs 331 and 333 N. 16th Street 50% complete
- Staff is reviewing two new sets of design plans

KHC HOME Program Update

The City of Paducah obtained a grant to assist with the rehab or construction of nine homes in the Fountain Avenue Neighborhood. Two homes are still available to a qualified buyer. To see the available homes contact:

Charles Doherty
Planning Dept.
270-444-8690

Hurry before they are gone.

1637.5 Harrison Street
Cherry Downs

1616 Monroe Street
Clarissa McKinney

1600 Harrison Street
Lucy Foglesong

1416 Monroe Street
C. L. Brueggemann

1614 Park Avenue

1636 Harrison Street

602 Fountain Avenue

622 Fountain Avenue

500 Harahan Blvd.

Homeowner Incentive Program

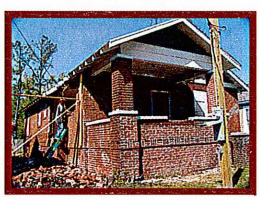
On June 24, 2008, the City Commission passed an ordinance that would pay a homeowner back a percentage of the investment in the repairs of their home. If you obtain a building permit to make repairs to your home and those repairs exceed $50,000 you could qualify for up to 15% of that investment back in the form of a five year forgivable loan. Contact Charles Doherty or Steve Ervin at 270-444-8690 for additional information on this incentive. Each year the City Commission will review the incentive program and determine whether to continue. So hurry while the program is in place.

To date 17 property owners have utilized the incentive program.

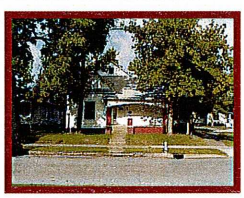
Does your home have needed repairs? Do you need assistance in making those repairs? Contact Steve Ervin or Charles Doherty in the Planning Dept. for more information in obtaining the Homeowner Incentive.
270-444-8690

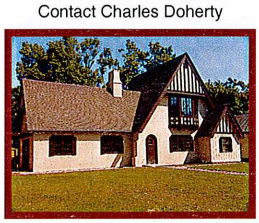
Available Properties

331 North 16th Street
Exterior Rehab in Progress
Contact Charles Doherty


333 North 16th Street
Exterior Rehab in Progress
Contact Charles Doherty

416 North 16th Street
Contact Charles Doherty


418 Fountain Avenue
Contact Charles Doherty


406 Fountain Avenue
Offered by Century 21
Contact Gary Gregory
270-442-2100

1621 Madison Street
Contact Charles Doherty

1617 Monroe Street
Offered by Century 21
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This is only a partial list of the available properties. For a complete list go to www.fountainave.com or call Charles Doherty
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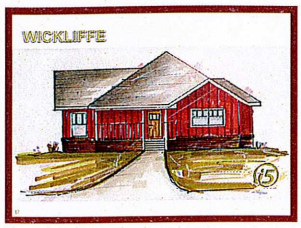
Results of the Favorite Design Poll



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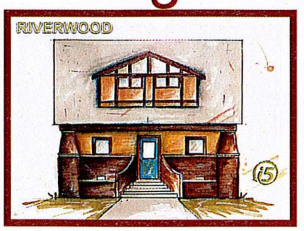

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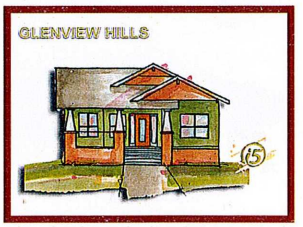

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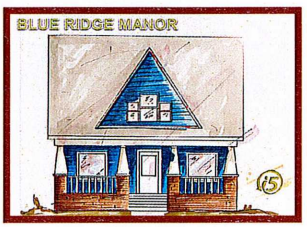

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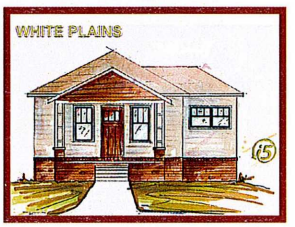

8th

Look for many of these homes to be built in the Fountain Avenue Neighborhood soon. Sketches by I5 Design.

New Fountain Avenue Neighbors (Since Dec. 2009)

The Medford's
412 Fountain Avenue

Chuck Tate
1640 Harrison

Jessica Perkins

The Algood's
315 Harahan Blvd.

Proposed Condo/Townhouse
330 & 332 North 16th Street
Closing Pending

Neighborhood Watch

Several neighbors have been involved in organizing a neighborhood watch program. An application has been submitted to KY Crime Prevention. Signs are available. Planning staff has determined key locations for the signs and they will be installed upon receipt.

For additional information on the Fountain Avenue Neighborhood Watch Program contact Calvin or Sara Shanks 270-366-9257.

Workshop Series

Midtown Alliance of Neighbors will host "Up to Code Workshop Series" Each Thursday in July at 7 PM Fountain Ave. United Methodist Church

Topics Include:

1. What repairs will I need to make to my home? Understanding the City Inspectors Role.
2. How do I pay for improving my home? Financing the rehabilitation project.
3. How do I fix these problems with my home? Developing a rehabilitation plan.
4. What are my rights and responsibilities as a homeowner? A legal overview.
5. Ongoing maintenance: Developing a schedule and what to watch for in order to protect my home and its value.

Fountain Avenue Neighborhood

City of Paducah

The City of Paducah has committed a great deal to the revitalization of this neighborhood. We welcome you input and suggestions. Please do not hesitate to call the Planning Department if you have ideas that could make this neighborhood a better place to live.

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Or visit us on the web www.fountainave.com

Visit www.fountainave.com to learn more about the City of Paducah's Neighborhood Revitalization Program. Incentives may be available for new or rehabilitated structures within the Historic Fountain Avenue Neighborhood District. Contact Charles Doherty or Steve Ervin at 270-444-8690 for more information.

Repair Affair-Saturday, May 15, 2010

Sponsored by Midtown Alliance of Neighbors. The morning will start with gathering at Fountain Ave. United Methodist Church at 7:15 AM followed by a light breakfast then off to a great day of volunteer work to help five families in the neighborhood with much needed home repairs.

For more information or to volunteer call 270-444-8947

Community Yard Sale

Saturday, May 8, 2010
8 AM until ??
331 North 12th Street
Paducah, KY 42001

Neighborhood Stabilization Program

1316 Madison Street

Purchase Area Development District (PADD) has contracted to build two new homes in the Fountain Avenue Neighborhood. Both home are nearing 50% completion. For more information or an application to purchase one of these home contact Tom Meurer at 270-251-6113 or David Hargrove at 270-251-6158.

1415 Madison Street