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EASTGATE *news*

NEXT MEETING: MAY 5 AT 6:30 PM AT EASTGATE ELEMENTARY

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Please remember to trim bushes or tree branches that obstruct your sidewalks to make for easy walking through our neighborhood.

The first Eastgate easter egg hunt was a success! Visit our website, www.eggca.org, or the Eastgate Garden Civic Association Facebook page to view photos from the event.

If you would like to become a member of the Association to help support events like this, please contact Markita West at 614-253-0913. Dues are \$15 per person each year.

Do you want to help beautify Eastgate's green spaces?

The "Eastgate Islanders" are looking for volunteers to plant and maintain the common green spaces, or islands, in our neighborhood. There will be 30 minute sessions as needed, and these will be announced at our meetings, on the website, on Facebook, and via email.

Everyone welcome! Come when you can! EGGCA membership not required.

A big thank you to Mary Daniels for coordinating the efforts!

Around the city in May...

In My Backyard kick-off

May 10, 11am

Location TBD: Check out website for more information:

www.inmybackyardhope.com

Fitness, nutrition, gardening, health, & wellness education programs offered Saturday mornings through spring, summer, and fall in Tim Anderson's Eastgate backyard at 1903 Merryhill.

Asian Festival

May 24-25

Franklin Park, 1777 E. Broad Street

A celebration of the cultural heritage of 15 Asian communities including hands on art demonstrations, dance performances, music, Tai Chi, Asian games, and Asian cuisine.

Getting to Know Your Neighbors: A Portrait Series

Each month through 2014, we will feature a portrait of an Eastgate resident in the newsletter and on the website. If you would like to participate in the series, contact Christina Paolucci at 614-258-9931 or christinapaolucci@gmail.com. We would love to hear your story about living in this community. This series is being supported through a supply grant from the Greater Columbus Arts Council.



Marcus and Julie Oberholzer with Maya, age 3, moved to 170 Linfield Place in October 2013. Marcus is originally from Greencastle, PA, and Julie is originally from Logan, OH, in the Hocking Hills region. After living in Washington D. C. for eight years, they decided to move closer to family, but still be in close proximity to a larger city, so Columbus was a good fit. They also wanted to live in a community inside the beltway that had an active association, and this led them to Eastgate. Marcus became vice president for Eastgate Garden and Civic Association this year. Among other important initiatives, he hopes to tackle some of the real estate challenges facing Eastgate, such as foreclosed or empty houses that sit on the market. He plans to work with community stakeholders to bring increased awareness of Eastgate as a great neighborhood to purchase a home. Julie is a lactation consultant, and Marcus works for Battelle as a management analyst. They are expecting a baby boy in July.

When new residents move into Eastgate, the Association's welcome committee drops off information about Eastgate as well as a small gift bag. We are looking for someone who would be interested in coordinating these efforts. The time commitment is small, but the rewards of offering a warm welcome to new neighbors are big! Contact Casey Crisp, President, if you are interested in learning more.

Bob Evans

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