

2007 **THE GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS/
MARBLE CLIFF HISTORICAL SOCIETY**
TOUR OF HOMES
MOTHER'S DAY EVENT

Sunday, May 13, 2007
1 p.m. to 4 p.m.



**FIVE BEAUTIFUL HOMES OF
HISTORICAL & AESTHETIC
SIGNIFICANCE**

**2015 West Fifth Avenue
1143 Westwood Avenue
1087 Broadview Avenue
1415 West Second Avenue
1156 Westwood Avenue**

Cost: \$10 per person

Children 12 and under FREE. Must be accompanied by an adult.



Each home listed below has its own intriguing story. Following are the sites to be featured on GH/MCHS 2007 Tour of Homes with some preliminary information about each. Those taking the tour will have more complete information in the program guide on the day off the tour. Participants can begin the tour at any of the locations.

2015 West Fifth Avenue

OWNER: Marble Cliff
Manor LLC
CAPTAIN: Wayne Carlson
486-6626

Constructed in 1908 as the residence on the several acre estate of William K. Lanman of the Columbus Bolt Works, and serving as an office building for more than 50 years, this Tudor Style manor house retains much of its interior detail, including fireplaces, ceiling treatment, and the original layout. The longest commercial tenant was the Burgess and Niple Company, who added an office wing on the south which obscures the original 'garden front.' (see photo on other side)

1143 Westwood Avenue

OWNERS: Michael and
Karen Riggs
CAPTAIN: Tracy Liberatore
488-0425

Horace and Etta Willoughby, great grandparents of GHMCHS president, Tracy Liberatore, built this home in 1915. Tracy has inherited original documents relating to the building of the home, along with the family table service, which will be featured on tour day. Horace Willoughby was the principal in Ross-Willoughby Company, one of whose early contracts provided material for the construction of Ohio Stadium.

1087 Broadview Avenue

OWNERS: Damon and
Ann Baker
CAPTAIN: Patrick Mooney
225-0130

This early 1920s Prairie Style home is characterized by its distinctive molded yellow brick, green tile roof, wide columned veranda, and its imposing setting high on the west side of Broadview Avenue hill. Earlier long time owners who may be remembered are the Gunther family. The present owners have spent eight years accomplishing a complete interior transformation, adding a rear wing, extending the veranda, and other upgrades, all in the spirit of the original plans. They have rechristened the house "Skylark" for the delightful view.



**1415 West Second Avenue,
at Glendale**

OWNER: Win Keller
CAPTAIN: Win Keller
488-9142

In 1927 architect Ralph Kempton purchased this small lot from his father-in-law, who lived next door, and designed this home for himself and his wife, M. Ruth Kempton, a buyer for Lazarus Department Store. Superficially typical of houses in the neighborhood, the interior contains unique features designed by Kempton to his own taste: a double fireplace, and unusual foyer, stairway, floor, window, and ceiling treatment. The living room boasts the original embossed white-on-white wall covering, along with the 1922 catalogue from which the selection was made. Kempton lived here until his death in 1974, after which the home was occupied until 1998 by Mrs. Kempton's sister, Hazel Hayes.

1156 Westwood Avenue

OWNERS: Michael and
Megan Bills
CAPTAIN: Karen Riggs
488-3289

Chester A. and Susan Diehl Niple built this home in 1917. Niple was a founding partner in Burgess and Niple Company, consulting engineers. Their early partnership, Burnip Construction Company, built the road to Scioto Country Club in 1916, the same year the Niples bought this lot on Westwood Avenue. Niple was city engineer for both Grandview Heights and Upper Arlington. An entry in a 1917 ledger reads, "Grandview Hts, survey lot, SW corner 1st & Oakland, \$5.00, pd." Later owners for many years were the James Friel family. The present owners have renovated, enlarged and updated the home. The living room retains its original Arts and Crafts style features.

