

## Newark's "Color our Community Pride Day" is scheduled for Saturday, May 19, 2018

The Village's 12th Annual Community Pride Day clean up is set for May 19, 2018. This year's theme is once again "Color our Community with Pride." Volunteers are needed to help beautify our community by planting flowers, pulling weeds and cleaning up litter. Community volunteers will assemble in the parking lot on the south side of T. Spencer Knight Park east of Pontillo's (in the municipal parking lot on Route 31) where volunteers will receive their assignments. The village clean up and flower planting will take place between 10:00 AM to Noon. The work crews will clean the canal banks, parks, canal trails, area around old locks 58 and 59, parking lots, village streets, and wherever debris removal is necessary. Volunteers will also plant flowers around the village in designated areas. Last year, many volunteers did a terrific job of coloring our community with hundreds of beautiful flowers!

We believe it can be a catalyst to showcase incredible volunteer spirit as it instills civic pride in our community. This year, Community Pride Day will again include a village-wide floral planting effort! Residents, schools and village businesses are invited to join the effort. We encourage you to get out and help make our community sparkle by cleaning up trash and planting colorful flowers around your own home yards and business store fronts this spring.

In support of the effort to help beautify our community, the following retail businesses are offering discounts for Village of Newark residents: **HEP Sales/North Main Lumber/Builder's Bargain Outlet:** 10% off any exterior product purchased from HEP Builder's Bargain Outlet (May 15<sup>th</sup> to June 15<sup>th</sup>), **Plassche Lumber:** 20% off all house paint and painting accessories (May 19<sup>th</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>), **Q's Landscape Enterprise, Inc.:** Free pickup and delivery on any new purchase or repair and 10 % off all garden center plants (May 19th to June 4<sup>th</sup>), **Secor Hardware and Home Center:** Paint, lawn and garden, and plant specials.

A prize of \$200 will be awarded to the most colorful Newark business exterior and \$200 will be awarded to the most colorful Newark resident's front yard. To enter your business or home, call Robbin Bremer at (315) 331-4770, ext. 108. Entries must be received by Wednesday, May 16, 2018, 1:00 PM. Judging will take place May 21, 2018. ***Let's show each other that we are proud to live here and do business in Newark.***

The 2018 Newark "Color our Community Pride Day" is sponsored by **Wal-Mart, Secor Hardware and Home Center, Lyons National Bank, HEP Sales/North Main Lumber/Builder's Bargain Outlet, Newark Rotary Club, Newark Garden Club, the Greater Newark Chamber of Commerce, and the Village of Newark.** For any questions or to sign up to as a volunteer, call Robbin Bremer at 315-331-4770, ext. 108.