

## Another Renovation for Home in the Heights

HRRC subsidiary *Home in the Heights* has begun renovating another foreclosed home in Cleveland Heights. The home, long vacant, is located at 3795 Berkeley, just east of Maple Road. When completed this fall, the renovated home will feature a new kitchen, new full- and half-baths, new windows, insulation, a new energy-efficient heating and cooling system, and a brand new driveway, and will have a one-year unconditional warranty. Green construction and energy-efficient building materials will be used during the renovation.

The Berkeley project is situated in a quiet neighborhood, with exterior amenities including a stone face on the first level, attractive landscaping, and fenced back yard. To see this home, contact Realtor Eric Gulley at Howard Hanna: (216) 999-8355.

The first two homes renovated by *Home in the Heights* created high interest in the community and were sold quickly to new owner/occupants who are enjoying competitively priced, completely renovated homes with low maintenance costs. Moreover, the Westover and Edison neighborhoods, where the homes are located, have benefitted from improved property values.

## In memory of Molly Goodwin

Molly Goodwin and her husband George were loyal supporters of Home Repair Resource Center. They gave each year to HRRC's annual fund, and Molly helped make our Home How-To repair course available to other women by contributing to the sustaining fund for that program. A long-time staff member of the Cleveland Heights Housing service, Molly loved showing houses in the city where she was born and to which she had returned after her marriage.



When Molly passed away in late 2009, her family requested contributions to Home Repair Resource Center in her memory. As a result, twenty-nine donations were received, totaling \$1,510. These contributions enabled HRRC to replace one of the most costly – and well-used – tools in its Tool Loan inventory, a 100-foot sewer snake that was no longer operational. This acquisition will allow low- and moderate-income homeowners to remove blockages in sanitary and storm sewers, preventing sewage and rain water from backing up into basements.

One of Molly's greatest attributes was her sense of humor. Her family believes that she would have gotten a kick out of the thought of a "Molly Goodwin Memorial Sewer Snake," but would also have been gratified by that tool's potential to help people in our community. Thanks to the generosity of her family, Molly's legacy will be another way for Home Repair Resource Center to "keep Cleveland Heights in good repair."

## HRRC Expands Foreclosure Prevention Services

Home Repair Resource Center recently welcomed two new staff members. Denise Black and Doris Honsa are both experienced housing professionals who are passionate about helping northeastern Ohio homeowners navigate the complex maze of dealing with foreclosure.

Foreclosure rates continue to grow, especially in the suburbs. As a HUD-certified counseling agency, HRRC is a safe place for homeowners to go, providing free information and foreclosure prevention services to any Ohio homeowner. Homeowners in the Heights and neighboring suburbs will find it easy and convenient to access services; Denise and Doris not only offer weekday and evening appointments at HRRC's office, but also hold workshops and consultations at area branch libraries.

People facing foreclosure often respond to ads that promise help, but end up costing them money while failing to resolve the problem. HRRC's highly-trained counselors will help people sort through possible options to avoid foreclosure and assist them in negotiating with lenders and loan servicers, at no cost. For information, call (216) 381-6100.

## Getting Good Contractors

Here at Home Repair Resource Center, we know that one of the most difficult quandries homeowners face is finding contractors who do quality work. HRRC has created a way for homeowners to network with each other and spread the word about good – and not so good – contractors who have worked on the older homes of our city. By completing a “Contractor Evaluation Form,” people can let their neighbors know about their experience with a contractor they have used. All forms submitted can be reviewed here in HRRC’s Resource Library. To download a form, go to [www.hrhc-ch.org/ContractorEvaluation.pdf](http://www.hrhc-ch.org/ContractorEvaluation.pdf) or call (216) 381-6100.

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