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News Release

WEST CARROLLTON TO HOST FREE HOME IMPROVEMENT FAIR

WEST CARROLLTON, Ohio – If you will be starting a home improvement project this spring or summer, plan on attending the City of West Carrollton’s Home Improvement Fair.

The event will be held from **8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 5**, at the West Carrollton Middle School Gymnasium located at 424 E. Main St.

Admission is free. In addition to displays by local contractors, the event will include free children’s activities, free credit reports and door prizes.

County Corp, which will provide the free credit reports, will also conduct tours of homes that have recently undergone rehabilitation in the “olde-downtown” area of West Carrollton. The homes that will be included are 29 E. Main St. and 231 W. Pease Ave.

The West Carrollton Historical Society will have booth in which they will help homeowners research the history of their houses. The historical society will also have an open house from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 323 E. Central Ave. The home has antique furniture, hand-made quilts and other local historical artifacts on display.

“Maintaining and improving our neighborhoods is critical to our city’s future,” said Greg Gaines, director of city planning. “We thought this was a good way to give residents ideas for improving and enhancing their property values,” he said.

City building inspectors will be on hand to answer questions about building permits or about zoning codes and regulations.

About 25 local businesses including those in building, cabinetry, carpet cleaning, electric, fencing, furniture, garage doors, painting, patios, roofing, siding, stained glass and

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windows will be on hand to discuss their products and services.

“We are excited to showcase the many different local home improvement related businesses and contractors that are available in the West Carrollton area,” said Kathy Perkins, director of economic development.

Lowe’s Home Improvement will also provide “do-it-yourself” demonstrations on projects such as painting, flooring and tools.

“West Carrollton has a long tradition of hometown friendly neighborhoods, excellent schools and many neighborhood parks,” said Tracy Williams, city manager. “We have seen numerous homes being renovated as families decide to stay here and enjoy all the amenities that the city has to offer.”

For more information, call the planning and building office at (937) 859-5783.

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