



# *A Dickens of a Christmas Home Tour*

**A TALE OF TWO CITIES  
LUDLOW'S PAST AND PRESENT**

*Saturday, December 7th, 2013, between 4-8*

The Halls of Ludlow will be decked in holiday attire as the **Ludlow Historic Society** begins the festivities of **Ludlow's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**. Victorian characters will greet visitors and share the history of featured homes along with the founding of Ludlow. The tour will then end with a very special celebration of pomegranate cocktails, jazz and sweet treats at the River's Breeze Clubhouse.

**The Historic Society is pleased to announce this year's tour:**

- **The First Baptist Church of Ludlow, 400 Linden Street** will begin the tour and will be the location to purchase tour tickets beginning at 4:00 on December 7<sup>th</sup>. The original 1891 late Victorian sanctuary no longer functions as the main sanctuary. The Colonial Revival sanctuary added in 1961 provides a beautiful Christmas setting trimmed with an abundance of poinsettias, Christmas greenery and candlelight.
- **The Hazelwood Home, 531 Linden Street**, was built in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century and is located on an original brick paved street. Recently updated, this home retains much of its original charm with original wood floors and three fireplaces. This Victorian, wooden home has a tall, narrow profile, with a later, glassed-in porch on the first floor level. The Christmas décor is charming especially the candy cane kitchen.

- **The Schnaitter home, 413 Elm Street**, Constructed in the 1880's by Irishman, Michael Burns for his daughter. This handsome brick Victorian townhouse maintains its original stone window sills and Italianate, Victorian brackets under the eaves. Its substantial brick-columned front porch is a craftsman-style addition of the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. The Interior features back to back fireplaces and in the front room a special "family" tree is decorated with handmade childhood ornaments and other treasures collected by the family.
  
- **The Ashcraft Home, 58 Kenner Street**, has been known for many years as the Allison house. A noted undertaker, John Allison merged his undertaking business with the Rose Family after WWI and the business became the Allison & Rose Funeral Home. During the 1920's Allison moved his family to this handsome 15 room combined style of Victorian Italianate and Stick-Style Victorian built around 1878 by Englishman Matthew Bentley. Decorated in a Victorian décor, the new homeowners have endeavored to restore this home to its original 19<sup>th</sup> century charm.
  
- **The Ellis Home, 254 Latta Avenue**. Cincinnati inventor Alexander B. Latta built the first Latta home on this location. The home was later demolished by son G. Taylor Latta and the present day latta home constructed in 1904. This 12 sided (duo-decagon) features a large two-story stair hall crowned by an elegant stain glass skylight and has been noted in the Guinness Book of Records. Today's home has been renovated and a new kitchen just completed. The home is beautifully decorated.
  
- **The Fortin home, 433 Pinnacle Way** features a more contemporary open floor plan. Built by Fischer Homes in early 2003, this *Grand Villa* River's Breeze condo commands a breathtaking view of the Ohio River and Ludlow. A featured garland decorated staircase leads visitors to a single floor with many windows and a balcony that takes advantage of this marvelous vista.
  
- **River's Breeze Clubhouse open only from 7-9** All Ticket holders are welcome to some Christmas Cheer At the Clubhouse beginning at 7:00 & extending an hour beyond the home tour until 9:00. Enjoy the spectacular night view from Ludlow's highest point formally known as "Pigeon Point." The holiday decorated clubhouse is a perfect setting for viewing our "present day Ludlow." Join us for a bite to eat, pomegranate cocktails and live Jazz music.

**Tickets will be \$12 per person beginning November 30<sup>th</sup>  
at the following locations:**

- ❖ **Ideal Supply**, 519 Adela Street  
(M-F 8-5, Sat. 8-4.) 859-491-6666
- ❖ **Second Nature Florist**, 305 Elm Street  
Meet new owner Tracy (Sowder) Mairosey  
(M-F 10-6, Sat. 10-3) 859-415-0325
- ❖ The **"230 Elm"** Store featuring Antiques,  
Vintage Furniture, and Seasonal Decor.  
This new store is located at 230 Elm Street.  
Stop and meet the owner, Gene Paytes.  
(Tues. by appointment call 513-368-9943)  
(Wed., Thur., Fri. 11-7) (Sat., Sun. 12-5)

**Tickets may also be purchased online at [www.preserveludlow.org](http://www.preserveludlow.org) or on the day  
of tour between 4:00-7:00 at the First Baptist Church, 400 Linden.**

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