

The Second Annual Elmwood Village TOUR OF KITCHENS will be held on SUNDAY OCTOBER 1 from 11:00 am to 4:30 pm.

The event showcases **20 fabulous kitchens in the Elmwood Village** designed by architects and interior designers or by their creative owners. Sites on the Tour of Kitchens include historic mansions (Goodyear, Connors, and Schoellkopf-Vom Berge mansions), Victorian houses, and 1850s farm houses. The kitchens are located in the Bidwell/Chapin Parkway; Ashland-Norwood-Lafayette; Ashland near Summer; and Oakland Place-Bryant Street areas. The Tour is self guided and at each site you have the opportunity to walk through each kitchen. New to the Tour of Kitchens this year are: a complimentary Wine Tasting and favorite recipes from the kitchen owners.

Tickets cost \$18 in advance and \$21 October 1 the day of the event. **For further information call Forever Elmwood at 881 0707 or go to their website www.foreverelmwood.org.**

This year's sponsors are: Hunt Real Estate, Artisan Kitchens and Baths at Appliance Associates, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Western New York, Robinson Home Products, Shop to Cook, WBFO, Paragon Advertising, Buffalo Seminary, Gilda's Club, and Gates Circle Liquors.

Additional information:

At each residence homeowners and docent volunteers are available to answer questions about design and craftsmanship. "We look forward to giving people the opportunity to view the most important part of our elegant and historic Elmwood Village mansions and houses- the kitchens while they walk throughout our neighborhoods and Elmwood commercial district," says Justin Azzarella Executive Director of Forever Elmwood/ Elmwood Village Association.

The tour offers a wide range of kitchen styles: from French provincial, English country, cherry, Arts and Crafts, faux painted, or artsy. Many kitchens are newly constructed kitchens in historic Buffalo mansions with top of the line manufactured or custom made locally built cabinetry and work spaces, hand- made custom tile, marble or granite countertops, hardwood floors, eclectic lighting fixtures, and professional grade appliances. In other kitchens, the owners, architects, and interior designers created sunny spaces by removing walls, adding windows, and personalizing the kitchens with antiques, paintings, and collectibles. Several homeowners have used natural renewable environmentally friendly materials for cabinets and flooring. Also on the Tour are cost effective examples where kitchens come alive with faux painted walls or walls painted in

colors of Tuscany, the Southwest, or a spice box, and accompanying new counter tops. Purchasing a ticket will give you the opportunity to peek inside the kitchen of a lovely Elmwood Village mansion, Victorian house, or mid 1800s farmhouse and as you leave see gardens in their fall splendor.

Tickets cost \$18 in advance and \$21 October 1 the day of the event. *Patron tickets* cost \$40 and permit you to enter each kitchen at the head of the line. Advanced tickets may be purchased at all Wegmans locations, Talking Leaves, New World Record, Junior League office, www.foreverelmwood.org, and Elmwood Bidwell farmers market. Day of event tickets may be purchased at Buffalo Seminary 205 Bidwell Parkway where doors open at 10:45 am. Doors open at Buffalo Seminary (205 Bidwell Parkway) for distribution of Tour programs and maps. Patron tickets may be purchased through Forever Elmwood.