Nuts and bolts about "Friends" and newsletter

The Friends of Covington, which dates to 1987, publishes "Covington Today" three times a year. Board members John Niland and Greg Paeth worked on this edition.

The organization meets the second Monday of the month at 6 p.m. at the Center for Great Neighborhoods on Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. All of the meetings are open to the public.

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Covington calendar overflows this spring

In general, the Covington City Commission meets on Tuesdays at 6 p.m. in City Hall, 20 W. Pike St. All meetings are televised and can be viewed live on government channels 15 and 16. The meetings alternate between caucus meetings where issues are discussed and legislative meetings where the commission votes. A comprehensive calendar of Covington meetings is available at www.covingtonky.gov/events.

Downtown Covington

March 15: Covington After Hours, 5-7 p.m., Inspirado Gallery and Restaurant, 715 Madison. A monthly informal get together sponsored by the Friends of Covington, Renaissance Covington and the MainStrasse Village Association, three organizations devoted to improving the city.

Friends of Covington (The Friends of Covington.com)

May 17: The Covington Award Banquet at the Madison Events Center, honoring Jeanne Schroer, President and CEO of the Catalytic Fund. FOC Fundraiser. (Story on page one of this edition.)

Keep Covington Beautiful (keepcovingtonbeautiful.com)

April 28, "Great American Cleanup," 9-noon. City-wide cleanup in each of the city's 17 neighborhoods that ties in with the Great American Cleanup that will be held elsewhere in the country. Event leads up to a lunch and social hour in Goebel Park.

MainStrasse Village (www.mainstrasse.org)

April 19: Covington After Hours, 5 p.m., Frida 602, 602 Main St.

April 22: The Running of the Goats, which is less dangerous than the running of the bulls.

May 18-20: Maifest. The 39th spring festival radiates out from Sixth and Main in the heart of MainStrasse. Arts and crafts, live entertainment, plenty of food and enough beer to float a battleship.

Baker Hunt Art & Cultural Center (www.bakerhunt.org)

March 3: "Welcome Home, Writings of Covington and the Ohio River Valley," a two-day workshop at the center, 620 Greenup St.

March 11: 1-3 p.m. Annual Youth Art Show Celebration.

March 26: Spring classes and workshops begin and continue through May 19 at one of Northern Kentucky's hidden gems. Visit the website for specifics on the classes.

April 21 and 28: 9 a.m., The center will be the "pre-season" site for this summer's Covington Farmers Market.

May 12: 49th annual Duveneck Art Show and Sale, noon to 5 p.m., George Rogers Clark Park on Riverside Drive. Rain date May 13.

Behringer-Crawford Museum (www.bcmuseum.org)

March 15: Noon. Brown Bag Lunch with a presentation by Dr. Paul Tenkotte called "Push, Pull and Means: Irish Immigration to Northern Kentucky" at the museum, 1600 Montague Rd., Devou Park.

March 15: 1 p.m., "Chippie's Sensational Science Labs: The Science of Weather" in which BCM's chipmunk mascot introduces children ages three to five to science.

March 22: 6 p.m. Annual "Two-Headed Calf Awards," which recognize people who have made significant contributions to the region. Fundraiser for the museum. Tickets: \$100.

April 19: noon, Brown Bag Lunch called "Fit to Drink, which is" a history of Covington's potable water supply by Covington attorney Arnold Taylor.

April 21: "Wild Flower Hike," 1 p.m. Hike the Benny Vistine Nature Trail.