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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR TOLEDO'S HISTORIC OLD WEST END



Kudos to:

Chad Coyle
for your past leadership as the
Preservation Chairman and **Shawn
Kellerbauer** as the new Preservation Chair.

Derek Bunch
for your leadership as the
Entrepreneurship Chairman and
Courtney Macklin as the new
Entrepreneurship Chair.

Cookie Zhurakovski
for being the "Friend of the Month" to
Karin Sprenger-Chaundy

John Gallagher
for being the Historic Times courier for
several years and to **Arlene Hartmann**
for taking over John's route.



Our Amazing Homes

2040 Scottwood Ave.

Pam & Joe Minnich, 40 year residents of the O.W.E., have painstakingly restored this 1892 beauty. Formally the International Institute, this couple has revealed the original beauty that many of our homes through history have lost. We celebrate Pam & Joe for "making a difference" that we all can enjoy in our neighborhood!

To Do List . . .

Visit the New Erie

St. Market Antiques,

Wed.- Sun. (West entrance of
Libbey Glass)

Boozy Brunch @ Black

Kite, Sat. & Sun.

Museum Wine Tastings!

April 13, 20, 27

O.W.E. FUN

Celebrating 100 Years of Driving Community Change

Lucas Stall, Communications Specialist

This year, United Way of Greater Toledo is incredibly proud to celebrate 100 years of serving the community. Since our establishment in 1918, over \$600 million have flowed from our doors and out to those who needed it most.

Today, United Way provides monetary funding for 68 community programs at 53 local nonprofit agencies. These various partners help strengthen our work in the areas of education, financial stability and health – what we believe to be the building blocks of a good life.

Many of our funded partners actually operate right here in the Old West End.

Lutheran Social Services, Scott High School Community Hub, Girl Scouts of Western Ohio and Word Shop at the Toledo Museum of Art

are just a few examples of powerful nonprofits making a collective impact in our community. Additional social services such as United Way 2-1-1 and Imagination Library are also key programs in which Old West End residents have engaged in, and can access throughout the year.

Being in our centennial, United Way was pleased to welcome a new President & CEO, Wendy Pestruie, who assumed the role in February.

"Toledo is such a wonderful city. There are so many local individuals who have unbelievable passion to make our community a better place," said Pestruie. "Long-standing institutions like United Way, and energetic neighborhoods like the Old West End, make our city vibrant and strong."

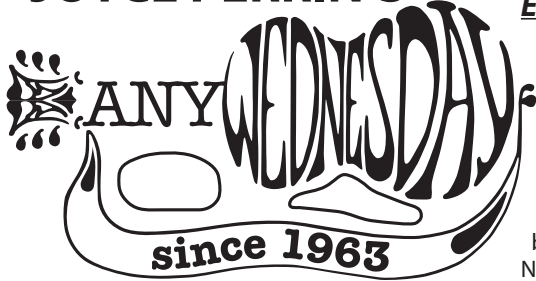
Each year, United Way raises over \$10 million,

**United
Way**

engages more than 300 companies, maintains nearly 20,000 donors and mobilizes 10,000 volunteers to create real change and help those in need.

United Way greatly appreciates the cultural and social significance the Old West End has contributed to the story of Toledo. In the future, we hope you will join us in celebrating this historical and monumental moment in time! To donate, volunteer or learn more about United Way, please visit unitedwaytoledo.org.

JOYCE PERRIN'S



What happens when the Old West End's oldest party teams up with Toledo's oldest brewery...

...you have a helluva jam session.

Hang out with local artists (& Joyce) and experience creative talent at it's best. Poets, drum circles and any instruments you can get your hands on, including the gut bucket. Some instruments will be provided. No experience necessary just bring the artist in you. Great beer and food specials provided.

ed. **Any Wednesdays** is coming to **Mutz** in the Oliver House complex **April 4th** and then every Wednesday after that at **MUTZ!** Music starts around 8pm.

NB & I Grant Deadline

(Neighborhood Beautification & Improvement Fund)

April 30www.toledodooldwestend.comMore Info. theflats@rocketmail.com

O.W.E Clean-Up Day

Saturday, April 28 (Rain Date April 29)**2 Shifts - meet at 10am or at 2pm in the Arboretum.**

Keep Toledo Lucas County Beautiful.
Paulette Mills will have a map and people can sign up for areas.

Old Latex Paint - Recycle

Friday, April 20 4pm to 7pm**2428 Scottwood Ave.****Must have orig. label / NO Oil or Stains**

O.W.E.N.I. Dump Day (Saturday, April 21)

9am to 1pm Detroit and Central Ave.

Furniture, up to 10 tires, small appliances, lumber, misc. junk
(Please NO tv's, air conditioners or hazardous waste)



Letter from the President

by Jeni Belt



Actions, big and small, and their resulting impacts remind us of our interconnectedness to others. Many of us cheered or cried as we watched students gathering all over the country to protest gun violence this past weekend. This powerful display reminds us of the impact of community.

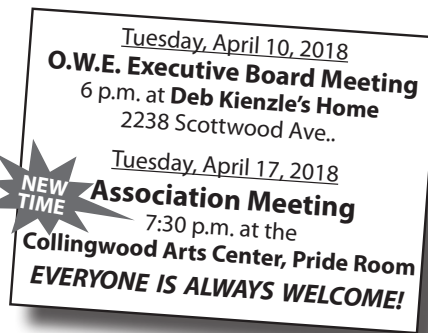
On a different magnitude, this is equally true for a smaller community. My heart fills every time I watch (hopefully no more this season) a neighbor shovel another's walk. Neighbors walking their pups together provide socialization for both the 2-legged and 4-legged participants. The friendly greetings I witness and experience in at Black Kite provide a warm sense of belonging.

Of course, not everyone shares the experience I do. Our community still has a lot of work to do to promote inclusion and to celebrate differences. From my perspective, we're doing better than many, but we're still not there. This spring, I challenge each of us to renew our commitment to diversity and tolerance, both in our actions and words.

Spring is a busy time of year for all of us as we begin cleaning up yards, planting, and planning for warmer weather and outdoor activities. The Old West End Association is itself knee-deep in planning for our 2018 Festival. As always, we need your help. Hundreds of volunteers help to make Festival happen. Your time translates to dollars for the neighborhood, as we use the Festival proceeds to provide grants for neighborhood projects. To date, we've awarded over \$35,000 and seen new benches, murals, plants, and programs. If you are interested in volunteering or applying for a grant, go to our website at Toledooldwestend.com.

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OLD WEST END
HISTORIC FESTIVAL



Our March meeting featured Dave Neuen-dorff and Carty Finkbeiner, who reported on the proposed plans to create the **Toledo Regional Water Authority**. Interested residents can go to waterwatchdog.org to learn more. We also reported on the City's plan to consider consolidating the City's Historic District Commission. **WOWE** shared updates regarding its initiatives regarding the proposed Unison development, Tours de Noel, and the annual planting of the Commons. We also learned of **OWENI's** plan to conduct a comprehensive survey of neighborhood assets, concerns, and needs. This will serve as an important tool to shape neighborhood initiatives. We appreciate the opportunity to work with and learn from our fellow neighborhood organizations.

A number of Association members attended the **Vistula Historic Annual Foundation** meeting to compare notes with a like-minded organization and learn of their successes and challenges. We look forward to continuing to collaborate to strengthen the OWEA.

Our next round of scholarships will be awarded in June—the deadline to apply is April 30—please encourage your favorite student to submit an application, which is available at www.toledooldwestend.com

Our next meeting takes place April 17, 2018 at 7:30 (right after the OWENI meeting at 6:00) at The Pride Room at Collingwood Arts Center. See you there!

We Need You!

Contact Michelle Keller 419-261-5308
email at: owevolunteers@gmail.com

VOLUNTEER TODAY!



OLD WEST END SECURITY

Neighbors, as you may be aware, there have been multiple reports of person(s) prowling around homes throughout the neighborhood in the evening and early morning hours. Some unlucky residents have had multiple incidents occur and there have been a few differing descriptions leading us to believe there are more than one persons doing this. However a common description is a tall, light-skinned black male. TPD and Old West End Security patrols are both aware and have been actively looking to apprehend these people.

Be proactive in both keeping your home safe, but also helping assist in capturing the "creeper." You can do this by keeping your

exterior lights on at all times. Make sure to keep your doors and windows LOCKED. If you do not already have a home-security system, please get one, and use it! Install motion detector lights, and we highly suggest you consider motion-activated cameras. If we can get a clear image of the perpetrator(s) it will help TPD identify them. And yes, please join Old West

End Security as a regular supporter. Every new supporter directly allows us to schedule more patrols. This is a time where we need it.

If you notice anyone on your property call 911 immediately!
Next call Old West End Security: (419) 902-0982. Join Us! By phone or online: OldWestEndSecurity.com



Agnes Reynolds Jackson Arboretum 2018

Robinwood @ Delaware

Arboretum Work Day
Saturday, April 21st
9am - noon

Food Provided!!!

The ARJA had it's yearly planning meeting last month and set the schedule for the work days, concerts and projects for the park in 2018.

Entrepreneurship Committee
Business of the Month

GreenSpace Solutions

GreenSpace Solutions been servicing the OWE, Up-Town, and Downtown proudly since 2008! This April will be 10 years! We have all of your needs covered when creating or maintaining your backyard oasis; Ground clearing and Re-claiming fence lines, Mulch/Sand/Stone delivered and installed, Fence/Patio/Per-gola design & installation, Lawn service, Spring/Fall clean ups, Bush/Hedge trimming and sooo much more more!! We also do Historical Home reproductions, repairs, and restoration, including but not limited to, Windows, Porches, Hand-rails, Steps/Risers, Banisters, Spindles, and a host of other items. Contact me today and lets get your project underway!!

Derek Bunch 419-407-6755

or GreenSpaceSolutions419@gmail.com
ASK about the Festival Edging Special!!

March O.W.E. Preservation Meeting

Contact Shawn Kellerbauer

419-340-4809

Next Entrepreneurship Meeting

Thursday, April 12, 6:00 pm

Black Kite Coffee

We are hosting a Tax Party!!

www.toledooldwestend.com

The Women of The Old West End



WOWE Officers:

Carol Kutsche, Toni Moore & Tammy Michalak

BANCROFT STREET LIGHTS & TRAFFIC STUDY Great News!

STREET LIGHT INFORMATION:

Below we are attaching an e-mail from Doug Steven's of the Engineering Dept. to Tammy Michalak with regard to Toledo Edison:

Hi Tammy,

I spoke with Meg Adams this afternoon. It sounds like they are planning on having the lighting installed in **April** and they will be providing the original fixture that was requested by the OWE representatives. Meg Adams is on vacation next week and said she is booked this week so a meeting can't happen until later. Since Edison has the work in their schedule I've told Meg to proceed with the plan and not to delay the work.

Thanks, Doug

TRAFFIC STUDY:

Also in last month's newsletter we updated you with the e-mails from Paul Rasmusson, Transportation, City of Toledo who informed us that he did not have the staff to complete the Traffic Study which is almost 2 1/2 years past due. And he also insinuated that he might not be able to share that information with the Bancroft Beautification Committee. We did inform him that it was a public record and that we would be asking to review it. Recently Tammy Michalak of the BBC sent Mr. Rasmusson another e-mail since it looked like the Traffic Study was getting put on the back burner again. Much has happened since last month's newsletter and dogged determination by the BBC team has produced great results. We now have a time line for the Traffic Study. Below is the e-mail from Tammy and a response from Mr. Rasmusson:

From Tammy;

Mr. Rasmusson,

"Thank you for your reply. Can you please confirm the study will include not only vehicle speed and counts but also pedestrian counts, traffic and pedestrian crossing times, and any visual obstructions?

I look forward to hearing something

from you towards the end of March."

Thank you,

Tammy Michalak

Women of the Old West End, Inc.

Bancroft Beautification Committee

Below is the e-mail response from Paul Rasmusson:

Tammy,

We are still on track to complete the study by the end of this month. This study will include all the items you inquired about in your March 8 email.

Regards, Paul Rasmusson



Next Workday - Sat., April 14

9:00 AM - 12:00 NOON

Breakfast served to all volunteers.

We have had several inquiries this year regarding rental for Weddings, Birthday Parties etc. at the Commons Park. If you or anyone you know might be interested in renting the Commons, please ask them to call **419-360-2151** regarding open dates and additional information.

WOWE and "Friends of the Commons Park" help to maintain this beautiful space which is value added for our neighborhood. Help is always needed and appreciated on the workdays. The big push is **May 26th** when over 30 flats of annuals are planted. If you would like to help on any of the workdays or the big Planting of Annuals day please join neighbors as we **1.** Ready the Commons for the Old West End Spring Festival and **2.** Maintain the beauty of the park throughout the summer. Will you help?

RECENT NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY ISSUE:

The "Creeper" is still around

PLEASE: Keep your porch lights and security lights on. Keep an eye out for your neighbors. Be aware of any suspicious activity by individuals who might be in your or your neighbors yard. Observe what these individuals are wearing, height, car, etc. Call 911 first and then OWE security (419-902-0982) if you suspect illegal activity. I know we are all dedicated in keeping the OWE safe.

WEDNESDAY WITH WADE

April 4th 4:00pm

Sanger Branch Library

3030 Central Ave. 4:30p to 6:00

Come join neighbor's! Make a difference!

GROUP HOME ISSUE

As of the writing of this newsletter no decision has been made regarding the request for a Special Use Permit by Unison for a Group Home at 2310 Jeffer-son Ave.

Several neighbors attended a City Council Meeting on March 14th where information was presented from neighbors about the City's law requiring all Group Homes and Similar Facilities to be spaced 500 feet apart. The City has rolled over on this (their mandated) LAW as there are 3 other Group Homes near and around this request from Unison that are under the 500 ft. designation. The Central City and all of District 4 have more than their share of Group Homes. It's the Law...

500 ft. spacing is what the City mandated in the late 1990's.

WOWE has, since the 1980's, been fighting and monitoring group home issues effecting our central city neighborhood. We all need to be on board as we all continue to preserve the integrity of our neighborhood.

UPCOMING WOWE MEETINGS

6:30 POTLUCK **7:00 MEETING**

FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH

All neighbors are welcome!

Please join us and learn how WOWE is making a difference for our neighborhood

Apr. 4, 2018 **Melody Brewer**
2553 Glenwood Ave.

May 2, 2018 **Toni Moore**
2369 Robinwood Ave.

Water!!!

For any neighbors who want more information on the current discussion that is taking place about water in Toledo. Below please find the website and upcoming meetings that will help you learn about the current discussion taking place. waterwatchdog.org

Here are some things to think about. For instance, why do we need a Regional Water Authority? How will it impact the citizens and our city? Attend the next WOWE meeting and have some of your questions answered. Member Dave Neuendorff will share information and answer your questions on this subject.

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WOWE is selling Historic Old West End License Plate Covers.

Cost \$30.00 Colors of Red, Blue, Green & Brown print. Call Toni Moore 419-360-2151. Limited Supply!

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Presbyterian Church, 2108 Collingwood Blvd. Entrance off Floyd
Street, Handicapped Accessible. Info. call 419-243-3275

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