

HISTORIC TIMES

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR TOLEDO'S HISTORIC OLD WEST END



Brand Whitlock, former 4 term Toledo Mayor (1906-1914) is pictured here on Woodruff at Scottwood in 1915. The Tudor house in the background is 2007 Scottwood. The iron fence on the right is located at the Libbey House.

(Courtesy of Jim Logan & Bend in the River magazine.)

To Do List
Toledo Jeep Fest

Aug. 9-11, Downtown

Volunteer Historic Times Courier 2300-2400 Block of Glenwood

Approx. 60 papers Contact **Kent Illenden**

419-367-9155

Unity Picnic - Sun., Aug. 11 noon-5pm, OWE Arboretum

Art Loop - Thurs. Aug. 15

5:30 - 9pm

TMA Car Show - Sat. Aug. 24

noon at the Museum

O.W.E. & Area FUN

Sponsored by Glass City Kitchen & Bath

NEIGHBORHOOD GARDEN WORK DAYS Commons Park - Sat. 10, Aug., 9am

Commons Park - Sat. 10, Rug. 17, 9am Scottwood Garden - Sat., Aug. 17, 9am Arboretum - Saturday, Aug. 10, 9am

Please Help Us Out, even if it's only for an hour!

Music in the Park, Organized K-OS The show went on despite the rain - Sunday 7/21

Kudos to:

Bev & Amy Stein, Wayne North and Ruth & Mike Ashford for purchasing and planting flowers in the Collingwood diverters north of Islington.

Dustin Hostettler, Carol Kutsche and other diligent neighbors

who have called as the city allowed the contractors who are doing the sidewalks to take the sandstone.

Some of it has been saved.

OLD WEST END FUN!





O.W.E. Association PICNIC Tues., Aug. 20, 6:00 pm OWE Arboretum, Delaware @ Robinwood





by Jeni Belt

The sound of cicadas is in the air again, a reminder that time keeps rolling on, through days and weeks and seasons. I hope you've managed to enjoy your summer and take advantage of at least some of the many wonderful events happening in our neighborhood. If you haven't, we still have 3 more Arboretum concerts to enjoy (August 11, 25 and September 8), and our Association's annual picnic (August 13), so there's still time to connect with old friends and make some new ones.

The Association's July meeting featured **Ed Hill**, special collections librarian at Toledo Lucas County Library, who discussed the library's interactive exhibit featuring the neighborhood. He encourages OWE residents who have blueprints of their home to bring them to the library to be scanned (and originals stored, if desired). The Library has a high quality printer to make images for homeowners and will add the prints/drawings to the interactive exhibit. We look forward to seeing this collection grow and using it at next year's Festival (as well as year round).

Our **Preservation Committee** continues the important work of salvaging architecturally significant and functional items to be repurposed in houses. If you are interested in participating, contact **Shawn Kellerbauer at 419-349-4809**.

The **Business Networking Group** hosted a potluck last week to increase its numbers and plan its **Autumn Market, September 8**. This event will feature area individuals and businesses that are promoting and selling their wares.

Our Neighborhood Beautification and Improvement Committee awarded two grants last round for a new sign for Glenwood Lutheran Church and replacement of pillars at the Libbey House. The next round is open – applications are due October 31.

Now that we have finalized the **Strategic Plan**, the work of implementation begins. One of the first areas we identified was our website – neighbors have suggested some obvious improvements, but we are always looking for more input. Go to oldwestendtoledo.

Tuesday, Aug. 13, 2019

O.W.E. Executive Board Meeting
6 p.m. at Deb Kienzle's Home
2238 Scottwood Ave.

Tuesday, Aug. 20, 2019

Association Picnic

6:00 p.m. Arboretum Bring a dish to share, meat, beverage provided

EVERYONE IS ALWAYS WELCOME!

com and let me know your thoughts on the site and stay tuned as we refine and hopefully make it more useful to neighbors. You can reach me at 419-351-2111 or jbelt@shumaker.com.

As mentioned above, our next meeting is our **Association's Annual Picnic**. The picnic will take place at **6:00 p.m. August 20** – the Association will provide a main dish and beverages and asks neighbors to bring a side or dessert to share. Bring a chair and break some bread with your neighbors. *Invite someone who hasn't attended before. Better yet, bring them with you. Let's continue to build and foster an inviting and inclusive community together.* It's one of the most special aspects of our neighborhood, and there's always room for improvement.

O.W.E. Business Network Group Presents

Sunday, Sept 8, Noon to 5:00 pm



in the ARBORETUM, Robinwood at Delaware

This year's Autumn Market will host a variety of vendors and information tables. Would you like to be a vendor or host a table? Spaces are only \$15. Want to come and shop? That's free! Our market this year is followed immediately by the last concert of the season at the gazebo. Vendors will set up their spaces in a flea-market yard-sale type setting, with each space being roughly 10 x 15 ft. Follow regular garage sale rules with wares, and information tables are encouraged to bring information and hand-out swag. For payment and more details go to:

www.toledooldwestend.com/autumn-market



Agnes Reynolds Jackson Arboretum 2019 Robinwood @ Delaware

Arboretum Work Day Saturday, Aug. 10th

9am - noon Food Provided!!!



Sunday, Aug. 11, 6-8:30pm

Swingmania

Sponsored By:

Deb & Todd Kienzle and Dan Finkel

Sunday, Aug. 25th, 6-8:30pm

The Amelia Airhearts

Sponsored By: Shaw Eye Care

July & August Extended Hour's cost donated by Roger and Gary Douglass



OLD WEST END SECURITY

OWES is happy to welcome our new supporters!

To encourage others to take the plunge, we will hold our next meeting at the **BLACK KITE** on **August 8**, from 6 to 8 p.m stop by, meet us, learn about what we are all about! Summer is the time for open doors and open windows, keep secure and, Close'em when you aren't around.

More supporters = More patrols. You can now join, pay, or donate online!! For more information check our website: www.OldWestEndSecurity.com. It's easier than ever to show your support and help keep our neighborhood safe!

Preservation Committee

The next meeting is Monday, Aug. 12th at 7 pm, Kent Branch Library. Contact Shawn Kellerbauer 419-340-4809 for further details.



The Women of The Old West End

WOWE Officers: Carol Kutsche, Toni Moore & Tammy Michalak

THE OWE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

HOW LONG DO YOU THINK THIS MUCH NEEDED ORGANIZATION HAS BEEN AROUND?

It took 10 years to get this Old West End Historic District recognized by the National Register of Historic Places. In the late 1970s the Old West End Historic District Commission was put in place. It was the first of its kind here in Toledo. Once we had the Historic Overlay in place the neighborhood went to work protecting the historic integrity of the OWE ... and it wasn't easy either. There was much work to be done. Since we had the Historic Designation, we were free to stop a number of things from happening. For example: Aluminum siding contractors were all over this neighborhood and in fact, destroyed several homes putting up inferior siding. Many home owners who have purchased these homes since, have had the siding removed and discovered plenty to repair when they did.

After that happened, we contacted contractors to inform them of the Historic Designation and the Historic District Commission. We wanted to inform them of the process now necessary before doing any work and that we did not want them destroying the integrity of the homes here in the OWE.

Many homeowner's thought they could tear off detail, replace windows, tear down garages, put decks on and many other things without getting a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA).

With all this being overseen by the Plan

UPCOMING WOWE MEETINGS FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH 6:30 POTLUCK All neighbors are welcome! Please join us and learn how WOWE is making a difference for our neighborhood Tammy Michalak August 7th 2056 Scottwood Kent Illenden September 4th & Mary Sawers 2702 Parkwood Diane Duggan October 2nd 2369 Robinwood Commission we were still dealing with the City of Toledo who could not understand it at all.

Still to this day, the city and many residents don't know that they need a COA, first, before any work can be done. Educating the city on these matters is still a challenge.

Think of the Devilbiss House & Key Bank, Asphalt on Floyd St., sandstone sidewalks being removed from this neighborhood, Group Homes, and this is just the tip of the iceberg of the issues currently faced by our Old West End neighborhood.

Did you know, this neighborhood has filed 6 lawsuits over the years against the city, and won them all? The city promised, on 5 separate occasions (regarding those law suits), that they would not let it happen again . . . WE have the Consent Degrees from those suits and the City is still violating them!

This writer is still astounded that home owners in this Historic District are shocked when they find out they need a COA to do any kind of work on the exterior of their home.

We will be meeting with the city very

soon to address these latest issues and other infractions. We did and still do have an agreement with the City of Toledo, Engineering Department from 2014 about the sandstone sidewalks ... no one seems to remember it at the Engineering Department today. Some of those individuals were working in the Engineering Department then! To refresh their memory, we sent them a copy the agreement that was signed and sent to the neighborhood from David Dysard of the Engineering Department originally.

The Historic District Commission is one of our steps in protecting and securing our neighborhood's history.

If you see something that looks like it is a violation call Molly McQuire, (419) 245-1200 at the Plan Commission and let one of the WOWE officers know.

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Many thanks to neighbors who called regarding the sandstone removal on both Delaware and Parkwood and the asphalt application on the bricks on Floyd St. As I said in last month's newsletter, stay vigilant, we ARE under siege here in the Historic Old West End!



Children's Bay ______
in the Park

A Chairperson is still needed for this much loved and anticipated event for

the children, their families and friends

here in the OWE and beyond.

Call Carol Kutsche at 419-243-2848 if you are willing to take the reins!!

If no one steps up to help for this annual event WOWE will need to cancel it.





9:00a - 12:00p

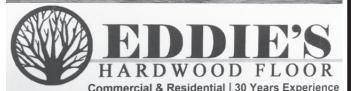
Breakfast is served to all who volunteer

Again, a shout out and a huge thank you to the volunteers who helped with maintenance in the Commons in July. We were overwhelmed with weeds and thanks to everyone the majority of those pesky little devils are gone - for the moment

Many Thank You's to: Krista Gore, Katie Barton-Newlove, Amy Vicars, Tommy Hill, Carol Kutsche, Tammy Michalak, Brian Miller, Mike McMahon, Ken Schumaker, Toni Moore & David Neuendorff. It was hot. Everyone went home sweaty but happy with how the Commons looked after it was done. Good Job ALL!!!!

Join us even if you have only an hour to spare. Will you help, Please?

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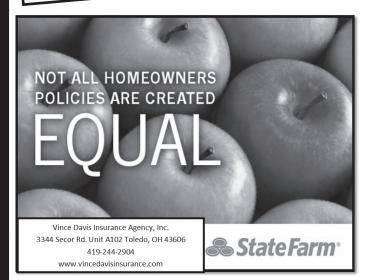
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