

# HISTORIC TIMES

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR TOLEDO'S HISTORIC OLD WEST END



### **Top-floor décor**

Our January top-floor décor location is 1855 Collingwood. There was only one winner: Mary Glowacki. Our February topfloor décor picture is shown below. I have revised the rules from last year again: I will keep a record of all those who correctly identify the top floor for each month, and the winner of the \$100 gift card for Black Kite will be whoever has the highest number of correct identifications for the year. The deadline for responses is 5 PM on the 15th of the month. Building locations are within the region bounded by both sides of Collingwood, Monroe, Maplewood, and Central. A correct response identifies the location of the building, by its street address, in an email message to Donald. godfrey@utoledo.edu, with the subject heading Top-floor décor. The body of your message should have the street address of the building and your name.



## 2023 Republic Trash & Recycling Collection Calendar



Scan this QR Code for the 2023 Trash collection schedule. OWE area is red, marked as R1 & R2.

Monday, February 6, 2023 **O.W.E. Security Meeting**Kent Branch Library, (6:30 pm)

# **Vocation**Toledo Stories

The Historic

Old West End

Toledo, Ohio

Calling all Neighbors! You may have heard that the Old West End is working on getting a 'Toledo Stories' episode made for WGTE Public Television. If you have ever watched this series on WGTE you know that these shows tell amazing stories about the history of our city. To date there is no episode specifically dedicated to telling the story of the Old West End Neighborhood although there are some episodes that do touch on the Old West End as it relates to other Toledo History such as the episode on Mary Manse College or the episode on Fair Housing. These shows are privately funded and are not produced with the general operating money that public television receives. The cost to produce a half hour program is over \$30,000. So far we are well on our way to reaching that number by donations from private individuals and companies here in Toledo. To date we have raised just over \$15,000 and getting to just half of this goal will let us start production. Most of the project will be funded by larger donations but we need smaller donations to make this happen. \$5 up to \$500 will be very helpful in getting us closer to making this happen. Please consider making tax deductible donation! Donations will go to WGTE for the purpose of producing this show. For Donations of \$1,000 or more please reach out to us as there are sponsorship opportunities at those levels. Donations can be made through the Old West End web site at -

www.toledooldwestend.com/wgte-owe

# Kudos to:

Alex & Tim Livingston and Tom & Oliver Guyton for shoring up the turret at 624 Delaware in anticipation of the big storm.

Mary & Summer Glasmeier, Jada Burnep and Paula Ashley for volunteering to deliver the Historic Times.

## WANTED

# Historic Times Courier for Stratford Place

(Approximate 18 homes from Scottwood to Parkwood) Average about 20 min. once a month, great exercise! Contact Kent at 419-367-9155 or

killenden@engineeredimaging.com

# To Do List... "Wine Tasting" Feb. 9

Black Kite, 5-7pm "Wine Tasting" Feb.10

Glass Pavillion,6:30pm

"Coalition for Peaceful

**Neighborhoods"** Feb. 16 Glenwood Luth. Ch., 5:30 pm

"Poetry Workshop"

Feb.18, TMA 1-2:30pm **"Seed Swap"** Feb. 25

Scott High School, 12-3pm

O.W.E. & Area FUN



W.O.W.E.
Wednesday, Feb. 1, 6:30 pm
Bravo's Restaurant Franklin Park Mall

O.W.E. Association Tuesday, Feb. 21, 7 pm Collingwood Presbyterian Church



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Dear Old West Enders,

Last month at the Old West End Association meeting, Josh and Ryne from the City of Toledo Plan Commission introduced the FORWARD TOLE-DO planning process for the city. This plan will address both dreams for the city and also challenges the city faces, such as affordable housing. Curiously, these presenters noted a way that the Old West End both preserved houses and continues to address this housing shortage in Toledo. They described a set of circumstances related to a type of housing which they referred to as 'the missing middle.' Since I just learned the term that night, I asked OWE Association Trustee, Mac Driscoll, to explain this technical planning term. Here's what he had to say:

#### **Missing Middle Housing**

In the latter half of the 20th century, as people began moving out of the city and into the suburbs of Toledo, the large homes in the Old West End presented the City of Toledo with an interesting planning challenge. As the neighborhood demographics began to shift, it became harder for single families to occupy and preserve the many large homes in the Old West End. The response from the City of Toledo Plan Commission was to rezone the neighborhood to allow for multi-unit residential dwellings. Much of that zoning still exists today, which is why many homes are now duplexes, triplexes, or quad-plexes, or why many homes have accessory apartments above garages or carriage homes. This kind of land use has been vital to restoring and preserving many homes in the neighborhood, but it also is an example of what is sometimes referred to as the "missing middle" of residential units. The missing middle refers to light levels of density in a neighborhood that still allow for more residential units and thus more people, but also respect the

Tuesday, February 14, 2023

## **O.W.E. Executive Board Meeting**Ford Mansion, 2205 Collingwood (7 pm)

Tuesday, February 21, 2023
Association Meeting

Collingwood Presbyterian Church (7 pm)

ALL NEIGHBORS ARE WELCOME!

existing character of the built environment. Missing middle housing helps solve problems of housing affordability, energy efficiency, housing insecurity, transit oriented development and other societal issues.

I was excited to learn this story because in many conversations I hear the topics of Preservation, Zoning, and the housing crisis facing our city discussed as totally separate issues rather than interrelated and entangled. The presence of duplexes and triplexes and other kinds of housing in the Old West End was a major factor in the preservation of these homes. These more affordable housing options also ensure a diversity of residents in our neighborhood who each have different reasons to live here. Whereas many other communities have one type of housing (and are zoned as such) we've maintained a variety which has contributed to the eclectic community we love.

Housing diversity will play a role in this neighborhood's future too. Josh and Ryne made the point that this 'missing middle' of housing may already be built. Rather than build new structures of three to six housing units, they observed that it may be as cost effective and more environmentally friendly to preserve structures and build out Toledo's missing middle by renovating houses that already stand and transforming some into duplexes and triplexes. An alternative for many of these structures would be demolition, a growing concern in our area. The OWE Association Board and the Preservation Committee are coordinating with Fannie Effler from Olde Towne to learn more about these planned demolitions. In the mean time, Anita Lopez, County Auditor, will be our guest for next month for the OWE Association meeting on Tuesday, February 21st.

Your neighbor, Chris



# WANTED

**Arboretum Board Members**Do you enjoy the ARJA? Like to garden?

We are looking for a couple of Board Members to join our fun group as we start the 2023 season. Let's Talk! Contact/Message Kent at 419-367-9155 or killenden@engineeredimaging.com



# OLD WEST END SECURITY

Happy New Year, neighbors! The Board of Trustees of Old West End Security wish you all a safe and happy 2023. Serving this year as Trustees are Stephanie Taylor and Carol Stacy. Serving as officers are Ben Grazzini (President), Bryan Latta (Vice-President), Sara Haynes (Treasurer), and Ben Clinger (Secretary).

Security meetings are open to everyone, and are held the first Monday of the month at **Kent Branch Library**, **6:30 pm**. If you're interested in getting involved with OWES, or have concerns you want to share with us, please join us. **Our next meeting is Monday**, **February 6**.

Old West End Security is a non-profit organization dedicated to making the Old West End a safer neighborhood for all. For more information, check out our website (oldwestendsecurity.com) or email us at oldwestendsecurity@gmail.com.

#### BUSINESS NETWORK GROUP

The next Old West End Business Network meeting will be on

Thursday, February 23

at Christine Palmer's home, 2443 Collingwood at 7 to 8:30 pm



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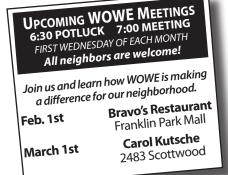
WOWE Officers: Carol Kutsche, Toni Moore and Tammy Michalak

## WOWE CELEBRATES JIM LOGAN



Women of The Old West End know Jim's involvement in our neighborhood, from volunteering in the Commons Park, Arboretum, Tours de Noel, Festival and so much more. And on any given day you will find Jim picking up debris & litter from our streets. Yes, he is part of the Litter Brigade with Andrew Larsen but Jim has taken it much further by taking the time, almost on a daily basis, to do clean up on his own. Keeping our streets here in the OWE clear of discarded food bags, pop cans, paper etc. in his continued desire and commitment to help. He's a gift to all of us and our neighborhood. If you know Jim or see him, thank him. Jim is much loved by WOWE.

"All you need is love.
But a little chocolate now
and then doesn't hurt."
- Enarces M. Sorwy





# Happy Valentine's Day Neighbors!!

**V**alentine's **D** ay reminds us of those who are so dear and important to us. We could not imagine life without them and the joy in knowing them. Partners, Family & Friends. Today we wish to honor one of those FRIENDS who has made his life's mission to always be at the ready to help and who is much loved!!

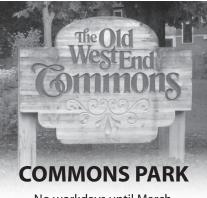
## Your input is important!

Former Mayors, Owens, Bell, Hicks-Hudson, Finkbeiner & Clergy from many Churches have come together as a team to find a way to stem the violence in our city. The group is called:

#### "Coalition for Peaceful Toledo Neighborhoods"

A meeting will be held at Glenwood Lutheran Church **Thursday, Feb. 16th**5:30pm

Your input is important as they/we help to craft a plan throughout our city to bring neighborhoods and neighbors together to discuss what is important. Will you attend? Your voice is important.



No workdays until March. However, the Commons still looks amazing! Thank you, Paul & Todd! MARK YOUR CALENDARS:
Sunday, May 21st
Mother's Day
High Tea

Seatings at: 11:00am, 1:00pm & 3:00pm

Women of the Old West End and the Libbey House Foundation will host another amazing High Tea Fundraiser at the Libbey House. For Reservations: Home Page **libbeyhouse.org** 

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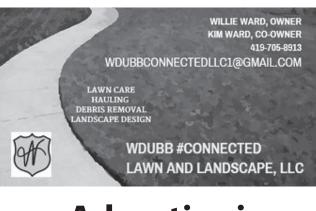
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#### CHARMING HISTORIC CONDO FOR RENT

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