

# HISTORIC TIMES

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR TOLEDO'S HISTORIC OLD WEST END



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## OLD WEST END

GOLDEN JUBILEE

HISTORIC FESTIVAL



**Volunteer & have a blast at this years festival!!!**

**OWE Festival June 2, 3 & 4, 2023**

**Volunteer Coordinator** - contact Stas Krukowski glasscityartsdirective@gmail.com

**House Tours** - contact Stephanie Taylor staylor1217@yahoo.com 874-254-0488

**Yard Sale Information** - Michelle (aka VOD) Atkinson 419-367-5444 michelleransomatkinson@gmail.com

**Buskers** - throughout the day of Saturday & Sunday. Contact Justin Bays 740-262-2823 justin.s.bays@gmail.com

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**Parade** - Paulette Mills 419-349-8559 phuber@bex.net

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**Friday GLOW-ROLL** - contact Keith Cook 419-699-4877 koolcomedy@hotmail.com

ON-LINE

[www.toledoodwestend.com/  
contact-volunteer](http://www.toledoodwestend.com/contact-volunteer)

### OWE Festival Volunteer Sign-Up Event

Join us on Saturday, April 15  
Bellweather at Toledo Spirits, 1301 N. Summit St., Toledo from 4-6 pm to hear our volunteer options.

## Scottwood Inn Chili Cook-Off



Ryan White and Lori McCullers tied as winners of the Scottwood Inn Foundation Chili Cook-off on March 11. Per the rules, the Foundation will donate, on their behalf, to the Cherry Street Mission and Equality Toledo.

## Free Books for Little Ones!

*Do you know a preschooler who loves stories?*

The Dolly Parton Imagination Library sends a free book every month to a little one until the child is 5. Call **419-259-5196** for more information or visit [toledolibrary.org](http://toledolibrary.org)/imagination library to apply online.

Saturday, May 6, 2023

### Toledo Plant Exchange

Lucas County Fairgrounds

8:30-10:00 am - Plant Drop Off

*(Please label plants)*

9:00-9:50 am - Info. Booths

10:00-11:30 am - Plant Distribution

5 Free plants per person 419-578-6783

## OWE LITTER LEAGUE

The 2023 Toledo Litter League program is gearing up for this summer, and our neighborhood team has been registered. Last year, over 30 individual neighbors came out at least once to help pick up 90 bags of litter just in our neighborhood alone. For every pick up date, all supplies are provided. If anyone has questions or would like to co-captain the team, please reach out to Andrew Larsen at [a.larsenlmt@gmail.com](mailto:a.larsenlmt@gmail.com) or 419-889-8785. Everyone is encouraged to join the Facebook group at [facebook.com/groups/owelitterleague](https://www.facebook.com/groups/owelitterleague) for pick up dates and other information. We are looking forward to making our neighborhood shine with you!

## Business Spotlight



Hello Neighbors!

I am your local realtor, **Paul Jacoby**, with Wiens & Roth Real Estate.

You may have seen me and my girl, Carmen the frisbee dog, walking the neighborhood.

Don't worry . . . I always pick up after her!

If you are interested in buying, selling or investing in real estate, let's talk! I would be thrilled to partner with you.

See you in the neighborhood!

**Paul Jacoby**

**WIENS & ROTH REAL ESTATE**

### Contact Information

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Cell: 419-764-2047

## Top-floor décor

Our March top-floor décor location is 2211 Scottwood. Winners were Mary Glowacki and Bill Frisk. Our April top-floor décor picture is shown below. I will keep a record of all those who correctly identify the top floor décor by 5 PM on the 15th of 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. 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](mailto: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.



## Kudos to:

**Jimmy Clingo**

for delivering the Historic Times on Winthrop - Thank You!



MEETING REMINDERS

**W.O.W.E.**

**Wed., Apr. 5, 6:30pm**

**Toni Moore**

2369 Robinwood Ave.

**O.W.E. Association**

**Tues., Apr. 18, 7pm**

**Collingwood**

**Presbyterian Church**



## Letter from the President

by Chris Hanley  
847-899-4829

[glenwoodpastor@gmail.com](mailto:glenwoodpastor@gmail.com)



Dear Old West Enders,

When you tell the story of the Old West End, where do you begin? Who are the heroes and who are the villains? What influences of people have shaped the way we live here? What's the narrative arc, a decline and resurgence of a beautiful neighborhood or a transformation from one thing to another? One thing we might all agree upon, despite the particular storylines we might follow, is that the Old West End has a story that needs to be told.

We have a chance this year for our stories to be recorded and retold. Thanks to the tireless efforts of **Dan Finkel** and **Lindsay Miller** and thanks to generous gifts from neighbors and corporate sponsors, WGTE will produce a Toledo Story about the Old West End. WGTE has done a remarkable job documenting Toledo History in thirty minute segments. The Old West End plays a key role in the Toledo Story on the Fair Housing Center, where the narrative threads of race, access, and justice propelled Marcie Fein and others to begin this impressive organization. It is time for a story centered on this place we love which picks up some of those threads and presents more stories about where the Old West End came from and how it has been shaped through the years.

With Dan's leadership, we have come together to make this documentary happen. Members of the OWE Association voted to help fund this project as part of our budget for 2023. So far we have 19 neighbors who have given truly generous gifts toward this project. Here's what Dan posted on the Old West End Facebook about this: *"I believe that in the end the people that live here can account for nearly a third of the project at \$12,000. My ask is that the number of participants be more like 100."* With another 81 gifts towards this project we can raise an additional \$4000 and show the rest of our City what we think of this place we share. Well, make that 80. I'm giving a gift right now through the Old West End website. I hope you'll join me in making a contribution; whatever that might look like for you. We have an important story to share with the rest of our city.

Monday, April 17, 2023

**Preservation Meeting**  
Ford Mansion, (7:00 pm)

Tuesday, April 11, 2023  
**O.W.E. Executive Board Meeting**  
Ford Mansion, 2205 Collingwood (7 pm)

Tuesday, April 18, 2023  
**Association Meeting**  
Collingwood Presbyterian Church (7 pm)  
**ALL NEIGHBORS ARE WELCOME!**

We have had some wins recently too. Thanks to activism by **Phil Cubbon** and others, our trees are being safely trimmed. Also, **Kira Alvitre** and the Preservation Committee have continued to meet with the City to stress the importance of the character of our canopy and its importance. Lastly, the OWE Historic District Commission has decided to move back to the Old West End! Their meetings take place on the second Monday of the month at 5:30 PM at Collingwood Presbyterian. I want to thank our neighbor **Jonathan Latsko** from the Toledo-Lucas County Plan Commission for his willingness to work with us on that and the folks at Collingwood Pres for hosting this meeting as well as the General Meeting for the Association.

Lastly, our neighbor, **Valerie Thompson**, presented at the last OWE Association meeting alongside **Thomas Douglas**, sharing their plans for **Peace and Healing Commons**. Valerie is the President and Tom is the Executive Director of the organization Peace and Healing who have begun to transform Toledo Spain Plaza through a placemaking process which attends to and overcomes patterns of violence in our City. Keep an eye out for their work; it truly inspired me.

Your neighbor, Chris Hanley

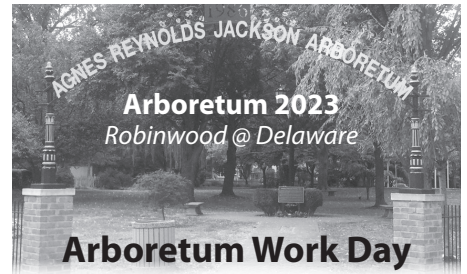
**NBI Grant Application**  
**Deadline April 30, 2023**

### Education and Scholarship

The Old West End Association is now accepting applications for the 2023 OWE Scholarship. This scholarship for up to \$2000, is for neighbors residing in the 43610 and 43620 area codes who are seeking an initial certificate, diploma, or degree beyond high school. To view the 2023 OWE Scholarship application and full eligibility requirements, please visit <https://www.toledoooldwestend.com/get-involved/#scholarship>. Application deadline is April 30, 2023. For questions, please contact **Christine Palmer** at [cpcpchurch@gmail.com](mailto:cpcpchurch@gmail.com).

### Want to Help with this year's OWE Festival?

Join us on Saturday, April 15  
Bellweather at Toledo Spirits, 1301 N. Summit St., Toledo from 4-6 pm to hear our exciting ideas & volunteer options.



**Arboretum Work Day**  
**Saturday, April 15th**  
**9am - noon**  
**Food Provided!!!**

**We are putting together the 2023 Music-In-The-Park Bands Interested in sponsoring? Call or Message Kent Illenden 419-367-9155**

Thanks to the neighbors who came out in their Sunday best for the Old West End Security Oscar Party! Neighbors enjoyed the awards show together over food, drinks, cards, and several Oscar themed games.



**OLD WEST END SECURITY**

#### Monthly Security Tips

Meet your Neighbors: This tip was made for the OWE! Neighbors can offer a great source of insight and protection in a community. By making friends with neighbors, you can find resources in the event of an emergency (or, great porch company in the event of a beautiful spring evening!)

Visible House Numbers: Visible house numbers are important. They can save police officers, firefighters and paramedic's valuable time in an emergency.

Motion Detector Lights: Motion detector lights are very effective in deterring crime. They also light up your driveway or entry doors when you are leaving or coming home.

Old West End Security is a non-profit group of volunteer neighbors, dedicated to deterring crime by contracting private security officers to make regular rounds in the neighborhood. The next Board meeting is:

Monday, April 3, 2023  
**O.W.E. Security Meeting**  
Kent Branch Library, (7:00 pm)

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## The Women of The Old West End

WOWE Officers:  
Carol Kutsche, Toni Moore  
and Tammy Michalak

### “Coalition for Peaceful Toledo Neighborhoods”

Four of our retired Mayor’s (Paula Hicks Hudson, Mike Bell, Donna Owens & Carty Finkbeiner along with many Community & Church leaders have met with many neighborhoods to gather information from those who attended the meetings on what efforts would be the best to promote peace and eliminate deaths by gun violence in Toledo Neighborhoods.

The following is the Ordinance request presented to Mayor Wade Kapszukiewicz and City Council.

**Purpose:** The Purpose of this ordinance is to express support for the Coalition for Peaceful Toledo Neighborhoods in its efforts to promote peace and eliminate deaths by violence in the City of Toledo and to provide resources as necessary to implement community-driven initiatives aimed at reducing violence and promoting peace.

In May’s Newsletter, WOWE will list the 12 Priorities and the explanation for each.

### NEED A TREE?

As we mentioned in last month’s newsletter, WOWE has matched a grant with Urban Forestry to plant trees in the 43610 & 43620 zip code areas.



A team of Old West End residents is heading up a project to improve our urban forest. Here is what the team have been planning, and please know they are always looking for volunteers.

For homeowners, landlords, organizations and others in the 43610 & 43620 zip code area, small trees can be provided and some larger trees as well.

**Michael Szuberla** is your contact for this initiative and he can be reached at [mszuberla@yahoo.com](mailto:mszuberla@yahoo.com) or 419-245-4539

Also, your help is needed for workdays at the nursery (Floyd & Horton): 10:00AM-Noon, the last Saturday of each month, April 29, May 27, June 24, July

# Celebrate Mom

The Libbey House Foundation & The Women of the Old West End Present

## Mother’s Day Tea



**Sunday, May 21st**  
(The Weekend after Mother’s Day)

Seatings @ 11 am, 1pm & 3pm

Tickets are \$40.00 per person

At The Historic Libbey House  
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### UPCOMING WOWE MEETINGS

6:30 POTLUCK 7:00 MEETING  
FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH  
*All neighbors are welcome!*

Attend our meetings and find out how WOWE is working to preserve the integrity our neighborhood.

**April 5th** Toni Moore  
2369 Robinwood

**May 3rd** Spaghetti Warehouse  
42 S. Superior

29, August 26 & September 30. We are looking for people to sign up to regularly visit the tree nursery to inspect the trees and the irrigation. Consider volunteering to do a 15-minute nursery inspection one day a week (training will be available).  
Finally, there will be a couple of Spring Potting Parties at Ohlman’s Nursery and the Floyd Street Nursery.



### COMMONS PARK

Hooray!!! Spring is here! We will schedule 2 maintenance days for both April & May.

**Park Maintenance begins April 15th and 29nd and May 13th & 27th at 9:00am!!**

Volunteers are always needed! Thank You to all who continue to give of their time, talent and treasure in maintaining this beautiful asset. **Will you volunteer?**

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