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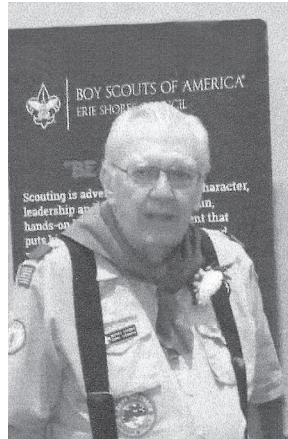
THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR TOLEDO'S HISTORIC OLD WEST END



Kudos to:

Litter League Trash Pick Up with **David Cristofori, Matt Dickens, Kat & Eric Morse, Paul Swartz & Brian Miller, and Brett Slater & Andrew Larsen** for trash pick up on July 9. 16 bags collected!

Karen Albright, Michelle Atkinson, John Howard, Holly Monsos, Ramona Olvera, Melissa Schmitt, & Lexi Sloan for participating and donating \$150 for **Yoga in the Park** by **Kim Howard**.



Congratulations to **Mike Wagner** for being awarded the **Glenda Bowman Lifetime Service Award** on June 1 for the **Boy Scouts of America Erie Shores Council!**



Glenwood Park Summer Concerts

Every 3rd Thursday, 6-8:30pm



July 18 Concert, Ramona Collins, TSA Jazz Band

Top-floor décor

Our July top-floor décor winner is Jackie and Jared; the location of the décor is 2274 Glenwood. Our August top-floor décor picture is shown below. See the Historic Times December 2021 issue for complete information and rules for our game (or go on-line at www.toledooldwestend.com). Whoever wins the most games for the year will receive a \$100 gift card for Black Kite. To win the game for the month, you must be the first person to identify 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. The deadline for responding is 5 PM on the 21st day of the month.



To Do List . . .

"Porch Crawls"

Check Facebook for updates (OWE Residents Only!)

"Wine Tasting"

Toledo Museum of Art
Fri. Aug. 26, 6:30-8:30pm

"Woodlawn Walkers"

Woodlawn Cemetery,
Wed., May-Oct., 9am

"Birds of Woodlawn"

Woodlawn Cemetery,
Fridays 9-10:30am

O.W.E. & Area FUN

W.O.W.E. Wed., Aug. 3

JoAnn & Ron Johnson

6:30 PotLuck, 7pm Meeting

2354 Robinwood Ave.

Association Picnic

Tues., Aug. 16

Macelwane Park, 6:00 pm

Meat/Beverage Provided

Bring dish to share/Chair

Aug. 17, 4-7pm
(Rain or Shine)
Glenwood Lutheran Church



Food Trucks

Baba's Eats & Tutti Fruity

OWE Litter League

Old West Enders Litter League
Saturday August 13, 10-noon.
Meet at Rosary Cathedral. Bags, gloves, grabbers all provided. Questions to Andrew, 419-889-8785.



Letter from the President

by Chris Hanley
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Dear Old West Enders,

Last month at the Old West End Association meeting we got a chance to learn about belonging. Belonging, according to some definitions, relates to the deep human need for acceptance in a group or community. According to the Toledo Museum of Art's first ever Director of Belonging, **Rhonda Sewell**, belonging is also an active word. It takes discipline, diligence, and consistency in order to make the space for people to feel like they belong.

Rhonda shared the story of how she landed up in this job which wove together so many of her astonishing range of experiences and gifts. From writing at the Blade to advocating for the library before governmental decision-makers, she always urged people to tell bigger stories about who matters and what is important. As the Director of Belonging at the TMA, she gets to assemble a team from all levels of the museum's structure to ask probing questions about Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Access. This team even subjects the Museum's Strategic Plan to analysis through each of these lenses.

Rhonda also acknowledged that 'belonging' has not always been a priority at the Museum. When asked how she builds trust in communities that have not historically seen the TMA as a place they might belong, Rhonda replied: consistency. Show up, early, over and over again so that people gradually begin to trust that you're really there to share something beautiful and build an on-going, mutual relationship. Rhonda said, on behalf the Museum, she wants to earn that kind of trust with us, too. She is not alone in this either. TMA Director, Adam Levine, will hold a special, in-person ask me anything event at 7 PM on October 12th where he will field all your questions about the Museum and its vision.

After Rhonda presented, a number of people shared with me that her focus on consistency in building relationships and promoting an active sense of belonging through DEAI accountability

challenged them to reflect on their own organizations. I certainly did. We cannot expect the neighbors who live outside the Historic District to trust that we really think of them as Old West Enders unless we consistently show up, seek their input, and welcome their leadership. I learned from Toledo Design Collective that we need to demonstrate our willingness and ability to build relationships with neighbors who have traditionally been left out of OWE leadership and planning before their board would agree to partner with us. So we have work to do.

That starts with me and the OWE Association Board. We need to meet new neighbors and new leaders. I hope to see you at an upcoming concert at Glenwood Park. We're going to move the **Annual Picnic** meeting to **Macelwane Park** this year and include more games. And I also hope to see you at porch crawls and Music in the Park. Let us know where you gather and I will come with another representative from the board to hear your experience of this neighborhood and to ask what belonging might feel like for you. I'm at glenwoodpastor@gmail.com or 847-899-4829. One of my guiding lights, Mister Rogers, said the same thing about love that Rhonda says about belonging. "Love is an active word, like struggle." Come join in this kind of struggle at the Old West End Association. Our next meeting will be a Picnic at Macelwane Park at 6 PM on August 16th featuring our Scholarship Winner, **Elias Palmer, and Jeff Lovewell** from the Imagination Station.

Your neighbor, Chris

Tuesday, August 9, 2022
O.W.E. Executive Board Meeting
To Be Announced! (7 pm)
Tuesday, August 16, 2022
Association Picnic
Macelwane Park (6 pm)
Bring a dish to share, meat/beverage provided, bring your own chair
ALL NEIGHBORS ARE WELCOME!

SECURITY SOUNDINGS

Thank you to everyone who participated in our inaugural OWE Security Scavenger Hunt. Teams searched the neighborhood for vintage OWE t-shirts competing to see who could find the most. Fun was had by all, and we hope to make this an annual event.

We are currently in the process of arranging a self-defense class for our September meeting. Please stay tuned for further details in the September Historic Times.

Due to the Labor Day holiday, our September meeting will take place on September 12. All are welcome to attend. See our Facebook page for more details.

Going on vacation? Here are some tips for outside your home:

1. Arrange for lawn care.
2. Stop newspapers and mail.
3. Plan some exterior lighting.
4. Don't leave spare keys outdoors.
5. Lock the garage.

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

More supporters = More patrols.



Sunday, Aug. 14th, 6-8pm
Leave Those Kids Alone

Sponsored by:
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Sunday, Aug. 28th, 6-8pm
Amelia Airharts

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Arboretum Work Day Saturday, August 20th
9am - noon Food Provided!!!



The Women of The Old West End
 WOWE Officers:
 Carol Kutsche,
 Toni Moore and
 Tammy Michalak

WILL YOU HELP!!



In July, WOWE was approached by neighbor Perlean Griffin regarding the amount of trash in our neighborhood. Perlean lives on Collingwood and cannot believe people throw out diapers, bottles, paper, food cartons, etc. on her street and in her yard. She has been cleaning up the area around her home and thought the whole neighborhood should be involved. **Would you be willing to pick-up the trash on your block every week?** She asked what could be done.

A meeting was scheduled with Perlean, Toni Moore, and Andrew Larsen who is a member of the OWEnders Litter League team. Andrew explained that Dan LaCerva started the street trash pick-up last year. Below is a history of what they have done:



*From:
Andrew Larsen*

The Old West Enders Litter League team was formed last year by Dan LaCerva. After lamenting about the amount of trash found all over the neighborhood to his wife, Dan was challenged by her to do something about it. The City launched the Litter League program last year as a friendly competition for neighborhoods to pick up litter across the city. Dan got a team registered for the 43620/43610 zip codes and completed semiweekly cleanups on weeknights throughout the summer. Fast forward to 2022 and Old West End Association Trustee, Andrew Larsen, reached out to Dan about the Litter League cleanups. Andrew had the OWEA adopt the I-75 ramps at Bancroft and at Collingwood through ODOT but wanted to work on other areas of the neighborhood as well. Teaming up with Dan, they have organized five Saturday morning pickups around the neighborhood. Since

IT'S HAPPENING!

Children's Day in the Park

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

SUNDAY, October 2nd

1:00 to 4:00pm

Commons Park

The committee is finalizing all the events for the day. The September Newsletter will list all the fun activities including **Books, Crafts, A Magician, The Birds Eye Circus, Bat Man and the Bat Mobile** and so much more!!

PLEASE, YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

Call Christine Palmer, (419-464-6535) who is Chair of the event and let her know you have time to volunteer for this wonderful and much anticipated event.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

HIGH TEA

Hosted by WOWE & The Libbey House Foundation

SUNDAY, SEPT. 25TH

More details in the Sept. newsletter.



COMMONS PARK

Thank you to everyone who volunteered in the Commons Park.

OWE Residents:

Mike McMahon, Ken Schumaker, Carol Kutsche, Tammy Michalak & Toni Moore

Lucas County volunteers:

Julie M. Porter, Nicole Speiser, Janelle Kazmierczak & Alysa Simpson

THANK YOU BILL FRISK!

Bill graciously took on the task of repairing the water source at the Commons Park. It now works perfectly without spraying everywhere!! WOWE is so grateful for your efforts Bill!!!

UPCOMING WOWE MEETINGS

6:30 POTLUCK 7:00 MEETING

FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH

All neighbors are welcome!

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