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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR TOLEDO'S HISTORIC OLD WEST END



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BLACK KITE

COFFEE

Wine Tasting Wednesdays

Black Kite will be hosting wine tastings every third Wednesday of the month starting on **Wednesday, March 18th**. The wine tasting will start at 5:30pm, but reservations are not required. We are looking ahead to spring and starting with 5 Rosés. Tastings will be \$2 each. Available to purchase by the glass or bottle to drink on site or take home. We will have a live musician to set the perfect ambiance for sipping on some wine. Any questions please call 419.720.5820.

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See a bag/trash floating around when you're out. #SMARTSPRING



Unplug appliances you're not using. Lower your bill and up your environmental street cred. #SMARTSPRING



Plant a tree. #SMARTSPRING



Turn off Netflix. Read a book. #SMARTSPRING

SPRING STARTS MARCH 20TH

W.O.W.E.
Mar. 4, 6:30 pm
 Sandy Frank
 2137 Scottwood Ave.

O.W.E. Association
Mar. 17, 6:00 pm
 Collingwood Arts Center
 Pride Room



Old West End Social Circle

The Old West End Social Circle (OWESC) is an informal community group led by a small, dedicated committee of neighborhood volunteers who wish to create and foster a sense of belonging, safety, and connection among all neighbors living in the Old West End by hosting and facilitating community social events.

In addition to large scale events the committee plans, we also encourage members of OWESC to post their own formal or informal events, gatherings, and meet-ups! You don't have to wait for the committee's next porch crawl, caroling event, haunted walk, or ice cream social -- feel free to post a invite to a knitting circle or board game night, pop-up picnic, walk or ride around the neighborhood, puppy playdate, movie night, or an impromptu "hey, anyone want to get brunch at Black Kite?"

It is our desire to help grow what makes this neighborhood truly a great Neighborhood -- neighbors actually being neighborly. A key component of this goal is our wish to foster a greater level of inclusivity so that everyone in the neighborhood truly feels welcome at every event.

Suggestions for events with kind heart and mutual purpose are welcome! Thank you so much for being here and being part of what makes the OWE great!

-The Old West End Social Circle -

Kudos to:

Pete Kadens

for providing a college education for the 2020 Scott High School graduates.

Shawn Wingate

for regularly picking up trash along Detroit/Delaware and other streets in the Old West End.

To Do List . . .

- "Yoga" @ 6pm and "Tai Chi" @ 7pm Wed.'s @ Collingwood Pres. Church
- "Festival House Captain Meeting" Thurs's Mar. 5, 6pm 2561 Glenwood
- "Rosary Cathedral" School Family Festival Thurs. Mar. 12, 7pm
- "TMA Baby Tour" Fri. Mar. 13, 6 pm
- "First Day of Spring" TMA Family Center Fri. Mar. 27, 3:30pm
- "Nautica" C.A.C. A Sea Faring Adventure Fri. Mar. 31-Apr. 2
- O.W.E. & Area FUN**





Letter from the President



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Happy March! This is my 3rd column and I have led two meetings. So far so good. We were thrilled to have 4+ first timers at February's meeting. We hope to see them again and AS ALWAYS encourage ALL neighbors to come and checkout an OWEA meeting. It is always on the 3rd Tuesday of the month and starts at 7pm. Many thanks to Jason Finn for hosting the meeting.

Regarding March's meeting – it does fall on St Patrick's Day – so we are going to start the meeting at 6 PM and make sure that the meeting portion only lasts 1 hour, so you don't have to choose between going out with friends or coming to the OWEA meeting...you can do both! March's meeting will be at the Collingwood Arts Center starting at 6 PM. Hope to see you there.

We do change locations, so please check the Historic Times and/or the website for meeting locations.

Preservation Committee

Please join us at our next OWE Preservation meeting on March 9th at 7 PM at the Kent Library. We will be Historic commission agenda, education classes, salvage opportunities, working on new outreach program and option to support neighbors in preservation efforts and repair. We hope that you can join us for our monthly meeting.

To get a COA (Certificate of Appropriateness) for any exterior renovations within the Historic District go to: <http://www.toledooldwestend.com/the-historic-district-commission>

Sometimes it is in a public space and sometimes in a neighbor's home. The OWEA website is:

<http://www.toledooldwestend.com>

For those of you who haven't been to a meeting in a while, we have changed the format, and provide written committee updates which enables more time for interactive discussion about topics that the group cares about. We also provide some pretty good snacks and beverages!

I am writing a lot about meeting logistics because we are hoping to engage our neighbors in upcoming discussions and plans making our strategic plan transform into projects and initiatives . . . and we want as many voices, arms and legs to make that happen.

The Strategic Plan has three broad topic areas: Market the Neighborhood Internally and Externally, Increase Engagement of Neighbors as Active Participants, Increase Preservation Efforts. We have some bullet points under each, but we want to review again as a group and more importantly start to flush out those areas and create tangible, do-able, projects and actions. It's an exciting time as everyone can make a real difference and impact in our neighborhood.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention Festival. We are just 3 months away from Festival, June 6th & 7th! This is OWEA's sole fundraiser as well as a great opportunity to show off our fantastic neighborhood. That said, it takes a LOT of people to pull off this amazing event. We need neighbors to graciously open their homes for house tours, volunteers for everything from Beer Tent, 5K, art fair, house tour docents, children's activities just to name a few. We have volunteer positions for people of all ages and interests. Please take 2 hours out of this fabulous weekend and volunteer for an event. It takes over 350 people to make it happen...and please don't think that your involvement doesn't matter...it does!

Hope to see you on St. Patrick's Day at 6 PM at Collingwood Arts Center. Make March Magical, Merry and Marvelous!

Tuesday, March 10, 2020
O.W.E. Executive Board Meeting
 6 p.m. at **Deb Kienzle's Home**
 2238 Scottwood Ave.

Tuesday, March 17, 2020
 6:00 p.m. **Collingwood Arts Center**
 Collingwood Blvd.

EVERYONE IS ALWAYS WELCOME!



OLD WEST END SECURITY

Happy (almost) Spring! With warming weather comes more potential for crime at night, so it's as great a time as any to consider joining OWE Security.

Our patrol group, IDER, continues to keep an eye on the community with regular visits through our neighborhood. You may have seen their car, or IDER patrol officers helping neighbors with flat tires and getting into their locked cars. Please feel free to say hello to the officers as they are happy to get to know the members of our community. Patrols add an extra set of eyes on our homes and streets, making our neighborhood hospitable for residents and as inhospitable for crime as possible. We depend on our residents' monetary support to pay for these patrols. Churches, apartments, businesses and residential homes are all part of our supporter base. **More supporters = More patrols.**

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!

March security tips: Keep your porchlight on and consider using motion detection lights in backyards to deter unwanted visitors. Many neighbors also have found camera equipped doorbells useful in keeping aware of suspicious activity. Keep in touch with neighbors to help look out for one another's property, especially if leaving town for multiple days.

Business Network Group

Our next meeting will be Wednesday March 18th, 6:30 - 8:00 at the home of Terrence and Lorinne Ellis
2236 Robinwood Ave.
Topic: Motivation
Hope to see you all then!



The Women of The Old West End

WOWE Officers: Carol Kutsche, Toni Moore & Tammy Michalak

GREAT NEWS ABOUT BANCROFT

From: Bancroft Beautification Committee and representatives of WOWE and the OWEA.

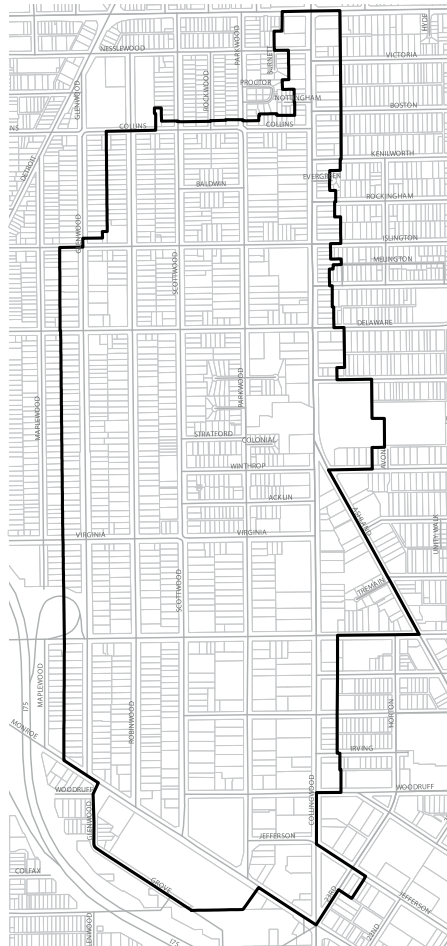
This committee is working with the city to find a permanent solution for the concerns that have been raised about the intersection of Bancroft and Scottwood. The group received a phone call from Abby Arnold, Deputy Chief of Staff, City of Toledo, on Friday, 2/14. She was able to share with them the intended resolution for Scottwood and Bancroft. Due to the line of site issues that exist, Abby is working with the Department of Transportation to install an actuated signal at the intersection. (Signal would be green unless a car or pedestrian is seen and would change to red on Bancroft to allow crossing). Because the intersection does not meet any of the manual warrants, the cost for installation and maintenance must be 100% borne by the City of Toledo. The estimated cost for installation is \$150,000. Their understanding is that Abby has communicated with Councilwoman Harper who will need to work with Council to make a line item adjustment to the budget before we can proceed and that Councilwoman Harper was willing to do so. **If other Council members should push back we will be needed, along with members of the community, to help Council understand the importance of funding this light for the safety of our community.** Abby estimated it may take up to 2 months for the actual funding and installation to occur and that she will also work to see what interim measures may be needed at the intersection until the signal is installed. She indicated she would keep us updated on any progress/changes.

DISTRICT 4

WOWE members and Council Woman Yvonne Harper are still pursuing the issue of a 60 Unit Apartment Building which will house felons coming out of prison or jail. This proposed facility is intended to be build at Woodruff and Franklin. None of the adjoining property owners had any knowledge of this including the businesses on Adams St. in UpTown. Manos Greek Restaurant is one block away at Franklin an Adams St. WOWE has filed an appeal to the Plan Commission who approved this facility. There will be more information about this current situation in the April Newsletter.

REMEMBER YOU ARE LIVING IN A HISTORIC DISTRICT!

If you are planning to do ANY exterior work on your home call Molly McGuire at the Plan Commission for details. 419-245-1200



Weather permitting the first Commons Park workday will be Saturday, **March 14th** **9:00a to 12:00n**

Breakfast served to all who volunteer on the workdays.

VOLUNTEERING

A shout out and thank you to all who continue to volunteer for our neighborhood. The time you share with both WOWE & OWEA committee's are value added to each of our groups. Soon the The Commons Park, Arbortum and Macelwane Park will need many volunteers to keep them beautiful for all of us and others. The OWE Festival is just around the corner and recently we had Tours de Noel. Many volunteers are needed each year for these activities and more. There are many committee's from each of these neighborhood groups who could use your help too. As you can see from this WOWE page of the newsletter, much is going on to keep our neighborhood safe and beautiful.

YOU can also help to make a difference! Attend a WOWE meeting and find out what we are doing.

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

- Mar. 4th** **Sandy Frank**
2137 Scottwood Ave.
- Apr. 1st** **Leslie & Dave Neuendorff**
2228 Scottwood Ave.
- May 6th** **Toni Moore**
2369 Robinwood Ave.
- June 3rd** **Carol Kutsche**
2483 Scottwood Ave.
- July 1st** **Tammy Michalak**
2056 Scottwood Ave.

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