

ISTORIC TIM

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR TOLEDO'S HISTORIC OLD WEST END









Laure Hammond and Michael Walker had the honor of being two Old West End Association representatives supporting ToledoStrong! Michael delivered to TFRD Station 7 and Laure delivered to Station 16! Thank you The Back Forty Catering Commissary and Event Center for your generous donation and support! Monica and Jessica really took care of the crews!!

January 26, 2024, marks the 10 year anniversary of the arson fire that killed Toledo Firefighters Steve Machcinski and Jamie Dickman. Every year on this day Toledoans come together to show their appreciation and support for the Toledo Fire & Rescue Department by delivering donuts, dinners and deserts to every TFRD station and donuts and lunches to every bureau throughout Toledo."

Thank you **Larry Cready** for including us in this special service.

To Do List... "Jazz Collective"

Every Thurs., 7-10pm

Peacock Cafe

"Toledo Fine Art Fair"

Mar. 9 (11-5) &10 (11-4)

Glass City Center \$5

"FantastiCon"

March 9 & 10

Glass City Center

"Wine Tastings"

Thurs., March 14,5pm

Black Kite Coffee

"Mudhens Opening"

March 29-31, 4:05pm

"Caravaggio"

Now - April 14, TMA

Canaday Gallery \$\$

O.W.E. & Area FUN

Business Spotlight



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The Neighborhood Beautification & Improvement committee is looking for volunteers to plant flowers and maintain the planters at several locations throughout the neighborhood this year. Locations include the diverters at Scottwood/Virginia, Collins/Parkwood, and Collins/Glenwood, the Jack Freeh Plaza at Collingwood/Ashland, and the median flower beds on Collingwood between Central and Ashland. Money is available for flowers and plants at all of these locations! If you are interested in planting and maintaining one of these locations, if you are currently maintaining one or more of these locations, or if you are willing to donate perennial plants for these locations, please email Andrew at OWENBIgrant@gmail.com.

We appreciate your help in keeping the neighborhood beautiful!

Kudos to:

Tom Garvin for picking up neighborhood trash!

Jamie Kutsche for being a newsletter courier for the last 3 years

Ian Hubbard

for volunteering to take Jamie's newsletter route. Welcome aboard!



W.O.W.E. Wednesday, Mar. 13, 6:30pm Beirut Restaurant 4082 Monroe St. Collingwood Presbyterian Church

OWE Association Tuesday, Mar. 19, 7pm







I'm Mary Glasmeier, your newly elected secretary for the Old West End Association.

My daughter, Summer, and I moved here from the Cincinnati area in 2022. We found our soon-to-be-home online, made an appointment, and journeyed to Toledo to explore. We had no history with historic homes but fell in love with her simple architecture, Colonial Revival. The third floor especially drew us in as it is an old ballroom, complete with lovely windows, a built-in scalloped bench and a cloak room. Oh, the mystery of it all! It needs plenty of work but we have a dream as Summer is a retired ballroom dancer.

For me, the workshop in the basement, a honeycomb of brick rooms, drew me in. I have a BFA in Studio Art, Sculpture & Ceramics, from Miami University. I love to fix and build things! In these lovely old homes, there is no end to building projects. I've been able to utilize my skills that I began learning from my dad when I was 9 and honed through my education at university. I have learned so much more working on our beloved home, Lady Eugenia. She's lovely.... each morning when I descend the grand staircase to put on the coffee, I look around and am astounded by my "kingdom."

Yes, these houses do that to you. And as Dan Finkel says, "people come for the homes and stay for the people." It is so true. I have found my tribe. I had always dreamed of a neighborhood that had block parties. Was I ever astonished! This is 1000% better!

Our initial introductions to neighbors was through Jon Zenz, who resides across the street. We met over garbage cans, chatted, and he invited us to join a party in his backyard. We were so graciously received and accepted, introduced to more people, and informed about upcoming events. And it has not stopped.

Thursday, March 7, 2024

O.W.E. Cushing Utopia Kent Branch Library, (6:00 pm) Tuesday, March 12, 2024

OWE Executive Board Meeting

Ford Mansion, 2205 Collingwood (7 pm)

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

OWE Association Meeting

Collingwood Presbyterian Church (7 pm)

ALL NEIGHBORS ARE WELCOME!

Our first festival was in 2022. We rented golf carts, decorated them, and immersed ourselves in the experience. Then, in 2023, we threw ourselves into volunteering. What a whirlwind! Oh, and we bought our own golf cart. I love having such a great way to get around the neighborhood.

Since being here, I have gotten into bicycling, after decades of not. LOL! I love the concerts at the Arboretum and Glenwood Park, the porch crawls, various holiday events and parties, dinner club, etc. I am active with Litter League, the Social Committee, Business/Networking Committee, and whenever and wherever I can lend a hand.

Two amazing things happened upon relocating here. 1. Discovering that Toledo is truly a hidden gem. I had dreaded moving to the city where John Denver sang of "spending a week one night in Toledo." I am impressed with this wonderful city, and thrilled to be on Lake Erie! 2. I have never had such a desire to be involved with a community like I have for Old West End. I am so proud to have visitors and show off the architecture and the friendly folks who live here. I could go on endlessly about all the great amenities we have.

I have history of nonprofit experience in management, fundraising, and event planning. Being part of the OWEA Board is an opportunity to bring those skills to the table. I have been happy to be able to draw from my experience, through both board and committee work. I have found my place.

I am excited about joining the Board and serving our neighborhood. I hope that all of you will find your niche to participate in this delightful community. We are just that, a community!

Your friend and neighbor, Mary

Thursday, March21, 2024

Olde Town Neighborhood

Kent Branch Library, (6:00 pm)





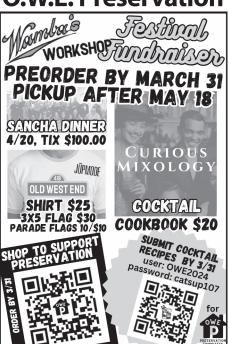
Last Call for Sponsors!

We are pretty much finished raising funds but there is room for one or two more. Any funds raised over the goal will go towards online digital shorts. I am trying to avoid the issue of people regretting not participating after seeing the production on Television, if they had only known about the opportunity. Once this is released the sponsors are forever enshrined in the credits and will not be altered.

Dan Finkel

Lindsay Miller 419-380-4684 Ray Miller 419-380-4615

O.W.E. Preservation



Support Preservation work at 624 Delaware! Visit: **bit.ly/oweww** for all new SESAME STREET themed shirts and flags (so cute!), tix to the 2024 Splendor for Sancha dinner (exclusive 7-course meal, \$100pp, limit 24, see John H to donate a course or your service), and the all new for 2024 OWE Cocktail Cookbook.

(submit recipes at: **bit.ly/OWEbook**). 100% of proceeds to OWEA Preservation Committee.

Q&A text John H: 419.768.6455.

Monday, March 18, 2024

O.W.E. Preservation Meeting

Ford Mansion (7:00 pm)



Ute Women of Ute Old West End

WOWE Officers: Carol Kutsche, Toni Moore and Tammy Michalak



An Unbirthday Party Benefit for Urban Trees

Thursday, April 18th 6:30pm Downstairs at the Attic on Adams (sliding scale \$10-\$100)

Celebrate your Unbirthday and show your support for the Old West End's tree nursery.

Your support will help purchase tree seedlings, soil, fertilizer, and other supplies for our all-volunteer nursery. When fully operational, the tree nursery will be able to nurture close to 2000 trees, which will be distributed free of charge for homes, non-profits, faith-based organizations, and other groups. The tree nursery is a project supported by volunteers, WOWE, Collingwood Presbyterian, and Tree Toledo.

Please come out and enjoy a Lewis Carroll themed party with movies, drink specials, music, movies, and more. To volunteer, host an Unbirthday party, or donate -- contact Michael Szuberla (mszuberla@yahoo.com or 419-245-4539).

MOTHER'S DAY TEA Mark your calendar!

Women of the Old West End and the Libbey House Foundation have again planned another

Fabulous High Tea

on

Sunday, May 2024

at the Libbey House. More information in the April Newsletter! Recently Asked Question:

What is Code Compliance?

In November/2023 WOWE invited the Code Enforcement Officer to our monthly meeting. Here is information we all should know!

CITY OF TOLEDO CODE COMPLIANCE!

Take care of your property.

This starts with meeting the minimum standards for properties set forward by the Toledo Municipal Code (TMC). Violations can result in fines, or property owners being invoiced for time to resolve the issue. More importantly, well maintained properties make your neighbors happy and improve the quality of your neighborhood. Here are some common code violations you should brush up on.

Tall Grass:

Keep all grass mowed to the edge of street or alley. Grass must be kept shorter than 8 inches.

Abandoned or Unsafe Buildings:

Buildings must be maintained regardless of whether or not they are occupied. This includes sealing doors and windows, removing visible junk and debris, and ensuring the structure is not in a condition that could cause harm to anyone. Buildings deemed unsafe are subject to condemnation and demolition.

Vacant properties should be registered to the Vacant Residential Building Registry within 30 days of vacancy. The property owner will be responsible for a \$200 yearly fee for every year the building remains on the registry.

Register a vacant building



Attend our meetings and find out how WOWE is working to preserve the integrity of our neighborhood. You make not know this, but WOWE is the Legal Arm for the neighborhood.

(Please note that we have moved our monthly meetings to the second Wednesday of the month.)

Mar. 13th The Beirut Restaurant 4082 Monroe St.

April 10th

The Oliver House 27 Broadway

Illegal Parking:

It is illegal to park on your grass in the City of Toledo. This includes working cars, boats, trailers, campers, and RVs, as well as inoperable vehicles.

Trash and Illegal Dumping:

Trash and recycling set out at the curb must be contained within City approved bins, and placed on the curb no earlier than 5 p.m. the night before pickup. Residents may request 1 bulk pickup per month for large items or brush. This must be scheduled before placing bulk trash at the curb.

Find your Pickup Schedule:

It is illegal to dump trash on vacant properties, in alleys, or on public property. You can report illegal dumping to Engage Toledo by phone, email, or through the Engage Toledo app.

Grounds Maintenance:

Keep all outdoor areas clean and clear of debris, trash, and prohibited items including couches, TVs, etc. The only items that should be kept outside are usable lawn furniture, pool equipment, bikes and toys, grills, and trash bins.

Fences:

Fences must be properly maintained by the property owner. If a fence is in need of repair, you may need a permit. Please contact the Division of Building Inspection for more information about permits



It Begins for 2024!! The first maintenance for the Commons Park will be Saturday,

March 9th 9:00AM - 12:00N.

Food & Beverages served to all volunteers.

WOWE is again fortunate this year to welcome the Lucas County Volunteer Team who have been a huge help.

If you have an hour or three to spare join us as we continue to provide a beautiful park setting for our neighborhood.



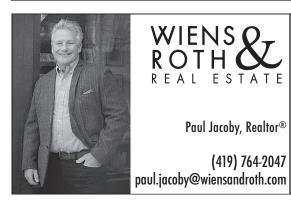
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