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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR TOLEDO'S HISTORIC OLD WEST END



The ARCHWAY is UP!

October 27, 2019

After two years of creative planning, acquiring the necessary permits, the Agnes Reynolds Jackson Arboretum has its official name prominently displayed at the corner of Robinwood and Delaware. A huge Thank You to Aaron Kurick (the creative engineer), Mary Glowacki, Tyler Kepes - Kepes Metals, Chad Sharp - Sharp Finishing, Jon Shordt, Pat Hasenfratz, Dan Schmitt, Cory & Kelly Tomlinson, Kent Illenden and the patience of the Arboretum Board. The Archway was paid for by the ARJA yearly fundraisers. (Cookie Walk and Poinsettia Sale proceeds)



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Kudos to:

Jeni Swartz
for being a Historic Times Courier
The Tours de Noel Committee
for putting on a great Holiday Home Tours

To Do List . . .

LibbeyHouse **"Holiday Extravaganza"**

Thurs., Dec. 12,
5:30 - 9 pm

\$25pp (+2 free drinks)

"Toledo Symphony"

Christmas Concert
3pm, Dec. 21, \$15pp
First Cong. Church

O.W.E. & Area FUN

OWE Christmas Carolers

will be strolling the historic streets on the evening of Saturday, **December 21st**. Plan to meet at the Varelli-Arps home at **5:30 pm, 2341 Parkwood Ave.** for hot cocoa (bring your own liquid courage) We will hit the streets beginning at 6:15 pm. Dress warm and lively. All are welcome, no pets, please.

*Here is a link to the songbook for those interesting in downloading to their phones or wanting to print, <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZjML9JYKLScaeMc5vNOI77IOhZrGYvAxmpsHwW5XW-pg/edit?usp=sharing>

Request to be a designated stop on the caroling route. We are a real hit at holiday parties!!! Message Shelly Varelli at: shelly.onelove@gmail.com

**Happy Holidays from the
OWE Social Committee!**

**W.O.W.E.
No December Meeting**



**O.W.E. Association Holiday Party
Dec. 17, 6:00 pm, Black Kite Coffee
Come Celebrate, Everyone is Welcome!**



Letter from the President

by *Jeni Belt*
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As the year draws to a close, so, too, does my term as President of the Old West End Association. I have thoroughly enjoyed my tenure and was honored that you asked me to step up again. I am equally delighted that some others are taking a turn. Thank you to our incoming and first-term incoming President, Sara Haynes, and new Vice President and President-Elect, Chris Hanley, as well as to all of the new and returning officers, trustees, and committee chairs.

During the past two years, we set out to accomplish a number of goals for the neighborhood. These included:

1) Enhancing awareness and dispelling confusion about the boundaries of the neighborhood, i.e., that the historic district is a small part of a much larger area and our efforts should touch the entire neighborhood

2) Promoting diversity, inclusion, and tolerance among our neighbors

3) Increasing preservation related activities

4) Strengthening our Entrepreneurship (now Business Networking) Committee

5) Engaging neighbors

From my perspective, we have made strides forward in each of these areas, creating new events (like the Macelwane AfterParty), creating a Board seat for an OWENI representative, hosting a community conversation on civility in social media, partnering with Old Towne and the Land Bank to engage in ongoing salvage activities, hosting the Autumn Market, and changing the format and location of our monthly meetings. All of the aforementioned items have fostered a greater cohesiveness within our community.

Of course, there's much more to do in this regard. The Strategic Plan developed in the beginning of 2019 provides a roadmap of goals and the steps we hope to take to reach them. It's a straightforward yet ambitious document designed to evolve as we do. I look forward to continuing to work with the OWEA as we keep pushing forward—especially that I can now legitimately state that "I'm not in charge, but I am responsible" (most of the time anyway) 😊.

The Agnes Reynolds Jackson Arbore-

tum now proudly boasts its namesake in the form of a beautiful sign adorning the entranceway. Thank you to the Arboretum Committee, and Kent Illenden, for making this vision a reality. It's a beautiful recognition of a gracious gift that we all enjoy.

I hope many of you were able to enjoy this year's Tours De Noel, whether by volunteering, touring any of the beautifully decorated houses, enjoying the tree lighting ceremony, or just tooling around on your festive golf carts.

Our December meeting is our annual holiday gathering, light on business and heavy on mirth. This year's gathering takes place **December 17, at 6:00 p.m. at Black Kite**. As always, the Association provides a main dish and beverages. Please plan to attend and bring an appetizer, side, or dessert to share.

Whatever your traditions or reasons for celebrating the end of the year may be, I wish you peace and happiness and lots of merriment.



OLD WEST END SECURITY

December is a great month to become a supporter of Old West End Security!

You know you have been meaning to... now is the time to DO IT! November and December are historically higher crime months. Now is the time to support OWE Security, just go to <http://www.oldwestend-security.com/support-us> and be taken to our website and sign up!

Old West End Security is a non-profit volunteer group of your neighbors.

We contract private security officers to patrol our streets. This is made possible through the support of our residents. Every new supporter increases patrol hours. There is power in numbers. Stop sitting on the sidelines and become a supporter and know that you have directly contributed to greater neighborhood safety.

Read more about Old West End Security and what we do on our <http://www.oldwestendsecurity.com>.

Preservation Committee

The next meeting is Monday, Dec. 9th at 7 pm, Kent Branch Library. Contact Shawn Kellerbauer 419-340-4809 for further details.

To get a COA (Certificate of Appropriateness) for any exterior renovations within the Historic District contact Molly Maguire at: 419-245-1200 or Molly.Maguire@toledo.oh.gov

Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2019
O.W.E. Executive Board Meeting
6 p.m. at **Deb Kienzle's Home**
2238 Scottwood Ave.

Tuesday, Dec. 17, 2019
6:00 p.m. Black Kite Coffee
**Bring side dish or dessert,
main dish and drinks provided**
HOLIDAY ASSOCIATION PARTY
EVERYONE IS ALWAYS WELCOME!

**Agnes Reynolds Jackson
Arboretum 2019**

*Thank You
Cookie Bakers and
Cookie & Poinsettia
Buyers*

The Arboretum Board is once again very grateful to **ALL of YOU** for your help baking and your financial support in these two ARJA fundraisers. We would not exist without your continued support. Also a big shout-out to:

**Judy Winder, Dennis Lange
and Jackie Rogers** (Cookie Walk)

and
Dan Schmitt (Poinsettia Sale)

These ARJA Board Members go above and beyond to make these two fundraisers a success.

Business Network Group

The Old West End Business Networking group will be meeting at the Collingwood Presbyterian church for our December meeting. The meeting is **Wednesday, December 11th, from 6:30 to 8**. John Bell will be showing us a business plan program that he found and we will explore the best ways to formulate a plan that makes sense for you for 2020! Light refreshments provided, bring your business cards, and a friend!

The November meeting hosted Basil Apostolou from SCORE. He presented information on the services that SCORE can offer small businesses.





The Women of The Old West End

WOWE Officers: Carol Kutsche, Toni Moore & Tammy Michalak

Women of the Old West End
Celebrate Another Magical

2019 Tours de Noel

This beautifully celebrated event of Home Tours, a Decorated Gazebo, Santa and Mrs. Claus, Golf Cart Parade and the Arboretum Cookie Walk would not happen without the tireless efforts of our Homeowners, volunteers and especially our "Tours Committee"

Our Historic District

Our Historic District - Monroe St. from Collingwood to Grove Place. Collingwood from Central to Monroe St. Ashland Ave. between Collingwood and Bancroft including Tremain St. Central Ave. to Bennett to Collins. Collins to the east side of Robinwood to Islington, Islington west to Glenwood, Glenwood to Monroe St.

If you live within these boundaries, know that you are living within the Historic District of the OWE.

BANCROFT STREET

Much to the outrage of the Bancroft Beautification Team and many neighbors the Stop Signs at Scottwood and Bancroft were removed without any notification from the city. Sadly this is how Transportation has handled several issues brought to their attention. Including a line of sight issue at Bancroft & Scottwood Ave. on the side of Ann Manor. We are not going away from this as it is a very real safety issue for our residential neighborhood.

We have made contact with Marcy Kaptur's office (she sits on the Transportation Committee for the State). Letters have been written to the Blade. The Ability Center has been contacted along with Fair Housing. Yvonne Harper, Councilwoman for District 4 has asked for and has not received any answers from the Mayors' Office. She isn't going away either. Stay tuned, we are working on some other things and will need the support of all neighbors as we go forward with this horrendous safety issue for residents with disabilities, families, bikers etc.



Thank You

to the following Homeowners and House Captains

The Corey-Bumpus-Wolf Home

2110 Glenwood Ave.

Monica Bumpus Wolf

House Captain: **Bob Arthur**

The Millroy-Ellis Home

2236 Robinwood Ave.

Terrence & Lorinne Ellis

House Captain: **Marge Dottling**

The Mallow-Lange Home

2116 Scottwood Ave

Dennis Lange

House Captain: **Deborah Boisselle**

The Ferris Copeland-Shull Home

2016 Scottwood Ave.

Mike & Cheri Copeland-Shull

House Captain: **Carol Kutsche**

Edward & Florence Scott Libbey House

2008 Scottwood Ave.

House Captains: **Robert Zollweg & Tina Moffat**

Also a grateful **Thank You** too, to the organizations and businesses who support this event and our mission:

Black Kite Coffee, Glenwood Lutheran Church, First Congregational Church, Alex Armstrong, Wayne Lumber

Please support the businesses and organizations who support "Tours de Noel"

AND

Last but not least, a very special **Thank You** to our dedicated and tireless committee:

Dennis Lange, Chair

Carol Kutsche, Sponsors

Kent Illenden, Publicity

Dave & Leslie Neuendorff, Tickets

Christine Park, Golf Cart Parade

Arlene Hartman & Toni Moore, Boutique

Gary Douglas, Santa,

Corinne Sheppard, Mrs Clause,

Tony Myers, Elf

Jim Logan, Dennis Duggan and Dave

Moore, Physical Set Up and Take Down

and **Jim Linke**, New Bus Stop Signs

And a grateful heart to our own Gazebo & Commons Park Interior Decorators

Paul Davidge & Todd Ruehle

Next Month Pictures of Tours de Noel will be published in the Newsletter.

We are *Very Grateful* for the Sponsors who support this effort:

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COMMONS PARK

Many Thank You's to the Volunteers from Lucas County: Ashley Alexander, Kayla Coleman, Lydia Stover, Melissa Foley and neighbors Carol Kutsche, Tammy Michalak, Jim Logan, Dave Neuendorff, Ken Schumaker, Sandy Frank & Toni & Dave Moore.

It was another successful day of taking out the last of the annuals, raking and cutting down the last of the perennials. For all intent a purposes the Commons has been put to bed for the winter. Good Job ALL!!!! We are so grateful for your continued committment.

It snowed before we could get the rest of the Commons raked one more time. We hope for a 50 degree Saturday sometime soon to do the last raking and if not the Commons Park Warriors will be at it again in March.

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

December - No Meeting

January 8th

February

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TBD**

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