



The B.N.O. News

A Team of Neighborhood Advocates — Focusing on Community

Our mission is to serve the people of The Burroughs by providing information and services that contribute to the stability and vitality of the community and neighborhood we live in.

March 2017

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Monday March 6, 2017

at
Burroughs Elementary School

Doors open early at 6:30 pm
Meeting starts 7:00 pm

Neighborhood Safety

Bring:

- ◆ Money for 50 / 50 raffle
- ◆ 2017 Dues

Neighborhood Safety

This month, in leu of a guest speaker, we will be talking about home safety. What are the issues we face? Do you have ideas that work to detour crime? Or do you need some ideas to implement in your home? Please plan on coming. We look forward to your contributions.

Random WORDS of Kindness:
that Care and Build the Community!

What words comes to mind when you want to **ENCOURAGE** your family, friends, or neighbors? Are there certain positive and kind words that motivate you? What do you say, when you want to let someone know you **CARE**? How do we greet others when we want to show friendliness? Imagine...building strong relationships with family, friends, or on your neighborhood block or community, by intentionally talking to neighbors, and spreading kindness. Remember, the powerful feelings and benefits that come from just helping someone have a better day, with a positive phone call, text or email!

2017 Challenge:

***Practice spreading kindness
through your words & conversations
TODAY!***

Triangle Garden Project Where we Stand

The Triangle located at the intersection of Airport Highway and South Ave. is the heart of The Burroughs Neighborhood. It leaves an image that reflects upon our neighborhood. It is our gateway.

Jody Prude, City of Toledo manager of the Division of Parks, Recreation and Forestry attended our meeting and gave us an update on where we stand.

She has already observed the sidewalks and is in the works to get some of those replaced around the triangle.

She has encouraged us to “Adopt the Triangle” if we do want to have a sign stating...”

WELCOME TO THE BURROUGHS?

She also told us that the city would still take the responsibility of cutting the grass if we did so and that we should just let them know which responsibilities we will be handling.

As it stands now we will continue to use our volunteers to edge the front sidewalk when needed and pick up the trash in the area. We will also plant, weed and water the flowerbed as needed based on our volunteers.

She has ordered us 3 pots and will let us know when they are available for our choosing. She told us that they will not have the sprinkling systems in them so we will be responsible for the watering of the flowers.

The mulch area will be sprayed for weeds twice a year and she may inquire about replacing it with a solid black-top. We were not all sure that this would be best for us and she said it would cost the city \$9000 to do so. Quite an expensive weed control solution.

Based on this news we will continue to look for more volunteers and would like to see children involved as well. The success of The Burroughs neighborhood is in our hands. Investing time in our neighborhood adds value to your home and quality to our lives and the lives of the children growing up in The Burroughs. Volunteers can work as many or as few hours as they like.

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

Upcoming meetings will be held at
Burroughs Elementary School.
Mark your calendar and join us!

March 6th

April 3, May 1

A Letter from The Vigilant Neighbor

You will be glad to know that 6 of potholes near my home that I reported on April 29/2016, all were filled pretty promptly, except (of course) the one right in front of my house. And so it got bigger and bigger and was becoming a serious problem.

Well, I couldn't remember where my notes were about this, and most important, the service reference number for that particular pothole. When I came across that note recently, I called again on January 13, 2017, gave my reference number and described the situation and, they came out fairly promptly and filled it. Hurray!!!

Conclusion: It is worthwhile to report things to the site that used to be called See/Click/Fix and is now called Engage Toledo. The phone number is still the same: 419-936-2020. Note: This is same number you call about problems with trash collection in Toledo and other problems. And the people there act like they care, are courteous, and get things done.

We are sorry for the inconvenience but due to the lack of volunteers we will no longer be able to provide home delivery.

Our newsletters will be available at the following businesses.

Business locations with newsletters

Kahler Toledo Heights Public Library	Stop By Stop N Go
Kraves	Trinity Glass and Trends
Vito's	

Community News and Events

Look what's happening in our Neighborhood

The Trash Fairy

Unfortunately, when you place large items of trash on your lawn near the curb to be picked up by Republic Services, Toledo's trash collection company, there is no Trash Fairy who observes this and reports it, and then it is magically collected and responsibly disposed of. But YOU can call 419-936-2020 and request large item trash pick up once a month at no additional charge to you. Republic Services will take it away, your lawn will be free of trash, our neighborhood will continue as a pleasant attractive place to live in and enjoy, you'll be happy and your neighbors will be happy too. And thank you.

5th Annual BNO / Global Youth Service Day Urgent Message spread the word:

First - BNO is planning a neighborhood activity for Saturday April 22, 2017, to involve our tradition of gathering trash and cleaning up the neighborhood. We are also in the preparation stages, after the clean-up, of expanding this project to even more.

Second - planting flowers/ plants ...date to be announced later. If you are interested, please contact us ASAP, so you are not left out.

BNO Calendar of Events 2017

February or March - Fundraiser Dance

April 22 - Global Youth Service Day

May 6 - Craft/Vendor Fair

June 1-3 - Community Garage Sale

August - BNO Picnic

August or September - Burroughs Elementary School
Open House

October - Burroughs Elementary School PTO's
Trunk or Treat

Beginning in November - BNO Christmas Family
Drive

December 4th - BNO Christmas Party