



The B.N.O. News

A Team of Neighborhood Advocates – Focusing on Community

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

December 2019 Website: ToledoBNO.com Email: bno.group@yahoo.com Like on Facebook: BNO

Monday, December 16, 2019

at
Burroughs Elementary School
Meeting starts at 7:00pm
Doors open at 6:30pm
End of the Year Celebration

BNO Meetings 3rd Monday of the Month

Feel Free to Bring:
Snack to Share, Money for 50/50 Raffle,
2020 Annual Dues - \$10, Ideas for Neighborhood

End of the Year Celebration

Another year has come and gone, we've accomplished a lot, and we've set plans in motion for next year. We use our December meeting to show appreciation to the neighbors who have helped, and to reflect on what we have achieved. This year we have:

- Secured \$23,000 of funding to beautify The Triangle and create a military service memorial to replace the weeds and mulch
- Partnered with the Lucas County Land Bank whose members have offered to take up project management on The Triangle, and begun the steps to complete the project
- Gotten involved with ReInvest Toledo, a starting organization that is gathering data and working with neighborhoods and their leaders to present a united voice to the City and others about what neighborhoods really want and need
- Maintained a stable organization through personal strife in our own lives, and through the normal ebbs, flows, and changes which any organization might see

We usually have some food to share at our December meeting. Feel free to stop by, bring a snack, and have a great time with us, your neighbors.

BNO Officer Elections

Instead of giving up, we have acknowledged the realities of life, that our members have gotten a bit busier these days, and have structured a continuation of the organization without the normal "officers." President – Robert Worthington, 2019 President, will be continuing as President on an interim basis. The position is open for election throughout the year. Vice-President – This position will be put on hold and will be open for election throughout the year. Treasurer – Buffy, our 2019 Treasurer, has recommitted to the position and has been re-elected. Secretary – Sarah, 2019 Secretary, will be continuing on an interim basis, and the position will be open for election throughout the year for any resident Member.

November Recap: Direction of the BNO

At the November meeting, the BNO decided on the following: We WILL be reaching out and communicating with other organizations. We will be taking the helpful and informative route regarding property maintenance, while also working to reduce blight and nuisances. We will work to have ONE area of The Triangle, which we maintain, that is designated for non-commercial free speech and events.

Families in Need at the Holidays

If you are able, consider giving. We will not have a "Christmas Family" this year, but there are plenty of opportunities to help those in need.

Burroughs Neighborhood Business Partners:

Kahler Pharmacy	Faye's Family Haircare
Bambino's Pizza	Krave Ice Cream and Food
Airport Market	Super Mercado Costa Grande
Vito's Pizza	Toledo Heights Public Library

A big **THANK YOU** to these businesses which host our newsletters. *(Newsletters also via email and website)*

Please support these businesses, they are our anchors!

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

December 16 – Burroughs Elementary
January 13 – Burroughs Elementary
(If the school is closed, the meeting is cancelled!)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR – JOIN US!

Interested in attending but unable to make it?

Stay up to date by visiting our new website, ToledoBNO.com, and feel free to message us with any questions, concerns, or ideas at our email - bno.group@yahoo.com – checked regularly.

BNO Random Acts of Kindness

A Holiday Season for Random Acts of Kindness

We all know that this is a time of love, warmth, and giving, but it is also the most critical time of the year for some – where others having so much makes what some have feel like so little. Sometimes we don't have much to give, but what's more important is what we *do* for others.

This holiday season, be the spark of light in this sometimes cold and dark world. Let others know that kindness is out there, and even right here in our community. While you're out making your own lumens, look out for the kindness of others, and let us know what you see.

Here are a few Acts of Kindness we received this past month: 1) "a customer bought me two whole bags of mashed potatoes so I didn't have to spend Thanksgiving peeling;" 2) "My neighbors showed up with my favorite pizza;" 3) "We saw a man in line at Chipotle ask an Air Guard service member behind him about his career, they talked, and the man left, and when the service member went to pay, the cashier told him that the man in front of him had paid for his order before he left."

Calling on all neighbors – we can light the darkness, and there are others out there doing it right now. How will you light the world?

BURROUGHS BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT **YEAR IN REVIEW**

February:

Kahler Pharmacy

March:

Stoner-Johnson Insurance Agency, Inc.

April:

Bambino's Pizza and Subs

Vito's Pizza and Subs

May:

KRAVE Ice Cream and Food

June:

Toledo Heights Public Library

August:

Super Mercado Costa Grande

September:

STACY SMITH - REALTOR

Coldwell Banker Haynes Real Estate Agent

October:

The BABES & SUCKLINGS

Advanced Early Learning Centers

Community Fun and Events

There are so many great things to do in our city!
Below are just SOME of the great December events, very local to the Burroughs Neighborhood:

What's Happening at Toledo Heights Library?

Through May 22: Homework Helper – 3:15-5:15pm – Kids Ages 5-10

December 11: Nintendo Gamers Guild – 3:30pm – Teens

December 17: Toledo Heights Book Discussion: The Word is Murder by Anthony Horowitz – 2-3pm - Adults

December 18: Nintendo Gamers Guild – 3:30pm – Teens

January 2: STEAM DAY – 4-5pm – Kids 5-10

January 7: Family Movie Time – Toy Story 4 – Rated G – 6-8pm - All Ages

January 8: Nintendo Gamers Guild – 3:30pm – Tweens

See More Library Programs at: ToledoLibrary.org

Help and Food at Faith Lutheran Church

1st & 3rd Fridays: Food Pantry/Clothing Closet 10a-12noon
(Limited ONE VISIT per month)

Monthly Community Dinner

There are also events across the city: Toledo.com/events

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