



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.

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Monday September 12, 2016

at

Burroughs Elementary School

Doors open early at 6:30 pm

Meeting starts 7:00 pm

Guest Speaker:

Jeanne McHugh

Toledo Heights Public Library

Branch Manager

Dennis Kennedy

City of Toledo Code Enforcement

Bring:

- Money for the 50 / 50 raffle
- Your 2016 BNO dues
- Questions or comments regarding code enforcement properties on your block
- ◆ Donation of school supplies for Burroughs Students

**In case you missed last months meeting,
here is a recap:**

August Meeting Highlights

David Welch & Bill Franklin from Streets, Bridges and Harbor discussed issues affecting the Burroughs area. Some of the topics they included were educating residents on proper recycling procedures. For example, did you know you can't recycle plastic bags in the city recycling containers? They should be recycled at Krogers. Also any bagged item is automatically thrown off the recycling belt as workers do not have time to check each bag individually. The city workers will be walking the streets checking to make sure that you are recycling properly. Tickets may be issued to those who habitually recycle improperly as that can cause a whole truckload load of recyclables to be trashed and loses money for the city.

Road repair was also a hot topic. Suggestions for alley cleaning, code enforcement and street signs were offered by attendees. Thank you to Mr. Welch & Mr. Franklin for such great information!

September Guest Speakers

We are honored to have two guest speakers this month. First, Jeanne McHugh, Toledo Heights Branch Manager, who will let us know what upcoming events the Toledo Lucas County Public Library will be holding.

Then we will have Dennis Kennedy, Manager Division of Code Enforcement. The Department of Neighborhoods, Division of Code Enforcement enforces the property maintenance and zoning codes of the City of Toledo. Mr. Kennedy will be demonstrating CityWorks, a new software program for addressing complaints and issues. CityWorks has an interactive GIS Map service that goes along with it, where data is uploaded. With this application, Code Enforcement can access complaints, records and photos. During the demonstration we will be able to see the process of a complaint.

Please plan on attending this informative session.



Donations for Burroughs School Students

As you all know school has started and we would like to continue to help aid in the students success by providing some school supplies for those in need. A Donation Box will be available at our September meeting. Here is a list of school supplies : notebook paper, spiral notebooks, folders, pencils, pens, colored pencils, crayons, markers, glue and or glue stick, pencil sharpeners, erasers , elementary appropriate scissors, and calculators.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

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

September 12th

Oct. 3, Nov 7, Dec. 5

WHY CURBSIDE RECYCLING?

Progressive cities are environmentally conscientious. Curbside recycling is available for Toledo citizens so that select materials can be made into new products rather than placed into a landfill.

However, Toledo needs to improve the quality of its collected recyclables so that they can truly be repurposed, rather than winding up in the garbage. Our recycling effort can use some major improvement to reduce costs and increase environmental benefits.

The recycling carts are not for refuse overflow. Recycling properly takes a bit of "know how."

Examples:

- ◆ No plastic or paper bags should be recycled in the blue bins, as these may be taken to retailers who properly recycle plastic bags. Even if clean cans / bottles or newspapers are inside a plastic bag, those materials will be pulled off the recycling contractor's conveyor belt, as the operators cannot identify what's in the bag.
- ◆ Shredded paper clogs the equipment
- ◆ Any food at all will contaminate the entire load.
- ◆ Bins should be properly stored away from the street during the rest of the week when there is no pick-up.
- ◆ Landlord owners or renting tenants may be fined in the future, and the owner will be notified.

Inspectors will be out checking blue bins for proper recycling, and will be door-hanging informational placards where they find violations as reminders of proper recycling. The city has opted for an informational campaign first, instead of handing out fines, which may be necessary in the future for residents who refuse to properly recycle. Improper recycling costs all taxpayers when loads are thrown out instead of recycled.

One household that uses its recycle cart for yard waste or other non-approved material can cause the whole 6 to 10 ton load to be rejected by the recycling contractor and wind up in the landfill instead.

Community News and Events

Look what's happening in our Neighborhood

Even though school's back in session, there are still great things to do around Toledo:

- Sept. 2 - Fulton County Fair begins
- Sept. 9-11 - Black Swamp Arts Festival in Bowling Green
- Sept. 9-11 - Greek-American Festival
- Sept. 11 - Toledo Zoo Day of Honor for the military and first responders
- Sept. 18 - Oktoberfest at the Oliver House
- Sept. 24 - Roche de Boeuf Festival - Downtown Water-ville
- Sept. 25 - Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure

For more info:

<http://www.dotoledo.org/plan-your-stay/event-calendar>

WHERE CAN I GET RID OF MY STUFF?

Remember the City's contract with Republic Services provides for monthly bulk pickups, so non-approved items can be taken care of at no additional charge to residents who call ahead. In addition, the City hosts Free Dump Days and Tire & Paint Recycling events throughout the year to manage these special refuse disposal needs.

Keep Toledo Lucas County Beautiful directs citizens to additional recycling resources. (Example, electronics, yard waste drop offs, motor oil, etc.)

We will be monitoring some of the Republic Services pick up routes in an attempt to reduce contamination and to provide notice to repeat offenders.

Thank You for being a careful recycler!

(Parts of the previous article on recycling information was taken directly from : <http://www.toledo.oh.gov/recycle>permission was obtained via phone call to 419-936-2511)

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