



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 June 6, 2016

Summer meetings scheduled at
Toledo Heights Public Library

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

Guest Speaker
Land Bank
David Mann

Bring:

- Money for the 50 / 50 raffle
- Your 2016 BNO dues
- Your properties of concern

David Mann from the Lucas County Land Bank

The Lucas County Land Bank is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to help strengthen neighborhoods and preserve property values by returning vacant and abandoned properties to productive use.

By strategically acquiring properties, the Land Bank works to reduce blight, increase property values, strengthen neighborhoods, and improve the quality of life for all Lucas County residents.

The Land Bank has made a considerable effort in the Burroughs neighborhood over the last 5 years and Land Bank representatives will update the group on this progress, along with additional resources that are available to assist with neighborhood challenges.

Please attend the June 6th meeting and voice your concerns if you have property that you feel needs the attention of the Land Bank.

Visit the Lucas County Land Bank website:
<http://co.lucas.oh.us/index.aspx?nid=2063>

BNO Neighborhood Yard Sale

The Neighborhood Yard Sale will be held on June 3rd and June 4th.

Yard Sales are a great way to pick up an item that you might need at very low prices. This is a great time for neighbors to get out and walk our neighborhood or just get to know the neighbors on your block. Maps and directories of each sale will be available at all locations.

As an added bonus, if you are just in a Spring Cleaning mood and would like to get rid of usable items, an Easter Seals Truck will be available at Faith Lutheran Church at 2440 South Ave. for your items. Receipts will be provided for your donated items. **NO ELECTRONICS and NO FURNITURE** will be accepted at the truck.

Getting rid of items that you do not sell! Save yourself a trip across town and take them to the truck. The truck will be at Faith Church, 2440 South Ave. from 10—6 on Saturday June 4th.

Volunteers Needed at the Triangle Garden

"While it is the City's responsibility to cut the grass at the triangle, their schedule is not always often enough so it gets quite long in between. If there are any neighbors who live very close to the triangle willing to cut just the grass at the point of the triangle only, in between those times, it would be greatly appreciated." If interested, contact Mary at 419-346-6161.



Upcoming Meeting Schedule

Our summer meetings will be held at Toledo Heights Library

June 6th, July 11 & August 8th

A Volunteer is a Friend to All!

Being a volunteer is about giving that certain, minimal amount of energy that shows that you're willing to participate in making your community a better place.

Volunteering isn't about working for free, it's about working for something more important than money. Volunteering is about remembering the help and about opportunities that you yourself have received throughout your years, and giving that same kindness to those who could use it from time to time. You don't have to be a volunteer daily, weekly, monthly, or yearly, you just have to find something that you believe in, and when the opportunity to help presents itself, just go for it, and have a little fun while you're at it!

FIREWORKS!

As the Fourth of July approaches, remember these important notes about celebrating Independence Day.

The use of fireworks is still illegal in Ohio, especially in neighborhoods because of safety, but there are many more important dangers of setting them off. Please be considerate of your neighbors, and be aware that your neighbors may be military veterans who may be affected by the extremely loud blasts, and they may also live with pets who have extra sensitive hearing and may physically suffer from the noise. Many of our older and younger residents may also be frightened.

As you start enjoying the warm weather and family fun, remember that we are not only celebrating because we have the right, but because we are United. Happy Summer Months to all!

BNO Community Picnic

The BNO will be hosting our Community Picnic near the end of August this year. It's a great way to kick off the new school year while wrapping up the always-festive summer. Come out, get to know your neighbors, have some fun and food! If you are interested in bringing a dish to share, or if you would like to help to plan the Picnic, please let us know! Expect more information at the upcoming monthly meetings and newsletters,

Community News and Events

Look what's happening in our Neighborhood

THIS MAY BE THE LAST NEWSLETTER DELIVERED TO YOUR HOUSE

As many of our regular volunteers are no longer able to deliver newsletters, we've had to become more efficient in our monthly delivery. However, we believe that our monthly Newsletters are a very important part of keeping the BNO active and strong, and we believe that the more people who are informed about what's going on in the neighborhood, the better!

Therefore, we will be looking to some school-age volunteers to help deliver newsletters, as well as making more limited delivery routes. We will no longer be delivering to those houses with "No Soliciting," "Private Property," "No Trespassing," "Beware of Dog" or any sign of the like, or any sort of dangerous or impassable path to delivery. If this applies to you, but you would still like to receive a newsletter delivered to your home, please contact bno.group@yahoo.com letting the BNO know the situation. If you could possibly volunteer to deliver the newsletters on your block, you could also contact bno.group@yahoo.com to see if the route is available, and we would certainly appreciate the help.



Check it Out—Visit our Libraries DO You Love Anime?

Graphic Novelist, KO_Okami spent the majority of her time in The Burroughs while growing up. Home schooled for awhile before attending Maumee Valley Country Day School, she was inspired to learn more about Japan and its culture. She now resides in Japan and is currently teaching English in a middle school.

We encourage all of you to visit your local library. We know some of you have read part of her works. She has completed her Kurokenshin Series and a full copy of her works are now available in the Toledo Lucas County Library System. XYZ and WACOT books are also available. To learn more you can visit her website at : www.ko-mangaseries.com