



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 in which we live.

May 2018

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Monday, May 7, 2018

at

Burroughs Elementary School

Doors open early at 6:30 pm

Meeting starts at 7:00 pm

Guest Speaker:

**Mrs. Mona Al-Hayani
Human Trafficking**

Bring:

*Money for 50/50 Raffle

* As soon as able: 2018 Annual Dues

Guest Speaker

We are honored to welcome Mrs. Mona Al-Hayani, who will give a presentation on a major problem facing Toledo – human trafficking. The FBI has ranked our area 4th in the country.

Mrs. Al-Hayani is a history teacher at Toledo Early College High School who has taken the experience of her life of education and put it into action in coordination with the Toledo Federation of Teachers and the Lucas County Human Trafficking Coalition, within which she was named Director of Human Trafficking and Social Justice Issues. This passionate leader was nominated for an Ohio Liberator Award for her incredible work, and she is excited to continue her work by coming to speak with us.

Be sure to join us to learn how you can play your part in this immeasurably important fight that affects our community.



Primary Elections are May 8

This year, our partisan state and federal Primary Elections are May 8th, 2018. The ballot will feature candidates for County and State Offices, Governor, members of Congress, and judgeships. There may also be hot-button issues on the ballot such as laws on redistricting. Despite the common misconception, we don't only vote in November, so always be on the lookout for the next election.

Blessings in Disguise

If there are times in your lives when you may need a little financial help to get you and your family over the hump. It may have been that you got laid off, got injured at work, had to take time off to care for a loved one, or became ill or injured outside of work. Please go to the following link to explore an option: <http://www.blessingsindisguise.org>

Random Acts of Kindness for Mother's Day

Celebrate the one you call Mother, or regard as a Mother figure on Sunday May 13, 2018. You can do something grand and fancy or something small – gifts, special trip, special dinner, outings, acts of service, cards, pictures, quality time together, etc. Show gestures of love with flowers or a picnic or a phone call filled with honest appreciation. There are a number of women who have no children of their own, but have taken on a nurturing role. Let's shower them with love too. Another option could be to intentionally do meaningful gestures of respect and honor throughout that week for your Mother. Whatever you chose: **Honor the Mother in your life!**

More Kindness...Results!

This is our second year of promoting our Random Acts of Kindness campaign. Here are some stories we have heard from some of you. **Kindness received:** surprise birthday celebration from co-workers with a "bag full of cards, art work and plethora of treats...all for me!"; "while I was in line preparing to pay for my food order at McDonalds, the cashier informed me that the car ahead already paid for me, so I paid for the person behind me, it was fun"; "I saw a lady get out of her car and give a bag to a homeless person"; "my friend took me to the movies and lunch". **Kindness extended:** paying for someone else's tollbooth fee; giving to the homeless; taking in neighbors' trash can to be helpful.

The following 2 resources were submitted by young adults - local and national/global initiatives: "Blessings in Disguise" a local program in Toledo to help senior citizens; and "Little x Little" a new program from New York encouraging young people to do "acts of good" around the globe, including on social media. **Join the KINDNESS movement - tell us your story of how it has made a difference for you or someone else!**

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

**May 7 meeting will be held at
Burroughs Elementary School**

**June 4 and August 6 meetings will be held at
VFW, 2231 South Avenue**

Mark your calendar and join us!

BNO Community Yard Sale, June 8th - 9th

We are holding our Community Yard Sale on the second weekend of June this year. Participation is \$5.00 per household. We advertise in The Blade, on Facebook, Nextdoor, Craigslist, and in the BNO Newsletter as well as posting signs throughout the neighborhood. We also provide maps to show the location of each sale at each individual site.

To sign up for the yard sale please send an email to newsletter43609@gmail.com or BNO.group@yahoo.com. You can also call 419.385.3276 to register. Deadline is June 1st.

Triangle Garden

Neighbors – we need your help! With spring just around the corner, the Triangle Garden will be needing our tender loving care.

It is up to us as neighbors to maintain the flowers and pick up litter and debris in order to help beautify our neighborhood. If you would like to volunteer please contact BNO.group@yahoo.com to see how you can help.



Health and Fitness – Let's Get Moving!

Keeping with one of our goals for 2018, we are going to meet 2:00PM on Sundays, at the Triangle, with a goal of walking a mile. All ages are welcomed! We will wait until 2:05 before we leave. If it is raining or if the temperature is 25 degrees or lower we will not be walking.



Community News and Events

Looking for something to do?

Here are a few things that you can do for free:

- Sop and Smell the Roses at the Toledo Botanical Garden. Located at 5403 Elmer Drive in Toledo, the Botanical Garden is open all year round.
- Admire the Wildwood Manor House. Located in the center of Wildwood Metropark, the classic Georgian Colonial house holds tours, concerts and teas.
- Get Outside. Toledo is filled with Metroparks – over 12,000 acres and 120 miles of trails!
- Wander the Toledo Famer's Market. Located at 525 Market Street, Toledo, the market is open all year round. Check out the seasonal produce, flowers and baked goods.
- Explore the Toledo Firefighters Museum. Founded in 1976, the museum is unique in that it focuses on fire safety education and the history of firefighting in our country. Interactive areas for the children.

For other events go to DoToledo.org and Toledo.com

Be sure to click on the more specific tabs to get the full experience of our city.

Global Youth Service Day

It seemed that Mother Nature wanted the day to be a success as much as we did because it was such a beautiful day! A big thanks to Mrs. Fischer, Mr. Preston, Parents and Students of Burroughs Elementary School, Parents and Students of Toledo Early College, Faculty and Staff of Burroughs Elementary School, and to those from the BNO who stepped up and took responsibility for the tasks needed to make this a success!

Mother's Day

According to history.com, celebrations of mothers and motherhood can be traced back to the ancient Greeks and Romans, who held festivals in honor of the mother goddesses Rhea and Cybele, modern precedent for Mother's Day is the early Christian festival known as "Mothering Sunday." Mother's Day is a holiday honoring motherhood that is observed in different forms throughout the world, this year it is Sunday, May 13, in the United States. The American incarnation of Mother's Day was created by Anna Jarvis in 1908 and became an official U.S. holiday in 1914. Our mothers gave us the gift of life – let her know how much you value the gift of life and nurturing.

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Please be sure to support these businesses – they are our anchors!