

Tosa East Towne Neighborhood Association



Newsletter June

READY TO 'QUE?



Potluck entrees and side dishes are laid out at The Landing at Hoyt Park for a recent monthly meeting of the ETBBQAS. The group is partnering with Friends of Center Street Park for the inaugural Q & Brew competition and tasting on July 3.

By David Paulsen

When spring comes to East Tosa and the grills kick into high gear, the smell of smoked meat wafts over backyard fences until it fills the whole neighborhood. But a few die-hard barbecue fans hope the warmer weather brings with it another smell.

The smell of victory.

These are the members of the ETBBQAS, or East Tosa Barbecue Appreciation Society, and this summer, the informal club is

branching out from its monthly meetings at The Landing at Hoyt Park to partner with Friends of Center Street Park for a cookoff on July 3.

Introducing the inaugural Q & Brew.

Anyone with a drive to barbecue is invited to compete in three categories: chicken, ribs and pulled pork. Skill is not neces-

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COMING UP

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- 4 Neighborhood Rummage Sale
- 18 Windows Into Wauwatosa
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Windows Open

Windows Into Wauwatosa is June 18, and volunteers are needed to be greeters at the various sites. Shifts are three hours, starting at 10 a.m. or 1 p.m.. Anyone interested in helping out is asked to contact Windows into Wauwatosa chair Jill Wickham at windowswauwatosa@gmail.com.

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David Paulsen
Ryan Wallace
Laura Kirklewski
Tera Greenland

ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

Association meetings are open to everyone in the Tosa East Towne neighborhood. Please feel free to attend. Meetings for 2016 are currently scheduled for June 20, July 18, August 15, September 19, October 17 and November 21.

All meetings are held at 7 p.m., typically at the Wauwatosa Library Firefly Room, but check the TETNA Facebook page for final locations.

Welcome, new board members

Laura Kirklewski

Hi, my name is Laura Kirklewski. I am married with one daughter. We are longtime neighbors from Enderis Park and moved into the TETNA area just under a year ago. We love Tosa and all that our area has to offer. We love the school district, businesses and people, and we look forward to putting down our roots here.

Tera Greenland

I'm very excited to join the TETNA board. Although I have lived on the 2400 block of 66th St for 12 years this June, my career has pulled me away from the neighborhood too many hours to really become an "active neighbor." Last year I made a decision to change that and start my own business working from home as a real estate agent.

I especially love being able to walk to all the new restaurants, bars and shops along North Ave. All these developments have spurred a stronger sense of community and pride. As such, it was time to volunteer and help the others before me continue to keep Tosa East Towne the best it can be for all of us.

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East Tosa Grand Prix

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June 26

The cyclists race down a Tosa East Towne side street during the a past East Tosa Gran Prix. Photo by Sarah Hunt-Frank

It's that time of year again, when competitive cyclists turn East Tosa streets into a race course for the day.

The East Tosa Gran Prix, hosted by East Tosa Alliance, returns for its fourth year on Sunday, June 26. The race, the final leg of the Tour of America's Dairyland (ToAD) presented by Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board, offers high-energy cycling action featuring pro and amateur racers from around the world.

The races showcase male and female riders of different age and skill levels.

Thousands of residents and visitors can enjoy the free and dramatic family event complemented by a kids' race, local music, food, beverages, neighborhood parties and more.

It is highly recommended that parents register their children in advance for the kids' race. East Tosa Alliance also is in need of volunteers.

Info on kids' race registration and volunteer signup will be available at the East Tosa Alliance's website, easttosa.org, and at its Facebook page.

Q & BREW (FROM PAGE 1)

sary, but it helps. And even if you don't want to compete, you can still eat.

Organizers are working with Bunzel's meat market to provide the meat that the competitors will use. Tall Guy and a Grill is cooking the side dishes, and Big Head Brewing Co. will sell beer.

The cost to compete in all three categories is \$45, or \$60 after June 3. If you want to taste the entries and vote, those tickets cost \$20, or \$10 for children.

The idea behind the event, beside letting the cooks flex their barbecue skills, is to do for Center Street Park what the annual Chillin' on the Avenue has done for North Avnue, turning a public space into a true gathering place, Michael Phillips said.

He and Bobby Pantuso were on the East Tosa Alliance board when the Chillin' chili cookoff was created. Now Phillips, Pantuso and Dave Wall are the trio behind the

Compete, or eat

Q & Brew will be July 3 at Center St. Park. Cooks can start at sunrise. The public portion starts at 4 p.m.

Cooks pay \$25 to compete in one of three categories: chicken, ribs or pulled pork. (Pay \$45 for all 3, or \$60 after June 3.) Meat will be provided with entry. All other supplies are responsibility of the cook.

Those wishing to try the food and vote pay \$20, or \$10 for kids. Full info and signup at qandbrew.org.



Q & Brew event, an idea they hatched a while back but finally started putting into motion this year.

Heading into Memorial Day, about 10 cooks had signed up. More are welcome. If you think you have what it takes, sign up now and show off your skills.

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RUMMAGE SALE JUNE 4

Our popular neighborhood-wide rummage sale is Saturday, June 4, sponsored by Beth Jaworski of Shorewest Realtors.

Look for the TETNA Rummage Sale signs on the perimeter of the neighborhood and for our online (printable) map at tosaeasttowne.org.

You can call attention to your sale with any signage or banners you want to, but check our website this year to print a special customized TETNA sign to show yours is a registered sale.

A TGIT INVITE TO OUR NEWEST NEIGHBORS

TETNA's summer TGIT (Thank Goodness Its Thursday!) will be July 21 at 7 p.m. at Hue, 6519 W. North Ave. Hopefully, it will be nice enough to hang out on their back patio!

This time we are extending a special invite to anyone new to the neighborhood. If you moved into the TETNA area in the last year, we would love to meet you!

Join us at Hue, buy a drink, and hang out with us to celebrate a wonderful TETNA summer evening. We will share with you some of the great things we love about our Tosa neighborhood.

Saturday, August 27 Block Party, Movie Night



PHOTO BY RYAN WALLACE

TETNA seeks new leaders for popular summer event

By Christina Piel

TETNA's all neighborhood Block Party and Movie Night is an afternoon of family time, with good, old-fashioned fun, including a water balloon toss, volleyball, kickball, face painting, crafts and a bounce house.

IF YOU GO

TETNA's Block Party and Movie Night will be at Center Street Park on Saturday, Aug. 27, starting at 3 p.m.

We will invite the fire department again this year to visit us with the big trucks. Available to purchase will be grilled foods, cold drinks and frozen treats.

The whole TETNA neighborhood is welcome to join in the fun.

This year we need new people to step up to organize and help run the event: food shoppers, grillers, balloon fillers, game runners, face painters, etc.

If you are interested in being part of the committee, look for the link to sign up on our website.

After the sun goes down, bring your blankets or lawn chairs, and relax under the stars with us to watch a family-friendly

movie. This year we're looking for a nostalgic movie to please both kids and adults – if you have a favorite, we are open to suggestions!

Watch for more details on TETNA's Facebook page. This annual event is a great opportunity to build community and get to know all of the great people who live with us in the TETNA area.

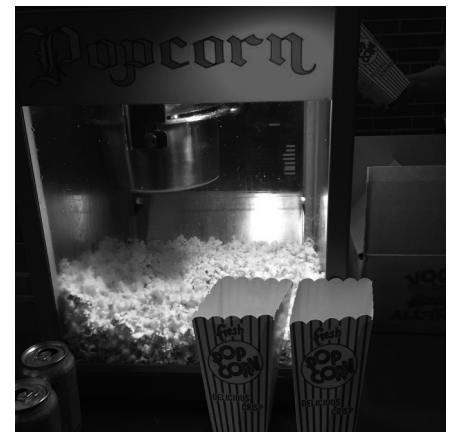


PHOTO BY CHRISTINA PIEL

NEIGHBORHOOD CALENDAR Clip out and save!

JUNE

- 4 | Neighborhood rummage sale, sponsored by Beth Jaworski. Full details at tosaeasttowne.org.
- 9 | Last day of classes at Roosevelt.
- 18 | Windows Into Wauwatosa, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., explore Tosa places that rarely open to the public. windowsintowauwatosa.org
- 20 | TETNA board meeting at 7 p.m. in the Wauwatosa Public Library's Firefly Room, all welcome to attend.
- 26 | East Tosa Grand Prix, bike race hosted by East Tosa Alliance, part of the Tour of America's Dairyland. eastosa.org

JULY

- 3 | Q & Brew at Center Street Park, a friendly BBQ competition, with beer, supporting the park. qandbrew.org
- 9 | Secret Gardens of Wauwatosa, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., \$12, wbc-wi.org
- 16 | "Shakespeare on Love," performed by Tosa East Theatre, 6 p.m., Center St. Park, pay what you can, bring a picnic.
- 18 | TETNA board meeting at 7 p.m. in the Wauwatosa Public Library's Firefly Room, all welcome to attend.
- 21 | TGIT, 7 p.m. at Hue Vietnamese, 6519 W. North Ave. Come socialize

with neighborhood residents.

AUGUST

- 15 | TETNA board meeting at 7 p.m. in the Wauwatosa Public Library's Firefly Room, all welcome to attend.
- 27 | Block Party & Movie Night, Center Street Park.

SEPTEMBER

- 1 | First day of classes at Roosevelt.
- 15 | TETNA board meeting at 7 p.m. in the Wauwatosa Public Library's Firefly Room, all welcome to attend.

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Tosa East Towne Neighborhood Association awarded its \$500 scholarship at April's annual meeting to Tosa East senior Avery Pankratz.

Avery has been very active at Tosa East, serving as editor in chief of the school yearbook; as a Link leader on the Link Crew, which helps new freshmen adjust to high school; as a peer mentor for Above and Beyond; and as a member of the Tosa East Players, among other activities.

She also has a notable record of community service, working with homeless families at The Gathering and underprivileged children at the Christmas is for Kids event.

The youth group director of Avery's church describes her as "one of the kindest, smartest, generous, confident, hard-working young adults" she's ever had the privilege to work with. Through her activities and genuine care for others, Avery has shown that she embodies the philosophy of our neighborhood association.



Avery Pankratz (left) receives TETNA's scholarship from association president Christina Piel at the annual meeting at Cranky Al's.

Next year she will attend Loyola University in Chicago, where she will study in the Interdisciplinary Honors Program.

"We know she will make our neighborhood proud," scholarship committee chairwoman Nicole Etter said.

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Runners take off on 69th Street from the starting line of TETNA's Run Tosa Run 5K run/walk on May 14. Photos by Mindy Mays.

SPRING NEIGHBORHOOD RECAP

Run Tosa Run grows, gives back

Hundreds of neighborhood residents and East Tosa visitors turned out May 14, to make this year's Run Tosa Run our biggest and best yet, with more than 300 registered in the 5K and kids' run.

The Tosa East Towne Neighborhood Association board approved a donation of \$5,500 to Ronald McDonald House Charities Eastern Wisconsin from the race's proceeds, up from \$3,000 donated from last year's race.

Not bad for a chilly spring morning that at one point even included a few snow flurries.

The fastest man was Brice Cleland, who finished in 16:11, and the fastest woman, Amy Schlotthauer, had a time of 18:53. Both were repeat winners. And several teams and groups brought dozens of new runners to the race, with the group from Graef taking home our first team champion trophy.

The race is a true neighborhood-wide effort. Dozens of residents volunteered to help at the starting line and at the course intersections. Wauwatosa police helped block streets and lead the runners through the course.



Dave and Dana Wurzbarger pose with their 4-year-old twins, Isaac and Abby, after the Run Tosa Run kids' run.

And Mayor Kathy Ehley served as our grand marshal, sounding the horn that started the race.

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Nearly 100 kids turned out for this year's Egg Hunt on March 19.

SPRING NEIGHBORHOOD RECAP (FROM PAGE 8)

A big thanks to our lead sponsors, BelAir Cantina and Children's Hospital of Wisconsin, for their generous support. Our other top sponsors were Lutheran Home, Camp Bar and Hue Vietnamese. Our list of financial sponsorships was rounded out by Ultra Fidelis, O'Gorman's West Towne Auto, Johnson Cycle & Fitness and Shine Salon.

We're so proud of our neighborhood for turning out in big numbers to help such a great cause, and we hope to see everyone on the course again next May!

SPRING EGG HUNT

This year's TETNA Egg Hunt on March 19 was sponsored by Indulgence Chocolatiers, which treated hunters to chocolate gifts before they were sent off on their search for the colorful prize-filled eggs scattered around Center Street Park.

The event drew nearly 100 children, who also were able to participate in a variety of spring crafts.

Indulgence donated a gift certificate for a prize drawing, as did fellow North Avenue business Ruckus & Glee.

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**Book discussion group
(12:45 p.m.)**

6/17: "Boston Girl," Anita Diamant

7/22: "The Buddha in the Attic," Julia Otsuka

8/19: "The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry," Rachael Joyce.

Friday at the movies (12:45 p.m., Firefly Room, Tosa Library)

6/3: "Father of the Bride"

7/8: "The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel"

8/5: "McFarland, USA"

Bingo

12:45 p.m. 6/24, 7/15, 8/12 and 8/26

"The Velveteen Rabbit"

7/29: Performed by the Wauwatosa Summer Children's Theater

Horicon Marsh Boat Tour

9/23: Includes stops at Explorium exhibit at the visitor's center, Widmer Cheese Cellar, Joel's Confections and lunch at the Audubon Inn.

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Tuesdays and Fridays, 9 a.m.

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Birthday parties

6/14: at 1:30 p.m. for all members born in June.

7/19: For all members born in July.

8/16: For all members born in August.

"Reassurance, Safety & Security for Seniors"

6/7: Wauwatosa Fire and Police Departments and Greater Tosa Interfaith presentation at 10:30 a.m. on File of Life, Telephone Assurance, Lockbox and other community info for seniors.

"Beaks and Talons"

6/8: Meet raptors Schlitz Audubon Nature Center at 1:30 p.m. Members, 6; non-members, \$9.

"Selfies"

6/15: Art historian Martha Bolles discusses the historical roots of this contemporary trend, at 1:30

p.m. Members, 6; non-members, \$9.

"Remembering When"

7/13: A fire and fall prevention program for older adults at 10:30 a.m. Free, but registration encouraged.

Cantigny Park

7:13: Day trip to Wheaton, Ill., to tour McCormick Mansion. Bag lunch. Members, \$46; non-members, \$51. Sign-up deadline is June 24.

Banking for seniors

Wells Fargo presents a four part series at 10 a.m. each day: "Recognizing Financial Fraud" on July 26, "Estate Planning" on Aug. 2, "Money Management" on Aug. 16 and "Retirement Strategies/Planning for Retirement" on Aug. 23.

Old-fashioned ice cream social

7/28: Starts at 1:30 p.m., with entertainment at 2 p.m. Cost: \$5.

"Take Me Out to the Ball Game"

8/10: Kevin Abing of the Milwaukee County Historical Society discusses the history of baseball in Milwaukee at 1:30 p.m. Call for cost.

Brewers vs. Braves

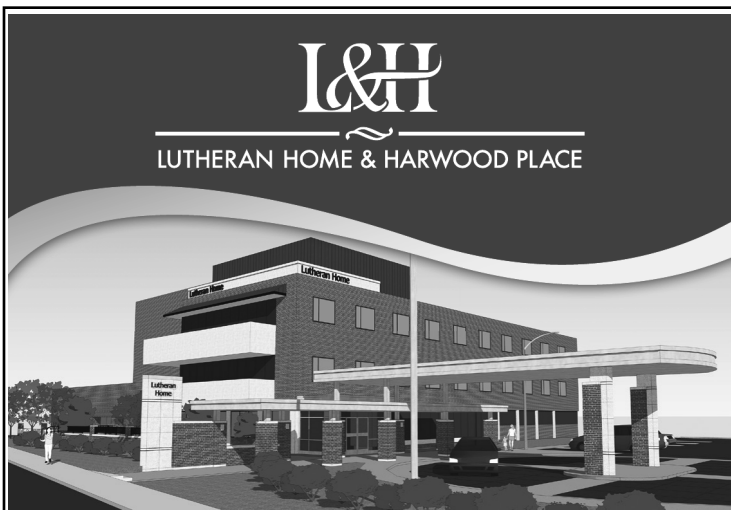
8/11: Trip to Miller Park for afternoon game. Sign-up deadline is July 15. Call for details and cost.

"Social Security, Medicare & You"

8/17: Discussion at 10:30 a.m. Free, but registration encouraged.

Lake Geneva mail boat

9/7: Day trip, with lunch at Popeye's. Sign-up deadline is Aug. 12. Call center for details and cost.



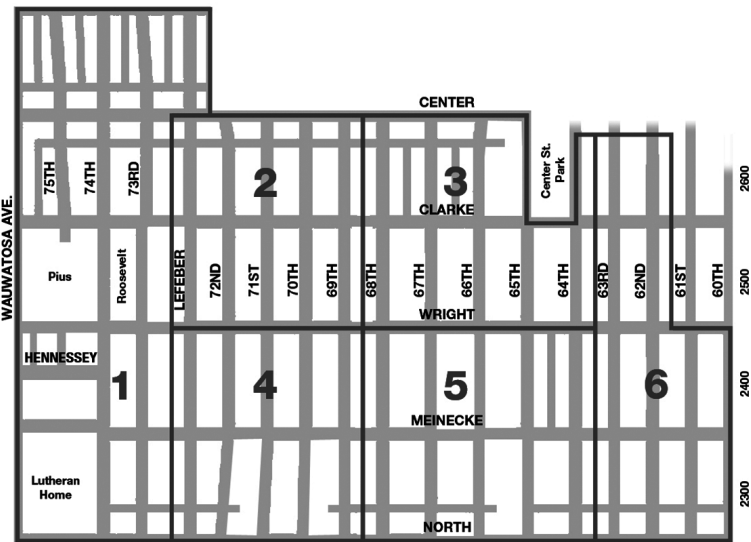
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