



TOSA EAST TOWNE

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

TOSA EAST TOWNE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

State of the Community

BY MARY RAEBEL, NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTOR

“Crime is very difficult to prevent,” says Wauwatosa Police Sergeant Paul Leist, “because you have to take away a person’s desire to commit the crime. We can lock our doors, check our windows, but if that person’s desire remains, they’re going to find another crime scene.”

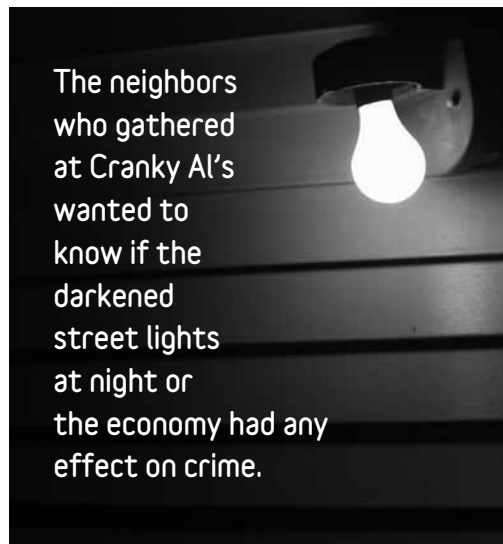
Sergeant Leist spoke to a crowd of about 40 people at the Tosa East Towne Neighborhood Association’s annual meeting. The neighbors who gathered at Cranky Al’s wanted to know if the darkened street lights at night or the economy had any effect on crime.

Sergeant Leist said he needed to check the statistics, but he doubted any specific crime had been committed because of the darkened streetlights. He also said he has yet to connect the economy to crime. “Most of these are career criminals,” he said. Criminals are going to commit crime regardless.

While it is difficult to prevent crime, Sgt. Leist said what we can do is displace it. “We can displace crime by being good observers and quick callers.” Sgt. Leist says the police response time is a couple of minutes, maybe less. “Take advantage of this.”

Sgt. Leist said in the first two months of 2011, overall crime was down 24 percent in Wauwatosa compared to the same time last year. In Tosa East Towne, crime was down 15 percent. He said most of the police calls are related to theft. Burglaries account for the second most common calls to police. Most of the burglaries occur in opened or unlocked garages.

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CALENDAR

MAY

9 Association Meeting
6:30 PM
Lutheran Home, 7500 W. North Ave.
ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND

21 Annual Rummage
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

JUNE

TBD North Avenue Clean and Green
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
for updates visit our website

13 TETNA Annual Meeting
6:30 PM
Lutheran Home, 7500 W. North Ave.
ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND

JULY

11 Association Meeting
6:30 PM
Lutheran Home, 7500 W. North Ave.
ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND

23 Charity Fun Run/Walk
sponsored by Tosa East Towne
Neighborhood Association
8:00 AM
more info: easttosa.org

23 Chili’n on the Avenue
11:00 AM - 5:00 PM
North Avenue between 68th-71st

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2011

TETNA OFFICERS

President— Sarah Hunt-Frank	Vice-President— Jason Odrzywolski
Secretary— Ann Woelfel	Treasurer— Barb Blaney

BOARD MEMBERS

Tiger Beyer	Julie Terwelp
Ruth Heup	<i>vacant, please volunteer!</i>
Bobby Pantuso	

President's Letter

HELLO, TETNA RESIDENTS

Ah, Spring! That wonderful time of year when the plants awaken, the birds return and the people crawl out of the winter-cramped indoors! Yawn. Stretch. Shake off the winter.

Try something new. I am going to try my hand at square-foot gardening, a space-saving gardening technique that could work wonders in our tiny East Tosa yards.

I have some new tips for your summer fun. Among them that Hoyt Pool is opening this Memorial weekend! Family Passes can be purchased by googling Friends Of Hoyt Pool. I've got mine! Now I just need a swimsuit that makes me look like Angelina Jolie...

Here's a new idea I saw last summer in Michigan. Clear bags of water hung to keep bees and flies away from your picnic area. I guess the light-bending effect of the bulging plastic confuses their compound eyes. I don't know. Try it and let me know how it works for you!

Summer time reminds me of my Grandma who used to walk around the yard in the early morning looking at the posies, admiring the growth, looking for which one would bloom next. She would say she had been out "surveying

the estate." (She also called having lemonade on the patio "refreshments on the veranda"!) I am SO looking forward to my garden and my flowers this year.

You may see me wandering around my house and wonder "what is that crazy lady doing?" Now you know, (Ahem) I am surveying the estate!

See you in my front yard, and feel free to join me — surveying the estate!

Sarah Hunt-Frank, TETNA President

Tosa East Towne Neighborhood Association Philosophy

To provide a welcoming and nurturing environment, and to maintain the quality of life and sense of community through shared interests and neighborly interaction.



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ASSOCIATION GROUPS

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"Weekend freewheeler seeks a cycling club to share the road."

"Knice knitter interested in other knucklehead knotters to share laughs while knitting."



East Towne Groups

Whatever your passion is, The Tosa East Towne Neighborhood Association wants to help you make a connection. "Whether you're looking for new members for your group or want to find people with the same interest, we'd like to bring you all together," says Tosa East Towne Neighborhood Association President Sarah Hunt-Frank.

It worked for Christina Piel when she saw her book club start to falter. "I mentioned to Sarah that my book club was kind of sad right now," says Christina. A notice went into the newsletter and now Christina says they have a least ten active members and a handful of "virtual" members who make it to book club when they can. "About three quarters of the members come from the neighborhood and they all are ladies who didn't know each other before," says Christina.

And that's the beauty of it, says Sarah, bringing people together. She says the neighborhood association can be the connection point, but it will be up to the interested people to make their clubs happen.

Quilting, wine tasting, cooking, playgroup, motorcycling, fantasy football, Sheepshead, kickball, whatever your interests: complete the form on the right or contact Sarah at 774-1813.

TOSA EAST TOWNE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION GROUPS INTEREST FORM

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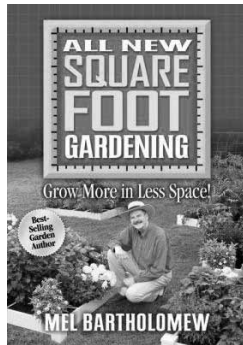
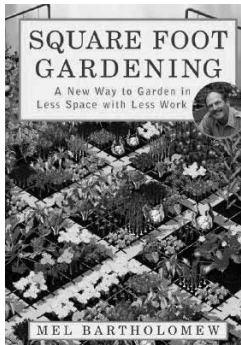


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Look for these two books by Mel Bartholomew at the Tosa library or your favorite book store!

Square-foot Gardening and Organic Seeds

BY SARAH HUNT-FRANK, TOSA EAST TOWNE PRESIDENT

If you want a bigger garden, Milwaukee County Cooperative Extension rents garden plots. Many neighbors share garden space to help divide up the workload. Visit <http://bit.ly/countygardens> for more information.

Did you ever want to have a garden? Do you like homegrown veggies? Do you think you have to have a lot of room to do it? Do you think you don't have enough room to do it?

To say we have small yards in East Towne Tosa would be putting it mildly. But there are a lot of great things we can do in our small gardens and vegetable plots that will really give us a lot of bang for our buck.

A new book, "Square-Foot Gardening" by Mel Bartholomew sells for about \$20 and can give inspiration to those of us with tiny yards. The basis of his gardening style is that traditional gardening is based on commercial growing, which needs large rows for equipment tires to roll along. But in a small space, the ground used for rows is wasted space. Bartholomew's concept is that with a 4-foot square, you can reach all of your plants with fewer rows.

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TOSA POOL GRAND OPENING BASH

Plan to come to the Friends of Hoyt Park & Pool gala, THE TOSA POOL SPLASH: A Grand Opening Bash on Friday, May 27th at 6:00 PM at the new TOSA POOL. There will be a ribbon-cutting, behind-the-scenes tours, live music, a silent auction, food, and beverages for \$48 per person. Order forms can be found in the Spring Tosa Rec Guide or requested from info@tosapool.com.

2011 INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

The Civic Celebration Commission needs residents to volunteer to help with the staging of the parade units on Monday, July 4th at Mayfair Mall. Anyone interested in volunteering is encouraged to call the hotline, 479-8988.

TOSA EAST TOWNE SPONSORS 2ND ANNUAL CHARITY FUN RUN/WALK

Warmer weather means more of us are coming out of hibernation to walk and run along the sidewalks of our neighborhood. If you need a reason to pound the pavement, how about making a fun run your goal?

Last summer, more than sixty runners and walkers participated in the first ever Tosa East Towne Charity Fun Run/ Walk. This summer, we're making it bigger (and spicier) by sponsoring the run/walk with Chili'n on the Avenue. It's scheduled for 8:00 AM, Saturday, July 23rd, 2011. Net proceeds will benefit the Ronald McDonald House Charities® of Eastern Wisconsin, Inc.

Registration forms will be available soon at www.easttosa.org. You can take a peek at the three mile course at tosaeasttowne.org. If you'd like to volunteer during the event please contact Craig Brittingham at cbrittingham@wi.rr.com.

CHILI'N ON THE AVENUE 2011

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All fees for services to be arranged by the parties involved. If you are interested in receiving a copy of the Youth Directory, contact Sarah Hunt-Frank.

Member Family Last Name:

Name and birth year:

Phone:

Service(s) offered:

Deliver completed form to Barb Blaney, 2356 N. Lefebber Ave.

TETNA YOUTH!

Get involved in your neighborhood by volunteering during one of the events listed below. Rally your friends, church, school or scout group to participate with you.

North Ave. Clean and Green

East Towne Block Party

Charity Run before Chillin' on the Avenue

Movie Night in the Park

Trick-or-Treat

For more information, contact the event's chairperson or Sarah Hunt-Frank at slhuntfrank@att.net.

Volunteer Opportunities

Do you love our neighborhood and want to share this love? Consider taking on one of these volunteer opportunities!

BECOME BOARD MEMBER

Please consider playing an active role in Tosa East Towne Neighborhood Association (TETNA) this year. The board needs one more person to step up and volunteer. The time commitment for a board member position is only about one to two hours a month and attending one 1 1/2-hour association meeting ten times a year.

BLOCK PARTY PLANNERS

If you have the reputation of organizing a fun block party or just love to have a good time, we need your help! Gather a neighbor or two to organize our biggest summer event and make it a new popular neighborhood tradition. Contact Sarah Hunt-Frank at 774-1813 or slhuntfrank@att.net for more information.

SERVE AS THE AREA 6 REP

As an area rep volunteer, you separate the newsletters four times a year to your area block distributors. You also communicate to the president when more volunteers are needed or there is a problem with deliveries. Turn to page 12 for the map to see if you live in Area 6.

DISTRIBUTOR NEEDED

If you enjoy receiving the newsletter, become a distributor for your block. Currently, the 2600 block of 63rd Street needs someone to deliver the newsletter when it is published in February, May, July and October.

For all the volunteer positions above, please contact Sarah Hunt-Frank at 774-1813 or slhuntfrank@att.net for more information.

FUN RUN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Help out your neighborhood and volunteer for a good cause—the Ronald McDonald House Charities® of Eastern Wisconsin, Inc. Tosa East Towne is sponsoring the run/walk with Chili'n on the Avenue. It's scheduled for 8:00 AM, Saturday, July 23rd. If you'd like to volunteer during the event, please contact Craig Brittingham at cbrittingham@wi.rr.com.

EAST TOWNE NEWS

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Events at Hart Park Senior Center

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4: "Did you say Nieman's Chocolates?" An interesting presentation on one of the oldest family owned firms in Wauwatosa at 1 p.m. by Jim Nieman Members \$1, non-members \$2 Includes SAMPLES.

MONDAY, MAY 9: "Wine Tasting" by John Chrusic, Wine and Spirits Manager from Sendiks Foods from 4:30-6:30p.m. Sample wines and learn about new food pairings with wine. Members \$5, non-members \$10.

TUESDAY, MAY 10: "Osteoporosis: Its Prevention and Treatments" by Marjorie Chepp AF Instructor at 8:30 a.m. FREE, but please register.

TUESDAY, MAY 17: Birthday Party to celebrate all members born in May at 1:30 p.m. Call to register and bring a guest.

TUESDAY, MAY 17: "The Pen Has Might – What Does Your Brain Write?" a series on handwriting analysis by Graphoanalyst Patricia Courtney. Three sessions from 9-10:15 a.m. On May 17, 24, and 31. Members \$10, non-members \$15

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25: "Thyroid Disease," by Emily Carman, Nurse Practitioner in Endocrinology at 1 p.m. FREE, but register.

Plan Ahead: Tuesdays in June at 1 p.m. Art Historian Martha Bolles presents a 4-part series on "Looted and Stolen Art." Call Center for details (414) 471-84495



The Wauwatosa Hart Park Senior Center offers a variety of social, wellness and educational opportunities in keeping with Wauwatosa's tradition of community spirit and fellowship. Participation requires an annual membership. The Senior Center is located at 7300 Chestnut Street in Wauwatosa. Call 414-471-8495 or visit www.hartpark.org for more information.

Sgt. Leist emphasized the importance of keeping lights on in and around the house regardless of whether the streetlights are on or off. "Leave them on all night."

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"We get about one robbery a week in Tosa, burglaries: about three to five a week." However, Sgt. Leist emphasized the numbers are low. "We are talking about hundreds, not thousands of crimes like in larger cities."

Sgt. Leist attributed the safety and quality of Tosa East Towne to the residents. "You, the neighbors, pay attention to what's going on. When you see something unusual, you've got to call us." He suggested everyone program the police department's seven digit non-emergency number into their cell phones: 471-8430.

One neighbor at the meeting said his home had been burglarized one night in December when the streetlights had been off. The city of Wauwatosa has been experimenting with turning off some streetlights periodically to save money.

Sgt. Leist emphasized the importance of keeping lights on in and around the house regardless of whether the streetlights are on or off. "Leave them on all night."

The Wauwatosa Police Department's Community Support Division also offers free home security inspections. You can call 471-8430, ext. 111 to arrange for an officer to come to your home and point out areas where you can make your home more secure.

Still, there is concern the darkened streetlights are also putting pedestrians at risk. Fifth District Alderman Bobby Pantuso agrees. He told the crowd he is "absolutely against" the darkened streetlights. He said he has been working with City Administrator James Archambo to try to figure out a better method.

Alderman Pantuso said one idea is to take the grid and black out every other streetlight instead of darkening the whole block. The long term goal, however, is to replace the incandescent streetlights with energy-efficient LED lights. Alderman Pantuso said that is a very expensive process. Given the current budget issues, he said it could take maybe five years to replace all the streetlights.

Also at the meeting, Meg Miller of the North Avenue Neighborhood Alliance talked about efforts to keep North Avenue a vital part of our community. She said there is an ongoing effort to recruit businesses to North Avenue. A bakery known for its artesian bread has tentative plans to move across from the Rosebud Theater. Miller said residents can visit www.easttosa.org to view long range plans for North Avenue in Tosa East Towne.

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East Towne Tidbits

LOCAL IN-HOME DAYCARE SERVICES

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INTERESTED IN A PLAYGROUP??

Are you interested in getting together with other families with children around the same age in your neighborhood? Contact either Tara Ash at tarasbug1@aol.com; 773-677-1099 or Stephanie Hicks at steph0517@yahoo.com; 875-8750 for more information.

NEW TOSA EAST TOWNE OFFICERS AND BOARD ELECTED

Congratulations to the new Tosa East Towne Neighborhood Association officers and board:

President: Sarah Hunt-Frank

Vice-President: Jason Odrzywolski

Secretary: Ann Woelfel

Treasurer: Barb Blaney

Board of Directors: Tiger Beyer, Ruth Heup, Bobby Pantuso, Julie Terwelp

Officers and board members were elected during the annual meeting at Cranky Al's on March 16th.

There is still one position open on the board. This is a volunteer position open to any member of the Tosa East Towne Neighborhood Association. If you're interested in playing an active role in your community, planning social and service events, this is your opportunity! Contact Sarah-Hunt Frank at 774-1813 or email slhuntfrank@att.net.

All neighbors are welcome to attend the monthly association meetings. Check out what's happening in East Towne. The officers and board would also love to hear what's on your mind. The next meeting is scheduled for May 9, 6:30 PM at the Lutheran Home, 7500 W. North Avenue.

Square-foot Gardening *continued from page 4*

Basically, you have a raised bed that is 4-foot by 4-foot with a walkway around it. This 4-foot-square is broken into 16 one-foot squares in which you plant your seeds or seedlings. For every person in your family, there should be one 4x4 square in order to have enough vegetables to enjoy for the summer.

The other realization that Bartholomew had was how much material was wasted by home gardeners. How many of us have opened the package of carrot seeds, sprinkled the entire 200 seeds in the row and then, later, thinned them out (wasting plants) and then found yourself with a bountiful harvest of too many carrots for your family to eat at once? With Bartholomew's plan, in one 1x1 square, you would plant exactly what you need. You plant what you will eat at the time of harvest.

Each plant takes a certain amount of room in the 1x1 spot and Bartholomew gives good direction on which plants will take more room. In a 1x1 square, you could plant 16 carrot seeds or 9 spinach seeds or one broccoli plant. Some plants, like zucchini, take a 3x3 space of your 4x4 square. Then you use the remaining seven 1-foot squares for other plants. Trellis in the back, tall plants next, and small plants on the southern side for maximum sun for all!

Even if you don't want to use Bartholomew's plan, he has great tips on pest control. Some plants are natural pest repellents. Marigolds and onion are two. If planted toward the center of your garden, they can repel pests in a 10-foot radius! And no pesticides on your veggies!

I am trying this gardening style on the side of my house this summer. (Yes, in that coveted sunny spot in my yard) and I can't wait to watch my garden grow!



Memory Corner

Do you remember Center Street Park's Skating Rink?

"Yes, Center Street Park did have a skating rink. I don't remember when they closed it, but I'm 66 and used to skate there as a kid. There was a small rink in the Washington Highlands also, on Martha Washington Drive just north of Washington Boulevard Bridge. There was a warming shed there and an older gentleman by the name of Elmer was the caretaker. I lived right across the street from the rink when I was 12 through 15 years of age. We skated daily and I have fond memories of that place—especially at night when no one else was there."—Bobbie Curich

Do you have a special memory of Tosa East Towne or Wauwatosa? Do Tell! You can fill out the form below and send it to Mary Raebel, 2441 N. 70th Street, or go to our website at tosaeasttowne.org.

TOSA EAST TOWNE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
MEMORY CORNER FORM

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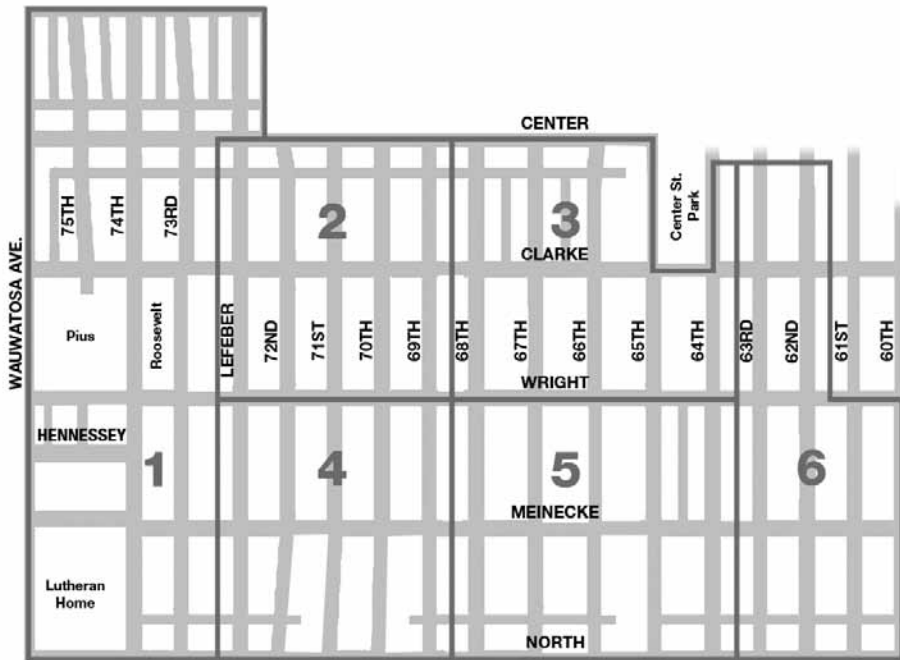
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Can we contact you to ask questions? (circle one):

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If you need more room to tell your story, just attach this form to your written memory. Deliver completed form to Mary Raebel, 2441 N. 70th Street



Association Meetings

Association meetings are open to everyone in the Tosa East Towne neighborhood. Please feel free to attend. Meetings for 2011 are currently scheduled for:

January 10, February 14, March 16, April 11, May 9, June 13, July 11, August 8, September 12, October 10, November 14, December 12

All meetings are held at 6:30PM, Lutheran Home, 7500 W. North Avenue

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