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A COMMUNITY OF CHOICE

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Note

THERE WILL BE NO GENERAL MEETING JULY & AUGUST
We will meet this month June 14th at 7 p.m.,
in the basement of the church of St Clare of Montefalco

Dear EEV Residents,

As you may know, the Special Assessment District initiative has been in discussion for EEV since 2016 but this year we began in earnest exploring this option for our neighborhood. Over the past several months we have been gathering feedback and moving this initiative forward. Our EEV SAD coordinator recently shared a status report outlining what we've learned about EEV and this process over the past six months.

Here are the key takeaways from the report:

1. **A majority of EEV residents want the Special Assessment District.** Based on the mail/online poll conducted in April 2023 with 200+ responses, nearly 70% of residents support the Special Assessment District.
2. **There are residents in EEV who cannot afford \$150/year for this.** Some have expressed their concerns, while others believe that the neighborhood desperately needs this and that \$12.50/month is a small price to pay for 24/7 private security. Both realities exist here in EEV.
3. **EEV has a significant number of absentee owners, which makes the process of passing this initiative with 60%+ owners signatures a very difficult process.** 50%+ is the minimum required by ordinance, but the EEV board figured that 60% would be a respectable submission. In order for a petition signature to be valid it must be witnessed by a volunteer in-person. Tracking down landlords and/or LLC agents for an in-person signature is tough, as most are located outside the neighborhood, or in other states or countries.

Based on these factors, the EEV Board is pausing the SAD initiative. While a clear majority of residents support it, the number of absentee owners in EEV adds an extra layer of complexity to the SAD petition signing process that we did not anticipate. We now understand that this is a challenge unique to EEV as compared to other neighborhoods where SADs have passed, and one that we will consider with any future initiatives.

We appreciate all of the honest feedback received over the past 6-months, and we encourage residents to continue to stay involved! We are optimistic in our hope that more residents will consider assuming an active role in EEV by joining the Board, one of our committees, or simply by doing their day-to-day part to continue moving us forward so that East English Village remains a "Community of Choice" - one of the great neighborhoods in Detroit.

Sincerely,
 EEV Board Members

EEV EVENTS

Every Thursday - 5-8:00 p.m.
E Warren Farmers Market
16835 East Warren (at Bishop)
Food, produce, entertainment,
and local vendors of all sorts!



ongoing

Every Friday - Noon-7:00 p.m.
Food Truck Fridays
16835 East Warren (at Bishop)
Different trucks each week!
Current listings can be found at
www.facebook.com/ewdevco



Eastside Pride
Happy Hour

Tuesday June 27th - 5-7:00 p.m.
Patio of Bogartz Food & Spirits, 17441 Mack
All LGBT+ neighbors of EEV and surrounding
neighborhoods welcome - bring a friend!

JULY

Garage Sale July 15 & 16

Time to get rid of all those extra items you've been wanting sell!
Please register your participation on the EEV website under
Donation/Pay Services.

EEV Social - July 27th - location TBD

AUGUST

Beautification Contest - Week of August 6-12. This is the year to
really up your garden game! The beautification contest is a
great motivator to improve your curb appeal and help our
community look more beautiful.

Garden Tour - August 13th

With the return of the garden tour in 2022 many wanted to make
sure we continue this year. Be on the lookout for more info on
EEVs most beautiful gardens!

EEV Social - August 24th - location TBD

SEPTEMBER

Halloween Decoration Contest - Week of Oct 22

This year we want to encourage more people to go all out on
Halloween decorations! We will be awarding \$\$\$ prizes

OCTOBER

Trunk or Treat TBD

DECEMBER

Holiday Decoration Contest Week of Dec 10th

Holiday Party TBD



EEV Social at First Place Lounge!
June 22th - 6:00 p.m. - close
Please join us for an
16921 Harper Ave
FREE EVENT - cash bar and
food available for purchase
Dinner special is Jamaican jerk chicken, and
live music starts at 8:30. Come mingle with
your neighbors and support a local business!



June EEV General Meeting
June 14th, 7:00

St. Clare of Montefalco church basement
all residents welcome!

**WE WILL BE ON RECESS FOR JULY & AUGUST
THERE WILL BE NO MEETINGS THOSE MONTHS**



5th Precinct Appreciation Luncheon

On Wednesday, May 17 our 5th Precinct Officers were treated to a delicious buffet sponsored by our East English Village Association. The impressive menu included shrimp cocktail trays, croissant and roll-up sandwich platters, pasta salad, mandarin oranges and brownies along with soft drinks. Commander Brian Harris gave the blessing prior to the luncheon and expressed appreciation for EEV's ongoing support of the 5th Precinct. EEV resident Gwen Wee initiated the event and coordinated the planning, delivery and setup of the luncheon, assisted by Maureen Dristan. Thanks to the residents who generously supported this expression of appreciation to our outstanding officers and their ongoing effort to protect and serve the residents of EEV and beyond.



Motor City Makeover



A big thank you to all who came out to clean up the neighborhood on May 14th for Motor City Makeover day:
Residents Nora, Mark, and Julie
Board members Kathy, Barbara, Renita, Greg, and Ron
Carlena and her sister from Latisha Johnson's office
Chris from Grosse Pointe Park who just found us
online and wanted to help out!

Keeping our neighborhood and city clean is an ongoing effort - let's all continue to do our part year round!



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Pet of the Month



Sean and Conner of Harvard
Owners: Floyd and Renita Holliness

Pet of the month is a new addition to the EEV paper, and we'd love to feature yours! Send a pic of your pet with their name(s) and yours to newsletter@eastenglishvillage.org



Congratulations to all EEV graduates finishing schooling and programs of all levels. Cheers to the class of 2023!

Kennedy Byrd
Bachelor of Science in Finance
Benedict College HBCU



Jordan Anderson
Bachelor of Science in Education
Bowling Green State University

continuing his education and football goals at UCLA this summer

Go *confidently* in the direction of your **DREAMS** **live the life** you've imagined.

-Henry David Thoreau

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Trash, Recycling, Yard Waste, and Bulk Pick Up

Keeping Bulk Items Under the Limit

- Bulk items should be no more than 1000 pounds or exceed two cubic yards in volume (about the size of two stoves).
- **ACCEPTABLE ITEMS** include furniture, appliances, hot water tanks, carpeting, mattresses, large toys, etc.
- Remove doors from appliances first.
- Carpet should be cut in strips, no more than 4 feet wide, rolled and tied in bundles no more than 60 pounds per bundle.
- All refrigerants need to be drained from appliances first.
- **UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS** include: remodeling or construction debris, household hazardous waste, flammables, explosives, paint, batteries, hazardous or medical wastes, fuel, oil, tires, car parts, needles, radioactive materials, chemicals, etc.

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Neighbor of the Month

Germaine Cortes of Grayton



Germaine was born in Belgium, and lived there until her family was forced to leave under German occupation. They stayed elsewhere in Europe until coming to the USA in 1953, joining some family members of her father's who were already settled in Detroit. Although she was still school age by US standards, she had already finished high school, as 15 was the standard graduating age in Europe. She enrolled in college at University of Detroit Mercy to study languages (she speaks 4 fluently), paying her tuition by working at Crowley's in the sewing notions department. She also spent some time working at the old Gambino's on Mack Ave, slicing bread. While at U of D, she met the man that would become her husband. They married, and moved to his home country of Mexico where she lived for 8 years and had her first 4 children. She eventually returned to Detroit, to a home on E. Outer Drive near Gratiot. Here she had 2 more children, before having to move again as the neighborhood became unsafe (the house is unfortunately torn down today).

After her kids got older, she went back to school to become a respiratory therapist, and went on to work at St. John's hospital for 25 years. Although retired from that in 2012, she is still in touch with some of her coworkers, and saw how hard things got for them through the COVID pandemic.

Germaine now lives in the house that was once her mother's, with her own daughter Liliane. She loves to tend to her beautiful garden, host neighborhood friends at her home, and meet for conversation and laughs over a drink at Bogartz. She enjoys foreign films, the Detroit Institute of Art, and downtown Ann Arbor. She looks forward to the ongoing E Warren developments and hopes they will include nice spaces she will be able to walk to grab a quick grocery item or enjoy a streetside coffee. Her grandchildren are the joys of her life, and she would love to have more close places to take them when they come to visit as well. Although she has lived and traveled to many different places, she loves our neighborhood and doesn't see herself moving anywhere else. She enjoys the friends she has nearby, neighbors who are always willing to help her out with things, and especially the recent EEV social meet ups. If you see her out at one, be sure to say hello!

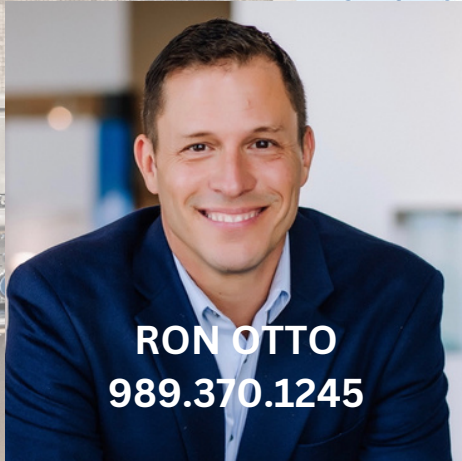
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June 2023

Proper sleep is not an option

Getting the proper amount of sleep is essential to good health. It seems so easy and yet 1 in 3 adults don't get enough sleep. Most of the time not getting proper rest lies in our own bad habits and yet the impact of failing to get the sleep we need can be far reaching. Short term, late nights and early mornings don't give the body time to recharge. On the morning after a 'short night' you may notice:

- Irritability • Memory problems
- Difficulty regulating emotions • Difficulty making decisions
- Slower thinking • Shorter attention span

Even more concerning are the health care issues that can cause far reaching into your future:

- Heart trouble • A weaker immune system
- Diabetes • Depression
- Obesity • Anxiety

Adults need seven to nine hours of sleep each night for good health, so make it a habit to get the rest you need:

- Find a few minutes to relax during the day. Take a 10-minute walk or do some stretching.
- Develop an enjoyable, calming bedtime routine. It might include meditating or reading a book.
 - Have a consistent bedtime and wake-up time, even on days you don't work.
 - Do not have alcohol or caffeine in the late afternoon or evening.
- Do not use electronic devices (such as cell phones and tablets) for at least half an hour before bed.

Sometimes it may be more than bad habits that keep you from sleep. You could be one of the 5 to 15 percent of people who have obstructive sleep apnea. Could this be you? If these tips don't help, or you just can't get a good night of rest despite your best efforts, talk to a health care provider for a sleep study or for tips on getting the sleep your body needs.

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