

The Insider - Special Edition

Steeplechase E-News

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Getting to Know Your Neighbors

President of the SHOA, Terry Endress, invited families to send a biography and picture that we could use to introduce new neighbors and better get to know long-time residents. Following are some of the interesting family stories and photos we received. If you would like us to publish your family's story, please send it along with a photo to steeplechase@mail.com

The Shannon Family



L-R: Ally, Gia, Ben,
and Mike Shannon

We moved into our Buttevant Drive home in September 2018. We formerly resided in Stow and both grew up in this area so we had always been familiar with Steeplechase. Since we knew that it was a great neighborhood, we were very excited when we found a house here.

We have a 3-year-old golden doodle named Lucy (who sometimes gets loose and runs down Steeplechase Lane;) and an indoor/outdoor cat named Linus (who you may see out and about in your yards;).

Mike is a loan officer for Ruoff Mortgage in Stow and Gia works as a speech-language pathologist. Our children attend Holy Family School in Stow.

We look forward to spending many more years here and we thank you all for the warm welcome we have received. Happy New Year!

The Byrne's

Jean and Denny Byrne have lived in Steeplechase for over twenty years. They met at the University of Notre Dame while both were in graduate school. Jean received her Ph.D. in Sociology and joined the Kent State Faculty 1975. She retired after thirty-two years of service and opened a Kumon Math and Reading Center in Solon, which still keeps her busy.

Denny received his Ph.D. in 1974 in Economics. He then joined the University of Akron and retired after thirty years of service. While teaching, he consulted with businesses on a number of projects and then opened an arbitration practice after leaving Akron. He is a member of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Board and SERB, and arbitrates labor issues in both the private and public sectors.

Jean and Denny have three grandchildren with two more on the way (twin girls). They have three sons, Kevin who is Assistant Director of Alumni Relations at Walsh Jesuit High School and is the Varsity Boys Basketball Coach; Geoff who works as a Project Manager in Cleveland; and Andrew who is in the Air Force.

In their spare time, Jean and Denny enjoy traveling, volunteering, and spending time with friends and family. And by the way, Denny imagines that his golf game is great; it isn't!



Jean and Denny Byrne

Newlyweds Jeff and Peggy Rossi



Jeff and I moved to Steeplechase last February after falling in love with the neighborhood and the location. We had house hunted all over the area, but nothing felt right until we found our new home on Belmont Park Drive. Jeff and I got married in October, and now that the wedding planning, wedding, and holidays are behind us, we're excited to start putting more of our energy into our home.

We both work in operations for small companies; Jeff schedules and manages the production operations for a company specializing in large air handling units, and I am an operations and engineering manager for a company manufacturing tire production equipment.

We also enjoy spending time outdoors, working on creative projects, playing trivia and other games, and playing with our four adorable kitties. And we are looking forward to walking our beautiful neighborhood and meeting more of our neighbors as the weather starts to warm up.

L-R: Peggy's mother, Mindy;
newlyweds, John and Mindy Rossi;
Peggy's father, John

The Teodosio's



L-R: Christopher, Linda, and Tom Teodosio

Tom and Linda Teodosio and their two children Christopher and Andrea moved to Steeplechase in 1991. Their son Christopher, is a practicing attorney at Brouse McDowell LLC. He and his wife Katherine also live in Steeplechase with their two beautiful daughters, Charlotte and Ava. Their daughter Andrea passed away in 2011 in a tragic skiing accident. The Teodosio family remembers Andrea through the Andrea Rose Teodosio Foundation. Many neighbors have participated in the annual 5K held each July as well as the ART Auction held each February in memory of Andrea. For more information concerning these events and the Foundation visit Andrearose.org

Tom and Linda are both Judges in our community. They met while attending the University of Akron School of Law.

After law school Linda worked as an attorney, a judicial attorney in the Ninth District Court of Appeals and as a Magistrate in the Akron Municipal Court. In 1997 Linda was elected as Judge in the Cuyahoga Falls Municipal Court.

In November 2003 Linda was elected as Summit County's Juvenile Court Judge where she continues to serve. She has received local, statewide and national recognition for her innovative approach to juvenile dispositions and rehabilitation. Among the unique programs she has introduced are Restore Court, a program that addresses youth who have been identified as victims of human trafficking; the Crossroads Program, designed for youth with co-occurring mental illness and/or substance dependence; the Family Resource Center which links youth and families to support services in the community; and New Paths for youth with developmental delays.

Judge Linda Teodosio's work on the Juvenile Court bench has been extensively recognized. In September 2016, she received the Thomas J. Moyer Award for Judicial Excellence from the Ohio State Bar Association. She has been honored by the Ohio Juvenile Court Judges Association with their Judicial and Distinguished Services Award. She was named Ohio's Public Official of the Year by the state's chapter of the National Association of Social Workers and she was named an Outstanding Alumna of the University of Akron's School of Law. In late 2012, Judge Teodosio received the prestigious Award for Innovation from the Margaret Clark Morgan Foundation. In 2010, she received the MacArthur Foundation's "Champion for Change" Award for her work in the Models for Change Mental Health Juvenile Justice Action Network. Judge Teodosio was honored by the Diocese of Cleveland with the St. Thomas More Award, the 2014 Peter Bommarito Community Award for Outstanding Voluntary Community Service and the 2015 Chief Justice Thomas Moyer Award for Judicial Excellence from the Ohio State Bar Association. Linda is an avid runner and has participated in numerous marathons and half marathons and other races.

The Teodosio's - Continued

Tom Teodosio started his legal career in 1982 and was a partner in the law firm of Teodosio, Cherpas & Manos. In November 2000, he was elected to serve on Summit County Council and he won re-election in 2004. After practicing law for 25 years, in November 2006, Tom was elected as a judge in the Summit County Common Pleas Court. He was reelected in 2012. While on the trial court bench, Judge Teodosio presided over serious felony matters and major civil lawsuits. He also presided over Summit County's Felony Drug Court which he renamed the "Turning Point" program. The Program is a specialized docket in which non-violent, drug-dependent offenders plead guilty to their offenses and are then provided intense, court-supervised treatment with random drug testing and substance abuse/mental health programming. The success of the program was recognized in 2013 by the Summit County ADM Board when it named the Turning Point Program as the recipient of the Dr. Robert Smith Award.

In November 2016, Judge Teodosio was elected as a judge on the State of Ohio's Ninth District Court of Appeals. The court hears appeals from all cases filed in Summit, Lorain, Medina and Wayne Counties. He has served as that court's Administrative and Presiding Judge.

Tom and Linda are deeply involved in our community. Linda's has served as President and Board of Trustees for the Akron Bar Association, President of the Akron Bar Foundation and President of the Akron Law Alumni Association. She has served on the Boards of the Ohio State Bar Association, Walsh Jesuit High School, CYO and Community Services, Akron Summit Community Action and the Summit County Alcohol Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services. She currently serves on the Board of the Summit County United Way and Girls on the Run of Northeast Ohio. She is a candidate for President-Elect of the Ohio State Bar Association.

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