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In my December 12, 2013 article I shared information from Toledo Edison concerning tree maintenance. I am continuing with some additional information particularly important with the harsh winter weather we have been experiencing this past month.

Heavy snow, wind, and ice from winter storms can knock down large branches and uproot entire trees. Removing this debris can be difficult and even dangerous. When tree limbs fall unexpectedly, don't trust just anyone. When a tree appears to be dangerous or falls on your property near power lines, or anywhere in your yard, call Toledo Edison at **800.505.7283**. They have an approved and recommended list of tree removal experts. Their tree care contractors have the experience to handle any tree related task from basic pruning to major tree removal and beautification projects. You can benefit from their professional, cost effective services of tree pruning, tree and stump removal, emergency tree care, and tree health maintenance. They will supply you a list of contractors. Their contractors give free estimates, payment plans, and all contractors are fully insured.

If you have a tree in the **village right of way** (between the road and the sidewalk most often) that has fallen or you deem to be dangerous, call the village office at **419.826.9515** and report to the administrator **during regular business hours**. If the tree has come into contact with power lines or has the potential of falling into power lines, call Toledo Edison at **800.447.3333**. Never attempt to clear a tree near power lines. Let the experts handle that job.

On a completely different topic, The Swanton Rotary Club is holding their annual fund raiser Saturday, February 15, at 5:30 at Valleywood Golf Club. This is the Rotary Club's only fundraiser of the year. The evening offers dining at grazing stations, music, a comedienne, and loads of silent auction items all donated by area businesses and individuals. It is a great evening of entertainment and fun, and it is open to the public. The Swanton Rotary Club has been generous in so many projects around town such as funding for the high school track, lighting at Memorial Park, the development of Rotary Park, etc. Tickets are \$20.00 per person and are available from any Rotary member. If you don't know a Rotary member, call me at village hall at 419.826.0335 and PLEASE leave a message with your phone number if I am not in at that time. It is a great evening and an opportunity to socialize with your Swanton neighbors and friends!