

TOLEDO ROTARY SPOKE

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Club of Toledo 

Club No. 44 Organized in 1912

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Monday's Meeting: October 1, 2018

Dave Gierke & Doug Mead

Toledo School for the Arts

Dave Gierke, Development Director and Doug Mead, Director at the Toledo School for the Arts, will explore the scope and purpose of the school, how the school has grown and developed since its inception in 1999, and what the future holds as they look to further define modern artistic development.

Toledo School for the Arts is a public "community" or charter school focused on providing Ohio residents a college preparatory academic curriculum and an intense visual and performing arts environment. TSA opened in 1999 and is located at 333 14th Street in downtown Toledo, Ohio. TSA welcomes any student who is an Ohio resident through our enrollment lottery. TSA is sponsored by Bowling Green State University.

In addition to core academic subjects, classes are offered in music, dance, theatre and visual arts. TSA provides students opportunities to work with professional artists to expand their arts experiences and knowledge base. TSA has ARTnerships with our area's community and cultural institutions including the Toledo Museum of Art, the Toledo Symphony, the Toledo Repertoire Theatre, the Arts Commission of Greater Toledo, the Toledo Zoo and others.



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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Monday, October 8—No Meeting, Columbus Day

Monday, October 15—Gus Mancy, History of Mancy's

Monday, October 22—Jim Robey, W.E. Upjohn Institute

Monday, October 29—Dave Zenk, Toledo Metroparks

**The October 29 meeting will be held at the Aquarium at the Huntington Center **

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SCHEDULED MEETINGS/EVENTS

Friday, September 28—Toledo Rotary Annual Zoo Day!

Monday, October 1—Finance Committee, 11am

Wednesday, October 3—Executive Committee, 7:30am, Original Pancake

Wednesday, October 3—Polio Plus at the PUB!

Tuesday, October 16—Club Board, 7:30am, Park Inn

Wednesday, October 17—Foundation Trustees, 12pm, The Toledo Club

Your Toledo Rotary Club Foundation Donations

Make A Difference In Our Community!

Your contributions to our Foundation continue to do good in our community and throughout the world! Trustee and PP Tom Backoff presented an overview of the role that we, as members, play in our Toledo Rotary Club Foundation.

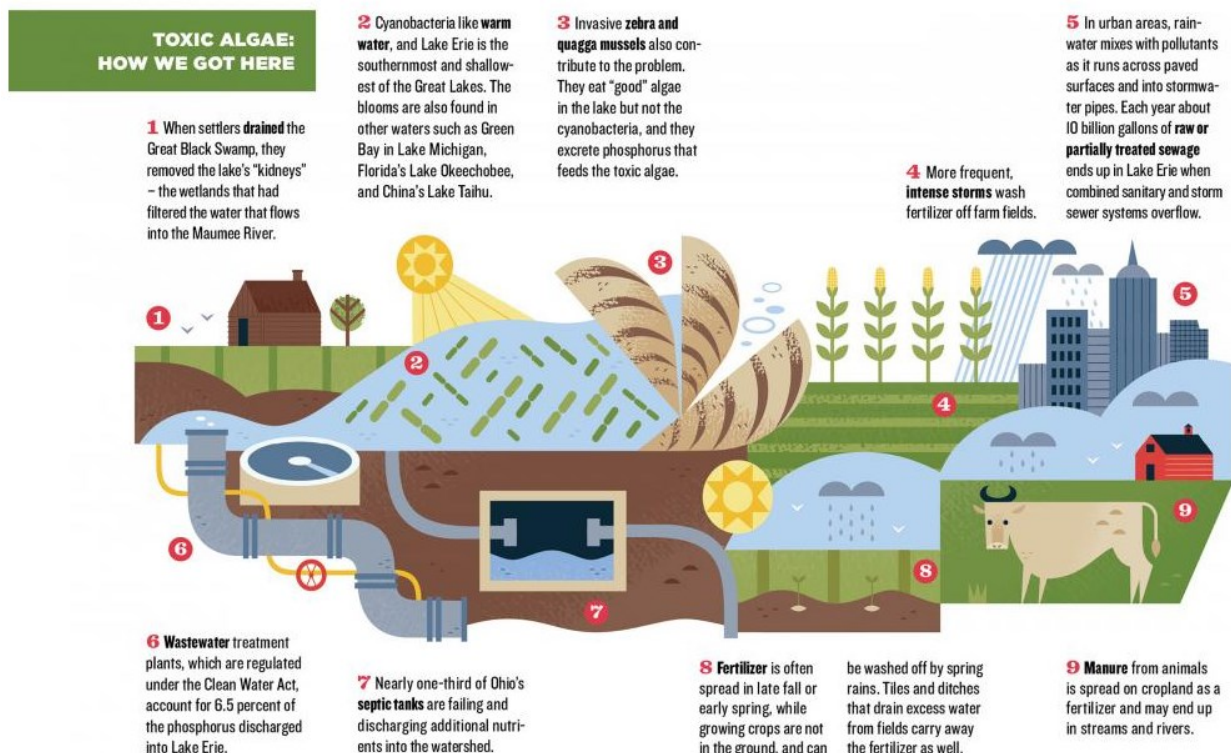
Tom thanked members for their time, talent and treasure and reminded all of us of our remarkable success as a Club and a Foundation! He went on to share a remarkable and recent Rotary moment, a moment that makes you proud to be a Rotarian, that is both inspiring and humbling and testimony to the impact our Club's work has on this community, our region AND, the world!

Tom introduced the outstanding film documentary presented at the Toledo Museum of Art's Peristyle, just two weeks ago, which highlighted the bacteria in Lake Erie, the Lake Erie Water Basin and other Lakes in Ohio, and the problem of Cyanobacteria throughout the world ([watch the video here](#)). This film was shown free of charge at TMA. The two scientists that created the video have travelled the world studying the poisonous effects of cyanobacteria and its link to increased ALS & Alzheimer's to people who are exposed to it—they came to NW Ohio in 2016 following the water crises that shut down our water system. Dr. Tom Cox, the world renowned scientists behind the video's production, expressed his thought that the work done by the Rotary Club of Toledo was some of the finest he had ever seen; Tom referenced the recent article in the Rotarian magazine ([read the article here](#)), and the graphic you see below, which both men stated as one of the most informative graphic pieces of how cyanobacteria forms in the water, that they had ever seen!

Tom quoted Dr. Cox, "the issue of harmful algae blooms can be solved in Toledo...if Rotary can eradicate polio, it certainly can solve this problem".

Tom expressed his personal, and our club's, long-standing commitment that Toledo Rotarians make a difference! And, in order to keep this and other major projects going, along with our transformational projects and traditional gifts/grants that total well over \$200K per year, we can continue to do that in a couple of ways:

- Give annually to the Presidents Club at the \$250 level
- Legacy League—Planned gift—Make a bequest—designate an amount or commitment by completing the form recently mailed to all members & which can be found on our website [here](#)



MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Congratulations 20 Under 40 Award Winners!

Toledo celebrated 20 young leaders who have distinguished themselves in their career or as a community volunteer during the 23rd annual 20 under 40 Leadership Recognition Awards program.



This year's recipients were selected by an independent panel from a record number of 255 candidates and



announced at an award ceremony Monday at the Valentine Theatre. Two members of our Club, Rob Krain and Dave Zenk, were recipients of this prestigious award. Congratulations!

To see all the candidates click here: [20 Under 40](#)

Welcome New Member: Emily Skilliter!

Emily Skilliter's roots in Rotary run deep, her grandfather, John Clement, Sr. joined Toledo Rotary in 1951 and was a member for 65 years. Her father, John Clement, Jr., joined in 1981 and is still a member. Emily was hired by Rotary as the Executive Assistant



in 2016. She is the second oldest of four girls. She graduated from Ottawa Hills High School in 2001 and went to Kansas to become a Jayhawk, where she earned a BA degree in English Studies. After graduating, she moved to Chicago where she was the Executive Assistant at a web-hosting company for 3 years. She then worked as a nanny for 4 years after that. In 2013, Emily moved back to Toledo to help her parents manage their company, ESKER Sales. This July, she married fellow Rotarian Dan Skilliter. Emily and Dan live in Ottawa Hills. She enjoys traveling and drawing. Her biggest pet peeves are crowded grocery store aisles and when people pull out in front of her while driving and don't speed up.

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100% ATTENDANCE

PERFECT ATTENDANCE



On Monday, September 24, President Dick Wolff honored 10 of our members who hold perfect attendance. Those members included: Dennis Isabell—6 years, Bob Harold—25 years, Tom Klein—25 years, PP Chuck Mann—28 years, Craig Roberts—30 years, Dean Roberts—30 years, PP Brad Rubini—33 years, PP RC Young—40 years, Bob Reichert—43 years, PP Walt Churchill—50 years. Thank you for all you do for Rotary!

Polio Plus at the PUB!

Sponsored by: The PUB at the Paula Brown Shop

Wednesday, October 3, 2018

5pm—7:30pm

Cash Bar



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They bought their tickets, have you?

Live entertainment will be provided by President Dick Wolff and Rotarian Jonathan Rodebaugh with his band The Strangerlings!

\$10/Ticket | 10% of all bar proceeds go to Polio Plus!

Food provided by Sidon Lebanese Grille | PA Donation by Heights Guitar Store

St. Francis Interact Club Clean Streams Project

St. Francis Interact Club members helped clean a stretch of the Ten Mile Creek. Interact members removed two big screen televisions, two bikes, and a tremendous amount of plastic trash from the creek. Interact is working with Toledo Rotary to keep our watersheds and Lake Erie clean. While they were happy about helping with the Partners for Clean Streams Project, they were sad to see the amount of garbage they had collected. It was part of a partnership with Interact and Clean Streams, along with other volunteer groups that help keep the Ottawa River watershed clean...for now.



Bringing Music to Our Ears Steve Miller, Huntington Center

Fellow Rotarian, Steve Miller, was recognized by the Toledo Blade in the Sunday, September 23rd newspaper. Steve, General Manager for the Huntington Center downtown, is responsible for much of the city's vibrant concert scene. "One of my big goals is finding more artists, shows, and getting more diverse programming at the arena," Miller told The Blade. He expects major investment to be put into the SeaGate, drawing bigger conventions to town. The Promenade Park concerts will return next year, and there are several major shows that will be announced for the arena in the days and months ahead. To read the full article, click here:



Euchre Time! Let the Fun Begin!

Euchre Fellowship

Embassy Condo Clubhouse—Maumee

BYOB—BYO Snacks! \$5 to play—high score wins the pot!

Friday, October 26, 7:00 pm
Friday, November 16, 7:00 pm
Friday, January 18, 7:00 pm
Friday, February 22, 7:00 pm
Friday, March 22, 7:00 pm



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7 P.M.

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Past Program: September 24, 2018

Tim Brown

TMACOG



The Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments, or TMACOG, is a non-partisan regional planning organization made up predominately of volunteers. TMACOG works in transportation planning, water quality issues and show support for our local economic development endeavors that impact our quality of life. On the transportation side of TMACOG, their job is to plan roadways, rail, bike and pedestrian accommodations, transit that will move goods, services and people safely throughout our region. TMACOG has a 4 year plan which includes \$750 million in additional road construction in the region—the orange barrels are here to stay. Over the next 30 years, it's expected that freight traffic in the US will increase by about 45%, over that same period of time, the population in the US is expected to increase by 70 billion. The staff also provides information for local authorities—including traffic counts and studies—which help determine traffic flow and where additional or fewer traffic control devices are needed. Additionally, TMACOG helps our region comply with the federal governments Clean Air Act standards. Their role in water quality is to help our region comply with the standards of the Clean Water Act. They also plan ahead to protect and restore rivers and streams so they are functioning properly. TMACOG's membership includes elected officials, representatives of counties, villages and townships, schools, businesses, special districts and others who all choose to voluntarily be a part of the organization. Their transportation projects are ongoing, and the amount of roundabouts will be increasing in the future. Roundabouts do 2 things to reach TMACOG's objectives; they keep traffic moving and reduce the amount and intensity of accidents. The other issue TMACOG took on a few years ago was having a regional water authority. They're working on sustainable level water rates to attract more business and residents. Agriculture is about 84% of the cause of our water problems. One solution would be having some kind of government regulation to help reduce our water issues.

The September 24 meeting can be viewed here: [Tim Brown](#)



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September Birthdays

Gary Robinson—1
Anna Marie Kolin—3
Stephen Dunbar—4
Whitney Rofkar—4
Don Yerks—5
Steve Skutch—5
Mari Davies—8
Curt Church—8
Stephen Vasquez—9
Cheri Budzynski—10
Rachel Hobson—12
Sean Cree—12
Ernie Brookfield—14
Scott Fry—15
Judy Leb—17
Kim Sidwell—17
Greg Steenrod—17
Tim Ryan—18
Susan Palmer—18
Brian Hahn—20
Tony Broer—22
Ben Dansard—23
Kevin Rahe—23
Tom Fields—25
Kevin Dalton—25
Jim Gee—26
Brian Epstein—27
Craig Roberts—27
Chris Anderson—28
Charine Mourad—29



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