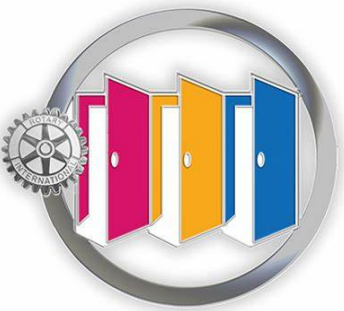


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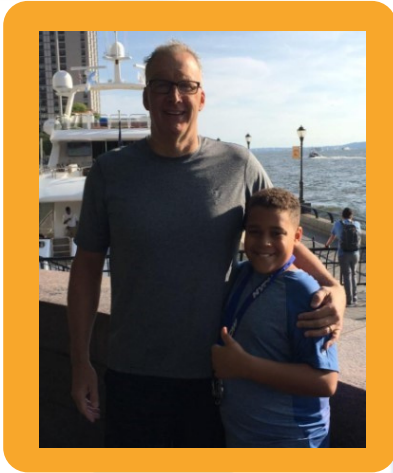


Monday, March 22nd, 2021

ZOOM LINK!

[Click Here to join meeting via ZOOM](#)

Zoom Meeting ID:
628 349 736



John Muenzer UT Hall of Fame Swimmer

On Monday, March 22nd, please join us for John Muenzer who will share the story of his journey as a swimmer including his swim across the English Channel and his days at the University of Toledo as a college athlete.

John Muenzer is a native of Maumee and attended St. Johns High School and The University of Toledo. He represented The University of Toledo men's swim team from 1979 to 1983. He was named as one of the top distance freestyle and backstroke swimmers during this time. He was inducted into the UT hall of fame in 1992. After college, he continued to challenge himself in the water by swimming from Point Pelee in Canada to Cedar Point in Ohio in August 1983. The 34-mile distance was accomplished in 24 hours and 10 minutes, breaking the record that was set in 1957. John went into business, married his wife, Mary, and had 7 children. Due to these responsibilities his swimming goals were postponed. Starting in 2009 he returned to swimming and completed the English Channel crossing of 21-miles in 13 hours and 12 minutes. In that same year he swam the 24-mile length of Tampa Bay in 12 hours and 7 minutes. In August 2018, John returned to the water and swam the 28.5 miles around the Island of Manhattan in 9 hours and 22 minutes.

One swim remains to accomplish the triple crown and grand slam of long-distance swimming. The swim is from Catalina Island to Long Beach, California for a distance of 20.5 miles. John's goal for this swim is August of 2022.

Upcoming Monday Meetings

March 29th Rotarian Jani Miller Travel in the Time of COVID	April 5th NO MEETING Easter Holiday
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Upcoming Committee Meetings

March 22nd 11:00 AM Peace Committee 21-Day Challenge Discussion	March 22nd 1:05 PM Membership Engagement Committee
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Rotary Club of Toledo Foundation Giving Back!

The Rotary Club of Toledo Foundation has funded \$2.7M to grant applicants since 2000! These highlights are just a couple of examples of grant recipients.

The generous donations from our Rotarians make it possible!

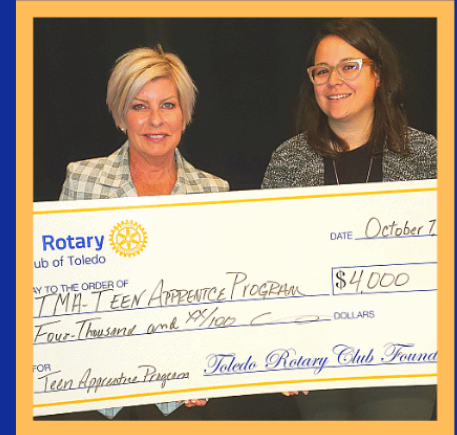


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TMA - TEEN APPRENTICE PROGRAM

GRANTED \$4,000

18-19 2nd CYCLE
YOUTH SERVICES COMMITTEE



Pictured: Foundation Chairman, Kathy Mikolajczak and Maria Lafelice, Toledo Museum of Art



As we approach our 3rd and final cycle, March 31st, committees are preparing to work on each submission.

You are invited to join a service committee today to share in the decision-making process to move these grants forward.

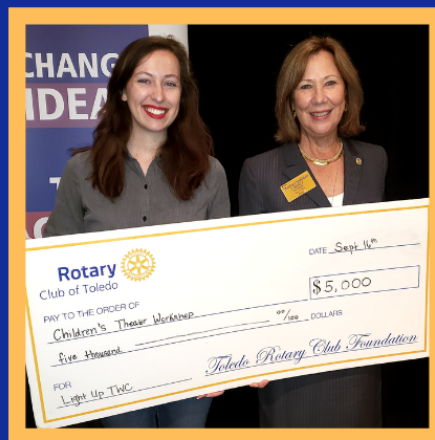


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CHILDREN'S THEATRE WORKSHOP

GRANTED \$5,000

18-19 3rd CYCLE
YOUTH SERVICES COMMITTEE



Pictured: Aimee Reid, Executive Artistic Director, Children's Theatre Workshop & PP Sharon Skilliter, Foundation Trustee



April Fool's Sports Trivia Night!

**APRIL 1ST 2021
5:00 PM
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Grab your favorite beverage, a partner to team-up with and a comfy chair - then Zoom into the fun by clicking [HERE!](#)

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1st Prize - A NEW CAR!



**2nd Prize -
A trip to MEXICO!**



**3rd Prize -
Lunch with The PRESIDENT!**



Vocational Services 4-Way Test Speech Contest Begins!

It's that time of year, time for the Rotary Club of Toledo's 4-Way Speech Contest for Toledo-area High School Students.

We are moving ahead with our annual speech contest with a few twists this year. This year's video submission will cover the students' understanding of the 4-Way Test but we are also asking students to focus their speeches on one of the following topics: social media, climate change, or civics. Additionally, entries can be no more than 90 seconds in length. [Click HERE](#) to see the submission rules. Students and parents must also complete the online release form [HERE](#) to be eligible. \$700 in prizes will be awarded. This is a project of the Toledo Rotary's Vocational Services Committee.

Questions? Contact Vocational Service's Chair, Heather Karns at heather.karns@utoledo.edu.



The Four-Way Test

of the things we think, say or do.

- 1 Is it the truth?
- 2 Is it fair to all concerned?
- 3 Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
- 4 Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Tuesday, March 15th Recap



Cindy Kerr **ConnecToledo**

On Monday, March 15th, Rotarian Cindy Kerr shared an indepth overview of the development happenings around downtown Toledo. She showcased the vision for downtown Toledo and how it will include new downtown housing and the Glass City Metropark.

Cindy Kerr is the Vice President of Operations of ConnecToledo. Hired by the Downtown Toledo Improvement District in 2014 as the Executive Director, Cindy has delivered on their Service Plan by marketing downtown, delivering advocacy service to businesses and property owners, and providing a clean and safe environment. Cindy has previously held financial management positions within the healthcare industry. She also has Fortune 125 global leadership experience in human resources, new product introduction, and innovation. Cindy has a Masters of Business Administration and a BBA in Finance from the University of Toledo. She completed the Executive Masters program in Healthcare Administration at the Ohio State University. She serves on the boards of TMACOG, Toledo Lucas County Homelessness Board, and The University of Toledo Alumni Association.

[Watch Meeting
Video HERE](#)



ConnecToledo

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Rotarian Judy Seibenick is Retiring!



Judy Seibenick
Rotarian Since 2002

Please help us congratulate Judy on her upcoming retirement as CEO/President of Hospice Northwest Ohio. Hospice of Northwest Ohio announced the retirement of President/CEO Judy Seibenick RN, MOL effective this spring. Mrs. Seibenick's retirement comes after 40 years of service to the agency, more than 20 of those years as President/CEO.

Judy has been with Hospice of Northwest Ohio—a non-profit agency and first Medicare certified hospice in Ohio—since its inception in 1981. One of its three original nurses, she paved the way for this little-known agency and form of care, ultimately becoming Executive Director in 2000 (title changed to President/CEO in 2019). Hospice of Northwest Ohio has grown from serving a handful of patients with a staff of five, to caring for more than 400 patients a day with a staff of 400, plus 165 volunteers. Most of this growth has occurred under Judy's leadership and has been carefully managed to preserve the agency's compassionate culture and commitment to highest quality care.

Judy and her husband Kurt have built a new home in Southern Ohio so they can be close to children and grandchildren. She plans to relax and enjoy all that retirement brings.

"Toledo Rotary has been a blessing to me and to so many others. I have enjoyed meeting and working with so many wonderful Rotarians! I will miss you all!" Judy -

[Click here to watch Judy's video on 40 years at Hospice Northwest Ohio!](#)

[V-Project Website](#)
[CLICK HERE](#)

[V-Project Facebook](#)
[Page CLICK HERE](#)

VPROJECT
Victory over COVID-19 through vaccination

[Click HERE to REGISTER for your VACCINE](#)

Our goal is simple and monumental: to vaccinate 70% of Toledo & NW Ohio residents and be a model for other cities.

Progress toward goal
(as of March 16)



View the vaccination rates of [other Ohio counties](#).

Ohio Vaccine Eligibility

- Individuals 50 years or older
- Individuals with ALS, Type 1 or 2 diabetes, End-stage renal disease, or other [qualifying medical conditions](#)
- Pregnant Women
- Employees of Lucas County K-12 schools
- Childcare & Funeral Services personnel
- Law Enforcement and Corrections Officers

Click on your local health department to make an appointment!

[Lucas County Health](#)

[Wood County Health](#)

V-Project is an area-wide initiative to educate, motivate, and vaccinate the entire Northwest Ohio corridor to dramatically slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus. For up-to-date local COVID-19 and vaccine information you can access the V-Project website and/or facebook page.

[For more information about the Ohio COVID Vaccine Program CLICK HERE](#)

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The Rotary Golf League is looking for full time members and subs. We typically play once a month on Friday afternoons from May to September. First Match is May 14th Please email brad@toledospring.com With your desire to play.

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