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Monday's Meeting February 8, 2016:

Mardi Gras: Toledo Jazz Orchestra

In celebration of Mardi Gras, the Toledo Jazz Orchestra returns again this year to play Dixieland favorites led by Ron Kischuck. This performance is sponsored by *The Blade*.



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Club Dues Due

Invoices for Club dues (Jan 1-June 30, 2016) have been sent. For your convenience, you can pay dues by check (made payable to the Rotary Club of Toledo) or online at toledorotary.org. If you have any questions, please contact [Jim](#).



Upcoming Meetings/Events

MONDAY, February 8—Speaker: Toledo Jazz Orchestra
Program: Mardi Gras

Greeters: Jim Scheib, Joe Sharp, Paul Sullivan, Travis Tangeman, Lou Tosi, Keith Walker, Tom Waniewski, Lori Vance, Zak Vassar, Dan Zimolzak

Committee Meetings:

1:00 pm Water Service

TUESDAY, February 9

7:30 am ITZA Middlegrounds Event, Café Marie (Secor)

WEDNESDAY, February 10

7:30 am Joint Exec Meeting, Original Pancake (Central)

MONDAY, February 15 NO MEETING

WEDNESDAY, February 17

7:30 am Board Meeting, Toledo Club

MONDAY, February 22—Speaker: Mayor Paula Hicks-Hudson

Program: Toledo Update

Greeters: Matthew Adkins, Bob Amthor, Cindy Binkley, Linda Blackburn, Chad Buck, Bill Buckley, Jeff Cole, Ed Caldwell, John Getchey, Erik Ibsen

Committee Meetings:

1:00 pm Vocational

1:00 pm International

WEDNESDAY, February 24

12:00 pm Trustee Meeting, Toledo Club

MONDAY, February 29—Speaker: Tim Kasunic

Program: Victory Center

Greeters: Bill Cook, Mary Ann Culpert, Janina Douglas, Mary Fedderke, Scott Fry, Tom Fry, Kristina Latta-Landfeld, Tony Ruth, Eric Jordan, Bob Gardner

MONDAY, March 7—Speaker: TBA

Program: TBA

Greeters: Sharon Gaber, Tim Harrington, Scot Hinshaw, Bob Huber, Bernd Hunger, Gary Johnson, Jim Kamsickas, Brian Kennedy, Tim Koder, Rob Krain, Rick Marshall, Martin LaMar

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Internet Viewing: The past meeting can be viewed online at <https://vimeo.com/153850304>.

Mordechai Kedar: Middle East

Dr. Mordechai Kedar stated that Israel is depicted as the problem in the Middle East. He listed the countries across the African continent which are or have been at war with each other including Morocco, Algeria, Libya, Tunisia, Egypt, Sudan Somalia Yemen Iraq Saudi Arabia, Turkey, and Lebanon. Dr. Kedar gave a political tour of the region commenting on each that

Israel is the perceived cause of each strife. Dr. Kedar stated that the media, especially television, loves war as it drives greater viewership. Television doesn't show wars in real lands as they would be blown up or beheaded, he explained. He told stories of how they show non-war footage from Palestinian areas of Israel where people play for the camera and then pass it off as war. Dr. Kedar said that Israel is the only state in the region to honor women, gays and lesbians, equal pay, and to have an open media. Dr. Kedar switched gears to state that people boycotting Israeli products harm Palestinians who work for those Israeli companies. He declared delegitimization of the Jewish community in the U.S. is a slow boat but it will happen. Additionally, Dr. Kedar said that misinformation is destroying Israel. Why is the Middle East culture so violent? He stated that 97% of the Middle East is desert, and water is very important and fought after. Dr. Kedar declared, "you don't negotiate in the Middle East. You conquer." He espoused, Americans don't understand the situation because we don't have dangerous neighbors. Canada and Mexico aren't threatening us everyday. He continued, "peace is only given to the invincible." Politicians try to shape the Middle East in the United State's image which will not work. The region is populated by too many different religious and cultural groups to have sustained peace. It needs a tribalism system set up in areas defined by tribes and not countries.



Foundation Match Challenge

A Toledo Rotarian is matching contributions which will help increase giving to our Annual Campaign and grow the endowment within our Foundation. For each dollar you increase this fiscal year over last, the Toledo Rotary Club Foundation will receive a matching dollar to grow the endowment fund. Each individual Rotarian can be matched up to \$1,000, and all gifts must be received in the Rotary Office by March 31, 2016 to be matched. As of today, member contributions have resulted in a match of **\$28,642** of the possible **\$100,000** matching dollars.



Please consider increasing your gift as each dollar will make a difference!

You are part of a truly unique Rotary club that provides service and fellowship opportunities that have a tremendous effect on each of us and makes a meaningful difference in people's lives.

Rotary Unplugged Feb 25

The next Rotary Unplugged will take place on **Thursday, February 25** from 4:30-6:30 pm at Veritas Cork and Craft (505 Jefferson Ave), Toledo's hottest wine bar. A cash bar and some light hors d'oeuvres will be available. Come meet your fellow Club members in a relaxing atmosphere. Bring friends and co-workers and join in the fun! Street parking is free after 5 pm.



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Member in the News

Jillian Gustafson has been promoted to Application Delivery Lead – Manufacturing at Owens-Illinois. She will be leading a team of IT professionals and is responsible for deploying IT applications in the manufacturing space. Please wish Jillian safe travels as she globe-trots to O-I plants throughout the world!



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New Member

Guisselle Mendoza is executive director of Adelante and passionate about improving Toledo through collaboration on the Welcome Toledo-Lucas County Initiative. She is already active in the Club, using her bilingual skills and Nicaraguan heritage to support the International Service Committee's projects in Central America. Guisselle president of the Latino Alliance and a board member of the Land Bank and WGTE.



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Extraordinary Service Project Opportunity



Business leaders of the Rotary Club of Toledo have an incredible service project opportunity to hold a mock interview with our emerging leaders of St. Francis, the TPS Young Men of Excellence and St. Ursula Women in Business. Your leadership is needed! Every effort will be made to match each student up with a Rotarian in the field of the student's interest. The time will be best utilized with a professional, authentic conversation that is focused on empowering these young adults and future leaders.

Monday, March 21st – 15 St. Francis students: 5 service project volunteers still needed/5 leaders have committed

Monday, April 11th – 12 Young Men of Excellence/Waite HS: 8 service project volunteers still needed/4 leaders have committed

Monday, May 9th – St. Ursula Women in Business: 22 service project volunteers still needed/3 leaders have committed

Timeline Commitment:

10 am– Leadership volunteers and students arrive

10:20 am- Welcome announcement, Steve Johnson & Rachel Hobson, Vocational Services Leadership

10:30 - 11:30 am- One-hour interview with your assigned student

11:30 am– Invite your student to sit with you during the lunch program; make introductions, explain the club and the program, answer any of their questions, etc.

***President Andy will make an announcement that our students are present, therefore please refrain from introducing each individually.

1pm- Help your student find their teacher and thank them for joining us!

Service Above Self:

The one- hour interview achieves several things:

- It offers high school students the chance to meet business leaders in their community in a professional environment.
- They have an opportunity to gain tremendous insight into their own journey ahead while seeing the possibilities in their own community.
- Rotarians have the chance to serve our young adults, offer insight from our own experiences and, above all, encourage the principles of our four-way test.

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Describe your profession and what is your favorite part of it?

The practice of law is exciting to me because it includes learning and understanding different industries, finding solutions to challenging problems, being creative, improvising on occasion, and helping others. Every day is different at my work and that's what keeps me loving what I do.

What do you like to do when you are not working?

I love to spend time outside the office with my wife and 3-year-old daughter. We enjoy the fun that Toledo has to offer, including the zoo, Imagination Station, Fifth-Third Field, the Stranahan Theater and Wildwood Metropark. I also like to compete in sprint triathlons, ski and golf (though my handicap is terrible).

What is the most satisfying benefit you get from being a Rotarian?

I enjoy meeting new and interesting people and learning about their professions. Toledo Rotary also does an excellent job of providing relevant and informative presentations every Monday.

Tell us about your family.

My wife teaches at both St. John's and St. Ursula and directs St. Ursula's annual musical. She was born in Toledo and went to St. Ursula. She moved to New York City at age 17 and became a professional actress. We have a 3-year-old daughter who loves being close to grandparents and runs our lives with an iron fist. We also have a high-maintenance (but adorable) cocker spaniel. They are all the joys of my life.

Share one thing people do not know about you.

I wanted to be a ventriloquist when I was a kid.

Share some "words to live by" or your favorite quote.

"Those who stand for nothing fall for anything." –Alexander Hamilton

What would you be doing if you were not in your profession today?

I studied government and politics. If I had not gone to law school, I would likely be trying to get your vote.

Outside of Rotary, please share other interesting civic or community involvement of which you are a part.

We have only been in Toledo for a year, and I have not become as involved as I would like. I've volunteered at the Cherry Street Mission and intend to do some volunteering at Legal Aid for Western Ohio (Past President Joe's organization). I also hope to learn more about EPIC Toledo and similar organizations.

Where do you see yourself in ten years?

I will still be practicing law and trying to keep up with my wife and daughter. I also hope to be much more involved with this great community.

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- **President's Club:** \$250 annually=\$21/mo for 12 months



Rotary International Foundation Goal: 'Every Rotarian Every Year' Level—\$100 annually

- **Every Rotarian Every Year** @ \$100 annually = \$9/mo for 12 months



Rotary International Foundation Goal: 'End Polio Now'—\$25 annually

- **End Polio Now** @ \$25 annually = \$2/mo for 12 months

\$32 month = Goals Accomplished!

No Processing Fees

Contact the Rotary office @ 419-241-7060

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SAVE THE DATES

April 12—Art Day

Volunteer for Art Day with Glendale Feilbach students at the Toledo Museum of Art. This hands on program will introduce students to different art media.

April 15—Paint for Polio

Come for the Rotary fellowship, drink wine, and paint your own Rembrandt, van Gogh, Pollock, or even Picasso while raising money for polio eradication.

May 21—Kids Against Hunger

In two hours, we will pack 25,000 meals for the hungry.

June 17—Hensville Fellowship

Join in the fellowship at Toledo's newest downtown destination.

June 18—Dragon Boat Races

Volunteer to row in this annual race and fellowship opportunity which raises money for Partners In Education. Fun is guaranteed!

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February Birthdays

George LeBoutillier (1)
John Clement, Jr. (3)
Willis Day III (4)
Patrick Kenney (4)
Robert Wilkins (5)
Tom Backoff (6)
John Getchey (7)
Kevin Miller (7)
Sharon Skilliter (10)
Yuval Zaliouk (10)
Bill Southern (11)
Kathy Tate (11)
Gerald Smolen (13)
Martin McManus (14)
Paul Hong (15)
Brent Schneider (15)
John Day (16)
Kenneth Kuhlman (16)
John Fedderke (18)
Amy Hoffman (19)
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Lauren Douglas (23)
Megan Meyer Foes (23)
Mary Ellen Pisanelli (23)
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