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## Monday's Meeting February 22, 2016: Mayor Paula Hicks-Hudson: State of the City Update

Toledo Mayor Paula Hicks-Hudson will recap the State of the City and provide an explanation of the income tax levy on the March 15th ballot. As former Council President Paula Hicks-Hudson was sworn in as mayor of the City of Toledo on February 17, 2015, following the passing of D. Michael Collins. She took the oath of office once again on November 24, 2015

after the voters elected her to the post for at least two more years. During a 35-year professional legal career, Paula has worked as assistant Lucas County prosecutor, assistant public defender, and assistant state attorney general. Mayor Hicks-Hudson was chief legal counsel to the Ohio Office of Budget and Management under Governor Ted Strickland. One of eight children in a combined family and raised in the city of Hamilton, Ohio, Paula acknowledges that her perception of education as the pathway to success came from her father. Paula attended Spelman College in Atlanta earning bachelor degrees in political science and journalism. She went on to do post graduate work at Colorado State University where she received a Masters degree in communication development. Teaching readiness skills to underprepared students in the upward Bound Program at Central State University helped to form Paula's empathy for the challenges youth face when confronted with the juvenile justice system and she made the commitment to pursue law as a career. After graduating with her Juris Doctorate from the University of Iowa, Paula moved with her family to Toledo in 1982. As a Reginald Heber Smith Fellow, she began her career at the Toledo Legal Aid Society representing senior citizens and working with several community groups.



## Upcoming Meetings/Events

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

Program: State of the City Update

Greeters: Matthew Adkins, Bob Amphthor, 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, Tony Ruth, Eric Jordan, Bob Gardner

**MONDAY, March 7**—Speaker: Jeff Showell

Program: BGSU Musical Arts

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

**TUESDAY, March 8**

7:30 am Moon Over The Middlegrounds Meeting, Café Marie (Secor)

**WEDNESDAY, March 9**

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

**WEDNESDAY, March 16**

7:30 am Board Meeting, Toledo Club

**MONDAY, March 14**—Speaker: Father Ron Olszewski

Program: Conflict with Civility

Greeters: Guisselle Mendoza, Justin Moor, Majida Mourad, Kevin Mullan, Dean Niese, Daric Peppers, Judy Potter, Brad Rubini, Hunt Sears, Neil Neukam, Paul Hong

### Committee Meetings:

11:00 am Strategic Planning



**Internet Viewing:** The past meeting can be viewed online at  
<https://vimeo.com/154680899>.

## Mardi Gras: Toledo Jazz Orchestra

Ron Kischuck and members of the Toledo Jazz Orchestra played New Orleans' favorites.



## Member in the News

**Bill Cook** has joined the American Red Cross—Northwest Ohio Chapter as the major gift officer responsible for garnering support for the mission of the American Red Cross. Congratulations Bill!!



## 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 **\$29,242** 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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## New Member

**Adam Nightingale** is an associate at Eastman Smith Ltd.



Adam majored in trumpet performance at The Ohio State University and was a member of its marching band. Adam grew up in Sylvania, graduated magna cum laude from the University of Toledo College of Law, and has been a downtown Toledo resident for five years. Two things always found in his refrigerator are: almond milk and leftovers his girlfriend insists on taking home from a restaurant—which no one will ever actually eat. His sponsors are Jack Zouhary and Reg Jackson. His pet peeve is poor grammar.



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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 21<sup>st</sup>** – 15 St. Francis students: 6 service project volunteers still needed/8 leaders have committed

**Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>** – 12 Young Men of Excellence/Waite HS: 5 service project volunteers still needed/5 leaders have committed

**Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup>** – St. Ursula Women in Business: 19 service project volunteers still needed/6 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.

Contact Vice Chairman Rachel Hobson at [Rachel@HobsonCoaching.com](mailto:Rachel@HobsonCoaching.com) if you can participate or for more information.



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## Get to know . . . Chad Buck



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

I am in the asphalt paving and construction business. The company was established in 1947 by my great grandfather. My favorite part of the business is the pleased look on a customer's face when we complete a project and the compliments we receive on how nice the job looks.

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

I enjoy playing golf and traveling. I also spend a lot of time on travel baseball with my 3 boys, as well as attending performances in which my daughter performs.

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

For the short time I've been a Rotarian, I have enjoyed meeting like minded business professionals.

### **Tell us about your family.**

I have a beautiful wife to whom I've been married to for 19 years. We have 4 children, 3 boys and a girl who keep us extremely busy.!

### **Share one thing people do not know about you.**

As a child , I attended 14 different schools including Christa McAuliffe Middle School in Boynton Beach, FL.

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

It costs \$0.00 to be a decent person... and if you make a million dollars and spent a million and one, you will always be broke.

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

Not sure. I love what I do.

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

I am a member of the Professional Remodelers organization and sit on the board of the Better Business Bureau. I am also involved with the University of Toledo Family Business Infinity Group.

### **Where do you see yourself in ten years?**

In ten years, I see myself on a beach of a tropical island with my wife, drinking frozen margaritas!

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## 2015-16 Foundation Goals

### Contributions Simplified



Toledo Rotary Foundation Goal: Each member supports at the President's Club Level—\$250 annually

- **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!**

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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

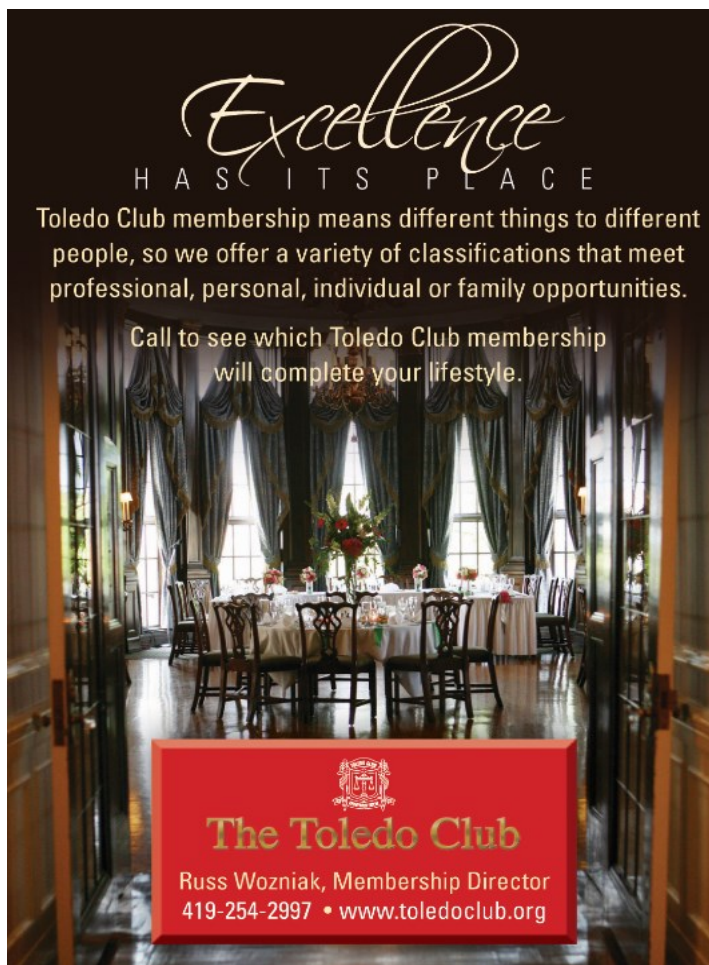
In two hours, we will pack 25,000 meals for the hungry.

### 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)  
 Lynette Reichle (19)  
 Joseph Luzar (19)  
 Lauren Douglas (23)  
 Megan Meyer Foes (23)  
 Mary Ellen Pisanelli (23)  
 Mark Jacobs (26)

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 419.241.7060 for information. Weekly rates are also available.

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