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## Monday's Meeting October 23, 2017

### Thomas Schwann— University of Toledo Medical Center



Thomas is a cardiothoracic surgeon at the University of Toledo. He is the Chief of Cardiac Surgery and Vice Chair of the Department of Surgery at the University of Toledo. He has served as the Chief of Staff at the University of Toledo Medical Center from 2014-2017.

Thomas was born in Poland in 1961 and came to the US in 1971. He grew up in New York City and Long Island, and attended high school with the Baldwin brothers- their father was his social studies teacher. He attended Columbia University, where he received his BA degree, summa cum laude in 1982—parenthetically, the tuition was \$4,000. He then attended the Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons, obtaining a MD degree in 1986. Tuition for his last year was \$16,000....a 400% increase in 8 years. He did his General Surgery training and Cardiac Surgery training at Yale New Haven Medical Center.

After his internship year, Thomas married his wife, Traci Schwann, whom he met at Columbia Nursing School, and who was a Neurosurgical ICU nurse at Yale. She is currently involved in a number of philanthropic organizations, including the Toledo Opera and the Toledo Symphony.

After his training at Yale, they came to Toledo in 1994 with their 6 month old daughter, in an attempt to recover from the rigorous every other night on-call training of his residency program. They chose Toledo over the Mayo Clinic in Arizona, Yale in Connecticut, and other East Coast and West Coast opportunities, due to the remarkably friendly welcome of the Toledo community, and the well organized cardiac program at St.

Vincent Medical Center in the mid 1990's. They thought that their stay in Toledo would be just a short respite, but as they got to know the community, friendships formed, kids were born, and one year turned into 5, and 5 years turned into 10, and so this is home now for them.

Over the past 25 years, Thomas has served as Chief of Cardiac Surgery at St. Vincent Medical Center and St. Luke Hospital. They have 3 children: Alexandra, who is a second year medical school student at UT; Olivia, who is a senior at the Fisher School of Business at OSU, looking for her first job, and James is a junior at Ottawa Hills High School, and is trying to find himself. James is an avid tennis player, and was fortunate to reach the State Finals with the OHHS the past two years. They also have 2 golden doodles....Bella and Stella.

They returned to Connecticut briefly in 2008, where he served as the Chief of Cardiac Surgery at St. Francis Hospital in Hartford. Subsequently, Dr. Jeff Gold, Dean of University of Toledo College of Medicine, recruited him back to UT as the Chief of Cardiac Surgery in 2010.

His professional interests are improving the current quality of cardiac surgical care by innovative approaches to coronary artery bypass surgery. They are working diligently with professional societies including the Society of Thoracic Surgeons, the American Association of Thoracic Surgery, and the European Association of Cardiothoracic Surgeons, to fundamentally change how coronary artery bypass surgery is performed. In addition, their team at UT is studying the effects of blood transfusions, and attempting to develop guidelines to minimize the use of blood transfusions as it is a "liquid transplant" and result in increased mortality up to 5 years afterwards.

Their family loves to travel, ski and read. They have been truly blessed in their lives by the opportunities provided to them, and their lives have been enriched by the Toledo community. They look forward to contributing to the continued success of our community.

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**Monday, October 30— Rotary on the Road @ The Andersons HQ, [RSVP HERE](#)**

**Monday, November 6—Rotary on the Road @ The Seagate Centre: Robb Voyles, Halliburton**

**Monday, November 13—NO MEETING**



## SCHEDULED MEETINGS/EVENTS

**Saturday, October 21—MESA Warehouse Day**

**Monday, October 23— Strategic Planning , 11am**  
Vocational Services, 1pm

**\*Monday, October 23— MESA Meeting at the Waterville Rotary Club, 5:30 social time, 6pm meeting, Shawn's Tavern**

**Wednesday, October 25—Foundation Trustees @ The Toledo Club, 12pm**

**Thursday, October 26—Happy Hour @ The Heights, 5 –7pm**

# Toledo Rotary Club Foundation

Our Club and Foundation's history showcase the life-changing impact realized throughout our local & international communities. Since our Club's founding on May 3, 1912, we have served as a transformational, forward-thinking group of leaders known as the Rotary Club of Toledo. We have provided funding for historic transformational projects throughout our 105 year history and that trend continues into our 106th year.

## Local and Global Actions

As early as 1916, Toledo Rotarians provided assistance to children with disabilities. Charles Feilbach School, today known as Glendale-Feilbach, was dedicated in 1918 and continues to improve the quality of lives of children of every ability. Through grants, the Rotary also continues to support many of our local children's charities.



Rotary  
Club of Toledo



### Did you know?

- Thanks to Paul Harris, a Chicago businessman, Rotary began in 1905. Today it has over 1.2 million members in more than 200 countries worldwide.
- Toledo Rotarians support local and international charitable organizations.
- They have been strong supporters of an International campaign to eradicate Polio from the world. The campaign contributed over \$1.5 billion towards the elimination of this disease.
- Toledo's membership has over 400 business leaders.
- The Toledo Rotary Club Foundation awards over \$150,000 in grants annually.

**\*SAVE THE DATE\***

**April 13, 2018**

**Annual Signature Event Funding Future  
*Life-Changing Transformational Projects***

## WELCOME NEW MEMBER: Hana Mourad!

Hana Mourad is the customer service director at Toledo Building Services. She has been in the customer services relations for many years. She previously held positions with Bloomingdales and the Diamond Exchange in Florida, prior to her return to Ohio in May 2016. Before leaving Ohio in 2010, Hana worked for the Chrysler Corporation for 12 years. During those 12 years, she worked in quality control, was part of the many different programs, and participated in the new development of auto parts by traveling to Germany to implement the Mercedes technology at Chrysler. Enjoying her return to Toledo, she is involved in the Toledo Art Museum, The Toledo Zoo, and most importantly her family, which includes her daughter, Charine Mourad. Hana is currently a member of BOMA, and looking forward to being an active member of the Toledo Rotary Club.



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## ROTARY ON THE ROAD

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 30**

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**LAST CALL TO SIGN UP:**  
*Reservations close Monday, October 23*

**RSVP HERE**

## SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Rotarians and their family members are invited to join the International Service Committee in organizing the MESA Warehouse:

**Saturday, October 21, 9 am—1 pm**

CLICK HERE TO  
**SIGN UP**

### How you will help:

- Delivering, sorting and loading donations
- Inventory and cleaning medical equipment, clothes, toys...
- Painting
- Wheel chair repair (or other equipment)
- Assemble medical kits: surgical tools, nursing supplies, etc.

Contact Charles Asah for information on carpooling: 419-320-2303

## World Polio Day 10/24



**We're close to ending  
the second human  
disease in history.**

Rotary's World Polio Day  
Livestream event  
24 October 2017  
5:30 p.m. EST

endpolio.org

## PENNIES FOR POLIO

RI President Ian requests World Wide Club Participation in World Polio Day—October 24, 2017

Our Club Initiative—**Pennies for Polio**

Bring your Pennies to Rotary on  
Monday, October 23, 2017



## Past Program: October 16, 2017

### Michael Marsh

#### *Zip Code Matters*



The zip code you live in plays a large role in shaping your life. The housing market, and discrimination, sort people into different neighborhoods, which in turn shape people's lives. The average wealth for white families is seven times higher than the average wealth for black families. Lower income and unemployment directly effect where a family can live. Families with lower income can't afford to live in a nicer area, which also can mean they don't have access to transportation options which could connect them to employment. Because schools are locally funded by property taxes, lower income areas have less to spend on education. Families who can't afford to live in neighborhoods with higher property values are automatically in a position to receive a lesser education. Zip codes that are low-income and a majority minority are more likely to experience substandard housing conditions, have limited access to fresh foods—leading to higher obesity rates, experience more exposure to violent crimes and trauma, and have a shorter life expectancy rate. Housing segregation can be attributed to government policies from the 60's when low income and minority areas were "redlined". The people in these neighborhoods were refused home mortgages based on where they lived. This kept people living in poorly rated neighborhoods from obtaining mortgages for a home in a more affluent area. Although there are laws against it, redlining still happens today, keeping our neighborhoods segregated. To prevent discrimination, the Fair Housing Center is working toward making all of our neighborhoods places of opportunity. In order to break down segregation, they suggest Federal subsidies for middle-class African Americans to purchase homes in suburbs which have been racially exclusive in the past. Another way to disband segregation would be to eliminate zoning ordinances that ban multi-family housing or require single family homes to be built on large lots with high minimum square footage requirements. The Fair Housing Center is a nonprofit community resource dedicated to the elimination of housing discrimination, the promotion of housing choice, and the creation of inclusive communities.

### INTERNET VIEWING

The October 16th meeting can be viewed here: [Michael Marsh](#)

### WELCOME NEW MEMBER: Kirk Davis!

Kirk Davis is the General Manager at Toledo Building Services. Prior to his current job, he was President of Continental Secret Service from 2006—2017. His wife, Becky, is a Surgical Nurse at Wildwood and they have a daughter, Ashley, who is an 8th grader at Regina Coeli Catholic School. When he's not working, Kirk spends his time coaching fast pitch softball for Lady Lightning, doing service work for the Bedford Lions, home improvements and going fishing. Kirk's biggest pet peeve is being late.



### HAPPY HOUR AT THE HEIGHTS!

Thursday, October 26

5:00—7:00 pm

The Heights

At The Renaissance Hotel

Join fellow Rotarians on Thursday, October 26 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. for a happy hour event at The Heights, in the New Renaissance Hotel downtown!

This networking event is meant to provide a relaxed environment for new and prospective Rotarians to learn more about the Rotary Club of Toledo and how they may get more involved.

We will also be focusing on building our 'Under 40' membership during this event. **Current 'Under 40' members are encouraged to invite at least one prospective young professional to attend the happy hour with them.**

**RSVP the Facebook Event.**

***And help us share the gift of Rotary.***



**See you Thursday, October 26 at The Heights!**



### Euchre Fellowship



***Join us one night, or all, come alone or bring a guest, and enjoy a night of cards and fellowship at Brandywine C.C.***

Friday, November 17, 7pm

Friday, January 19, 7pm

Friday, February 16, 7pm

Friday, March 16, 7pm

***I'd toot my own horn about how good I am at Euchre, but you'd trump it.***



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# WORKSHOP

Saturday, November 18, 2017

9AM - 3PM

University of Findlay



### Creating Peace through Leadership and Team Building Workshop

"Working together as a Team we can make a difference in our  
schools and community"!

#### KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Hayley Welgus

Master of Public Health, University of North Carolina



Hayley is currently in her last year of the Rotary Peace Scholar program at the UNC Center in Chapel Hill, NC. Before receiving the Rotary Peace Fellowship, she worked extensively in the area of human rights and women's rights, most recently as a gender specialist for the United Nations World Food Program in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. Hayley is a native Australian.

#### MAIN PURPOSE:

- Provide exposure to youth to the principles of peace & conflict resolution
- Develop executive baseline skills of reaching agreement
- How to address and resolve conflict
- Develop real world conflict resolution & goal achievement skills

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## October Birthdays

Gregor Emmert (1)  
 Janina Douglas (2)  
 Dianne Barndt (2)  
 Hana Mourad (2)  
 Steve Smith (3)  
 Hunt Sears (3)  
 Joe Clarke (4)  
 Joshua Schuyler (5)  
 Mary Fedderke (5)  
 Jani Miller (7)  
 Reg Jackson (8)  
 Sharon Gaber (9)  
 Mark Urrutia (11)  
 Bob Harold (11)  
 Katrina Iott (11)  
 Pat Bowe (12)  
 Majida Turner (12)  
 Jim Knapp (13)  
 Robert Maxwell (14)  
 Doug Miller (14)  
 Daric Peppers (15)  
 Zac Isaac (17)  
 Dave DiManna (20)  
 Doug Kearns (20)  
 Denny Johnson (21)  
 Andy Fox (21)  
 Jim Harpen (23)  
 Kate MacPherson (23)  
 Mike George (24)  
 Paul Schlatter (26)  
 Joe Zavač (27)  
 Jack Hollister (27)  
 Priscilla D'Anniballe (28)  
 Sean Finn (29)  
 Erwin Effler (30)  
 Kim Wood (31)  
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