TOLEDO ROTARY SPOKE



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dical Equipment & Supplies Abroad



Monday's Meeting: April 30, 2018 Chris Vogel & PDG John Kurfess MESA (Medical Equipment & Supplies Abroad): Report to the Membership

Medical Equipment and Supplies Abroad, or MESA, was founded in 1981 by the Rotary clubs of District 6600, with very active participation of the Toledo

Rotary leadership Toledo Past President, now deceased, Glenn Dunbar, and Toledo Past President Ben Dansard. Since its founding, MESA has worked to build partnerships between local Rotary clubs and areas of the world in need. MESA is an International Service Organization operated, and largely supported by, financial donations, volunteer efforts, and donated medical equipment and supplies provided by the Rotary clubs of northwest Ohio. MESA collects and ships equipment and supplies so that people can receive the medical treatment they deserve, helping thousands of now healthy and happy people around the world. MESA helps Rotary clubs in other countries with their medical equipment needs. Their vision is to be the best service organization in engaging and facilitating partnerships between Rotary clubs to meet humanitarian needs. Their mission is to facilitate international service projects bringing equipment, technology and volunteerism to meet humanitarian needs throughout the world. Past District Governor John Kurfess of the Perrysburg Club will provide a historical pictorial perspective, while Chris Vogel, also from the Perrysburg Club, will provide a detailed explanation of the many MESA global projects accomplished. Fellow Toledo Rotarian, Mike Noble, will provide insight into the annual six day MESA bike ride, with an emphasis on the one day bonus ride happening on Thursday, May 31.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS	SCHEDULED MEETINGS/EVENTS
Monday, May 7— David Leopold, Immigration	Monday, April 30—Disability Service, 1pm
Monday, May 14—Isaac Schiefer, Alzheimer's Research	Marketing Committee, 1pm
Monday, May 21—Sanford Bennett, Deployment and Tour of Duty	Vocational Service, 1pm Monday, May 7—Transformational Community Conver-
Monday, May 28—NO MEETING, MEMORIAL DAY	sations, 11am
Monday, June 4—Julia Wiley, 225th Anniversary of the	Tuesday, May 8—Executive Committee
Battle of Fallen Timbers Rotary Club of Toledo	Wednesday, May 9—International Service Committee, 4:30pm, Rockwell's

Your Toledo Rotary Club Foundation Tree Planting at Forrest Woods Preserve!



On Saturday, April 21, Toledo Rotarians, along with 7 other Clubs from District 6600, planted 1,000 trees at Forrest Woods Preserve. This project has been in the planning for several months together with the Black Swamp Conservancy at their Forrest Woods Preserve, just west of Defiance, Ohio. St. Francis de Sales Interact Club also contributed to the effort, both financially and by volunteering to help plant the trees! The Toledo Rotary Club Foundation contributed a grant of \$7,500 towards this project, as well. Volunteers that day were treated to nature walks



through the remnants of the Great Black Swamp and through an area where reforestation has already begun. The Forrest Woods Preserve is one of the finest remnants of the Great Black Swamp; home to more than 30 rare and endangered species of plants and animals. With their hard work, 1,000 trees were planted



that day! These trees will grow and create a new forest area, helping to make the Maumee River healthy again for everyone who lives in the region. Thank you for your Service Above Self!









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APRIL MEETING SPONSOR



WELCOME NEW MEMBER: Charine Mourad!

Charine Mourad is the Director of Catering at Sidon Lebanese Grille & Bakery. Prior to moving back to Toledo in 2017, Charine owned her own catering company in South Florida, with a client list that included Miami Dolphin players, and the former owner of the New York Jets. Charine not



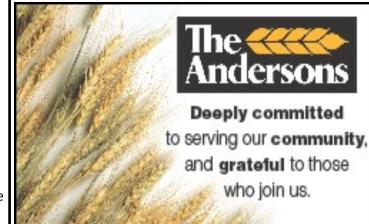
only enjoys the challenges of a catering operation, she also has a passion for creating new sauces. Three years ago, Charine started a specialty sauce company, and today she has three signature sauces for use on meats, seafood, dips, and about anything else you can think of. She sells her sauces online on a very informative website. Charine is a native of Toledo. She studied at the International Culinary School of the Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale, and received a Bachelor's Degree in International Culinary Arts, graduating Summa Cum Laude. During school, she was chosen to compete on a nationally televised cooking competition against other students. Although she did not win the competition, she was offered a job by the host of the show. Charine enjoys playing golf, volleyball, and bowling. She is already living the "Service Above Self" motto by being involved in many local charities. Charine's guilty pleasures are watching housewives shows on Bravo, and chocolate cake. Her biggest pet peeve is anyone that judges a skinny chef... they can make delicious food also!

WELCOME NEW MEMBER: Kathy Selking!

Kathy received her Bachelor's degree from Ball State University, majoring in marketing and computer science. She is accredited as a Certified Fund-Raising Executive (CFRE). Kathy currently heads up the development department for the Toledo Lucas County Public Library system. Her



department covers fundraising, events, volunteers, internal grant funding, and coordinating both of the Library's affinity organizations—the Library Legacy Foundation and the Friends of the Library. Prior to coming to the Library, Kathy worked in the development department at the Toledo Zoo. There she worked as a major gifts officer, as well as supporting events through sponsorships. Prior to that, Kathy was the area director of the Muscular Dystrophy Association. In that role, she led her office to top honors across the country. Kathy was actively engaged in training new fundraisers, not only in her region, but for the MDA across the country. Many of the programs she implemented became national best practices, used by over a thousand employees within the organization. Personally, Kathy has been happily married to her husband, Anthony Selking, for nearly two decades. She has two beautiful children, Brendan, age 15, and Reagan, age 4.



Service Project Opportunity!





Help the Community Service Committee and the American Red Cross install a minimum of 250 smoke alarms!

<u>When</u>: Saturday, May 5th—From 8:30am—2:00pm <u>Where</u>: Meet at Central Catholic High School (2550 Cherry Street)

<u>What</u>: Rotary volunteers will work together with the local Red Cross to install an minimum of 250 smoke alarms in Toledo inner city houses!

Click Here to Join!

SIGN UP DEADLINE: MAY 3rd!

American Red Cross—Sound the Alarm goal is to reduce death and injury from home fires by 25% by the year 2020!

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SAVE THE DATE! KIDS AGAINST HUNGER FOOD PACK!

The Annual Kids Against Hunger food pack event!

Saturday, May 19th 9am—11am

This year the event will take place at the Renaissance Hotel conference space, during the Rotary District Conference. Join us in this fun service project to help kids in need!

SIGN UP HERE!





Toledo Club membership means different things to different people, so we offer a variety of classifications that meet professional, personal, individual or family opportunities.

Call to see which Toledo Club membership will complete your lifestyle.

Past Program: April 23, 2018 Mary Ann Gawelek *Lourdes University*

There are many options when it comes to higher education, including public institutions, private or independent institutions, and for profit institutions. Lourdes University is an independent university that is often chosen by students because of the quality of their academic programs, their small close knit community, and their apartment style residence halls. Of the 1,356 students enrolled, 1,048 of them are undergraduates. 46% of those are

first generation students, 45% receive Pell grants, 26% are students of color and 67% are female. 97% of the students at Lourdes graduate with a job, or go straight into graduate school. Mary Ann Gawelek, President of Lourdes University, said they are working towards being a "Smart Campus". Technology has changed our culture, and students learn differently now than they did before. The Lourdes University Gray Wolves have 19 varsity athletic teams, as of fall 2018. They are members of the NAIA, and the teams are active in service and scholarships. This year the Cheer Squad ranked 6th nationally. Their women's and men's volleyball teams both went to Nationals. Their eSports team proceeded to silver competition—eSports are video game competitions. In the collegiate environment, eSports is growing—18% of the teams play at public universities, while 82% are at independent colleges and universities. The amount of people who watch these video game competitions being played is rising, in 2016 the viewing audience was 131 million people.

INTERNET VIEWING

The April 23rd meeting can be viewed here: Mary Ann Gawelek





April Birthdays

Richard Colasurd (1) Cherie Sears (1) Glenn Fitkin (4) Max Reddish (4) Brent Cousino (5) **Carroll Ashley (6)** Debbie Monagan (6) Laura Hanley (6) Katie Zraik (6) Gary Murphy (7) Marv Himmelein (8) Dan Dudley (8) Bill Wolff (8) Dick Anderson (10) Joe Sharp (10) Judy Seibenick (12) Alan Clifford (12) Frank Bloomquist (12) Philip Stiff (14) Clyde Scoles (14) **Riaz Chaudhary (15)** Kellie Schlachter (15) Jonathan Rodebaugh (16) Steve Robinson (18) Mike McIntyre (18) Suzanne Rorick (18) Tim Goligoski (19) Russ Wozniak (22) Lou Tosi (22) Bruce Seeger (23) Tyson Fankhauser (23) George Eistetter (25) Jim Findley (26) Joe Napoli (26) Ken Wetstein (26) Hugh Grefe (27) Kim Cutcher (29) Sam Hammons (30) Joe Sweeney (30)

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MEETING GUESTS!

When you bring a guest on Monday, please have them checkin on the laptop located on the high-top table in the ballroom lobby. They will find a lot of great information about Toledo



Rotary and how to become a member! Remember to sit at one of the guest tables at lunch, so fellow Rotarians can introduce themselves and welcome your guests to the meeting!

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