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Monday's Meeting: July 30, 2018 Mayor Wade Kapszukiewicz First 6 Months

Wade Kapszukiewicz was elected mayor of Toledo, Ohio on November 7, 2017 and took the oath of office on January 2, 2018, becoming the 58th mayor of Toledo. Universal pre-kindergarten, increasing the size of the police force, and consolidation of city government functions are among Mayor Kapszukiewicz's top goals. During his 2018 State of the City address, the mayor announced several accomplishments since the start of



his administration - a new "Innovation Partnership" with the University of Toledo, which will work to create better assessments of street conditions; a new bike share program that will soon take shape in Toledo; progress on the both the Manhattan Marsh Project and the Nautical Mile Project, and improvements in the city's building inspections department. Mayor Kapszukiewicz was Lucas County Treasurer from 2005 until 2018. While treasurer, he worked to change state law in 2010 to allow for the creation of county land banks, founded the Lucas County Land Bank, and served as its chairman since August, 2010. Mayor Kapszukiewicz served one term on the Lucas County Board of Education and was later a Toledo city councilman for nearly seven years. He was first elected to city council in 1999 and then reelected in 2001 and 2003. When he began his service on Toledo City Council, at age 26, Mr. Kapszukiewicz had the distinction of being the youngest person to serve on the legislative body in 25 years. Mayor Kapszukiewicz was recognized in 2006 as a "20 Under 40" community leader, and in 2010 ESOP gave him its "Above and Beyond" award. In 2012, the mayor was again honored by ESOP, this time earning its "Rooted in ESOP" award. The Toledo City Paper named him one of its "Big Idea Toledoans" in 2014 and for his work creating and leading the Lucas County Land Bank, and again in 2018 for his commitment to pursue an ambitious agenda as mayor. Mr. Kapszukiewicz received a bachelor's degree in journalism and political science from Marquette University in 1994 and was named the valedictorian of the College of Communication, Journalism, and Performing Arts. He received a master's degree in public policy from the University of Michigan in 1996. After receiving his master's degree, Mr. Kapszukiewicz worked for two years as the Policy Analysis and Research Director of the New Ohio Institute, a public policy research organization that studied issues affecting Ohio's urban areas. In April, 1998 he accepted the position of Manager of Planning and Development at the Lucas County Mental Health Board, where he worked until he began serving on Toledo City Council. Mr. Kapszukiewicz is also an adjunct professor at Lourdes University, where he teaches a night course in urban policy. He is a parishioner at Gesu Roman Catholic Church. He and his wife, Sarah, will celebrate their 17th wedding anniversary in 2018. They live in the Old Orchard neighborhood of Toledo and have two children, Emma and Will.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Monday, August 6—Baker O'Brien, The History of Toledo & The Glass Movement

Monday, August 13— Randy Cole, Ohio Turnpike Commission

Monday, August 20—Rotary District Governor, Maris Brenner



SCHEDULED MEETINGS/EVENTS

Monday, July 30— Youth Service Committee, 1pm

Tuesday, July 31—International Service Committee, 4:30pm, Rockwell's

Monday, August 6—Disability Service Committee, 1pm
Peace Strategies, 1pm

Your Toledo Rotary Club Foundation

Because of your generous donations, the Toledo Rotary Club Foundation awarded a grant in the amount of \$10,000 to Lutheran Social Services of Northwestern Ohio. We recently received the following letter of gratitude:

Dear Toledo Rotary Club Foundation Friends,

Our sincere and deepest thanks to you for your generous gift of \$10,000 from the Toledo Rotary Club Foundation Fund. Your grant is very much appreciated and accepted by Lutheran Social Services of Northwestern Ohio Emergency Choice Pantry on behalf of the individuals and families we serve throughout Lucas County and the City of Toledo.

Lutheran Social Services of Northwestern Ohio provides emergency choice food pantry services staffed by volunteers for over 10,000 people in the community annually. In 2016 at least 80,082 meals were provided for individuals and families who were experiencing food insecurity. Our goal with every person and family served is to offer welcoming and supportive food pantry sites that affirm the dignity of each person who arrives at our door.

The support you have provided for the "Our Meals Need Wheels" project will help us gather food donations and deliver them to our main emergency food pantry site in Toledo and other sites as requested by the Feed Your Neighbor network. We now have safe, reliable and suitable "wheels" to deliver fresh dairy, fruits, vegetables and meats that will provide meals for hundreds of families in need.

We look forward to sharing our success with you in six months along with a full report of the return on investment that you have made with LSS Emergency Choice Food Pantry services.

Thank you!

Mark J Hill,

Vice President of Advancement and Development Lutheran Social Services of Northwestern Ohio

View the video on our Foundation's history of giving:



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Rotary and Peace

A Quarantine on Killing

Rotarian Magazine/Excerpt

An epidemiologist who helped stem the spread of cholera and AIDS in Africa, Gary Slutkin has a new – and successful – strategy to stop the contagion of violence: Treat it like a disease

Twenty-three years ago, Gary Slutkin moved to Chicago to take a break. A doctor trained in infectious diseases, he had spent his career battling tuberculosis in San Francisco and cholera in refugee camps across Africa. Working with the World Health Organization, he played a key role in reversing the AIDS epidemic in Uganda. But he had also spent more than a decade surrounded by suffering and death. "I was exhausted," he says. "Looking at violence," he explained, "we can see through maps and charts and graphs that it behaves exactly like all other epidemic issues." And like other contagions, violence tended to cluster, with one event leading to another. "How does that happen?" he asked. "It's because of exposure. That was the insight I came to years ago. What was the greatest predictor of violence? The answer: a preceding act of violence." What's more, he insisted, if violence is predictable, it can be "interrupted."

Rotary Peace Centers play a critical role to stopping the contagion of violence. Read on to learn more about the predictor of violence and how Rotarians around the world are working to make a difference. https://www.rotary.org/en/epidemiologist-says-treat-violence-disease

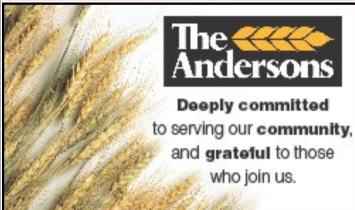
Did You Know?

Each year, the Rotary Foundation supports the training of peace fellows at six Rotary Peace Centers, where they earn master's degrees or professional development certificates. Since 2002-03, 1,177 fellows from more than 120 countries have participated. In 2016-17, 95 fellows from 41 countries began their studies at the Rotary Peace Centers, and program awards for the fellows and centers totaled \$4.6 million. Through academic training, practice, and global networking opportunities, the Rotary Peace Centers program develops leaders who become catalysts for peace and conflict prevention and resolution. These fellowships cover tuition and fees, room and board, round-trip transportation, and all internship and field-study expenses. Each year, the Rotary Foundation awards up to 50 fellowships for master's degrees and 50 for certificate studies at premier universities around the world. Master's degree programs last 15-24 months and require a practical internship. The professional development certificate program is for experienced professionals and lasts 3 months with 2 to 3 weeks of field study.



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Membership News

IYFR Steak and Sail

The International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians (IYFR) had a GREAT evening of fellowship Thursday, July 19th. A two hour sail on Lake Erie then grilling Walt Churchill's prime steaks at North Cape Yacht Club.











Welcome New Member Michelle McCaster!

Michelle was born and raised in Toledo, Ohio and attended Rogers High School. She graduated from the University of Toledo with degrees in Nursing and Psychology. Michelle is currently a Nurse Anesthetist and works as a independent contractor for Promedica and Amsurg Anesthesia services. She is the founder and CEO of Groomed for Greatness, an em-



powerment non-profit organization for girls ages 4-17 that strives to help girls reach their professional and personal goals. She is a member of the Association of Nurse Anesthetists, Diversity in Nurse Anesthesia Mentorship Program, Toledo Toastmasters, The Toledo Alumni Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc., and the University of Toledo Alumni Association. She enjoys working with youth and giving back to the community. She has a scholarship fund in honor of her mother Philistine Rivers and provides scholarships to individuals seeking degrees in nursing, or health related fields. She enjoys traveling, is a foodie and loves learning about different cultures. Michelle is guardian to her cousin Miracle who is 11 years old. She is excited about becoming a Rotarian and looking forward to working on service projects and fundraising events.

What it Takes to be a Leader

Rotarian Magazine/Excerpt By Vanessa Glavinskas

RI President Barry Rassin says he learned more about leadership from Rotary than he did pursuing his MBA – or even as president of the hospital he ran for years. "It takes more skill to lead volunteers," he insists. "It's harder than leading employees."

Rotary also gave Rassin the opportunity to practice public speaking. "When I started in Rotary, I couldn't make a speech to save my life," he says – a remarkable admission from a man who is clearly comfortable addressing large crowds today.

There are other benefits to assuming a leadership position at Rotary. The organization's leaders gain access to world-class training that prepares them for their roles. As they ascend the ranks, they also expand their networks to include accomplished professionals from around the world.

Thinking of taking on a leadership role? Read on to learn more about different positions available within Rotary and the myths – here debunked – often associated with them. https://www.rotary.org/en/what-it-takes-be-rotary-international-president

Past Program: July 23, 2018 Tim Menke **Lott Industries' Transformation**

Currently undergoing a powerful transformation, Lott is expanding services and programming to assist more people with disabilities and barriers to employment. Broadening habilitation and employment services to provide a more comprehensive approach to assist individuals to reach their full potential. Lott has helped



countless businesses reach their goals by filling their workforce and production needs, while also removing barriers to employment for thousands of adults with developmental disabilities. From packaging thousands of meals to be distributed to local children who need to access food on weekends, to the manufacturing of highway safety cones and barrels, Lott employees serves a variety of industries. Lott is the Ohio Department of Transportation's exclusive provider of highway safety devices, as well as the supplier to many private paving and construction companies throughout Ohio. Beyond food packaging and highway safety, Lott also serves the automotive, tool and die, chemical, and many other packaging industries. Several of the high-rise office buildings in downtown Toledo, including One Government Center are provided janitorial services from Lott and many local businesses utilize the organization for lawn maintenance, and document destruction services.

INTERNET VIEWING

The July 23 meeting can be viewed here: Tim Menke





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