



TOLEDO ROTARY SPOKE

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**MONDAY,
APRIL 8, 2019**

**DR. ROMULES DURANT,
TPS: PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE**

When Dr. Durant became superintendent in 2012, he introduced a new mission, vision and core commitments. In short, the new mission declares that Toledo Public Schools strives to produce competitive college and career ready graduates through a rigorous curriculum across all grade levels. Since Dr. Durant became superintendent, the district has seen the graduation rate jump 21 percentage points for all students and closed the achievement gap between Caucasian and African American students. TPS has also recorded an increase in enrollment.

The district continues to progress toward universal PreK for all students, an important goal for Dr. Durant as he sees it as an equal starting point for all students, despite their socioeconomic status.

There's a positive momentum building across the school district and that can be attributed in part to Dr. Durant's visionary approach to running an urban school district. He has never lost sight of the fact that he has the same goal for today's TPS students as he had for himself: to rise up from modest means to achieve success first in school and then in life.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Apr. 15th

Wayne Dornan
Male Breast Cancer
Survivor

Apr. 22nd

No Meeting
Easter

Apr. 29th

Julie Rubini
Claire's Day

May 6th

Mark Poloncarz,
Building Up Buffalo

May 13th

Honorable
Jeffrey Sutton,
Law Day

May 20th

Dr. Bina Joe,
Hypertension

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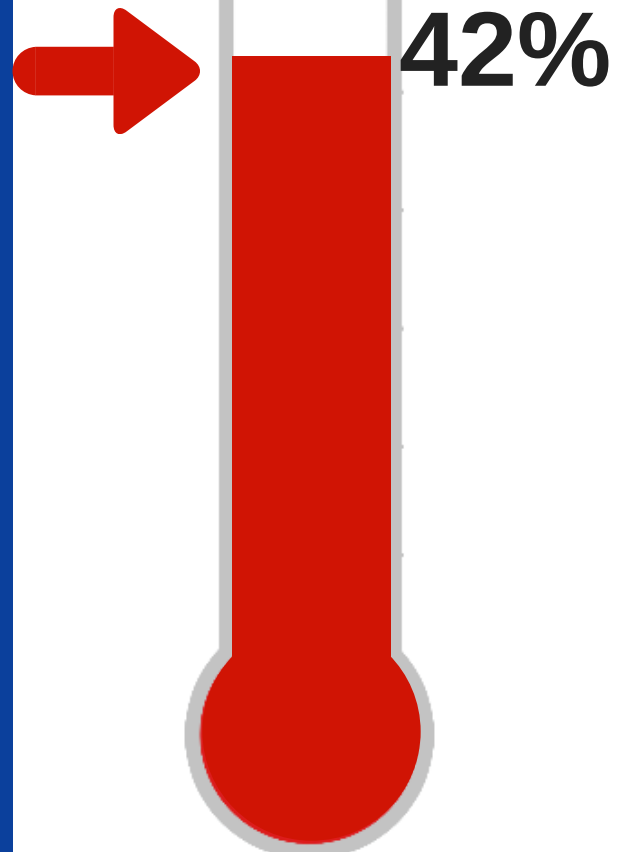
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SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Apr. 8th

11AM

MOCK INTERVIEWS - YMOE/ YWOE

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

- PRESQUE ISLE

Apr. 10th

7;30AM

CLUB EXEC BOARD

@THE ORIGINAL PANCAKE HOUSE

Apr. 11th

5;30PM

PEACE COMMITTEE

@MT. NEBO BAPTIST CHURCH

A Disability Services Committee Service Project

APRIL 12TH

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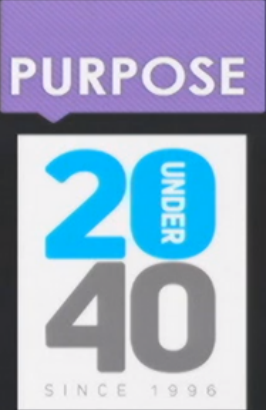
**MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2019
RECAP**

**CHRY'S PETERSON,
20 UNDER 40**

Chrys Peterson, emcee and past recipient of 20 Under 40 gave a very compelling presentation to continue to support and mentor young professionals in the region. Chrys shared the stage with sponsors of the event as well as past recipients. Rotarian Melissa Noe Freeman spoke about winning and gave much of the credit to Toledo Rotarians for supporting and providing her with mentorship and opportunities to learn and grow.

Chrys closed her presentation with an invitation to all Rotarians to nominate a young professional in addition to attending the event on October 29, 2019.

[Learn more about 20 under 40 and nominate](#)



- To salute young, dynamic leadership in our region (NW Ohio & SE Michigan).
- Reward individuals who have distinguished themselves in their careers and/or as community volunteers.
- Further motivate young leaders in our area.

Watch Meeting



**WATER SERVICE COMMITTEE
UPDATE**

**CHERI BUDZYNSKI
2018-19 CHAIR**

Highlights of the Water Service Committee

- Hosted 2 Lake Erie Watershed Conferences
- Tour of the Blanchard River Demonstration Farm
- Rotary Day at Stone Lab
- Wetland Reconstruction Project planting 7,500 trees
- Nutrient testing in the Maumee River Basin with other clubs, BG and UT
- Kicking off Nutrient Testing with Toledo Zoo Teens April 20, 2019

**Next Water Service Committee Meeting
April 16th 5:30 SLK Cafe**

NEWS

NEW MEMBER



JIM WEIDNER
MERCY HEALTH

Jim, COO, came to Mercy Health in November 2017 with more than 20 years of progressive healthcare operations experience, with a strong record of delivering results, measured by clinical excellence, patient satisfaction, cost control and revenue growth.

He has previously held roles as the Regional VP of Quorum Health Corporation, President & CEO at Cullman Regional Medical Center, and Chief Operating Officer of Catholic Health Services. Currently, he is involved in the community by serving as a board member of the Toledo Zoo, DART, and Boy Scouts of America, Toledo Chapter.



TRANSFORMATIONAL PROJECT PRESS CONFERENCE

*Middlegrounds Metropark
Rotary Roundhouse
April 11, 2019
10:30am*



**President Dick Wolff and
Executive Director Kathy Tate
will appear on Leading Edge
discussing Rotary Club of
Toledo, our Foundation and our
impact within the community.**

Saturday, April 13th, 10:30 pm on Fox 36
Sunday, April 14th, 8:30 am WTOL 11

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Rotary **MESA**
District 6600

Join in the fun of the

M.E.S.A. Bike Ride Kickoff
Saturday, June 8th

aboard Toledo's largest (and most lively) bicycle
built for 16 – HandleBar Toledo.



For a donation of \$50, spend time with friends
on one of several HandleBar bicycles and enjoy
cycling through the Middlegrounds Metropark along
the official charity bike route, pending stops at a
few "refueling" stations.

Several HandleBar bikes will launch at 12:30 p.m.
and are expected to return around 2:30 p.m.

To learn more about M.E.S.A., the charity ride, or reserve your seat
contact Sanford Bennett at sanford.bennett@morganstanley.com.

An International Services Committee
Service Project

TOLEDO BONUS RIDE

SAT. JUNE 8TH



Rotary **MESA**
District 6600

SAVE THE DATE | Saturday, June 15, 2019

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