



TOLEDO ROTARY SPOKE

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MONDAY, AUGUST 19TH

State of Public Higher Education in NW Ohio Panel Discussion

Join us at Glass City Center on this Monday, August 19th, when we are joined by three distinguished guests who will be discussing the State of Public Higher Education in NW Ohio and its role in Economic Development.

We will have with us Dr. Somerville of Owens Community College, Dr. Rogers of Bowling Green State University, and Mr. Schroeder of the University of Toledo all participating in this moderated discussion. Each President will have opportunity to answer questions from their perspective.

Topics include Toledo's Future, Collaboration and Partnerships, Affordability and Accessibility, and Innovation and Workforce Development. We are very excited for this program and look forward to hosting Rotarians and guests.

[Zoom Link](#)
[Meeting ID: 628 349 736](#)



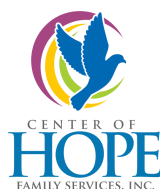
Guests are always welcome at our Monday luncheons and social events! Our Membership Committee is challenging all Rotarians to bring at least one guest during the month of August. Guests are welcome at Coffee Connections, Happy Hours, Service Projects, and Monday Luncheons.

If you have questions about how our guest process works, please email Jaci or Carin.

Meeting Location:
Glass City Center
2nd Floor
Ballroom

Thank you to our 2024-2025 Corporate Members!

We are grateful for your support of our club!



For more details on the benefits of a corporate membership versus traditional membership, please contact Jaci directly.

*Click on each logo to learn more about these companies directly on their website.

Your Ad Could Be Here!

We are pleased to offer Rotarians the chance to purchase paid advertising in the Spoke newsletter this year!

We continue to grow and this newsletter is distributed to over 300 members each week. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Jaci directly.

WATCH PAST MEETING VIDEOS HERE!

Have you missed a Monday meeting and would like to hear what our guest speaker had to say? Or perhaps you attended and want to watch the replay?

Not to worry! You can always view past meeting videos here: [Past Meeting Videos](#)



If you aren't following our Club's social pages yet, click here:



MEMBER NEWS & EVENTS

Upcoming Programs and Events:

You can find up to date information on our Monday program calendar on our website here:
[Calendar](#)

If interested, we also offer a Google Calendar that can be synced directly to your Gmail account. More details on that are at the top of the last page in this Spoke Newsletter. That Google Calendar includes committee meetings.

Thank you to August's Meeting Sponsor:



*Thank you to Browning Cousineau,
and to
Rotarian Brent Cousino,
for sponsoring this month's weekly meetings!
We are grateful for your support.*

12th Annual Jim Vassar Memorial Golf Outing

We are proud and honored to be a part of the 12th Annual Jim Vassar Memorial Golf Outing hosted on Sept. 7 at Brandywine Country Club.

Jim was a wonderful Rotarian in our club and was loved by many.

Every year, this wonderful tournament supports area charities like the American Brain Tumor Association, ProMedica Rehab Fund, and the Toledo Rotary Foundation.

**We hope you will join us!
Registration available at: vasmangolf.com**

Peace Committee wants to share a new peace initiative this year that we are supporting:

Neighbor to Neighbor is a 2024 election year peace initiative. Toledo Rotary is one of many community partners.

Their first event is Sunday, August 25th from 4pm-7pm at Glass City Metropark, downtown Toledo.

As part of their LOVE, LEARN & SERVE initiative they are starting off with a LOVE Your Neighbor Party. There will be music, food & fun. This is a community party so come out and meet your neighbors!

*Click here for more information:
[Neighbor to Neighbor](#)*

MEMBER NEWS & EVENTS

From the Membership Committee:

Welcome to our newest Rotarians! We are happy to have you with us!



Joshua Bunton
President
SLI Custom Signs & Apparel



Sofia Growden
Customer Service Manager
Toledo Building Services



Karen Relyea
Home Loan Originator
F&M Bank



Deborah Ayres
President
The Avalon Foundation



Michele Myerholtz
Superintendent
Lucas County Board of
Developmental Disabilities



Erica Halada
Community Relations Advisor
PBF Energy



Matthew Schroeder
Interim President
The University of Toledo

COMMITTEE SELECTION - IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO SIGN UP!

Now that we are in the month of August, most committees are starting to meet regularly for committee meetings and planning service projects.

We hope that all Rotarians will sit on at least one committee and actively participate. Our club continues to be great because of the hard work that our members put in, through our various service committees. We thank you for volunteering to serve!

[Committee selection form here](#)



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International Services Committee

Pallets For Purpose: Toledo Helps Ukraine Supply Drive

Supplies will be collected July 29 – August 31. The following items will be collected for a shipment to Ukraine in September:

- Power and hand tools (cordless drills, screwdrivers, hammers, nails, saws, and wrenches)
- Tarps (polyethylene or vinyl)
- Work gloves (leather, Kevlar insulated, thermal-lined, or utility. Medium, large, and extra-large)
- Work boots (all types and sizes accepted including steel toe, insulated, or waterproof)
- Batteries (all types and sizes accepted)
- Flashlights (all types and sizes accepted)
- Canned goods
- Nonperishable foods



HAPPY HOUR

JOIN US FOR A DRINK!

The Membership Committee is pleased to announce our monthly Happy Hour!

Join us on Thursday, August 15th at 4:30 pm when we meet at The Casual Pint

3350 Executive Pkwy, Toledo, Ohio 43606

These are open to any current club member and guests. We encourage you to bring a prospective member as well!

We host these on the 3rd Thursday of every month from 4:30 - 6:00 pm.

Mark your calendar and join when you are able!



THE CASUAL PINT
CRAFT BEERSTRO - TOLEDO

Rotary Club of Toledo

Rotary Women's Networking Social

Hosted by Luck Landscaping & Casual Pint

1907 N. Reynolds Rd.

Please join us for Drinks, Appetizers,
Networking, and Shopping!

Enjoy 30% off* discount
Wednesday, August 21, 2024
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

To RSVP, please follow the below link
[Women's Social | Rotary Club of Toledo](#)
[\(toledorotary.org\)](#)

Or Email Jaci Bugaj at jacibugaj@toledorotary.org

*DISCOUNT EXCLUDES AQUASCAPE PRODUCT

Save This Date!

**Environmental Services Committee Joins
KTLCB Litter League this Summer!**

**All Rotarians encouraged to participate at
this last date!**

**We need all hands on deck to end the
summer season with success!**

SIGN UP HERE!

**Tuesday, August 27th
(3:00pm to 5:00pm)**

MEMBER NEWS & EVENTS

The Membership Committee is pleased to bring this Social Calendar to us, as a way to highlight activities for the entire month. This does not highlight the Monday Meetings, but rather Social Events and Committee Meetings. Please note this is updated each week as changes come.

Thanks to Rotarian Curt Church for creating a Google Calendar for you to sync to your personal calendars! Here is the link: [GoogleCal](#)

August 2024

SUN	MON	TUES	WEDS	THURS	FRI	SAT
				1 <i>IYFR Steak Sail 5-8 pm NCYC</i>	2 <i>Coffee Connection SIP 8-10 am</i>	3
4	5 <i>Environmental Committee at 1 PM</i>	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 <i>Membership & Community Serv. at 1 PM</i>	13	14	15 <i>Happy Hour Casual Pint 4-6 pm</i>	16	17
18	19 <i>Program Peace at 1 PM</i>	20	21 <i>Women's Social See Flyer above</i>	22	23	24
25	26 <i>International at 11 AM Youth Services at 1 PM</i>	27 <i>Litter League 3 - 5 PM (Location TBD)</i>	28	29	30 <i>Rotary Office Closed</i>	31