TOLEDO ROTARY SPOKE

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Join us for lunch at Glass City Center in the Main Ballroom when we have a pivotal conversation surrounding our club's Strategic Plan, the needs of our community, and how we make a transformational difference in coming years!

Kate Sommerfeld President & CEO Greater Toledo Community Foundation

At this program, we will start with an overview of our 2025-2029 Strategic Plan, hear from our Foundation Chair Jim Layman regarding the history of your Transformational Projects and charitable dollars, and then hear from Kate Sommerfeld, President & CEO of Greater Toledo Community Foundation, about the major needs of the Toledo Community.

Zoom Link Meeting ID: 628 349 736





You won't want to miss that meeting, as it will be very informative about our future as a club and a community!

Proceeds from our Founder's Day Golf Outing will specifically benefit our Transformational Focus Fund, as we determine which major projects we would like to support in the next year(s).

Thank you to all who played in Monday's golf outing and offered generous support through both sponsorships and volunteerism! We couldn't have done it without all of you and are already looking forward to next year's event! If you'd like to be involved in the planning committee for next year, please email Jaci at jacibugaj@toledorotary.org

2nd Annual

TOLEDO ROTARY FOUNDER'S DAY GOLF OUTING

Monday, May 5th, 2025 at SYLVANIA COUNTRY CLUB

Rain or Shine Event

Thank you to our Sponsors!

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ORIENTATION



Mon., May 12, 2025



1:00 - 2:00 PM



Glass City Center Summit Breakout Rooms



Stick around after the luncheon to learn about our club, and how to be a successful new member!





Every new member is required to attend a New Member Orientation event within the first few months of their membership. This helps educate you about our club, make connections, and see how to get involved. Please plan on attending this meeting immediately following Monday's luncheon on May 12th.

In 1994, Toledo Rotary Club, with the support of the Toledo Area Chamber of Commerce and local corporations, helped found Partners in Education locally. For over 30 years, PIE has worked to support Toledo-area students, empowering them with the skills, resources, and opportunities they need to thrive. Through a variety of innovative programs and community partnerships, PIE is committed to creating a future where every student is equipped for success.

We are pleased to sponsor this event and hope you will consider attending! Click the image below for tickets or email Jaci in the Rotary office.

BOOK, CLUB

Join us for Book Club Tuesday, May 13th, at 5:30 PM. Happening at Poco Piatti on Central Avenue. All are welcome!

> The book selection is "James" by Percival Everett

If you are interested in attending, please email Mari Davies at mdavies@artstoledo.com.



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THURSDAY 15 MAY 202





THE GLASS CITY METROPARK PAVILIC







Upcoming External Volunteer Opportunities



Lutheran Social Services STOCK THE SHELVES, FOOD DONATION EVENT Friday, May 16th, 2025 11:00 AM-1:00 PM 2149 Collingwood Blvd., Toledo, OH 43620

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE //

CONTACT TOLEDO ROTARIAN: Monique Ward. Email mward@lssnwo.org. (419)-243-9178



Stranahan Elementary PTO

INCLUSIVE & ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND BUILD

Weekend #1: Friday, 6/13 & Saturday 6/14 Weekend #2: Saturday 6/21 & Sunday, 6/22 Stranahan Elementary, 3840 N. Holland-Sylvania Rd. Toledo, OH 43615

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE //

CONTACT TOLEDO ROTARIANS: JULIA HAGE/Disability Services Committee

JA INSPIRE

May 7th, 2025 | Glass City Center

We wrapped up a great first year of partnership between the Vocational Services Committee and Junior Achievement 5th Year with the JA Inspire career exploration event on Wednesday, May 7th.



We guided students through a fun, interactive version of Rotary's 4-Way Test and showcased what it means to be part of Toledo Rotary. Special thanks to all who volunteered, and Vocational Services Committee Chairs Michelle Klinger and Bethany Hefflinger!.

Flowing Forward: A Clean Water Celebration

Join us for a guided tour of DARA's research sites to see firsthand how conservation practices are improving water quality and supporting productive agriculture.

Why Attend:

- Learn how research at the facility is helping reduce nutrient runoff
- •Explore practical strategies to improve soil health and farm resilience
- Hear directly from OSU researchers and other community partners
- Connect with fellow farmers and conservation leaders

OSU and DARA also invites all Rotarians to this event. Rotary has supported this project through a collaborative partnership between clubs across Northwest Ohio, Michigan, and Canada, all working together to protect Lake Erie and promote sustainable agriculture.







Location: 06879 Evansport Rd, Defiance, Ohio 43512

Date: June 27th, 2025

Time: 11:30am - 2:30pm

Cost: Free

Lunch Provided at no cost

RSVP Required
Spots are limited! Call the
Extension Office at
419-782-4771. or
Register online at
go.osu.edu/flowingforward





Thank you to our 2024-2025 Corporate Members!













































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UPCOMING MONDAY PRESENTATIONS

5/19

Bryan Blair, Toledo Athletics "Glass City Live" Details Glass City Center - Main Ballroom

5/26

No Meeting In Honor of Memorial Day Holiday

6/02

Stay Tuned for Program Details!

Thank you to May's Meeting Sponsor:



Thank you to Andres O'Neil & Lowe Insurance Agency and Rotarian Katie Williamson for sponsoring this month's weekly meetings!

May 2025

SUN	MON	TUES	WEDS	THURS	FRI	SAT
				1	2 Coffee Connection Sweet Nate's (Oliver House) 8-9 am	3
4	5 Golf Outing Sylvania Country Club 11:30 am	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Peace Committee 11 am New Member Orientation 1pm	13	14	15 Happy Hour Toledo Pickle 4-6pm	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 No Luncheon in Honor of Memorial Day	27	28	29	30	31