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TOLEDO ROTARY CLUB

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PUBLISHED AUTHORS PANEL

Join us on Monday, August 4th when we are joined by three of our fellow Rotarians, as they share their experiences in becoming a published author. They will participate in a facilitated panel discussion, outlining how they went from Initial Idea, to Pen, to Published.

Dr. Shanda Gore is author of The PinLeader Path, a guide that helps you identify, engage, and develop effective human and AI leadership for your organizational culture. She has been a Toledo Rotarian since 2018.

Kelly Trame is author of two children's books, in the Adventures of Evelyn series. Evelyn is a real-life kitty who found her way to Kelly, and now inspires kids to find their place, and learn to be brave! Kelly has been a Rotarian since 2016.

Emily Zarecki is author of her memoir Golden Scars: How the Death of My Husband Prepared Me to Battle Breast Cancer. It's an emotional tale of overcoming and resiliency. She has been a Rotarian since 2023.

Rotarian Julia Hage will ask insightful questions to these authors about how they came to be published in three very different genres.



*Pictured:
Dr. Shanda Gore (Top)
Emily Zarecki (Middle)
Kelly Trame (Bottom)*



Meeting Location:

*Glass City Center,
Ballroom, 2nd floor*



*Guests welcome,
as always!*

Zoom Link

[Meeting ID: 827 0168 4208](#)

THANK YOU TO OUR CORPORATE MEMBERS!



AUGUST PROGRAM SPEAKERS



Rotary Authors Panel discussion.
"From Idea, to Pen, to Publish; The experience of becoming an author"



Bob Borchardt, CEO of in2great
"The Hidden Drain On Your Bottom Line: Unused Human Capacity"



Brent Bain, Assistant Coach of Toledo Walley
NOTE: Meeting in Huntington Center Aquarium



Pamela Brumbaugh
District Governor of District 6600
Rotarian from Sandusky, OH

Toledo Rotary Club's Monthly Coffee Connection

 **Friday,**
August 1st
at 8 am

 **House of**
Coffee



Let's Celebrate!

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

2 Fred Dannhauser	16 Donna Bogan
4 Kristy Cranston	21 Nicole Overhulse
4 Dan Effler	21 Mark Miller
4 PP Chuck Schaub	22 Ashley Yoakam
4 Scott Kepp	23 Dr. Tina Williams
6 Matt Ward	23 Bob Reichert
7 Dan Murtagh	24 Bob Savage
7 Jen Cox	24 Willis Day
10 Shawn Murphy	24 Ian Malhoit
10 Gary Geiger	24 Dan Ahern
10 PP Andy Stuart	25 Sheri Ferguson
11 Karen Ranney-Wolkins	28 Jim Walter
11 PP Cindy Binkley	29 Noah Winkelman
11 Sue Wingate	30 David Jamieson
12 Nick Vargas	31 Yolanda Durden
13 Tom Palmer	

PP = Past President

THANK YOU TO JULY'S MONTHLY MEETING SPONSOR:

IMPACT EMPLOYMENT SOLUTIONS

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TALENT TO DO MORE

Thank you to
Impact Employment Solutions
and Rotarian Gary Murphy for
sponsoring this month's weekly
meetings!

WE ARE TRYING SOMETHING NEW: NEW MEMBER TABLES AT MONDAY PROGRAMS

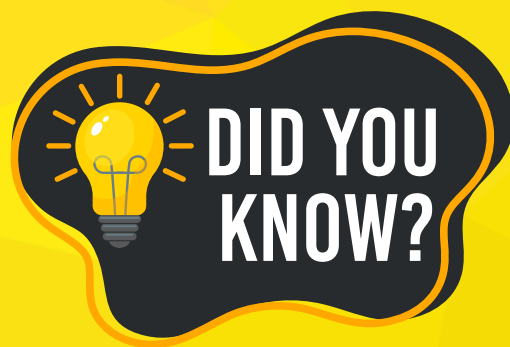
Earlier this week in a meeting between the chairs of our Membership Committee, the Rotary Office, and a newer member, we discussed how we can continually improve on being a welcoming place for new members. We all admit that as a large club, it can be hard for some new individuals to settle in.

To help with this, we are going to have a few reserved tables sprinkled throughout the room that are primarily for new members. We ask that no more than four longer-term members sit at each of these reserved tables. If you are a member who has been in our club for one year or more, please take a turn sitting at these tables and making connections with the most recent new members.

Also, please stay tuned as the chairs of this year's Membership Committee are going to be launching an exciting initiative for member engagement. It will be points based for some friendly competition throughout the Year!

**GREETERS
NEEDED!**

[CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP](#)



**NEW MEMBERS HAVE A RED BORDER ON
THEIR NAME BADGE. WE USE THIS
DIFFERENTIATOR SO THAT SEASONED
MEMBERS CAN EASILY RECOGNIZE AND
MAKE THEM FEEL WELCOME.
NOW YOU KNOW!**



GIVE TO THE TOLEDO ROTARY CLUB FOUNDATION TODAY!

Donations to the Toledo Rotary Club Foundation are used to support projects in and around Toledo, regionally, and internationally. Each year, we give out over \$250,000 in grants to local and international organizations, made possible through these contributions.

*Make your contribution today!
We even offer a convenient monthly
recurring option.
Learn more [HERE](#).*

TABLE NETWORKING: 1ST MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH

**You asked and we have listened!
We are bringing back a more
structured effort to schedule table-
top networking at our Monday
luncheons this new year.**

**The first Monday of every month, we
will start our program with 5 minutes
after the bell rings for getting to
know each other. Mark your
calendars!**

STAY CONNECTED

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



Watch Past Meeting Videos Here!



**Missed a meeting that you wanted to catch?
Not to worry! You can always view past
meeting videos here: [Past Meeting Videos](#)**

MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Those Celebrating Membership Milestones in August

5+ YEARS

*Lance Woodworth
Jeff Dempsey*

10+ YEARS

*Adam Fineske
Bob Amphor
Dan Dudley*

20+ YEARS

*Dan Murtagh
Tim Harrington
Joe Napoli*

30+ YEARS

PP Fr. Olszewski

40+ YEARS

PP Brad Rubini

PP = Past President

Toledo Rotary Summer Golf League

GOLF SUBS WANTED

The summer golf league has a need for a few additional substitute players. If you are interested, please contact Brad Rubini via email at brad@toledospring.com

sign up!

TO LEAD THE 4 WAY TEST

*On the 2nd and 4th
Monday of the month,
we will be reciting
the 4Way Test
together.*

Sign up here to lead us!

Rotary PEOPLE OF ACTION

Upcoming External Volunteer Opportunities



RUN TOLEDO | GARMIN MARATHON

Friday, September 19th thru Sunday, September 21st

Glass City Center, 401 Jefferson Ave, Toledo, OH 43604

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE //](#)

CONTACT: Michelle Barga, with Run Toledo at (419)-494-7377

If you or someone you know would like to promote a volunteer opportunity, please email Jaci in the Rotary Office to get started.

RotaryWORKS MEMBER HIGHLIGHT

PROMOTING BUSINESS WITH LIKEMINDED ROTARY MEMBERS WHO SHARE VALUES AND ETHICS



Wyn Hall

wynhall@gmail.com
757-374-1706

Open to New Opportunities

Previously worked for Erie Home as Director of Compliance.



Passion

To build an effective ethics and compliance program in a space where it has not existed before, by creating protocols, training, and engagement across all functions of the enterprise. In order to succeed, all of this must align with and be driven by both the company's core values and top leadership.



Personal Mission

A company whose drive for ethics and compliance mirrors my own. One that values integrity, aligns with DOJ guidelines and prioritizes sustainable risk management. My goal is to contribute to a workplace that aspires to be on the Ethisphere World's Most Ethical Companies list.



Values

Every day I tell my two kids: "be kind and learn something". That's how I live my life and that's what drives my career. No matter what happens in my professional career, if I can say I've been a good person and a good teammate or boss, I've succeeded.



Which pillar of the 4-Way Test resonates most with your professional life and why?

Will it be beneficial to all concerned

Hopefully, if it is beneficial to all concerned, it should also build goodwill and better friendships... 2 for 1!



Be featured next!
[CLICK HERE](#)

Let's Think Christmas in July!

Toledo Rotary is looking to secure a presenting sponsor for our annual Holly Trolley bar crawl!



Each November, we take our Happy Hour on the road with a unique twist – on a Trolley in our most festive sweaters!

Approximately 30–40 Rotarians and guests board the trolley and visit local downtown establishments for drinks and holiday cheer.

If you or your company is interested in being the presenting sponsor, please email Carin in the Rotary Office at Carin@toledorotary.org





AUGUST 2025

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

SUN	MON	TUES	WEDS	THURS	FRI	SAT
					1 Coffee Connection 8:00 AM House of Coffee Downtown	2
3	4 Speaker: Authors Panel Community & Environmental Services 1 pm	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Speaker: Bob Borchardt Vocational 11 am Membership 1 pm	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 Speaker: Brent Bain International 11 am Finance, Program, Peace at 1 pm	19	20	21 Happy Hour 4-6 PM Sylvania Country Club	22	23
24	25 Speaker: District Gov. Disability & Youth at 1 pm	26	27	28	29	30
31	Sept. 1 No Meeting in Honor of Labor Day	2	3	4	5 Coffee Connection 8:00 AM House of Coffee Downtown	6