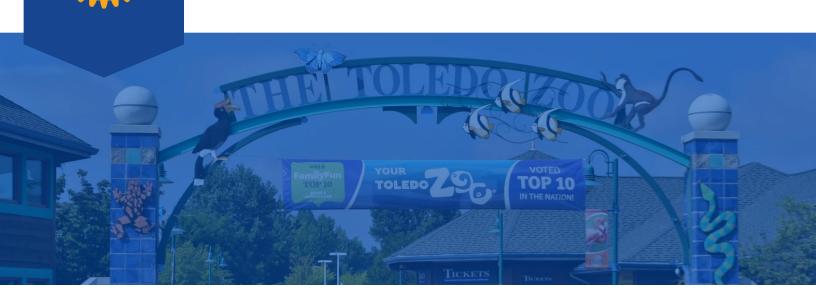


SPOKE NEWSLETTER

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ROTARY "ON THE ROAD" | TOLEDO ZOO

We are excited to take Rotary on the Road at The Toledo Zoo, when we host our luncheon in the Malawi Event Center! The Zoo has planned a dynamic program for us, when we hear from both Jeff Sailer, CEO, and Shayla Bell Moriarty, COO & EVP, about their 125 years in our community. A milestone worth celebrating!

Due to the logistics of this event being "on the road", we are requiring advanced \underline{RSVPs} . If you plan to bring a guest, please also RSVP them using \underline{this} form.

Please also pre-pay for lunch. You can use your pre-paid punch card if desired, or buy your lunch on the morning of here: <u>Buy Pre-Paid Lunches Here</u>.

Guests can park in the main parking lot (Anthony Wayne Trail, 2 Hippo Way, 43609) and walk through the main gates. You will walk past the Arctic Encounter, around the bend past the Wolf Cabin, follow the curve of the African Carousel, and find your way to the Malawi Event Center. Here is a Zoo Map for reference: Toledo Zoo - Map

For those needing assistance, we will have golf cart escorts available from the parking lot.

Lastly, Jaci Bugaj will not be in attendance, as she is traveling to a Rotary conference. If you have questions or concerns on the morning of, please email Carin Stramel directly at Carin@toledorotary.org.

THANK YOU TO OUR CORPORATE MEMBERS!



































































TBIRC
Traumatic Brain Injury Resource Center









UPCOMING PROGRAM SPEAKERS



Toledo Regional Chamber of Commerce Wendy Gramza, President & CEO (Meeting back at Glass City Center in Main Ballroom)



Family and Child Abuse Prevention Center
Dr. Christie Jenkins, CEO
Meeting at Glass City Center
in Main Ballroom



Toledo Rotary Club Annual Foundation Day Hear about our impact! Meeting at Glass City Center in Main Ballroom

NEW THIS YEAR!

At the start of the year, President Scot came up with a creative idea for our members to give back to
Toledo Rotary Club's Foundation,
while directly highlighting their business.

We now offer a new monthly meeting sponsorship level in which 50% of the cost goes directly back to our Club's Foundation!

For the month of October, we are pleased to introduce our first Rotarian and business with this new sponsorship option.

If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity for yourself, please email Carin Stramel directly.

carin@toledorotary.org

THANK YOU TO OCTOBER'S MONTHLY MEETING SPONSOR!

ABOUT DR. PERRYMAN:

Dr. Tracee Perryman has been a Toledo Rotarian since July of 2024. Locally, she is the CEO and Co-Founder of <u>Center of Hope Family Services</u>, <u>Inc.</u> She has dedicated her entire career to civic service and engagement in her community. Dr. Perryman has developed evidence-based programming for positive youth development that empowers families and communities. She is an award-winning author, featured in USA Today and Newsweek, and has been recognized by Success Magazine as a Top 10 Female-Led Company in 2024.

ABOUT HER ORGANIZATION:

Center of Hope Family Services (COHFS) is a leading voice for removing barriers to achievement through culturally relevant and innovative programs and services that close the opportunity gap for those in need. By increasing access to high quality education, mental wellness services, job readiness, court advocacy, and family support, COHFS elevates life outcomes for low-wealth and marginalized children and adults.

Dr. Perryman also leads ELEVATE!, an after-school program in Ohio, which has earned statewide recognition for its outstanding work in literacy enrichment. Under her guidance, ELEVATE! has helped quadruple the number of students reading at grade level in one of the city's most challenged schools.

We invite you to connect with her directly and learn more about the Center of Hope Family Services, Inc. today!













WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!



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TLC TRANSIT/A-RIDE



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GENERAL MANAGER
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BESN X COMMUNITY



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MIDWEST RECOVERY



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CEO
ANNE GRADY SERVICES



SHYAM SUCHAK
COO
ANNE GRADY SERVICES



DUSTIN WATKINS PRESIDENT & CEO HARBOR



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: <u>Past Meeting Videos</u>





October 21, 2025 Toledo with great food and pie! After a fire forced a temporary closure, their employees and our neighbors

need our support.

All proceeds go directly to help employees recover and prepare to reopen. Let's give back to the team that has given so much to us.

OCTOBER HAPPY HOUR: POLIO FUNDRAISER

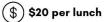
In support of World Polio Day and Rotary International's efforts to eradicate Polio from the face of the planet, we will be having October's Happy Hour on Thursday, October 23rd, with the opportunity for members to donate directly via "pass the bucket" and a live OR Code.

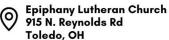
Ioin us at Toledo Pickle from 4-7 PM. If you would like to play on a reserved court for this, please email Jaci directly.

> Toledo Pickle is located at 1030 Water Street, Toledo, OH

WORLD **POLIO DAY**

(L) 11:30am-1:00pm





hhilou@tutorsmart-toledo.org

TOLEDO ROTARY SWAG SHOP

Now Open! Grab some apparel today!















Thank you to our Disability Services Committee for their help running this week's Annual Zoo Day with Glendale-Feilbach School and St. Francis Interact Club. The weather was beautiful and the students were so joyful!

To see all of the pictures from the day of, visit our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/rotaryclub

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RotaryWORKS WEEKLY HIGHLIGHT

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"I have wanted to become a Rotarian for years- I am grateful to have the opportunity now to join with other business leaders in service!"



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

Is it the truth?

This most resonates with me because it requires deep curiosity, empathy, and trust vs. fear.

We must always be asking ourselves- Could the opposite of what I believe be truer or as true?

We must continuously challenge our own limited beliefs to better understand and believe that others have theirs.



BOOK CLUB

Join us for Book Club

TUESDAY, November 18th at 5:30 PM.

Happening at Poco Piatti
on Central Avenue.

All Rotarians are welcome!

The book selection is "We'll Prescribe You a Cat" by Syou Ishida.

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

Care for Kids Coat Drive

Youth Services Committee is pleased to support this annual coat drive again!

Coats can be dropped off at the Rotary Office or at Rotary Luncheons from now thru November 24^{th.}

(Note: Coats must be new, guaranteeing equal quality and condition for all).

We have collected 11 coats thus far, and look forward to keeping a running total all season long!

To learn more about this drive, visit: icareforkids.org

Save the Date: Toledo Rotary Glub's Annual Foundation Dayl

Each year, we host one luncheon to tell our Foundation's story and kick off our Annual Campaign. We hope you will mark your calendars for *Monday, November 10th*, when we will be joined by multiple grant recipients who will speak to the work they have done thanks to our Foundation grants. You are welcome to bring your spouse, colleague, friend, or other individual that you know would enjoy hearing about our impact through our Foundation. We look forward to seeing you there!

Hosted at Glass City Center in the ballroom at 12 noon.

Program Committee Seeking Submissions!

Our Monday luncheon topics and guest speakers are primarily found by submissions from members just like you!

The program committee is actively seeking submissions for review at their November committee meeting.

If you have a concept idea that you would like to submit, you can do that here:

<u>Program Idea Submission Form</u>

A submission is valid for one Rotary year. After that, it will expire. If the topic/person is approved, the individual will contacted for scheduling.





Upcoming External Volunteer Opportunities



LCCS | TRUNK OR TREAT

Saturday, October 18th from 12-2 PM

The Believe Center, 1 Aurora L Gonzalez Dr, Toledo, OH 43609

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE //

Adult volunteers will be joined by a number of HS volunteers, including Interact students from local clubs. This is designed to provide a safe, daytime trick-or-treating opportunity for LCCS caregiver families and those in surround neighborhoods in Historic South Toledo. 2,000-2,500 kids are expected, so there is also a need for candy donations if an individual, business, or organization would like to contribute.

CONTACT: Kevin Milliken, Toledo Rotarian via email at kevin.milliken@jfs.ohio.gov or (419)-261-4788



SYLVANIA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE | FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, October 18th from 2 - 8 PM Sunday, October 19th from 10AM - 4PM

Centennial Terrace, 5773 Centennial Rd, Sylvania, OH 43560

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE //

Parking Help: HERE

General Festival Help: <u>HERE</u>

CONTACT: Tiffany Bosch, Toledo Rotarian

via email at tbosch@sylvaniachamber.org or via phone at (419)-882-2135



MOBILE MEALS OF TOLEDO | SIP, SIP, HOORAY! UNDER THE BIG TOP

Thursday, November 13th

Parkway Place, 2592 Parkway Plz, Maumee, OH 43537

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE //

Shifts are 2-4 Hours throughout the day.

11 am - 2 pm; 11 am - 3 pm; 6-10:35 pm; and 10pm - midnight

CONTACT: Lisa Anderson, Toledo Rotarian

via email at lisa.d.anderson@owenscorning.com

If you or someone you know would like to promote a volunteer opportunity, please email Jaci in the Rotary Office to get started, or connect with the Community Services Committee directly.

OCTOBER 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 Bowling League Family Night at Bowlero 4:30 PM | 2 | 3 Coffee Connection 8:00 AM House of Coffee Downtown | 4 |
| (To review committee grants) | Service Above Self Day Disability Com. Meeting at Barr's Public House 4:30 PM | 7 | 8 Bowling League Season Starts! | 9 Enviro Com. 11:30-12:30 (Virtual) | 10 | 11 |
| 12 | 13 No Meeting Federal Holiday Finance 12 noon (Virtual) | 14 Zoo Day Event with Dis. Committee Youth Services 10 am (Virtual) | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| 19 | 20 Rotary on the Road at The Toledo Zoo in the Malawi Event Center 12 noon | 21 PLEASE RSVP HERE | 22 | 23 Polio Fundraiser Happy Hour at Toledo Pickle! 4-7 PM | 24 | 25 |
| 26 | 27 Speaker: Wendy Gramza Youth Services 1 PM Com. Services 4 PM | 28 | 29 NOTE: Possible date change. Jaci will inform ASAP | 30 Foundation Advisory Committee Mtg. 8 AM Glass City Center | Rotary Office Closing Early | Nov. 1 |
| 2 | 3 Speaker: Dr. Christie Jenkins Program Committee 1 PM | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 Coffee Connection 8:00 AM | 8 |