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TOLEDO ROTARY CLUB

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TRCF ANNUAL FOUNDATION DAY

Join us for our Annual Toledo Rotary Club Foundation Day when Foundation Chairman Dick Wolff updates us on our Club's charitable Foundation, along with other guests on the stage.

In 2024-2025 our Foundation granted over \$263,000 to local and international nonprofits. These grants are made possible thanks to the generosity of our members - like you!

This meeting is a showcase of the due diligence and hard work that our committees undertake to make ensure your donations are granted responsibility. We will have a special panel featuring some of our past grants with leaders from The Sight Center of NWOhio, Water for Ishmael, and The Inspiration Kitchen at Lott Industries.

Can't make it to Foundation Day but wish to support our efforts with a monetary contribution? You can do so directly here: https://toledorotary.org/donate/
We even offer monthly recurring contributions via online giving! Check it out if you may be interested in that option.





Zoom Link
Meeting ID: 827 0168 4208

THANK YOU TO OUR CORPORATE MEMBERS!















































































YOUR DOLLARS AT WORK IN TOLEDO, AND BEYOND!

Annually, the Toledo Rotary Club Foundation annually supports over 30 local and international nonprofit organizations by funding over \$250,000 in grants. Foundation funding is made possible through the generous contributions of members of the Rotary Club of Toledo and its friends.

This \$5,000 grant to the Autism Model Community School allowed them to create a Practical Assessment Exploration System (PAES) curriculum, which is a classroom built to mimic a real workplace. This program allows students to clock-in and clock-out, to be assigned a job task, to independently follow work procedures, and to earn "PAES Dollars" that can be used in the school store. PAES is also an evidence-based vocational assessment tool. It helps students uncover their interests and abilities. They explore industries including customer service, marketing, and construction. The school's original PAES Lab was installed in 2013 and this recent grant allowed them to do an upgrade to technologies and set up.

This grant came from our Disability Services Committee's recommendation.

Please consider making a gift to our <u>Foundation</u> today, to help support grants like this.







WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TOLEDO ROTARY CLUB FOUNDATION AND THE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION?

The Rotary Club of Toledo, established in May 1912, created a charitable fund by 1915 when it began funding medical and educational services directed to crippled children in the Toledo area. The charitable activities of the members of the Rotary Club of Toledo have a 100-year history!

Ongoing funding for the Toledo Rotary Club Foundation comes from Rotarians and community members.

These dollars go directly to the charitable gifts the Foundation awards throughout the year.

Since our Club's 100th Anniversary in 2012, we have given over \$2Million in grants both locally and internationally.

Rotary International has its own Foundation, as well. The foundation was established in 1917 by Rotary International's sixth president, Arch C. Klumph, as an endowment fund for Rotary "to do good in the world."

Since it was founded more than 100 years ago, the Foundation has spent more than \$4 billion on projects across the globe.

UPCOMING PROGRAM SPEAKERS



Doug Swiatecki - Toledo's Jazz History Meeting at Glass City Center in Main Ballroom



Details still to come Meeting at Glass City Center in Main Ballroom



No Meeting
In Observance of Extended
Thanksgiving Holiday Weekend

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!

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

jacibugaj@toledorotary.org

THANK YOU TO NOVEMBER'S MONTHLY MEETING SPONSOR!

ABOUT PHIL:

Phil Mariasy has been a Toledo Rotarian since June of 2009. He began doing business as Allied Media Group in June 2003. Prior to this, he had been an Editor/Videographer with Buckeye CableSystem of Toledo, an accomplished producer of regional cable TV programming in Detroit, and a broadcast TV technician in Toledo. He earned a BA from the University of Toledo in the late 1980's.

ABOUT ALLIED MEDIA GROUP: With 40 years of cumulative experience creating video content for commercial, corporate, and non-profit clients, we're pleased to announce here, in The Spoke, Studio 130, a facility uniquely situated in an historic former TV studio in the heart of Downtown Toledo.

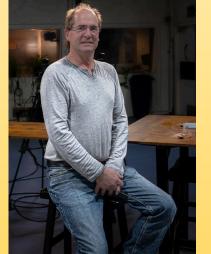
We're redefining how organizations in the Greater Toledo area tell their stories. Our innovative video series marries the familiar format of TV talk shows with best-in-class standalone videos. It's a modern, unbranded approach that prioritizes our clients' voices and missions.

Whether your goal is highlighting a community initiative, developing support and funding, celebrating a unique program, or sharing a compelling success story, our approach ensures your message stands out in a crowded digital landscape. By partnering with Allied Media Group, you gain more than a video service—you gain a storytelling ally committed to helping you shine. Together, we'll set a new standard for how impactful stories are told.

We invite you to connect with him directly and learn more about Allied Media Group today!



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Notice of Club Business: Upcoming Elections for Board of Directors and Vice President

We will soon be sending out notice of our nominated individuals slated to serve our club board in the year 2026-2027 and beyond. You will receive their "Statements to Serve" which allows you to get to know them, as well as an official Ballot. All processes will be outlined in the communication.

This process is very important to the future of our club, and we appreciate your participation in this election.

What Qualifies a Member for Board Leadership?

To be a nominee for Board Leadership in our club, a member has to have met the following criteria:

Club Director: Must have been a member for the last 3 consecutive years. Must have led a committee or major project. Must be a contributor to our Foundation. Must be a member in good standing—attendance at 60% or better, and dues are paid.

In order to be qualified for Vice President, they have to meet the criteria above AND have served at least one year as a Board Director.



OUR TOLEDO ROTARY CLUB
FOUNDATION
IS A REGISTERED 501(C)(3)
NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION WITH
KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS.

IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR A NEW CHARITY TO SUPPORT WITH YOUR LINKED KROGER CARD, PLEASE CONSIDER OUR WONDERFUL FOUNDATION.

IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE ON HOW
TO DO SO, YOU CAN VISIT THE
KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS
WEBSITE HERE!

Toledo Rotary Club's Monthly

Connection



Friday, November 7th at 8 am



Freight House Coffee, 16 S. Stadium Rd, Oregon, OH

ROTARY MAGAZINE

All Rotarians receive a subscription to the Rotary Magazine as part of their paid membership. Do you wish to receive this digitally?

Email Jaci today for help with switching from paper to digital.

JOB CHANGE?

NEW PHONE NUMBER?

UPDATE YOUR ROTARY PROFILE

HERE



Let's Celebrate!

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Sommer Vriezelaar
- 2 Ryan Ambrosia
- 3 Jon Fankhauser
- **3 Deb Ayres**
- 4 Chad Buck
- 4 Jeff Levesque
- **5 Steve King**
- 6 Greg Fess
- 6 Bryan Blair
- 7 Mark Makulinski
- 7 Patrick Bluso
- 9 PP Walt McGhee
- 10 Dennis Isabell
- 10 George Zilba
- 11 Paul Kontaratos
- 11 Ash Lemons
- 12 Mike Miller
- 13 Bill Rudolph
- 13 Steve Miller
- 14 Barbara Kopp-Miller

- 16 Crystal Jordan
- 17 Erica Fischbach
- 17 Karl Strauss
- 17 PP Bob DiNardo
- 17 Dan Skilliter
- 18 PP John Wasserman
- 18 Jennifer Archer
- 20 Brian Reid
- **20 Richard Paat**
- 20 Wendy Gramza
- 24 Vince DiPofi
- 25 Angie Jones
- 25 Kim Finch
- 26 Curt Hitchner
- 27 Dr. Tracee Perryman
- 28 Bob Ampthor
- 28 Wyn Hall
- 29 PP Rick Hartley

PP = Past President

MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Those Celebrating
Membership
Milestones
in November

15+ YEARS

Mike McIntyre Gary Corrigan

20+ YEARS

Kathy Tate

30+ YEARS

PP Riaz Chaudhary Mary Mancini Michael Anderson PP Eric Fankhauser Rick Arnos Steve Boice

40+ YEARS

Yuval Zaliouk David Effler PP Chuck Schaub Reg Jackson

PP = Past President

WE LOVE OUR MEMBER "CHECK-INS"!

Keep "checking in" to each Rotary event you attend to earn points and prizes!

We will update our leaderboard again at the end of the month!







BOOK GLUB

Join us for Book Club

<u>TUESDAY, November 18th</u> 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 25 coats thus far, and look forward to keeping a running total all season long!

To learn more about this drive, visit: <u>icareforkids.org</u>



Get Your Holly Trolley
Tickets Today!

Thursday, Nov. 20th From 6-10 PM

Limited Seats Available! Click Here to Buy Yours





Upcoming External Volunteer Opportunities



TOLEDO BUFFALO SOLDIERS | OPERATION SHUT IN, PROVIDING A HOT MEAL TO VETERANS

November 11th, 2025, 11:00 until 5:00, Food pickup, separation, delivery Gather at Herman's, 540 S. St. Clair St., Toledo, OH 43604

There is no URL to sign up. Call Toledo Buffalo Soldiers at (419) 386-6875 or Lucas County Veterans Service Commission at (419) 213-4800.

CONTACT: Curt Church, Toledo Rotarian. (970)-846-1061



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.



NOVEMBER 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
2	3 Speaker: Dr. Christie Jenkins	4	5	6	7 Coffee Connection 8:00 AM Freight House Oregon	8
9	10 Annual Foundation Day Voc. Serv. 11 AM Membership & Comm. Serv at 1 PM	11	12	13	14	15 The Blade Holiday Parade Downtown Walk with Us!
16	17 Speaker: Doug Swiatecki Finance Peace at 1 PM	18 Youth Services 2 PM (virtual)	19	20 <u>Holly Trolley</u> <u>Happy Hour</u> <u>Bar Crawl</u>	21	22
23	24 More Details to Come!	25	26	27 Happy Thanksgiving!	28	29
30	Dec. 1 NO ROTARY In Observance of a Long Holiday Weekend	2	3	4 Annual Holiday Party Hosted at The Mez Downtown	5	6
7	8 Speaker: Tom Seeman Enviro Services 1 PM	9	10	11	12	13