

Your Weekly Rotary Spoke

114 Rotary Year

07.23.26



Upcoming
Speaker

AI for Better Business Results



LeSean
Shaw

SPEAKER'S
CORNER



Artificial intelligence is transforming the way organizations operate, and **LeSean Shaw, co-founder of Actual Reality Technologies**, is helping businesses harness its full potential.

During this upcoming presentation, LeSean will explore how AI can turn complex business data into meaningful insights that drive smarter decisions, improve efficiency, and uncover new opportunities for growth.



Artificial intelligence (AI) is becoming a helpful tool for Rotary clubs and members from drafting strategies and generating fundraising ideas to summarizing meeting notes and analyzing volunteer engagement trends.

AI can amplify our work, **but it must be used with care.**

To help members use AI ethically and responsibly, Rotary has produced two resources: [AI Guidelines for Members](#) and the [Member FAQ on AI Use](#): which outline key best practices for using AI in Rotary:

- Protect sensitive information, like personal data, donor information, and confidential club or district records.
- Never use AI to generate Rotary logos or marks. Any manipulation of our logo or marks violates our brand guidelines.
- AI-generated content can be inaccurate or biased and should always be reviewed by people before being shared.
- Disclose when AI is used to build transparency and trust.



[Read AI Guidelines](#)

CORPORATE PARTNERS





Rotary
Club of Toledo
2026-2027



SERVICE ABOVE SELF DAY

Thank you to all of our Rotary members who participated in Service Above Self Day. Your willingness to serve our community reflects the very heart of Rotary.

5
Projects

32
Members



51
completed service hours





Upcoming Speakers

Upcoming Monday
Calendar



**Kevin Sidebottom:
Magnetic
Leadership**

**Aug. 3
12 – 1PM**



**Thomas McQuillan:
Replenish the Earth by
Repurposing Waste**

**Aug. 10
12 – 1PM**



**Aimee Reid:
Children's Theatre
Workshop/Ohio Theatre**

**Aug. 17
12 – 1PM**

**Thank You to Our Monthly
Meeting Sponsor:**





Heather Gallant

Executive Director at
The 577 Foundation



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Five
Seven Seven

[VIEW OPEN POSITION HERE!](#)



Services

Classes in the areas of art (pottery, fiber arts, studio arts, culinary arts, and more), ecology/conservation, craft, gardening and nature, history, wellness, and culture...and SO much more!



Role

I lead The 577 Foundation in terms of mission, strategic direction, overall vision and management, fundraising, community connections, partnerships, board governance, and special opportunities.



Key to Success

There can never be too much compassion. Flexibility, openness to trying new things, and well-roundedness will take you far. If things feel under control, aim a little higher.



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

Professionally and personally, I get to inspire people to make, grow, and create things IN COMMUNITY with other people, often with people who are unlike themselves, and usually with an element of doing so for the most good for others in the world. I don't see this pillar as only applying to human beings - the question is: will it be beneficial to ALL concerned? The trees? The river? The lake? The critters? The sky? My ancestors and those who will call me an ancestor? With each one of our actions, if everyone asked, "will my next action be beneficial to all concerned?", how might the world be better? I'd love to find out

Be Featured Next!



The Four-Way Test: Week #2: Is it fair to all concerned?

Fairness means treating others with equality, impartiality, and respect. It asks us to set aside bias and consider how our decisions affect everyone involved.

This week, take a moment to ask yourself: "Is it fair to all concerned?"

When fairness guides our actions, we build trust, strengthen relationships, and create a more inclusive community.



UPDATE ON PAST PRESIDENT, WALT MCGHEE



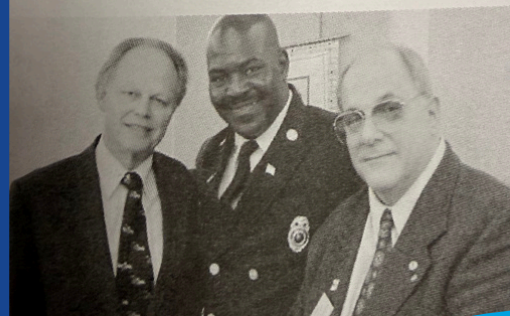
WALT MCGHEE

Honorary Rotarian and Past President Walter "Walt" McGhee, who led the Rotary Club of Toledo during the 2003–2004 Rotary year, is currently facing significant health challenges and has entered end-of-life care.

Walt has now been moved to The Arbors at Sylvania, where he is in Room 101. His daughter shared that he is in good spirits and would truly enjoy visits from his Rotary friends. Phone calls are also warmly welcomed at **419-356-1152**.

If you have the opportunity, please consider stopping by for a visit or giving him a call to let him know how much he means to our Rotary family.

Bob Bell, Chief Mike Bell and
President Walter McGhee



BOOK CLUB UPDATE:

Our next book selection is **Lucky by Marissa Stapley**. Join us for our next Book Club gathering on **Tuesday, Sept. 15, at 5:30 p.m. at Poco Piatti**.

Based on member feedback, we'll continue meeting on the third Tuesday of every other month, a schedule that seems to work well for everyone.





Glass City Center is going

cashless

Here's what that means for Rotary Club of Toledo:

Please note that the Glass City Center is transitioning to a cashless payment system.

If you plan to purchase lunch or pay for parking at Rotary meetings, you will need to use a credit card, debit card, or other electronic payment method. Cash will no longer be accepted.

To make parking more convenient, we also offer punch cards:

- **Lunch & Parking Punch Card:** \$100 for 10 lunches with parking included.
- **Parking-Only Punch Card:** \$50 for 10 parking passes: a great option for members who do not purchase lunch.

[**Purchase a Punch Card**](#)

Calendar: July

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
			1	2	3	4
5	6 	7	8	9	10	11
12	13 2026-2027 CHANGING OF THE GUARD GLASS CITY CENTER BALLROOM	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 SERVICE ABOVE SELF DAY SIGN UP	21 BOOK CLUB "WILD CARD" 5:30 P.M., POCO PIATTI	22	23 26'-27' BOARD RETREAT RESERVED FOR LEADERSHIP	24	25
26	27 LESEAN SHAW / AI FOR BETTER BUSINESS RESULTS COMMUNITY SERVICES 1 PM / SUMMIT C PEACE COMMITTEE 1 PM / SUMMIT D	28	29	30	31	

Our Vision:

Fellowship of Toledo leaders engaged in service to our local and world community.

Five Strategic Plan Initiatives:

- Be one of the 10 largest Rotary Clubs while increasing member engagement in service and fellowship.
- Select and support several major community transformational projects.
- Support the growth and strategic initiatives of the Toledo Rotary Club Foundation, to enable increased sponsorship of community and international projects and agencies.
- Continue to enhance the Club's internal effectiveness while increasing the visibility and recognition of the Club's efforts and influence in Northwest Ohio.
- Increase participation with other Clubs in international and district projects and events.