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Monday's Meeting September 14, 2015:

Sharon Kennedy—The 4 Way Test

Ohio Supreme Court Justice Sharon Kennedy's presentation is titled "The Rotary Four-Way Test and the Founding of America." She will be discussing the parallels found between the Rotarian code of ethics and the principles that guided the founding fathers as they established a new nation and government.



Ohio Supreme Court Justice Sharon L. Kennedy began her career in the justice system as an officer for the City of Hamilton Police Department. Following her time on the police force, Justice Kennedy obtained her law degree from the University of Cincinnati College of Law and entered the legal field as a solo practitioner.

During her time in private practice, she also served as part-time magistrate in the Butler County Area Courts, as well as special counsel for former Ohio Attorney General Betty D. Montgomery. She was elected to the Butler County Court of Common Pleas Domestic Relations Division in 1999, where she also served as the administrative judge from 2005 until her election to the Supreme Court in 2012.

Justice Kennedy has been the recipient of multiple awards, including the Nicholas Longworth, III Alumni Achievement Award, which she received from the University of Cincinnati College of Law on May 17, 2014. She was named one of 13 professional women to watch by the Cincinnati Enquirer in March 2013, and was named Judge of the Year in 2006. On December 7, 2012, Justice Kennedy was sworn in as the 154th Justice of the Supreme Court of Ohio and the ninth female justice to serve on the court.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

MONDAY, September 14—Speaker: Sharon Kennedy
Program: The 4 Way Test

Greeters: Jim Scheib, Joe Sharp, Paul Sullivan, Travis Tangeman, Lou Tosi, Keith Walker, Tom Waniewski, Dan Zimolzak

Committee Meetings:

11:00 am Strategic Planning

1:00 pm New Member/Member Development

1:00 pm Disability Service

1:00 pm Nominating

WEDNESDAY, September 16

7:30 am Club Exec Board—Original Pancake

FRIDAY, September 18

7:30 am FAC—Toledo Club

MONDAY, September 21—Speaker: John Tharp

Program: Heroin Epidemic and DART

Greeters: Matthew Adkins, Bob Amphor, Ryan Ball, Cindy Binkley, Linda Blackburn, Bill Buckley, Ed Caldwell

Committee Meetings:

1:00 pm Vocational

WEDNESDAY, September 23

7:30 am Club Board—Toledo Club

THURSDAY, September 24

7:30 am New Member Orientation—Toledo Club (Chelsea)

FRIDAY, September 25

9:00 am—1:30 pm Zoo Day

SATURDAY, September 26

11:00 am Vassar Golf Tournament

MONDAY, September 28—Speaker: Cynthia Brown Cherry

Program: Addiction

Greeters: Bill Cook, Mary Ann Culpert, Janina Douglas, Mary Fedderke, Scott Fry, Eric Jordan, Kristina Latta-Landfeld, Tony Ruth

Committee Meetings:

1:00 pm Investment

TUESDAY, September 25

7:30 am—Members Engagement—Café Marie Maumee



Internet Viewing: The past meeting can be viewed online at <https://vimeo.com/137883063>.

Mike O'Brien—The Economics of 1-A Athletics

Mike O'Brien, UT vice president and athletic director, began by presenting an overview of UT which has current enrollment of 21,000 undergraduate and graduate students and over 140,000 living alumni. UT offers over 300 programs and is now a "destination school" for a lot of students. UT competes in the Mid-American Conference (MAC) is in the Group of 5 Conferences which is the less

prestigious conference group versus the Power 5 (ACC, Big 10, SEC, Pac 12, and Big 12). UT is trying to keep pace in its student-athlete financial offerings with the bigger schools but isn't able to do everything because of costs. At UT, not all student-athletes are on scholarships and most teams must divide a scholarship among many students. These teams offer full scholarships—football, men's & women's basketball, women's volleyball, and women's tennis. UT has 340 student-athletes and 300 are on some kind of scholarship. Mike discussed how television has changed game attendance. UT athletics has had to be creative to generate community and fan support to fill the Glass Bowl. Games being seen on ESPN pay off in increased exposure across the country. Mike then addressed pay for play which would be detrimental to schools because of the budget implications. Since 2010, 15 schools have dropped 66 sports because of money issues. Mr. O'Brien said that would only increase if schools were mandated to pay student-athletes and could result in funding changes to things like the Olympics as well as student support services being affected. UT's goal is for all student-athletes to grab their diplomas with a championship ring on a finger. Mike proudly announced that UT student-athletes earned a 3.255 overall GPA in the spring 2015 semester and that all of the 16 UT sports teams earned a 3 or above GPA for the first time in school history. Way to go Rockets!



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Call to Action:

Be the Voice for Our Great Lakes

Talking Points:

- When Rotarians work together, we can make change on a global scale
- On October 23rd and 24th of 2015 Rotarians from the Great Lakes region will gather together in search of concrete ideas to clean up the Harmful Algal Blooms in Lake Erie and other watersheds.
- It is time to apply the same efforts to prevent major health threats right here at home.
- A repeat of last year's Lake Erie Water Crisis would harm major cities in both U.S. and Canada
- This conference is an opportunity to get inspired, get informed, get united and get results by being the voice for our Great Lakes.
- A non political forum designed by Rotarians to create common understanding of the problem. Our clubs can work together on a very scientific and political issue to find a solution to the Harmful Algal Blooms in our local water source.
- Learn about the specific actions other regions of the United States have used clean up the Harmful Algal Blooms.
- Hear from notable speakers as they offer insights
 - ⇒ Marcy Kaptur, U.S. Representative for Ohio's 9th District
 - ⇒ John Hewko, Secretary General of Rotary International
 - ⇒ Cameron Davis, Senior Advisor to the Administrator of the EPA
- Rotarians are looking for specific actions they can support with their grant funding both locally and through Rotary International as well as hands on experiences.
- Question those who are on the front lines doing the research. Hear about their projects. Leverage the power and resources of Rotary to help fund and support these projects.
- From our resources to our ambition, we have the unique opportunity and obligation to make a change

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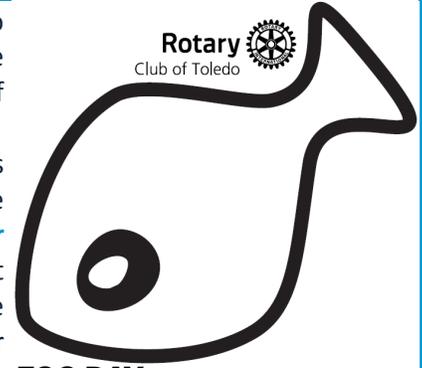
Sharon Gaber is the 17th president of the University of Toledo. She was born in La Jolla, CA and earned her bachelor's degree from Occidental College, a master's degree from USC, and her doctorate in city and regional planning from Cornell University. She spent six years as provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs at the University of Arkansas. Prior to that, she served in multiple roles in the provost's office at Auburn University, including interim provost and vice president for academic affairs, senior associate provost, and associate provost for academic administration. She has received more than two dozen grants totaling nearly \$2 million and is the author of 40 peer-reviewed articles researching and analyzing regional and urban planning, public policy, and the social dynamics that affect decision-making. Sharon has three children—Alison, Jennifer, & Peter. Joe Zerbey is her sponsor and Nagi Naganathan seconded.

Scot Hinshaw is with Niehaus, Wise and Kalas where he specializes in employment law and commercial litigation. Scot has also served as an instructor at the Georgetown University Law Center. He is a member of the American Bar Association and is admitted to the Maryland, D.C., Illinois, and Michigan bars. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Maryland and his Juris Doctor from Georgetown University. Scot, his wife Kirsten, and their daughter live in Sylvania after recently relocating from Chicago. Scot and Kirsten are excited to be in Toledo where they can enjoy the support of grandparents and family and work with great colleagues. Scot enjoys competing in sprint triathlons, traveling, and following college basketball. His pet peeves are those grammatical mistakes that appear in professional materials. Joe Tafelski is his sponsor and Reg Jackson seconded.



Zoo Day Volunteers Needed

Volunteer for Toledo Zoo Day with the students and staff of Glendale-Feilbach school. This year's event will take place on Friday, **September 25**. Please arrive at the Anthony Wayne Trail entrance no later than 9 am. The day will end at 1:30 pm. Please [contact the office](#) or sign up at a meeting by **September 14**.



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Toledo Rotary Foundation Goal: Each member supports at the President's Club Level—\$250 annually

- **President's Club:** \$250 annually=\$21/mo for 12 months



Rotary International Foundation Goal: 'Every Rotarian Every Year' Level—\$100 annually

- **Every Rotarian Every Year** @ \$100 annually = \$9/mo for 12 months



Rotary International Foundation Goal: 'End Polio Now'—\$25 annually

- **End Polio Now** @ \$25 annually = \$2/mo for 12 months

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Toledo Rotary Foundation Grant Recipient Update

The Valentine Theatre is so very grateful to the Toledo Rotary Foundation for its generous grant for wireless microphones! Thanks to you, our Educational Outreach programming, high school musicals, family and children's productions are now technologically fitted with high quality wireless microphones and battery packs. Additionally, our renters will be insured more affordable equipment and patrons will receive the sound quality expected at Toledo's crown jewel, the historic Valentine Theater. Thank you one and all for your ongoing support of Children's and Family programming at The Valentine!



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What do you like to do when you are not working?

Travel and food, so I travel to eat. I love experiencing new cultures through food. It is one of the only things that you generally can't take with you and tastes different wherever you go. I stopped collecting "things" long ago because it creates clutter which I do not like. When I'm not traveling, I like to go boating in the summer and snow skiing in the winter. One day soon I will start working on, rather finish, my private pilot license.

What is the most satisfying benefit you get from being a Rotarian?

Being new to Rotary, I am looking forward to supporting the community both locally and internationally through an organization that is not motivated by their own financial profits and where money actually makes it to the streets. I am also looking forward to being around like-minded people because I believe it is critically important to stay motivated through your peers.

Tell us about your family.

My father is German and my mother is French. I am first-generation American born and raised in Toledo. I have one brother who is two years younger. All our extended family is in Germany, France and Austria so we have been fortunate to travel there many many times (I've lost track but somewhere 80-90 times) and I consider that my second home.

Share some "words to live by" or your favorite quote.

There are so many good ones out there, but one has stuck by me since middle school. The five "P's": Prior Planning Prevents Poor Performance.

What would you be doing if you were not in your profession today?

I would be a Commercial Pilot. Airplanes have always fascinated me.

Where do you see yourself in ten years?

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Anna Kolin (3)
Coleen Neidert (3)
Mike Truesdell (3)
Stephen Dunbar (4)
Steve Skutch (5)
William Boeschstein (7)
Hal Burke (7)
Mari Davies (8)
Kristina Latta-Landefeld (9)
Sean Cree (12)
Rachel Hobson (12)
Jillian Gustafson (13)
Ernie Brookfield (14)
Scott Fry (15)
Martin LaMar (17)
Judy Leb (17)
Kim Sidwell (17)
Gregory Steenrod (17)
Sarah McHugh (18)
Susan Palmer (18)
Tim Ryan (18)
Mike Bower (20)
Joe Zerby (20)
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