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JANUARY/FEBRUARY CLUB EVENTS

Please NOTE: The Club continues to plan events while adhering to the state mandates. The details on any of the events shown on the calendars or mentioned in Topics are as accurate as possible at press time, but are subject to change depending on the most current restrictions and health guidelines. Members should check with the Club for the latest information on event details and Club hours of operations.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

JANUARY

FRIDAY	1	New Year's Day - CLUB CLOSED
SATURDAY	2	NO À LA CARTE DINING
TUESDAY	5	Take Out Tuesday
TUESDAY	12	Take Out Tuesday
FRIDAY	15	Dinner and Wine Tasting in the FDR
MONDAY	18	Martin Luther King Day - CLUB CLOSED
TUESDAY	19	Take Out Tuesday
MONDAY	25	ZIPZ Dinner: Robbie Burns Night with the Eddys
TUESDAY	26	Take Out Tuesday
SATURDAY	30	Indoor Triathlon

FEBRUARY

TUESDAY	2	First Tuesday Dinner
TUESDAY	9	Take Out Tuesday
WEDNESDA	y 10	Dinner in the FDR: Beer Night
SATURDAY	13	Valentine's Day Dinner in the FDR
MONDAY	15	Presidents' Day - CLUB CLOSED
TUESDAY	16	Dinner in the FDR: Mardi Gras
TUESDAY	23	ZIPZ Dinner: Dancing in the Seats with Lynda Gilbert

EVENT Reservations

You can make your dining and event reservations several ways. The easiest way is to use the Club's mobile app — just bring up the Events calendar and find your desired event to register. You can also access the Events calendar from the Club's website (toledoclub.org). Or you can call the Club's main phone numbe, 419-243-2200.

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The mission of The Toledo Club, since 1889, is to enrich the lives of its members by providing a luxurious private Club experience in a financially responsible manner with extraordinary social and recreational activities that foster friendship, fellowship and pride among members.

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Dave Rainey, 31 years Brian McCarty, 1 year Ed Mackiewicz, 5 years Dawn Miller, 5 years Theresa Carroll, 1 year Sean Moran, 3 year Andrew Dunstan, 2 years Eddie Charlton, 1 year

Security & Front Desk

Ken Meyer, 25 years Dean Meyer, 10 years Jerry Moore, 5 years Stephanie Marlow, 4 years

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William Walters, 41 years John Robb, 32 years Theron King, 26 years Keith Kemp, 2 years Chris Young, 2 years Kevin Williams, 1 year

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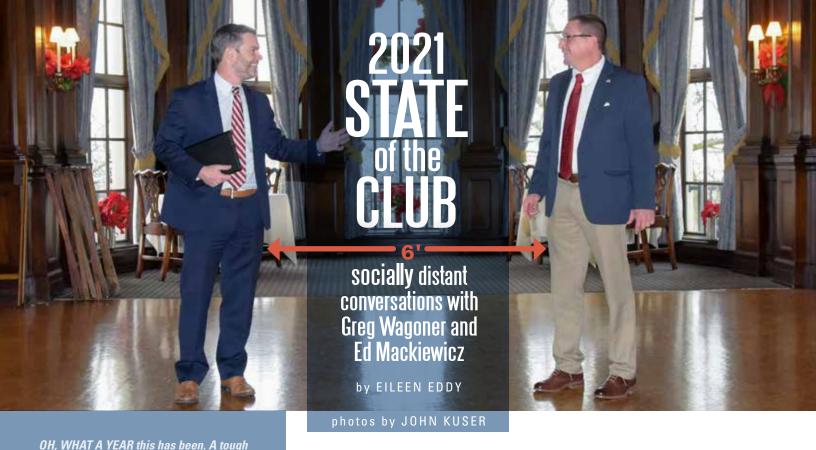
Warren Mays, 32 years Ron Cornelison, 29 years Simmie Besteda, 4 years

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Susan Cavalear	1962	59 years
Donald F Melhorn	1965	56 years
Marguerite P. O'Brien	1967	54 years
Justice G. Johnson	1970	51 years
Geneva D. Rodgers	1974	47 years
Scott Wm. Libbe	1982	39 years
Thomas R. Tousley	1984	37 years
Ronald M. Cooperman	1987	34 years
Sandra M. Hylant	1987	34 years
Betty L. Sherman	1987	34 years
Donna Pollex-Najarian	1989	32 years
Donald M. Mewhort, III	1989	32 years
G. Christopher Joseph	1995	26 years
William McElheney	1995	26 years
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one for everyone, and truly a trying time for those individuals that oversee an entity which has been so directly affected by the current COVID-19 pandemic situation. With the almost-daily changes to the rules handed down from the State and the local health department regarding the pandemic, it is surely mind-boggling. The grand tasks of ensuring that the laws and guidelines are adhered to, working to keep the Club open as much as possible, keeping the membership happy and, of course, ensuring that the members and staff are safe, are surely monumental. Also maintaining the Club's financial stability at this time is a very tall order indeed. Our Board President Greg Wagoner, along with our Board members and our wonderful management and staff, stepped up to the plate and have persevered.

Recently, it was my pleasure to conduct a telephone interview with Board President Gregory Wagoner. I also had a (socially distant) in-person interview with Assistant General Manager Ed Mackiewicz. From their interviews we can glean some information about the state of our Club at this time, get to know them a little better, and also learn what it is that they personally revere about our beautiful Club.

I BEGAN MY interview by

of course, a difficult time for the Club. I found that Mr. Wagoner, while being cognizant of the short-term challenges facing the Club, was surprisingly upbeat for the Club's long-term. I have learned that both the Board president and its members have plans and visions for a bright future for the Club, despite the current situation.

How long have you been involved with the Club? Was your family involved in your youth?

GW: I grew up in Toledo, but we were not members then. I joined the Club shortly after starting to practice law downtown. I have been a member for 15 years.

Since you have a relatively long history with the Club, are there any past events that you have enjoyed and that you would like to see return to the Club?

GW: We are always open to bringing back events and exploring new opportunities. We understand the importance of being creative with the way things are today. Cindy Niggemyer and the entire

social committee have been outstanding at coming up with new ideas. In today's environment, we are focusing on attendance at our current events. Prior to the pandemic, we were experiencing a significant increase in attendance. All of the events in the first quarter of the year—the Whiskey Dinner, Wild Game Dinner, President's Dinner and Boxing Night—were sold out or had increased participation from the previous year. Prior to the shutdown, the Squash Classic was sold out several weeks before the event. Eddie Charlton has done a marvelous job of taking an already-strong squash program and elevating it to another level. We understand the world has changed and that being creative and exploring new opportunities is more important than ever.



Looking back to last year's interview, I see that you stated that recruitment of new members was your main priority. How successful has the recruitment been?

GW: It's similar to A Tale of Two Cities because "it was the best of times, it was the worst of times." We experienced extraordinary success with the recruitment of members in late 2019 and the first quarter of 2020, adding in excess of 120 members. Christian Piazza and the entire membership committee have been fantastic. Prior to the shutdown, we really started to see the benefits of the increased membership, through increased utilization in all areas of the Club. You could feel the excitement at each event. That, of course, changed suddenly and dramatically in March and April of 2020 as we faced the COVID pandemic. It was a challenging time for the Club. We prioritized member retention when the Club closed, through a variety of offerings, and we worked fast to resume activities when permitted by the State. We do, however, recognize that this has been a difficult stretch for our members. While we did lose a few members, we are still at levels higher than when I became President. We are not where we want to be, but I am confident the pattern of growth will continue once we move through this pandemic.

Has the board done anything lately regarding membership, or is there a need to wait until we are operating at a closer-to-normal level to do so?

GW: First, I must commend the entire Board for the work throughout the pandemic. We have had more Zoom calls than I can count, and every Board member—without exception—has worked tirelessly to guide the Club through these challenges. We are always looking at membership opportunities, but there is no question it is more challenging in today's current environment. While we are still looking at growth opportunities, our larger concern over the last few months has been retention of existing members.

Now I would like to talk about the President's Dinner. Was it successful for 2020? Any special things to pass along?

GW: It was fantastic. Pete Kadens and Mayor Kapszukiewicz did an outstanding job. As you know, Pete spoke earlier that day and made an extraordinary gift to graduating seniors of Scott High School and their parents, offering to pay their four-year college tuition at an in-state school. The President's Dinner attendance was also at capacity, which really speaks to the members' excitement and love of the Club. We are planning on another exciting Dinner in 2021. We are targeting several dates in April but have to wait for guidance from the State on when we can hold large events.

Were the dollars generated from the President's Dinner earmarked for any one purpose?

GW: Dollars generated from the President's Dinner were not earmarked for any one particular project but assist the overall operation of the Club.

What sets us apart and would make us a good choice for potential members, or would provide good reasons to remain a member?

GW: We are unique in that we are the only pure "city" club in Toledo. There is no club that can match the splendor of The Toledo Club. It is a true gem. We also believe our location is unique. We sit in the middle of the growth sector of downtown and are excited by the future developments around the Club. The Club also offers such a wide variety of social events that no other club in the city can match. Whether it's squash, yoga, the Oak Room, the Tavern or the Founders Dining Room, no other Club in the city offers so many options. And then there are the other clubs that have formed within The Toledo Club—the Clusterfers, Mahjong Group, the Swimmers, Book Club, Explorers, ZIPZ, Nooners, or the squash players. These groups make it easy to fit in at the Club whether young or old. No other club in this city has anything close.

One of the questions I had planned to ask was about the age divide in the Club. You just commented a bit on that already. Do you think it is necessary to try to bridge the gap? Do you think that it in fact exists? (I mentioned a few events that I think cater to all ages)

GW: That is something the Club has dealt with for a long time. There is a younger contingency at the Club that is more attracted to squash, athletics, and the Tavern. Then, there is a dining component that tends to be a little older. We have done a nice job of bridging that gap. The Tavern seems to be the place where all groups—regardless of age—meet on a regular basis. But we also offer a variety of other events, such as the Harry Potter Dinner, the Halloween Party, the Parking Lot Party, and the Tea Dance, that bring these groups together.

Are there any weaknesses about the Club that bother you, that you feel need to be addressed?

GW: The Club is a beautiful, old ship but it requires constant maintenance and upkeep. Brian McCarty and the entire maintenance and housekeeping





We understand the world has changed and that being creative and exploring new opportunities is more important than ever.

– Greg Wagoner

department have been outstanding. The Board has talked about modifying the athletic space so that we can offer a wider variety of classes. We believe that would help us attract and retain members that utilize the athletic facilities. We also need to upgrade the kitchen. Chef Sean is the best in town but there are some efficiencies and improvements that could make his job easier and would help the overall flow of the kitchen area. Some of the equipment is outdated and needs to be upgraded. We added the patio over the summer, which was successful, but we're always looking for creative outdoor dining options. I personally would love to access the roof and turn that into indoor/outdoor dining space. That could be transcendent for the Club and a real source of growth.

What is your number one priority for you and the board as we go forth into a new vear?

GW: Really, I have two priorities, two focuses. We need to make the Club a safe place for the members so they can feel comfortable and be relaxed when down at the Club. I want to make sure that they come down [to the Club] more regularly. That is Priority #1. The management team has done an exceptional job at meeting and exceeding all [safety] standards. And, of course, we need to be fiscally responsible. We call it "operational discipline." During this difficult stretch, it is critical that we keep our expenses in line with revenue. We have done a pretty effective job of that over the last several months but need to monitor that closely moving forward. I personally want to thank Kathy Mikolajczak, Doug Kearns and the entire finance committee for their hard work. They have been instrumental in navigating the Club through the challenges we have faced over the past year.

May I ask your long-term goals?

GW: Retaining and increasing membership. That is the *sine qua non* of any club. The Club is a beautiful place, but it is the strength of the membership that makes it special. More members increase the overall energy at the Club. There is no better place in Toledo than the Club when it's buzzing with activity. It's electric. We have a fantastic management team in place to achieve these goals. I also believe that upgrades to the facility that I mentioned earlier will help attract and retain members. The development we see in this corridor of Toledo should result in a natural growth in members, but we need to make sure that we're constantly improving our product to stay relevant and attract and retain members.

I would like to ask about your wife, Jen (aka the First Lady) and her involvement with the Club. I have seen her at social and entertainment committee meetings and noticed her doing some décor upgrades around the Club with pillows and such. Is she a member of the house committee? (Note: I have since found out that Jen Wagoner is a listed member of both the social/entertainment and house committees.)

GW: Jen has been active on several committees, and was very instrumental in organizing the President's Dinner and renovating the suites on the 5th Floor. She also plays in the squash league and takes several classes from Lynette. She is a regular at the Club.

In closing, is there anything you would like to say to the membership and staff?

GW: I love the Club. I'm there five or six days a week—such a variety of things I do there. Whether it's a breakfast meeting, a squash match or dinner in the Tavern, it's an integral part of my life. And I am certainly not alone. The same is true for hundreds of our members. We all share the same passion for the Club. One of the things I talked about at the annual meeting is that, while this has unquestionably been a difficult stretch for the Club, I am more convinced than ever that this Club will be an important part of the fabric of Toledo for another 100 years. @



Ed Mackiewicz | assistant gener

AS I MENTIONED EARLIER. I had a socially distant in-person interview with Ed Mackiewicz. As I am sure you're aware, Ed is The Toledo Club assistant general manager/food and beverage manager. Recently Ed's obligations to the Club have changed. With the departure of Jeff Anderson from his position as general manager, those managerial tasks have fallen to Ed, along with his already existing duties.

I have seen Ed around the Club numerous times, as well as in committee meetings. He's always friendly, saying a "hello" in passing. But, upon interviewing him, I saw a different side of Ed that I had not witnessed before. I learned that he is a very enthusiastic, energetic person, with great loyalty to The Toledo Club. He is fun to talk with, and as you will find from this interview, for Ed, "fun" is a key word in his objectives.

This, of course, has been a tumultuous time for you. With Mr. Anderson leaving the Club, you suddenly find yourself in a new position as acting general manager, while still fulfilling the duties of food and beverage manager. The sheer volume of the rules and regulations that have had to be put in place must have been, and must continue to be, very challenging. How are you coping with it?

EM: These are unusual times. I am doing all I can to make things run smoothly, both handling food and beverage, and also general management [duties]. Our staff has done a wonderful job with all of the requirements, wearing masks and sanitizing, and flexible with the hours, too. We had to make changes; our schedule was changing almost daily sometimes.





I want to be part of making the Club a place you want to come to and that you will tell your friends about.

- Ed Mackiewicz

members have stepped up and helped out in many ways. Of course, we had to reduce operating hours and access to certain areas of the Club, but the members were understanding. They were over the top.

What do you look forward to doing here at the Club in the future? Your new goals?

EM: I was just in a meeting with Doug Teskey—great guy, very enthusiastic. We were talking about how we can create fun things down at the Club. Something for everyone that belongs to the Club. A club should be fun.

So, my goal? I would say it's to create a fun Club. One of the things coming up for Boxing Night this year is Doug Teskey and Andy Ranazzi — two of our members—are going to fight! So, on Boxing Night you'll have Teskey and Ranazzi—they're going to be the main event. How great is that? We're still going to have some of the preliminary matches with the kids. But they [Doug and Andy] will be the big attraction.

As for goals, our challenges now are more about membership and making the Club an interesting place. When you think back over the month about what you did, we want you to think what a great time you had, that you enjoyed the Club. Then look forward to the next month and the great events.

One of the challenges at this time is of course gaining and maintaining membership. Are you directly involved?

EM: I have not been directly involved in recruiting and enlisting the membership, although I will be much more involved now. We are in the dues business, but I want to be part of making the Club a place you want to come to and that you will tell your friends about.

Are you originally from the Toledo area?

EM: I was born and raised right here in Toledo. I graduated from Perrysburg High School. I moved around a little. I spent a couple of years in Colorado and a couple in central Ohio.

Do you have family in Toledo?

EM: I have three sons living locally, not in Toledo, but nearby. I am divorced, but I am engaged. For 8 years now. You've got to ease into these things, not just jump right in [says Ed, with a chuckle]. We're perfectly happy. It will happen.

Tell us about your work history and how you came to be employed by The Toledo Club.

EM: I started out working in automotive tooling distribution, for 20 years, actually. Later I spent 23 years at Brandywine Country Club. My mother worked here at The Toledo Club as banquet manager. Initially she worked for then-general manager Willis Garwood. Mr. Garwood retired from the Club. Mr. Garwood was good friends with Fred Baker (a local banker), who owned Brandywine Country Club. Fred Baker asked Mr. Garwood to come out of retirement and straighten out Brandywine. Mr. Garwood then asked that my mother, Phyllis, would come over to Brandywine and help out there. He stayed on at Brandywine for two years, and my mother stayed on for 35 years

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al manager

We had to change this, cancel that, open the Tavern at this hour-

sometimes within a moment's notice. Everyone has just done a great job for us.

What have you, yourself, had to do to conform to the COVID-19 situation?

EM: I try to lead by example. I wear my mask wherever I go. I even play squash with my mask on. There's a requirement that says you're supposed to wear a mask when you're in the building. The only time not to [wear a mask] is when you are actively eating, drinking or exercising. If I'm standing near the squash area [without a mask], that would be a bad example. So, I wear it all the time. I think if you can, you should take all precautions at this time.

Can you name some of the best things that have happened at the Club during the past year? Something that you would consider a triumph?

EM: I think the patio was a huge plus... If I had to pick one thing, it would be the patio. We were limited to the number of tables we could have [in the patio area] by the health department, even though it is outdoors. I could almost double the seating out there, in that footprint, but with COVID, and to have social distancing, it made us have to limit the amount of tables. Now next year, hopefully that [the COVID-19 restrictions] will all be gone. We can put more tables out there, be comfortable throwing parties. It will be great—we can have fun with it. I can't wait.

Do you feel that our members have done well with accepting the changes and restrictions that have had to be put in place?

EM: The members have been great! We found very little attrition during this whole COVID situation. The

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plus. So, you can see, I have ties to The Toledo Club. My mother loved the members, and was thrilled when I was asked by Roger Parker to join the Club management.

Is there anything else about yourself that will surprise us?

EM: I am very much into physical exercise. I still do the "Murph" each year. It's a contest, the Michael P. Murphy Challenge. Michael was a navy seal, a Medal of Honor winner, who was killed in 2005. The challenge takes place every Memorial Day. It's a workout that was Lt. Murphy's favorite. In the challenge you put on a 20-lb. vest or body armor, then run a mile, do 100 pullups, 200 pushups and 300 squats, and run another mile. The challenge raises funds for student scholarships. Many crossfitness gyms perform this on Memorial Day in honor of all vets.

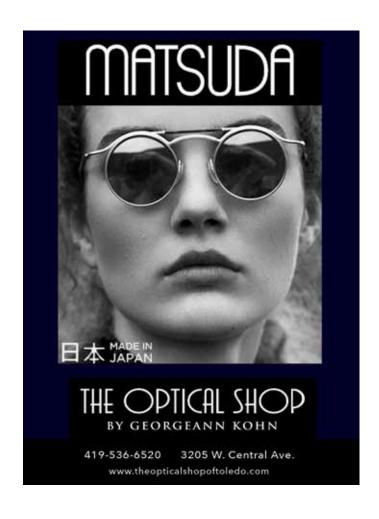
Also, I'm a drummer, a percussionist. I've been playing since I was 7 years old and I still play. (Maybe a Members' Jam sometime?).

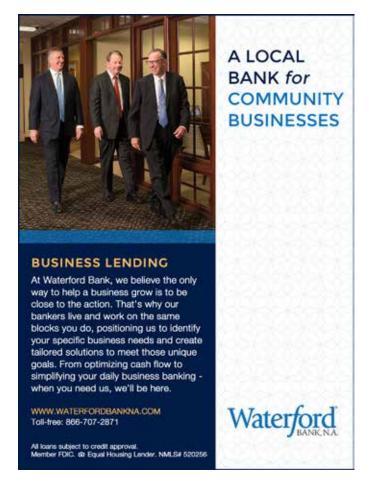
If you were speaking with a perspective member, what would you say makes us special and therefore worth joining?

EM: When I bought my last car, right before I left, they said, "Congratulations! You've earned it." That has stuck with me since then. I think that when you walk through the door here, that's how you should feel. You should say to yourself "I worked hard, I have earned it." This is what the Club is about. You are treating yourself; this is special the heritage, the history. There is nowhere in the area that you can walk in and look at the lobby, look at the area we're sitting in [the Red Rooml and not feel it's special. You should feel a passion when you walk in here.

"You've earned it."







Catering and events

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Theresa Carroll

Never before have I said those words with the raw and honest emotion that I uttered them with this year.

While hunkering down with my loving husband to watch the New Year's Eve celebrations. I was relieved! I've never been as anxious for a year to end as I have been for 2020 to come to a close.

After a whirlwind of rescheduling events and making the best of Ohio restrictions, I see light at the end of the tunnel — and it is not heralded by a novel virus! What a relief!

Thank you, one and all, for your patience as we navigated through this pandemic, together. Let's focus on the positive. Let's chart a path back to normalcy. Let's get some fun "on the books" in your catering office. Let's see your beautiful smiles, and enjoy Chef's marvelous food and our favorite libations once again! Hang in there, my friends. Better days are close at hand! The Toledo Club will soon be back to normal, and I, for one, cannot wait!

Come join me at the Valentine's Day Dinner on February 13th. RSVP to the loveliest Sweetheart's Dinner in town, and put on your finest party clothes! Give the doorman a chipper "Hello" as you enter your Clubhouse. Know that we are as excited to see you as you are excited to be back at your Toledo Club!

Onward & upward—I await your calls and your ideas.

"Happy New Year, Sweetheart!"





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Hours

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Dining Service

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DINNER

Please see calendar for location and times

Special event dinners in the Founders Dining Room: January 15 and 25 February 2, 10, 13, 16 and 23 *check with the Club to verify that these events are still scheduled

TAKEOUT AVAILABLE Call 419-254-2981 before 2 PM

Beverage Service

Oak Room Pub First Floor Monday - Friday 4-8 PM

Dress Code

24

4-8 PM

Proper business casual attire is required during dining and beverage hours in the Founders Dining Room.

Business Casual Attire: Collared shirt. pressed pants.

No shorts, t-shirts, athletic apparel, ball caps, denim, etc.

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY Please NOTE: The Club continues to plan events while adhering to the

state mandates. The details on any of the events shown on the calendars or mentioned in *Topics* are as accurate as possible at press time, but are subject to change depending on the most current restrictions and health guidelines. Members should check with the Club for the latest information on event details and Club hours of operations.

NEW YEAR'S DAY: CLUB CLOSED

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RESERVATIONS REQUIRED TAKEOUT AVAILABLE

& Events

FEBRUARY 2021



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Dinner and Wine Tasting in the FDR Friday, January 15 5-8 PM **Valentine's Dinner** in the FDR Saturday, February 13 5-8 PM **RESERVATIONS REQUIRED** TAKEOUT AVAILABLE

EVENT RESERVATIONS: Use the TC Mobile AppGo online at ToledoClub.org • Call 419-243-2200 **TAKEOUT ALWAYS AVAILABL** • Call 419-254-2981 before 2 PM

WEDNESDAY, **FEBRUARY 10** RESERVATIONS REQUIRED TAKEOUT AVAILABLE



JANUARY 2021

Athletics

Hours

Athletic Department and Pool

419-254-2990

Monday-Thursday 5 AM-8 PM

> Friday 5 AM-7 PM

Saturday-Sunday 8 AM-7 PM

Pool closed

Thursday 5:15 – 6 PM for Masters Swim

> **Squash Courts** 419-254-2965

Barber Shop: 1st Floor **Bert Mills** 419-254-2979 Monday-Thursday

6 AM-5 PM

Tailor Shop: 5th Floor **Phyllis Sheets** 419-243-2200 ext. 2152 Tuesday-Friday 9 AM - 5 PM

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Jennifer Hertzfeld 419-315-5010

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Malena Caruso Yoga Instructor 330-388-1395

Manicurist 419-254-2979

Thomas Derring **Leather Specialist** 419-254-2979

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JANUARY FITNESS CHALLENGE: Mind, Body & Spirit



FEBRUARY FITNESS CHALLENGE:

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8-WEEK WEIGHT LOSS CHALLENGE starting in January

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Eddie Charlton

Happy New Year!

Here's hoping 2021 will be happy, healthy and successful for the Club and all of its wonderful members.

Winter Squash League update

In terms of squash, the Winter Squash League continues after the holiday. The first half saw some well-contested play across all tiers, with blood, sweat and tears being left on the court. One of the highlights for me right now is the number of female players we currently have either playing in the league or playing socially. We had a solid group of ladies last season, but this season we have reached new heights! The camaraderie between the squash members is what makes the Club so unique, and our ladies' participation has been a huge contributing factor in making this happen. If you have thought about giving squash a try, please reach out and we'll get you set up and having fun in no time.



Junior Squash is back in action!

Junior Squash starts back up in early January and will run through the end of February. The program caters to children between the ages of 3 and 16 years old, and provides a structured 45-minute session focusing on all aspects of squash in a fun manner. Junior programming is every Thursday and/or Saturday, If you would like any more information, please contact Eddie: echarlton@toledoclub.org.

DRAFT NIGHT OCTOBER 29, 2020















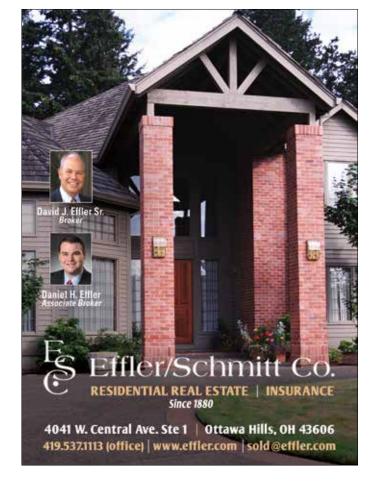
Eddie's Quick Squash Fixes

If in doubt... volley! We have all felt it, standing to return a serve, and you're not sure whether to volley it before the sidewall, after the sidewall, or let it bounce. By the time you've thought about it the ball has bounced twice and you're walking to the other side to repeat the process. Volleying the ball takes commitment and confidence, but once you get comfortable with how to volley, it can save you a lot of energy and take time from your opponent. Next time you step on court and you're warming the ball up, why not start by volleying? It will get your reactions sharp and also get you into good habits from the get-go. Good luck!

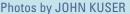
Workouts from home

During the lockdown period we kept you on your toes with a variety of workouts for every fitness level. If you're home and wanting to burn off a few extra calories, a couple of these

sessions are uploaded on YouTube. Simply search for: The Toledo Club #workoutwednesday. Enjoy!

















(Happy) New Year, New You!

Happy New Year from the Fitness Department! As we look back at 2020, let's use it to continue to move us forward in mind, body and spirit through 2021.

Lvnette Glorioso

January and February Exercise Challenges

To help us start out the new year strong, we have quite a few challenges for you to participate in. Starting in January, we have our monthly challenge-New Year, New You—with an opportunity to make a positive commitment to yourself every day for 31 days, including drinking red wine and eating dark chocolate. Now how can you say no to that?



The Big Ugly is an eight-week Weight Loss Challenge to help you lose those extra holiday pounds you may have put on. Here's how it works:

- After weighing in the first week of January, you have until the week of March 8 to lose 5% of your body weight.
- To help you complete your goal, we're offering eight 30-minute personal training sessions for \$200 ,with a FREE session if you achieve your weight loss.
- We'll finish this challenge with a celebration on March 25, and if you successfully completed the weight loss, you get to attend for free. If not, you pay the Big Ugly \$100 that goes towards our party. Money isn't everything, but it is a great motivator!

You can register for this and all our great programs by emailing fitness@toledoclub.org.



Learn to Swim for Fitness: Six-week session, Saturdays beginning January 2 at 11:15 AM

If you've ever wanted to add swimming to your workout routine, here's a great opportunity! We'll be having a six-week program, Learn to Swim for Fitness, starting January 2. In a relaxed atmosphere, Melissa will help beginners to advanced swimmers perfect their stroke and breathing, as well as provide ideas on how to do an effective pool workout.

Swimming gets your heart rate up while taking impact stress off your body. It helps build endurance, muscle strength and cardiovascular fitness, while it helps maintain a healthy heart and lungs, tones muscles, and builds strength and flexibility.

Sounds like a great way to kick off your New Year and get you ready for the Indoor Triathlon on January 30!

The cost is \$75 for the six weeks.

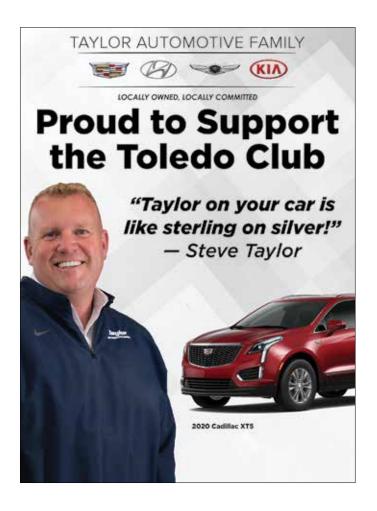
TAKING IT OUTSIDE

Many of the Club's squash players took advantage of the outdoor circuit workouts during the fall.



Together let's make a commitment this year to be stronger, braver, kinder, and unstoppable. I'll see you at the Club!







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NEW Faces

Jennifer Hertzfeld | Massage therapist

The Club has welcomed a second therapist to render massage therapy and relaxation massage at the Club. Many of our squash players already use her services.

Jennifer Hertzfeld is a northwest Ohio native, born in Grand Rapids. The mother of a 3-year-old son, she is very busy between her office, the Club



and taking care of him. Jennifer is a warm, friendly person, and loves boating, camping and travel in general. She has an office from which she works, and will now offer the convenience of massage appointments at the Club.

Jennifer is a highly trained and licensed massage therapist. Her training emphasized orthopedic massage. Her primary massage technique is used to promote healing and comfort through deep tissue massage, which is wonderful for muscle and joint pain. And ladies, you will be glad to know she also offers relaxation massage. Who doesn't deserve that from time to time?

When I chatted with Jennifer, she assured me that safety is number one during the coronavirus pandemic. She takes great care with cleanliness of equipment and always requires masks. You can make a massage appointment with Jennifer by calling 419-315-5010. —by EILEEN EDDY

Ron Shnider | *Topics* ad sales

Ron Shnider joins The Toledo Club as sales manager for Topics magazine. Prior to joining The Toledo Club, Ron spent 52 years at The Blade in the Advertising Department. During his time at the paper he managed several products including Co-op, Comics,

Toledo Magazine, Real Estate and New Business Development.

Ron is an active member of the community. He is currently chairman of the Ray Kest Memorial Old Newsboys Scholarship Corporation. This organization awards twelve \$5,000 scholarships each year to high school seniors. He is a past president of the Old Newsboys Goodfellows Association and currently serves on the board of



the Igniters. In addition, he is active in The University of Toledo Women's Basketball Fan Club and was a board member for 16 years of Family House, the area's largest homeless shelter. Ron was also on the marketing committee of the Motor City Bowl/Little Caesars Pizza Bowl football game for 17 years. Ron can reached at 419-654-2997.



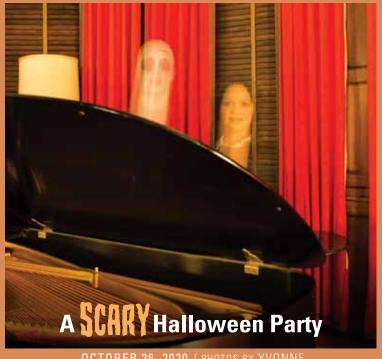
Phyllis Sheets | Tailor Shop, 5th floor

I recently spoke with Phyllis about her tailoring services here at the Club, and a little about herself.

Phyllis is a Toledoan, born and bred. She was a member of the third graduating class of Bowsher High School. She's the mother of two daughters, one who resides in Cincinnati, the other in Minneapolis. They, like mom, are also seamstresses, although they mainly sew for their own pleasure on occasion. Phyllis, on the other hand, made her sewing abilities into a career. She was a home seamstress, but became a full-blown dressmaker, tailor, and business owner. She joined us as the Club's tailor in March of 2019.

Starting to sew at the age of 7 is proof of Phyllis having a lifelong devotion to her craft. Self-taught, she started out making doll clothes. She advanced, and as an adult, did all the sewing for her family. "When the girls went to school, I made all their clothing, my clothing and my husband's shirts." She then went on to work in a fabric store, where she was "discovered" and asked to come on board at a bridal shop. "I went pro in 1980," she says. Later she went on to work in alterations and tailoring at department stores. "Working in department stores is where I really learned a lot" says Phyllis. "I was originally self-taught, but gained a lot of knowledge in the stores." After some changes in ownership of the stores, Phyllis opened her own alterations and tailoring shop on Rugby Drive in south Toledo. She ran the store for 10 years. After coming to The Toledo Club, she decided to "let it go" and closed her shop on Rugby in February 2020. She was waiting to make sure that the Club would be a good fit for her business, and luckily it is. Having created fashions for dolls, herself, and her family for 30 years, and then 40 additional years as a paid professional, Phyllis is truly experienced in her trade.

I asked Phyllis about her strengths. Her reply was, "I'm a perfectionist. I listen to the customer, and to what they want. I won't let them leave until they're happy." She has the ability to do repairs or alterations on anything from jeans to wedding gowns and tuxedos. Being so conveniently located at the Club, along with her experience and work ethic, make her a true asset for our members. Phyllis is available in her shop on the 5th floor Tuesdays through Friday, 10 AM to 5 PM (hours could change at any time due to the COVID-19 situation.) Appointments can always be made by calling 419-345-2325. Phyllis is working to keep her studio shop and her customers COVID-19 safe. -by EILEEN EDDY

























JANUARY/FEBRUARY MEETING SCHEDULES

For dates, times and locations of January and February committee meetings, watch for emails from the Club or your committee chairmen, or contact your committee chairmen directly.

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Saturday, January 30, 2021 10 AM

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15 minutes on a stationary bike



15 minutes in the pool



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