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President's Message

By Sharon Wood

Welcome to warm weather and flowers. Finally!
It was a long, tough, never-ending winter but we made it!

Our April Meeting was held at The Beer Barrell at Fallen Timbers. We had a fabulous speaker from the Toledo Metroparks. We learned so much about the park system and plans for expansion. There are 14 parks in our area and several of us were not even aware some of these existed! Wiregrass Lake Metropark, for example, is a park with a lake and kayak launch located on N. Eber Road in Holland, OH that opened a couple of years ago. They have also opened the Middlegrounds Park on the Maumee River in Downtown Toledo which is getting lots of lunchtime activity from those who work downtown. Go to www.metroparkstoledo.com for a wealth of awesome information. There are so many events and programs available that you are sure to find something of interest! Check this out and plan a trip with family and friends to visit a new park this season.

The Region IV Conference is May 3-6 in Midland, MI. There are several of us attending and we will be happy to share details of the event when we return.

Our next meeting is our May Breakfast which will be held on May 9th at the Toledo Club in downtown Toledo. We will have a speaker from the Toledo Maritime Museum. Members and guests are welcome.

Missed a meeting? Stay in the know! Minutes from our meetings can be viewed at our website www.taoip.org under the members tab.

If you have any questions, concerns, or ideas, please feel free to reach out to me at swood@tdclife.com.

Make it a great month.
GROW with TAIP!!!

Education

by Beverly Hammond

Here are some CE classes. Service Master has two classes on May 16, 2018. 9AM -12 Noon Controlling Claims Cost and 1-4 PM Smoke & Odor. Both classes are 3 hours CE. If you stay for both classes, they also provide lunch. This is at their Defiance location and are limited to 25 agents. Call 419-784-5570 or email: pat@smbymccann.com for more information.

SMB Construction Company, Inc. has two classes on May 18, 2018 9AM-12 Noon Fundamentals of Dwelling and Homeowners Policies for 3 hours CE and 1-3PM Understanding Mold And Water Damage Issues for 2 hours CE. These are here in Toledo at 5120 Jackman Rd. Lunch will be provided. Call 419-260-6567 or email: jalme@smbconstruction.com for more information.

I will try to get more information on other classes and keep everyone posted.

If anyone is interested in having a CWC Class, please let me know and I will try to get one put together.

I also will remind you that there are other classes that we can do through IAIP and CWC which can be done online. Just let me know what anyone would like to have in a class and I will see what we can do to have it.

Legislation

by Beverly Hammond

This time I selected an issue that is to appear on the ballot on May 8th, Anti-Gerrymandering.

A new way of drawing congressional district lines will be in Ohio voters' hands in May. The term gerrymandering is used when a political party redraws congressional district lines to benefit their own party's interests.

Both the State Senate and House have voted to put a new redistricting plan on the May ballot.

The amendment would require a 50 percent representation of the state's minority party in the redistricting committees that approve the 10-year district maps.

If a consensus cannot be met, the redistricting would go to a seven-member commission that includes the state governor, auditor and secretary of state.

The plan also prohibits most counties and municipalities from being split up into different districts.

It's been both political parties that have done it over the years. It just needs to be fair so that the voters get to make

the choice of who they vote for and not some politician in Washington.

The hope is the new plan will allow districts to be drawn on the objective data of population density instead of political party sway.

Give this some thought and remember to vote on May 8th.

Community Service

by Tracy Barber

Well, it looks like winter is finally gone and spring is here! Yay!! We volunteered to man the registration table for the Cherry Street Mission Annual Spring banquet on April 19th. I would like to say thank you to Allison Hammons, Denise Adamski and Carol Taylor for volunteering with me. There was a tremendous turn out for the event and Sam, the Events Coordinator for the Cherry Street Mission, appreciated that we were able to help them out again this year.

Public Relations

by Marla Wholf

We hope to see everyone at the May 9th Breakfast meeting at the Toledo Club. A representative from the Mayor's officer will be presenting us with a Proclamation in honor of IAIP week which is 5/20/2018 to 5/26/2018. We will have a speaker from the Maritime Museum that will tell us why Toledo was chosen as the perfect location for this newest cultural gem! New Members will be honored. Please invite your co-workers to see what we are all about!

Upcoming Association Events:

General Meeting

May 9, 2018: Breakfast - Toledo Club

Board Meeting

May 23, 2018: TDC, Maumee

Ohio

October 26-27, 2018: Ohio Council Meeting, Perrysburg

Regional

May 3-6, 2018: Region IV Conference
Hosted by Michigan Council
The H Hotel, Midland, Michigan

National

June 7-9, 2018: IAIP National Convention
St. Louis, Missouri

TAIP – SAFETY Chair: Andrea Wymer

SAFETY COUNCIL OF NORTHWEST OHIO -

www.scnwo.org

The Safety Council of Northwest exist to enhance the quality of life by providing educational programs and services that improve the safety, health and environment of its members and member businesses. There are a number of benefits exclusive to SCNWO members.



Last month volunteers from our organization assisted members of the Safety Council of Northwest Ohio with their 51st Annual Hero's Banquet. It was a huge success and they were very grateful for our participation. Below are a couple links to some heartwarming stories of local heroes who were featured.

<http://www.toledoblade.com/local/2018/04/19/Heroes-honored-at-an-annual-event.html>

<https://twitter.com/ToledoPolice/status/987414003294056448>

Later this month, the Safety Council and BWC's Division of Safety & Hygiene (DSH) will host their 64th annual Recognition Awards Banquet to recognize local companies for their excellence in safety. The following awards will be presented:

Group Award - to the employer with the lowest incident rate in each group;

100% Award - to each employer that works the entire calendar year without an injury or illness resulting in a day away from work;

Achievement Award - to each employer that decreases its incident rate by at least 25% from the previous year;

Special Award - to each employer that accumulates at least 500,000 hours and at least six months without an injury or illness resulting in a day away from work.

Click: [2018 Award Recipients](#) to see the list of companies receiving awards.

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As the course provider for state programs, NSC will assist you in getting the training and documentation necessary to meet your state's requirements.

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Tornado Preparedness

Not one state in the continental U.S. has escaped the wrath of tornadoes. According to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, [tornado season](#) runs between May and June in the Southern Plains, June and July in the central United States, and earlier in the spring on the Gulf Coast. But tornadoes can strike at any time of the year.

If a tornado is spotted:

- Seek shelter immediately
- If you're away from home, seek out a basement, interior corridor, tunnel, underground parking lot or subway
- Avoid auditoriums, upper floors of buildings, trailers and parked vehicles
- Stay away from all windows
- If you're out in the open, lie flat in a ditch or other low-lying area and protect your head; stay away from poles or overhead lines
- If you're driving, drive at right angles to the tornado's path; if you can't escape it, get out of the vehicle and seek a low-lying area
- If you're at home, head for the basement and take cover under a heavy table or workbench; if you don't have a basement, go into a windowless room in the center of the house
- Stay away from windows and cover yourself with a rug for protection against flying glass and debris
- Know the difference between a watch (conditions are favorable for a tornado to form) and a warning (a tornado has been spotted in your area and you should take shelter immediately)

For More Information

- [National Weather Service](#)
- [American Red Cross](#)
- [Ready.gov](#)

The Toledo Association of Insurance Professionals Invites You to:

May Breakfast Meeting

Date: May 9, 2018

Time: 7:30 a.m. Registration / 8:00 a.m. Program Begins

Place: Toledo Club 235 14th St. Toledo, Oh

Cost: \$21.00

Old Fashioned Hot Breakfast Buffet

Speaker from Toledo Maritime Museum

Door Prizes

Mini Fundraiser—bring some extra cash!

New members will be honored. Guests are encouraged to attend.

Everyone welcome!

RSVP: Barber@knightinsurance.com by Tuesday, May 1st.

RSVP 's after May 1st — \$26.00 cost

