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This year marks the 19th annual 20 Under 40 Leadership Awards Recognition Program. The 2014 program brings the number of distinguished 20 Under 40 award recipients to 380. The 20 Under 40 program focuses on individuals who are making exceptional contributions to the community and/or have distinguished themselves in their careers. It is intended that the program will assist in motivating young leaders in the area. The awards program also represents a networking opportunity for candidates and attendees. Chrys Peterson, a former news anchor for WTOL-TV11 who is a communications consultant and

continues to be a significant community advocate is the master of ceremonies for the awards event.

The list of past and present 20 Under 40 award recipients is a virtual who's who of current and future community leaders. To become an award recipient, many candidates have been nominated two to three or more times in as many years. Nominations for



*Chrys Peterson, former
WTOL-TV11 NEWS ANCHOR
and 20 Under 40 master of
ceremonies.*

the 20 Under 40 awards come from all segments of the community.

An outside panel of judges is selected annually, generally consisting of CEOs, officials, and community leaders. This year's judges include: Gregory Guzman, Diocese of Toledo / Central City Ministry; Cheryl Hardy, Hardy Communications; Joel Jerger, Huntington National Bank; Rhonda D.

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The event is sponsored by **Eastman & Smith, Ltd, Fifth Third Bank, Plante Moran, and Columbia Gas of Ohio. Leadership Toledo** is the community partner, and *Toledo Business Journal* is the media partner. The cultural arts sponsors are **Toledo Museum of Art, Toledo Symphony, Toledo Opera, and Oregon Community Theatre.** Sponsors have worked over the past several months to organize the event.

Following are profiles of this year's 20 Under 40 award recipients.

{Congratulations!}

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Chris Denman

Chief Operating Officer, Devonshire REIT, Inc.

Chris Denman, Chief Operating Officer, Devonshire REIT, Inc.

Nominated by David DiManna and David Schlaudecker

Chris Denman is chief operating officer at Devonshire REIT, Inc., which owns and operates approximately \$300 million in commercial real estate and is one of the region's fastest growing companies.

Denman is also founder and president of TEI Charities, Inc., which has sent over \$23,000 to The V Foundation for cancer research over the past few years. He has served on Leadership Toledo's board of directors the past six years and on the executive committee for four years, including as president.

Denman and his wife have been married since 2000 and moved back to northwest Ohio in March 2006 to be closer to friends and family. They currently reside



Crystal Ellerbrock

Private Banking Relationship Manager, Fifth Third Bank

in the Maumee / Monclova Township area with their two daughters.

Crystal Ellerbrock, Private Banking Relationship Manager, Fifth Third Bank

Nominated by: Robert LaClair

Crystal Ellerbrock is a private banking relationship manager with Fifth Third Bank as well as CEO of Ellerbrock Enterprises. She simplifies financial complexity for the top one percent of clients in northwest Ohio by offering trust services, wealth and estate planning, investment services, risk management, and private bank capabilities to her clients.

Ellerbrock also founded the William T. Ellerbrock Foundation, which raises money for awareness and research about Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, in the wake of losing her own child. She also sits on the board for Open Arms Board Domestic



Candice Harrison

Director, Schools as Hubs Initiative

Violence and Rape Center, is a volunteer emergency medical technician, and a very active parish member of the St. Mary's Catholic Parish.

Candice Harrison, Director, Schools as Hubs Initiative

Nominated by: Dave Schlaudecker and Treva Jeffries

As the director of Schools as Hubs Initiative, Candice Harrison established more than 20 partnerships that have positively impacted the quality of lives of students and their families in areas such as finances, health, wellness, and academic achievement.

In 2013, she served more than 75 volunteer hours with various community organizations. She received the Top Community Voices award from the United Way of Greater Toledo for her work during its



Daniel Hurlbert

Manager, Ohio Department of Job and Family Services Veterans Program

annual campaign. She is also a member of the Leadership Toledo board of trustees and a member of the Children's Hunger Alliance Northwest Region board where she serves on the public relations committee.

Harrison is the first person in her family to earn a BA and MA, which she managed with two children and a full-time job. Her husband, fifteen-year-old son, and six-year-old daughter are the most valuable aspects of her life and her best accomplishments.

Daniel Hurlbert, J.D., Manager, Ohio Department of Job and Family Services Veterans Program

Nominated by: Lee Armstrong

Daniel Hurlbert has facilitated the employment of over 1,500 unemployed and disabled veterans since 2011, in his role as manager of the Ohio Department of Job and

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The **20 Under 40** leadership awards program spotlights young, dynamic leaders who excel in community involvement and professional experience. Congratulations to all of this year's finalists for their exceptional contributions and distinguishing achievements!

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**Treva Jeffries***Scott High School Principal*

Family Services (ODJFS) Veterans Program. This involved partnering with local business organizations throughout northwest Ohio to establish a positive presence and increase employment and training opportunities for veterans. He developed data collection and tracking methodologies for the Ohio Veterans Program that were subsequently borrowed and implemented in other states.

Hurlbert provided pro bono legal services through Project SALUTE to low-income veterans with VA compensation and pension appeals. He also currently serves as chairman of the board for The Josh Project, which offers water safety education and survival swimming lessons to children and their families to prevent drowning and other water-related injuries.

Hurlbert lives in Holland with his wife and three children.

**Sara Martino***Physician Assistant, University of Toledo Medical Center***Treva Jeffries, Principal, Scott High School***Nominated by: Candice Harrison*

Treva Jeffries graduated from Scott High School in 1992, completed her education at Kentucky State and Bowling Green State University, then returned to Scott High School as a teacher. She served as cheerleading coach and head volleyball coach, then became the Science Curriculum Director for Toledo Public Schools.

She next served as Centennial Principal of Scott High School and was instrumental in the smooth transition of staff and students through renovations to the high school. On Labor Day of 2012 she hosted President Barack Obama's visit to Scott High School. She was a past member of the Cherry Street Legacy Project Advisory Committee, past board member of the Educational Leadership Association for the promotion and

**Lindsay McKibben***Assistant Vice President, Signature Bank*

advocacy of women in administration, and is a present board member of the Lutheran Social Services of Northwest Ohio.

She is a mother to her daughter, Blake, a current high school junior, and her adopted daughter Antionette, a civilian employee at Fort Hood, Texas.

Sara Martino, Physician Assistant, University of Toledo Medical Center*Nominated by: Katie Bush, RN*

Sara Martino is a physician assistant at the University of Toledo Medical Center (UTMC) in the Department of Orthopedics. She received her BS in Exercise Science from UT; Masters in Health Education and Promotion from the BGSU, UT, and MCO consortium program; Masters in Physician Assistant Studies from UTMC; and is anticipating a PhD in Health Education from UT in the fall of 2014.

Martino serves as board secretary for the

**Brian S. Merkle***Merkle Funeral Service*

Junior League of Toledo; Chi House Corporation Board President; vice president and treasurer of the Ohio Association of Physician Assistants; and the president of the Woodland Parent's Club. In 2012, she was recognized by *Toledo Parent News* as the Yark Auto Mom of the Year and also received the Junior League of Toledo's Power of Woman Award.

Lindsay McKibben, Assistant Vice President, Signature Bank*Nominated by: Alison Frye*

Lindsay McKibben recently joined Signature Bank as an AVP in client development. Prior to that, she constantly exceeded sales goals and ranked in the top 10% of retail employees as a commercial credit analyst at PNC Bank, where she was ranked by senior management as the top analyst in the region and was named Analyst of the Quarter every period she was eligible.

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*Mark W. Sandretto**Heidi N. Hartman**Joshua S. Peterson*

The attorneys of Eastman & Smith Ltd. congratulate their friends and colleagues Mark Sandretto, Heidi Hartman and Joshua Peterson on their nominations for the 20 Under 40 leadership award.

Thank you, and all nominees, for your contributions to your profession and our community.

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Kristen Mollenkopf
Client Associate, Wells Fargo

McKibben is also the founder and director of Girls on the Run of northwest Ohio, a non-profit organization that inspires 3rd-5th grade girls to be joyful, healthy, and confident using a fun, experience-based curriculum which integrates running. Since the organization's inception in 2011, she has helped give self-confidence to over 700 girls by managing a team of over 125 volunteers, coaches, and part-time staff while simultaneously planning two annual 5K events which draw over 1,000 attendees each.

She continues to challenge herself physically and mentally by completing multiple marathons and half-marathons while striving to be a good example for her husband and two young boys.

Brian S. Merkle, Merkle Funeral Service

Nominated by: Mark C. Elliott



Angie Morelock
CEO / President, Chamber of Commerce of Sandusky County

Brian Merkle purchased the property for a new funeral home in Frenchtown Township, Michigan in 2005. He designed the facility and secured financing in 2006, then completed construction in 2007. He quickly grew the business by acquiring a funeral home in Erie, Michigan in 2009 that he had previously managed. Continued growth of the company required the acquisition of an additional, larger facility in 2013. He also sponsored two funeral director apprentices and added both individuals to the professional staff.

Merkle was also appointed to the Monroe Charter Township Board as a trustee, chairman of the Board of Review, and served on the election committee. He served as emergency medical liaison to Mercy Memorial Hospital for the Monroe Charter Township Fire Department.

Merkle is an active member of Trinity



Lindsay Navarre
Assistant Prosecutor, Lucas County
Prosecutor's Office

Lutheran Church and serves as an usher, elder, Day School Commission chairperson and vice chairperson, and sits on the church council as vice president of education. He also enjoys spending time with his wife of 13 years and their three children.

Kristen Mollenkopf, Client Associate, Wells Fargo

Nominated by: Karen Fraker

Kristen Mollenkopf has a diverse background in assisting many charitable organizations with their fundraising efforts. She is the co-creator and co-chair of The Summer Kickoff Event of MDA, a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for abused and neglected children, and an active member of the Junior League.

Mollenkopf has also been a Taste of the Nation Ambassador, a member of the Toledo Opera Guild Committee, a HOPE for



Zachary Ottenstein
Marketing Communications Director,
Health Care REIT, Inc.

Harbor House co-chair, and a volunteer with various organizations including Toys for Tots and Elks Club.

She is a 2014 graduate of Leadership Toledo, has been recognized as "Fresh Faces Taking on Philanthropy" in the *Toledo Blade* and has been voted "Toledo's Socialite – runner up" by *Toledo City Paper*.

Angie Morelock, CEO / President, Chamber of Commerce of Sandusky County

Nominated by: Robert Hershey

Angie Morelock was born and raised in Sandusky County where she has held the position of CEO / president of the Chamber of Commerce since January 2013. In her first twelve months, Morelock increased sponsorship support by over 200% for Chamber events and activities and increased

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**Sarah Ottney***Managing Editor, Toledo Free Press***Ashley Schade***Associate / Audit Manager, Plante Moran***Jeff Starner***Senior Vice President, The State Bank***Dana Syrek***Development Director, Toledo Botanical Gardens*

event attendance and participation.

Previously, she served as executive director for Downtown Fremont, Inc. for eleven years. In 2011, she instituted a SEED (Sticky Economic Evaluation Device) Study to measure the economic impact of the Farmer's Markets established under her leadership in 2006. She also created a partnership with a local bank to establish Small Business Reinvention Scholarships allowing independent business owners the opportunity to attend Destination Boot Camp, which kicked off a six-month Community Reinvention Project.

Morelock lives in Gibsonburg with her husband, fourteen-year-old daughter, and eleven-year-old son.

**Lindsay Navarre, Assistant Prosecutor,
Lucas County Prosecutor's Office**

Nominated by: Robert A. Miller

Lindsay Navarre spent her first two years

in the Juvenile Division of the Lucas County Prosecutor's Office, handling misdemeanor and felony offences, taking over 25 cases to trial. After two years, she was promoted to the Adult Criminal Division and has spent the last seven years handling adult, felony cases. In 2012, she was promoted to senior trial attorney status. She has worked on over 40 jury trials, including many high-profile murder cases. In the summer of 2013, she was the first prosecutor in Lucas County to achieve a conviction at trial for the charge of participating in a criminal gang.

Navarre is passionate about public safety and often speaks to groups throughout the community. This May she was sworn in as president of the Toledo Women's Bar Association. She also volunteers her time as a mentor for law students and recent graduates.

Navarre is also a part-time instructor at Owens Community College and trains local police departments on constitutional

law topics.

**Zachary Ottenstein, Marketing
Communications Director, Health Care
REIT, Inc.**

Nominated by Jeff Miller, Christy Contardi Stone, Jen Sorgenfrei, Susan Gibney

Zachary Ottenstein serves as marketing communications director at Health Care REIT, Inc. He led the creation and writing of 2012 and 2013 Health Care REIT annual reports and inaugural 2013 corporate sustainability report, led the redesign of the company's website, organized 2013 Investor Day, and developed the Hurricane Sandy relief program for customers.

He is the board president for Toledo Day Nursery, a board member for the Toledo Museum of Art, and the founding president of the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library Literati. He graduated summa cum laude from the University of Missouri School of

Journalism, where he sang in a choral group that performed in Carnegie Hall.

**Sarah Ottney, Managing Editor,
Toledo Free Press**

Nominated by: Dave Schlaudecker and Chris Kozak

Sarah Ottney graduated from Oak Harbor High School as a salutatorian in 2002, edited the student newspaper at Ohio Wesleyan University, went on to write for the *Aberdeen (South Dakota) American News*, and returned to Toledo in 2009 for AmeriCorps VISTA service with the Ohio Association of Second Harvest Foodbanks. In 2010, she joined the *Toledo Free Press* as a freelance writer, was promoted to special sections editor, and is now the managing editor.

Ottney also assisted the *Toledo Free Press* with producing and marketing the

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Jason Slattery, Director of Solar at The Rudolph/Libbe Companies, was nominated for his outstanding leadership and contributions to solar energy in our region.

About 20 Under 40

20 Under 40 is a Leadership Recognition Program that showcases young, dynamic leaders in Northwest Ohio and Southeast Michigan who are under the age of 40. The program recognizes individuals who have distinguished themselves in their careers and in the community.

Good Luck to Jason and His Fellow Nominees!

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**Craig Teamer**

Assistant Vice President, Huntington National Bank

annual charity benefit CDs for American Red Cross of Northwest Ohio, Make-A-Wish Foundation, and Acoustics for Autism. She also volunteers with IMatters and Tent City, and is a past volunteer with Read for Literacy at Toledo-Lucas County Public Library, Vision Kitchen in south Toledo, and Food for Thought. She is also an advisory board member for *Toledo Streets* newspaper.

Ashley Schade, Associate / Audit Manager, Plante Moran

Nominated by: David DiManna and Cathy Sheets

Ashley Schade is a certified public accountant with over seven years of experience. She specializes in the manufacturing and distribution industries as well as higher education and spends a significant amount of time advising privately held companies

**Emily Voss**

WTOL News Anchor

on a variety of business issues.

Schade started a working mom's networking group in the Toledo office of Plante Moran and organized a women in leadership luncheon to assist the women staff with career planning. Due to her leadership she was assigned as the Toledo office champion for firm-wide Women in Leadership initiatives. Schade serves on the board of directors of Girls on the Run of northwest Ohio. She is actively involved in a number of other community organizations.

Schade has a BS from Heidelberg University as well as a Masters in Accountancy from Bowling Green State University and lives in Sylvania with her husband and two children.

Jeff Starner, Senior Vice President, The State Bank

Nominated by: Laura Kline

Jeff Starner manages and leads a team

**Christina Williams**

WTVG-13ABC Action News Anchor

of professionals in the Defiance region with over \$175 million in loan portfolios and \$220 million in deposit balances, by far the largest region at State Bank. He has been recognized as top performer by State Bank's "Next Generation Leadership Program" and was chosen to attend the Graduate School of Banking beginning this August.

Starner also has been selected to the board of ProMedica Defiance Regional Hospital Foundation, was voted to the board of the Defiance Community Improvement Corporation, and completed both the Fulton County and Defiance County Leadership Program.

He was born and raised in Defiance, Ohio and continues to live there with his wife, five-year-old daughter and one-year-old son.

Dana Syrek, Development Director, Toledo Botanical Gardens

**Matt Yarder**

Vice President, The Yarder Manufacturing Co.

Nominated by: Bruce Douglas

Dana Syrek is committed to making a positive change in Toledo and Northwest Ohio through a career in non-profit / cause-related organizations. She was involved in the management of the successful \$8 million capital campaign at the Ronald McDonald House of Northwest Ohio to build a new facility that will double the capacity to serve area families. She successfully raised federal funding for the rooftop solar panel installation at the Toledo Museum of Art, which continues to offset operational energy expenses and direct those saved funds to the museum's mission.

After assessing the needs of area artists, Syrek was also a partner in opening The Art Supply Depo in the Warehouse District.

She also advocates for the adoption of rescued and special needs animals and owns four adopted dogs, two of which are



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Harlan E. Reichle, Jr.
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2003

Leslie Adams
Dr. Bart Anderson
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Cynthia Bozik
Jeffrey Cole
Paul Croy
Angelita Cruz Bridges
Karen Driggs
Mario Duncan
Barbara Gill
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Shawn Kerger
Barbara Kopp Miller
Rebecca Liebes
Fadi Nahhas
Arturo Polizzi
Paulette Raczkowski
Cathy Sheets, CPA
Chad Turner
Amy Whitehead

1997

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Tamara A. Norris
Chrys Peterson
Kristine Pilliod Hoffman
Mary Kay Sanford
Maggie Thurber
Michael J. Todak
Frederick Treuhaft

2004

Jerry Biederman
Kristen Cajka
Sheri Caldwell
Mark Davis
David Dobrzykowski
Brian Epstein
William Garbe
Eric Heintschel
Andrew Hill
Rita Mansour
Sean McConnell
Shelly McCoy
David Nuss
Deborah Ortiz
Julie Payeff
Chris Redfern
Mervin Siu
David Thompson
Scott Ulmer
Mark Wagoner

1998

Kevin Brennan
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Philip J. Johnson
Kathryn S. Hoops
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Jeffrey S. Langenderfer
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John C. Randolph
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Marcia Latta
Nancy E. Wilson
James A. Zaleski

2005

Jody Alexander
Vallie Bowman-English
Janet Galecki
Wendy Gramza
Gregory Guzman
James Jackson
Christopher Kozak
David Lemon
Michael Marsh
Leasa Maxx
Michael Miller
Scott Newsom
James Nusbaum
Susan Payden
Cheryl Rothschild
Robert Schoonmaker
Shital Shah
Tamara Sparks
Todd Tibbits
James Vassar

1999

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David M. Colter
Lori Dixon
Elizabeth Emmert
Derick L. Gant
Rose Glenn
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Veronica Hobbs
Jeanette M. Hrovatic
Timothy Kuhlman, Esq.
Kevin Lent
David J. Rectenwald
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Barbara Sears
Dirk VanHeyst
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2006

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Andrea M. Gurcsik
Rachel Hepner
Laura C. Juarez
Wade Kapszukiewicz
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Tommy Pipatjarasgit
Leandra M. Stratton
Christine Swanson
Lamont C. Thurston
H.T. Williams

2000

Kelly Andres
Carl Bass
Korleen Bialecki
Holly Bristoll
Richard Brunner
Julie Champa
Emily Cooper
David DiManna
Sheryl Favorite
P. Roberto Garcia
Beth Giller
Tom Herman
Andrew Klumb
Joe Metzger
Barbara Petee
Eric Renzhofer
Brad Rieger
Jan Ruma
Sean Savage
Christopher Seiple

2007

Louito C. Edje, MD
Brad Evans
James K. Gee
Michael L. Hanf
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Lisa G. Hawker
Thomas J. Hurley
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Jill Kegler
Ben Konop
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Kim Partin
Steven Riddle
Lars Ringger
Michael L. Rochelle
Randall Schlievert, MD
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Tim Speweik
Jason Wiencek

2001

James T. Adsit
Gregory R. Allen
Kevin W. Bailey
Phillip D. Cervantes
Barbara F. Gessel
Dawn C. Hall
Pamela Hershberger
Paulette Huber
Lori Johnston
Debra Mauk
Abbey Mortemore
Charles Norman
John D. Reynolds, Jr.
Sandra L. Seiple
Clare K. Smith
Angela M. Tennaro
Robert Torres
Nick P. Ulrich
Mark A. Urrutia
Kara S. Yokum

2008

David Bodner
Kristian Brown
Steve Cavanaugh
Condessa Croninger
Andy Dale
Craig D. Findley
Carla Firestone Nowak
Matthew Gilroy
Nina Grant
John C. Jones
Robert T. Monard
Denise A. Mueller
Jonathon Nicholson
Brian Niedzwiecki
David M. Oppenlander
Tanya N. Pipatjarasgit
Michael Temple
Angie Weid
Mechelle Zarou
Jeffrey S. Ziviski

2002

Sandy Adam
Kendall A. Barbour-Gigax
Paul W. Favorite
Cheryl Hardy
Timothy P. Hart
Kimberly Heebusch
Joseph D. Napoli
Julia Faulkner Pechlivanos
Lisa A. Poncsak
Yvonne Ramos
Kenneth R. Robinson III
Stephen A. Rothschild
Robert J. Savage
Kimberly A. Starr
Aly Sterling
Christy Contardi Stone
David W. Thiemann
Tim White
Michael D. Wilkins
Lane D. Williamson

2009

Jennifer Alford
Laurie J. Avery
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Justin Moor
Nora Murray
Lori Powe
Carrie Serber

2010

Linsey Ansberg
Jamie Beier Grant
Michelle Boose
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Sarah Dobrzykowski
Jeff Green
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Jennifer Hildebrand
Jason Hill
Kolleen Kirk Rill
Laura Kline
Edward McNeal
Aileen Meyer
Corey Miracle
Paul Nungester
Kyle Overmyer
Geoffrey Rapp
Erik Stearns
Kimberly Thomas
Beth Wilson

2011

Sashem Brey
Marci Cannon Fisher
Scott Chaudoir
Megan Coyle Stamos
Lynn Detterman
Brian Dolsey
Adam Fineske
Alex Gerken
Kendra German
Natalie Jackson
Andrew Maher
Megan Meyer Foos
Frederick Schnoor
Jennifer Scroggs
Melissa Shay
Dan Smeltzer
Cheryl Swisher
Jim Walrod
Tamara Williams
Jeremy Zeisloft

2012

Brittany Barhite
Michael Clements
Romules Durant
Chase Francis
Alison Frye
Jon Gathman
Isaac Lee
Patrice McClellan
Dan McQuilen
Lydia Mihalik
Eugenio Mollo, Jr.
Melissa Noe
Renee Palacios
Sarah Pawlicki
Katherine Rofkar
Lorin Sonneberg
Carrie Sponseller
Blake Underwood
Laurie Watson
Jeffrey Williams

2013

Jameel Burkett
Katie Bush, RN
Nicholas Cherry
Tawny Cowen-Zanders
Josh Flores
Tony Geftos
Adam Greeslade
David Mann
Tim Mayle
Ryan Rowley
Jennifer Sorgenfrei
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handicap, and one adopted parrot. She now lives in Old Orchard with her husband and their four-legged and feathered family.

Craig Teamer, Assistant Vice President, Huntington National Bank
Nominated by: *Stephanie Teamer*

Craig Teamer has worked in corporate finance / banking for over 15 years. He obtained his BBA (Cum Laude – Honors College) from the University of Toledo in 1998, his executive MBA from Bowling Green State University in 2004, and his CPA Qualifying Certificate from Owens Community College in 2014.

Teamer also stays active in the community by volunteering his time on various boards, including as co-chair for Real Men READ-y (RMR), which aims to enhance literacy at Leverette School by pairing at-risk African-American kindergarten boys with African-American professional males. He

has also served as director of educational affairs, treasurer, and is currently the vice president in the Alpha Xi Lambda (graduate chapter – Toledo) of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

He is married to Stephanie Teamer, a past 20 Under 40 nominee, and together they reside in Holland, Ohio with their three children.

Emilie Voss, News Anchor, WTOL
Nominated by: *Chrys Peterson and Ben Bohland*

Emilie Voss moved to Toledo in April 2012 to be the evening anchor for Fox Toledo at 6:30 and 10 p.m., and WTOL 11 news at 5:30 p.m. Two years later she was promoted to the evening anchor chair at WTOL after Chrys Peterson's departure. She now anchors the 5, 6, and 11 p.m. newscasts alongside Jerry Anderson.

In 2013, Voss won two regional Emmys

for anchoring and field anchoring. She is the board co-chair for the American Cancer Society's Young Professional group, served as 2013 celebrity chair of the Old Newsboys Goodfellow Association paper sale, and was a celebrity dancer for the 2014 Dancing with the Military Stars.

Voss grew up in California and went to college at USC, but fell in love with the Midwest while reporting in Lansing, Michigan, and now is happy to be back and call Toledo her home.

Christina Williams, News Anchor / Reporter, WTVG-13ABC Action News
Nominated by: *Tony Geftos*

Since 2009, Christina Williams has served as anchor of the WTVG-13ABC weekend morning show in Toledo. She is a 2012 and 2013 Emmy nominee for best anchor in a weekend newscast market.

Williams has been a member of the NOW

Salvation Army advisory board since 2009, and in 2013 won the Kettle Bell Ringer award for largest amount of money raised in a single day.

In September 2013, Williams was one of 13 journalists selected from across the country for a full-scholarship exchange program, and spent three weeks in Germany and Belgium learning how politics, economics, and the media are covered in Europe. She was born and raised in south Toledo and is a proud graduate of Toledo Public Schools.

Matt Yarder, Vice President, The Yarder Manufacturing Co.
Nominated by: *Chris Kozak, Doug Mallette, Bruce Douglas, Jeff Williams*

Matt Yarder is a fourth-generation business owner whose company, the Yarder Manufacturing Company, has grown within the Toledo community over the last 110 years. This year the company is on pace to break sales records by over 30% with \$8 million in revenue. It has also increased its workforce in 2014 to over 60 employees.

Yarder is the current vice chair and past marketing chair for EPIC Toledo, and was recognized by EPIC in 2010 for being part of the leadership team to inspire future generations of young professionals. He sits on the Toledo Regional Chamber of Commerce Workforce Advisory Board, the St. Francis de Sales Marketing and Enrollment Board, and is a member of the University of Toledo Center for Family and Business Affinity Group.

He and his wife and two children live in Perrysburg and are proud to have their home and business in northwest Ohio.

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