

TOLEDO ROTARY SPOKE

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Rotary Opens Opportunities

**MONDAY
NOVEMBER 23RD, 2020**



ROBERT SMITH
AFRICAN AMERICAN LEGACY PROJECT
VIRTUALLY YOURS & A MINI-TOUR

Mr. Robert Lawrence Smith is the visionary and founder of The African American Legacy Project of Northwest Ohio. Unveiled in 2004, under the direction of a Board of Directors, Mr. Smith has used his formal education and life's experiences to capture important and significant stories reflecting the African American experience to share with current and future generations.

Educated in the Toledo Public Schools, he attended St. Thomas Aquinas College in Grand Rapids, Michigan where he minored in business with an emphasis on marketing. He graduated from the University of Toledo, majoring in Broadcast Communications.

Mr. Smith's experiences are wide and varied and serve as effective tools in building The African American Legacy Project, also known as The AALP. Robert's work in the media gives him a strong foundation for leading and helping others. He assists others to capture the essence of Oral Interviews. His foray into the media began as an 13-year old radio announcer. He eventually grew into television as a host on WDHO TV 24.

He worked in public television for a brief period before serving as a news videographer with WTVG TV 13, where he eventually became a producer of long form programs and commercials.

Robert taught senior level television production courses at the University of Toledo, he worked for the Toledo Board of Education, as well as, a Recruiter Counselor with Grand Valley State College, in Allendale MI. Mr. Smith brings more than 30 years of media and marketing experience to The AALP. His recognition of The AALP's need to fluidly communicate among varied audiences has been a key.

In 1993, he served as Interim Director of the American Red Cross Donor Resource Program managing a staff of seven in a 10-county region. During his brief tenure he implemented a new donor database system, developed an award-winning regional recruitment campaign, and created a CEO Visitation program which received national recognition.

Robert enjoys playing tennis almost as much as he enjoys collecting stories and sharing stories about community. Recently, he began to shorten his bucket list when he began his new adventure of learning the jazz guitar.

ZOOM LINK!

[Click Here to join meeting via ZOOM](#)

Zoom Meeting ID: 628 349 736

Upcoming Monday Meetings

November 30th
NO MEETING

December 7th
Foundation Day

December 14th
Holiday Program



Thanks For Giving

As we prepare for what will be a very different Thanksgiving for most of us, can we take a moment to give thanks for our Toledo Rotary Club Foundation.

The Rotary Club of Toledo, through its charitable Foundation, has contributed millions of dollars to the northwest Ohio community and beyond since its founding in 1912. The first grants supported children with disabilities but over time additional areas of interest were identified. The original Foundation was governed and administered by the Rotary Club of Toledo's board of directors. In 2000 a new 501c3 organization was established; the Toledo Rotary Club Foundation, with its own by-laws, code of regulations and governing board.

As the Chair of our Foundation I am in awe as I look back over the generosity of Rotarians and other civic minded individuals whose gifts have made our Foundation a continuing source of charitable contributions in northwest Ohio and globally. I am also in awe of my fellow Rotarians who put Service Above Self by serving on our various committees that investigate and review the many worthwhile requests for assistance that our Foundation receives every year. And it should go without saying but Thanks for Giving to all the Toledo Rotarians who contribute to the Toledo Rotary Club Foundation each year.

To those who went before us, we say Thanks for Giving! And for our current members, one more time, Thanks for Giving, your time, talent and treasure to the Toledo Rotary Club Foundation.

Happy Thanksgiving and Stay Safe,

Mary Mancini

Chair, Toledo Rotary Club Foundation

Vote for one Vice President - Serving as President in 2023-2024

Vote for Four Director Nominees - Two Year Director Terms 2021 - 2023

_____ VP: Travis Tangeman

_____ Donna Bogan

_____ Heather Karns

_____ Steve Miller

_____ Patrick Sheehan

Please vote for these qualified director nominees and return this ballot via email at info@toledorotary.org by **DECEMBER 4TH, 2020**.

Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____

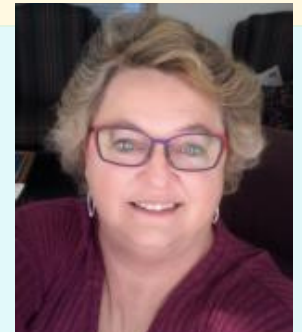


Travis Tangeman, Vice President Nominee

Classification: Information Technology
Company: HarborLink Network, Ltd.
Title: Owner, Computer Consultant
Joined: 2015
Committees: Bowling, FAC, Finance/Audit, Golf, International Services, Invocation, IYFR, Membership Development, Membership Engagement, Running/Walking

Donna Bogan, Director Nominee

Classification: Financial Consulting
Company: Hartmann Bogan Financial Planning
Title: Partner, Comprehensive Financial Planner
Joined: 2017
Committees: Community Services, Chair- Finance/Audit, Greeters, Membership Engagement



Heather Karns, Director Nominee

Classification: Education- University
Company: University of Toledo - College of Law
Title: Assistant Dean, Career Services & Alumni Affairs
Joined: 2018
Committees: FAC, Greeters, Program Committee, Chair- Vocational Services

Steve Miller, Director Nominee

Classification: Entertainment Services
Company: Seagate Convention Center & Huntington Center
Title: General Manager
Joined: 2008
Committees: COVID-19 Task Force, Golf, Marketing/Social Media, Youth Services



Patrick Sheehan, Director Nominee

Classification: Information Technology
Company: DMC Technology Group
Title: President
Joined: 2014
Committees: Greeters, International Services, Invocation, Youth Services

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH RECAP

[Watch Meeting
Video HERE](#)



2021 SOLHEIM CUP

MEG RESSNER & BECKY NEWELL

In November of 2016 the LPGA announced that the 2021 Solheim Cup is headed to the renowned Inverness Club, in Toledo, Ohio. Inverness will play host to the 17th edition of the Solheim Cup, pitting the best players from the United States against the best from Europe.

On Monday, Meg and Becky shared with us comprehensive overview of the Solheim Cup and what it will bring to Northwest Ohio in 2021. Residents of NWO will have the unique opportunity to both participate and/or be a spectator at this once in a lifetime event. Both ladies shared how this event truly unites us and is a great way to support our LPGA Golfers and celebrate the Red, White and Blue! For more information on the 2021 Solheim Cup at Inverness, please click [HERE](#).

To watch the meeting in its entirety please click on the link above.

Meg Ressler - Meg specializes in leading organizational transitions that optimize organizational performance. From Human Resources, Sales, Customer Service, to Supply Chain Operations, she has a proven track record of structuring and leading the performance of organizations to achieve and exceed their objectives. Meg is a recognized change leader with experience in organizational re-design, complex project implementations and process re-engineering, all centered around the integration of people, process and technology. Meg formerly held the position of vice president, Human Resources Enterprise Organizations at Owens Corning. She was a member of the Global HR Executive Team, reporting to the Senior Vice President of Human Resources. Meg earned her undergraduate degree in marketing from the University of Rhode Island in 1981.

Becky Newell - Becky is the Championship Director, of the 2021 Solheim Cup for the Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA). The Solheim Cup is the largest women's professional sporting event in the world and will be conducted at Inverness Club in the fall of 2021.

Becky joined the LPGA in December of 2010 as the Director of Sales & Marketing, 2013 Solheim Cup in Denver, Colorado and was promoted to Tournament Director in June of 2012. At the conclusion of the 2013 Solheim Cup Becky relocated the family to LPGA Headquarters in Tournament Business Affairs and is in her 9th year with the Tour.

The Rotary Club of Toledo would like to to invite you and your immediate family to join us for a fun holiday evening!

Lights, Desserts & Family Fun!

December 12th, 2020
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
The Toledo Zoo

RSVP by November 30th

[CLICK HERE TO RSVP](#)

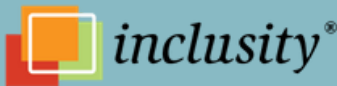
Join us for fellowship & holiday cheer in the glow of the Toledo Zoo lights!
Social distancing guidelines will be followed -
Capacity is limited to the first 75.



Toledo Rotary's Holiday Gift to You!



Thank you to our sponsors who made it possible!



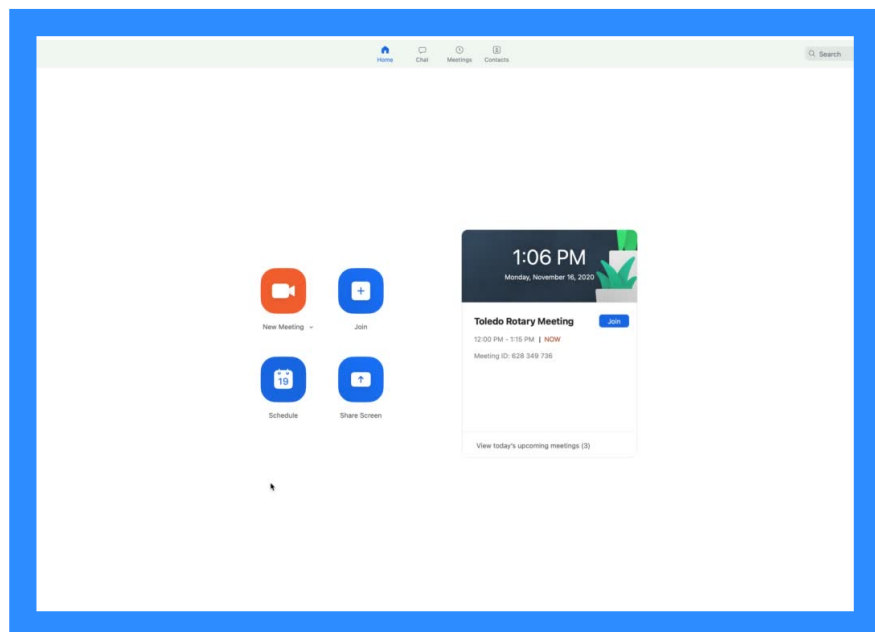
Update your Zoom!

Now that we have all mastered Zoom (sort of), it is time to update your Zoom app to make it easier! If you update your Zoom app, you will be able to do some new things. The breakout room feature will be more user friendly and allow you to put yourself into any breakout room or meeting you'd like. Currently the processes is a bit cumbersome, so in the future it should be a little smoother! There are two ways to update your Zoom. You can click on the video to the right to see how to update your Zoom App OR click [HERE](#) to link directly to the Zoom Website to download and install.

zoom



Update Instruction Video





Holiday Service Opportunity!

It's that time of year again! Time to ring the bell! Rotary Club of Toledo is pleased to partner with The Salvation Army to do some bell ringing for the Salvation Army's annual donation drive! Please consider signing up to volunteer on December 5th at the Churchill's in Perrysburg to ring the bell.

Volunteers are needed to fill a two hour shift between the hours of 10AM - 6PM. Please click on the link below for registration instructions or click the link to be directly connected to the registration form. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Kelly Trame at kellytrame@gsw.org.

TOP 10 KETTLE TIPS

For the 2020 Christmas Kettle season, we've implemented protocols to keep our bellringers, store customers, and associates healthy and safe. Thank you for helping us serve others safely this Christmas!

Remember, don't report for duty if you're exhibiting symptoms or have had any known exposure to anyone with COVID-19 in the last 14 days.

REFRAIN
from physical contact with donors and donations at the kettle

GREET
everyone as they come and go. "Hi/Bye" "Merry Christmas," "Happy Holidays" or "Have a great day"

SAY "THANK YOU"
or "God Bless" to everyone that gives, no matter how much

NOD or WAVE
and make eye contact with everyone

STAY
near the kettle but maintain 6' of social distance from others

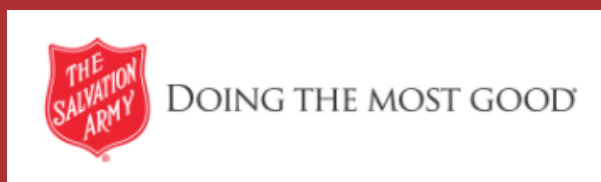
NO ARGUING
or debating, refer all issues to the Corps Officer

MAKE SURE
the kettle is near the customer door but at a safe distance

CLEAN
the top of the kettle prior to use

WEAR
a mask (& gloves if required) and clean, weather-appropriate clothing

RING THE BELL



[CLICK HERE FOR REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS](#)

Click [HERE](#) to be directly linked to the Salvation Army Registration. When registering use the CODE: **tolrotary**

NOVEMBER MEETING SPONSOR



Thank you to our 2020-2021 confirmed Meeting Sponsors

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August Meeting Sponsor



September Meeting Sponsor



October Meeting Sponsor



January Meeting Sponsor



Sponsor a Month of Monday Meetings!

Rotary Club of Toledo would like to invite your company or organization to sponsor one month of our Monday Meetings. Monthly meeting sponsorship is \$375 a month and you will receive the benefits listed below. Months that are still available are also listed below. Please contact Abbey at asachs@toledorotary.org to reserve your month today!

Weekly Meeting Sponsor Benefits—One Month Commitment

- Weekly Spoke promo: Hotlink to your website - 4 promos
- Weekly Mail Chimp email sent to all members Monday morning; featured as weekly sponsor - 4 promos
- Logo featured weekly in the Monday meeting Power-Point - 4 promos
- Logo featured weekly in the pre-meeting Power-Point - 4 promos
- Logo featured on our website throughout the Rotary year beginning the month of your sponsorship—hotlink to your website
- President announces your company/organization as this month’s sponsor in his/her opening and closing remarks

Months Available for Sponsorship

February - May - June

March Meeting Sponsor



April Meeting Sponsor





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