

# TOLEDO ROTARY SPOKE

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# Rotary



## Rotary Opens Opportunities

**MONDAY**

**AUGUST 17TH, 2020**

**KEITH HODKINSON**

**DISTRICT 6600 GOVERNOR**



A Message from DG Keith Hodkinson:

I want to take just a moment to thank you for being a member of one of the most important organizations in the world. Rotary does a number of things for a variety of people. People of all ages, genders, religions, ethnicities, interests and so much more.

We have just begun our new Rotary year. Every July 1, it is the largest transfer of democratic leadership in the world. From Rotary International President, to District Governor to Club President a new group of leaders bring new ideas, new goals and new enthusiasm to our organization and its members. Take time to celebrate the freedom we have in our lives.

Keith has been a Rotarian for 36 years. In that time, he has served as President of the Tiffin Club twice. He is also a Paul Harris Fellow Plus One. Keith does a morning radio show at WBVI-Mix 96.7 FM as one half of the Keith and Dawn Morning Mix program.

In Rotary, Keith was one of the "Founding Five" that, in 1984, developed the Tiffin Rotary Community Auction, a locally televised auction that raises money for the Tiffin Rotary Foundation and Rotary International. In 2014, as past president and a member of the Tiffin Rotary Club Foundation he helped encourage the club to move into supporting major international efforts. In January 2015, Keith and 8 other Rotarians went to San Pedro Sula, Honduras and began a week long mission trip working with teenage girls at a small local orphanage repairing toilets, water pumps, computers, windows and general construction. Keith has a great love of rescue dogs and was the chief developer of the Tiffin Bark Park project, a 1.5 acre off leash dog park in Tiffin that in one year has grown to nearly 350 registered users. He serves as the non-profit corporation's president, raising funds for the park's on-going maintenance and improvement. Keith is the father of 3 sons Eric, John and third son, Alan, who passed away in April 2020. Please join me in welcoming Keith Hodkinson our 20-21 District Governor.

**ZOOM LINK!**

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

Zoom Meeting ID: 628 349 736



### **The Toledo Rotary Club Foundation 1912 Fellowship**

A Toledo Rotary Club Foundation 1912 Fellowship offers an opportunity to donate a one-time contribution of \$1,000 to the Toledo Rotary Club Foundation. Donations for these Fellowships will become part of the endowment. Payment for the Fellowship may be made by check or credit card.

Payment may be made in full or 2 payments of \$500 made in one Rotary calendar year. Donors may obtain the fellowship in their name or in honor of another person. Donors may contribute multiple fellowships. Donors will be recognized in the directory and annual report and receive a 1912 Fellow Pin from The Toledo Rotary Club Foundation.

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For more information, please contact us at: [info@toledorotary.org](mailto:info@toledorotary.org)

## Welcome New Rotarian Janet Hales



**Day Job:** Executive Director, Advocates for Basic Legal Equality (ABLE)

**Notable Accomplishment:** Formerly the Director of Ohio Poverty Law Center and worked at Legal Aid of Western Ohio as Advocacy Director.

**Pet Peeve:** Dishonesty - however so slightly

**Little something personal:** Janet enjoys traveling, gardening, and yoga.

## Rotarians In The News

Jennifer E. Jones, a member of the Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland, Ontario, Canada, has been nominated to become Rotary International's president for 2022-23. A groundbreaking selection that will make her the first woman to hold that office in the organization's 115-year history.

Jones will officially become president-nominee on 1 October if no other candidates challenge her.

Jones says she sees Rotary's Action Plan as a catalyst for increasing Rotary's impact. "As we reflect upon our new strategic priorities, we could have never envisioned that our ability to adapt would become our North Star during what is inarguably the most profound time in recent history," Jones said in her vision statement. "Silver linings rise out of the most challenging circumstances. Using metric-driven goals, I will harness this historic landscape to innovate, educate, and communicate opportunities that reflect today's reality."

As the first woman to be nominated to be president, Jones understands how important it is to follow through on Rotary's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Statement. "I believe that diversity, equity, and inclusion....[READ MORE HERE](#)



**Jennifer E. Jones**  
**2022 - 2023**

**Rotary International  
Presidential Nominee**

### Upcoming Monday Meetings

**August 24th**

Dr. John Horack

NASA & The OSU Aviation Studies Program

**August 31st**

Sylvia Whitlock

Women in Rotary

### Upcoming Committee Meetings

**August 17th**

Vocational Services

1:10 PM via Zoom

**August 18th**

Community Services

12 PM via Zoom

**August 24th**

Peace Committee

1:10 PM via Zoom

**September 14th**

Program Committee

10:45 AM via Zoom



**MONDAY,  
AUGUST 10TH RECAP**[Watch Meeting  
Video HERE](#)

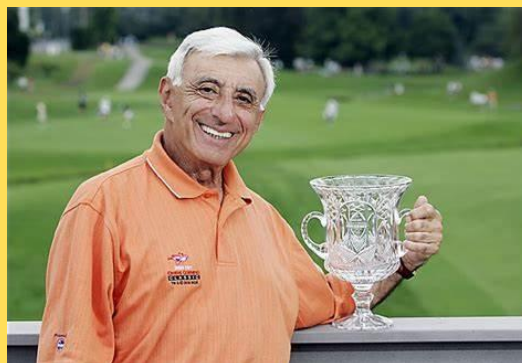
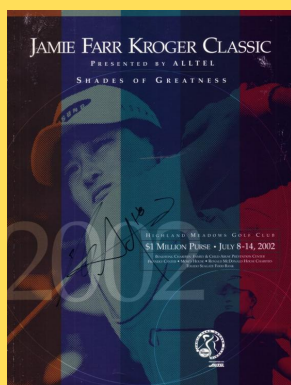
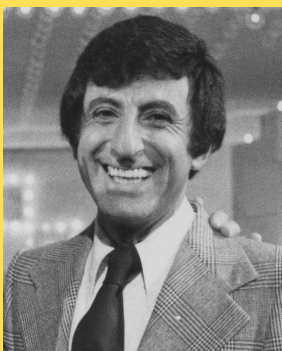
**JAMIE FARR**  
ACTOR - ENTERTAINER  
TOLEDO NATIVE



Toledo Rotary was honored to host Jamie Farr on Monday. Farr shared stories of the old days in Toledo and answered questions from our members. Jamie is truly a shining star from Toledo and we are proud to call him a home town guy!

Farr was born in Toledo, Ohio, to Lebanese-American parents Jamelia M. Abodeely, a seamstress, and Samuel N. Farah, a grocer. He and his family attended Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church in Toledo. Farr's first acting success occurred at age 11, when he won two dollars in a local acting contest. After Woodward High School, where he was one of the standouts among his class, Farr attended the Pasadena Playhouse, where a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer talent scout discovered him, offering him a screen test for Blackboard Jungle. He won the role of the mentally challenged student, Santini. With the encouragement of his Toledo mentor, Danny Thomas, he decided to become an actor. The park in Toledo where Farr used to hang out when he was younger was renamed "Jamie Farr Park" in his honor on July 5, 1998. About the park, he said, "I wanted to be an actor, a famous actor, and I wanted my hometown of Toledo, Ohio, to be proud of me." Farr spoke to about 400 admirers and was quoted in the New York Post: "Jamie Farr Park is certainly a highlight of my life and career. "Further exemplifying Farr's love of Toledo was his frequent mention of Tony Packo's hot dogs, a Toledo staple, on M\*A\*S\*H. He also was shown in many episodes as a Toledo Mud Hens fan.

We were excited to welcome Jamie home and appreciate the time he took to talk to our Toledo Rotary!



## AUGUST PROGRAM SPONSOR



## Keep Eyes Open for Survey!

Reminder to keep your eyes open for the **Membership Engagement Survey** that you will receive in your email on August 14th. Please take a few minutes to fill out the survey and give us some feedback. We want to know your thoughts on how we are doing in this "new normal" and how do we want to continue our fellowship in the future. If you have any questions please contact Maria White, Membership Engagement Chair, [maria@inclusivity.com](mailto:maria@inclusivity.com).



## Last Call for Habitat Build



If you haven't done so, you have one last opportunity to put in some service hours on the Maumee Valley Habitat for Humanity home. Rotarians have been working diligently over the summer and now it is the final push! Volunteers will be doing the insulation installation on this day. If you are interested in signing up, please click the link below and use the code to register. Volunteers are needed on August 18th from 10 AM - 4 PM.

[Click HERE to sign up to volunteer on August 18th](#)

Rotary Code: 76827



## Send In Your Service Hours!

As Rotarians, service is at the core of what we do. Rotary tracks our membership participation and community involvement. This is just a reminder to send your volunteer hours to the Rotary office. Committee Chairs are asked to send meeting attendance to Abbey at [asachs@toledorotary.org](mailto:asachs@toledorotary.org). In addition, if you have participated in a service project like the Habitat Build, please send in your hours of service to Abbey. Thank you to all our members who work to make our community a better place to live, work and play!

# Thank you to our 2020-2021 confirmed Meeting Sponsors

## July Meeting Sponsor



## August Meeting Sponsor



## November Meeting Sponsor



## March 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](mailto:asachs@toledorotary.org) to reserve your month today!

### Weekly Meeting Sponsor Benefits—One Month Commitment

- Weekly Spoke promo—Quarter page/full color ad—4 promos—Hotlink to your website
- 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
- Logo featured weekly in the pre-meeting Power-Point
- 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

September	February
October	April
December	May
January	June





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