



# TOLEDO ROTARY SPOKE

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## MONDAY, AUGUST 8TH

### SSOE: Powering the Future

Vince joined SSOE in 2000 and has more than 30 years of professional experience. He was hired as the business leader for SSOE's food group, which eventually rose to a #2 ENR ranking, and was instrumental in developing engineering alliance relationships with several of SSOE's Top 10 clients. He spearheaded the Value Promise program, which has now documented more than \$1 billion in savings for clients initiated by SSOE. Named a Principal in 2006, Vince has been influential in fostering a culture of business development within SSOE and has held previous roles as Director of Business Development, Chief Strategy Officer, and provided oversight of SSOE's Mexico and China operations.

Vince holds a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from The University of Toledo and is a licensed professional engineer in both Ohio and Michigan. He is active in the Toledo Society of Professional Engineers (named the 2022 Engineer of the Year and is a past Young Engineering of the Year recipient), several non-profits, and is on the Dean's Advisory Board for The University of Toledo College of Engineering. In 2019, Vince was named The University of Toledo's College of Engineering Distinguished Alumni. He is married to Sandy, with two grown children, Stephen and Emily, and resides in Monclova, Ohio.

*Vincent DiPofi*  
*Chief Executive Officer*  
*SSOE Group*

*Meeting Location:*  
*Main Library*  
*Large Glass Classroom*  
*1st Floor*

*Zoom Link*  
*Meeting ID: 628 349 736*



# INTERNATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE SHARES PROJECT UPDATE FROM GRANT RECIPIENT

*Past Int. Services Chairman Danny Woodcock shares update with us, from Mac Phillips of Planting Seeds International*

Back in 2020, our International Services Committee approved a \$4,444 grant for the Family Nurturing Room in the Community Center that Planting Seeds International wanted to construct. This Community Center was to be built in the poorest zone in Guatemala City, where the largest dump in Guatemala exists. This Community Center will be the first and only of its kind in the area, serving as one of the very few safe havens for children and families after school hours.

You can learn more about Planting Seeds International here: [plantingseedsinternational.org](https://plantingseedsinternational.org)

*For those of you that are new to Toledo Rotary, our club has a long standing history of working on International Projects, just like this one. Thanks to donors in our club for making these projects possible!*





## KENTUCKY ROTARIANS IN NEED

Once again, Rotary responds where human needs are great. Last Thursday, flooding devastated three counties in eastern Kentucky in economically challenged communities. Twenty-six people have lost their lives and fatalities may rise as rescue efforts continue. People who had very little before the flooding are now left with nothing. Flooding in small communities in hollows in District 6740 has destroyed homes and livelihoods. Many people are without power or running water.

Rotary District Governor in 6740, Seema Sachdeva, the district leadership and Rotary clubs in the devastated communities are organized to accept donations to help these communities survive, recover and rebuild. At this time, cash donations are needed and are the preferred way for each of us to make a difference.

Please help the people of eastern Kentucky. The Pikeville, KY Rotary club will serve as the district's point of contact for cash contributions to a 501(c) (3) fund, through an account with the Pikeville Community Foundation.

Cash contributions can be sent to the following address:  
Pikeville Rotary Club Eastern Kentucky Disaster Relief Fund  
PO Box 988  
Pikeville, KY 41502

Funds will be used for immediate disaster relief for the affected families.  
More information about relief efforts and needs will be communicated as it becomes available.



## HAVEN'T BEEN TO A ROTARY MEETING IN A WHILE? NO PROBLEM!

*Come have lunch with us and see what you've been missing!*

*The Main Library has been a great landing spot for our club over the past few months. There is free covered parking, and our lunches will continue to be catered by Michael's Gourmet Catering, as it has received great feedback.*

*Committee meetings for the new Rotary year are just getting started, and there will be many opportunities for fellowship, as well.*

*If you have not had the chance to check out a Monday meeting lately, we hope you'll join us soon!*



Weekly Lunch Cost: \$15

Non-Eater Cost: \$5



## WATCH PAST MEETING VIDEOS HERE!

*Have you missed a Monday meeting and would like to hear what our guest speaker had to say? Or perhaps you attended and want to watch the replay?*

*Not to worry! You can always view past meeting videos here: [Past Meeting Videos](#)*





## MEMBER NEWS & EVENTS

### IYFR Steak & Sail

International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians

*Thanks to those who attended the  
IYFR Steak & Sail on  
Thursday, July 28th at North Cape Yacht Club.  
It was a great night on the water!*







## MEMBER NEWS & EVENTS

### *Upcoming Monday Programs - Join Us!*

**8/15**

*James Kamsickas, CEO of Dana Talks Exciting Updates*

*Location: Main Library Downtown*

*No RSVP Required*

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**8/22**

*State of the Club*

*Location: Main Library Downtown*

*No RSVP Required*

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**8/29**

*John Hartig, scientist and author, talks The Great Lakes Way*

*Location: Main Library Downtown*

*No RSVP Required*

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**9/5**

*No Meeting*

*In Honor of Labor Day*

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**BECOME A MEETING SPONSOR**

***YOUR LOGO HERE!***

**We currently have the months of August, October, and beyond available for monthly meeting sponsorship.  
For only \$375, your company will receive the following benefits during the month of your Sponsorship:**

- *Weekly Mail Chimp email sent to all members Monday morning*
- *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 with link to your website*
- *President announces your company/organization as this month's sponsor in his/her opening remark*

***Contact Jaci today if you are interested!***





## MEMBER NEWS & EVENTS



# Coffee Connection

## Join us for coffee!

The Membership Committee is pleased to bring monthly Coffee Connection events to our club this year! Join us on the 1st Tuesday of every month from 8 am - 9 am when we meet at Onyx Cafe downtown (27 Broadway St.).

These are open to any current club member and guests. We encourage you to bring a prospective member as well! Mark your calendar now and join when you are able!

Our next date is Tuesday, Sept. 6th.  
Thanks to all who attended the first event! We had a great time.

# Happy Hour

We invite you to socialize with us every 3rd Wednesday of the month for Happy Hour!

Our first event kicks off on August 17th at  
TolHouse Social Club  
(1447 N Summit St, Toledo, 43604)  
from 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Bring a guest, such as your significant other, a colleague, or a future new member!





## MEMBER NEWS & EVENTS



*Rotarian Nelson Shaffer has recently started a new Group on Facebook. This Group promotes the history, memorabilia and nostalgia of our Region.*

*It is called: Toledo Region History And Memorabilia. Feel free to support the Group by going to the page, and clicking on Join. The Group's goal is to preserve and share the history of our region, while simultaneously fostering comradery throughout our region. Nelson will be highlighting Toledo Rotary information in this group as well, as we have 110 Years of club history to showcase!*

*If you aren't following our Club's social pages yet, click here:*



*Let's Celebrate!*

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Aug. 2nd	Fred Dannhauser	15th	Doug Neckers
4th	Dan Effler	16th	Donna Bogan
4th	Scott Kepp	20th	John Ehrmin
4th	Chuck Schaub	20th	Dick Eppstein
7th	Dan Murtagh	21st	Steve Boice
10th	Bruce Friedman	21st	Mark Miller
10th	Gary Geiger	22nd	Amy Wachob
10th	Andy Stuart	23rd	Bob Reichert
11th	Karen Ranney Wolkins	24th	Willis Day IV
11th	Cindy Binkley	24th	Bob Savage
13th	Tom Palmer	25th	Sheri Ferguson
14th	Pam Hershberger	25th	Sierra Hutton
15th	Derek Leck	30th	David Jamieson



## MEMBER NEWS & EVENTS

*The Membership Committee is pleased to bring this Social Calendar to us, as a way to highlight activities for the entire month.*

# AUGUST 2022

## TOLEDO ROTARY EVENTS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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	1	2 Coffee Connection 8:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M. ONXY CAFE	3	4	5	6
7	8 Membership Committee 1:00 PM Main Library	9	10	11	12	13 Sandpiper Cruise 7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. 1 Jefferson Avenue Toledo, OH
14	15 Program Committee International Committee 1:00 PM Main Library	16	17 Happy Hour & New Member Social 4:30 P.M. - 6:00 P.M. TolHouse	18	19	20
21	22 Vocational Committee 1:00 PM Main Library	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 Environmental Committee 1:00 PM Main Library	30	31			