



# TOLEDO ROTARY SPOKE

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## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH

*Judge William M. Connelly, Jr.*

*WILLIAM M. CONNELLY, JR. was elected in November 2009, and his six year term commenced January 1, 2010. He was Presiding/Administrative Judge from 2012 - 2015 and served again in 2021-2022. He is a member of the Toledo Bar Association, Lucas County Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association. Judge Connelly is responsible for establishing the Veterans Treatment Court at the Toledo Municipal Court. The VTC was designed to match veterans with professional services, such as mental health treatment, substance abuse counseling or help with a job search through Veterans Affairs (VA).*

*He is a graduate of the Ohio State University and the University Toledo College of Law. While in law school, he was employed as an intern with Eastman and Smith, Ltd. Upon graduation, he was an associate with Kerger and Kerger; Bill was in private practice from 2002 to 2005 until he was hired as an assistant prosecutor in Wood County, Ohio from 2005 until 2009.*

*Bill is the father of Karis age fifteen and William age thirteen.*

[Zoom Link](#)  
[Meeting ID: 628 349 736](#)



**Meeting Location:**  
Glass City Center  
Ballroom  
2nd Floor

## *In Memoriam*

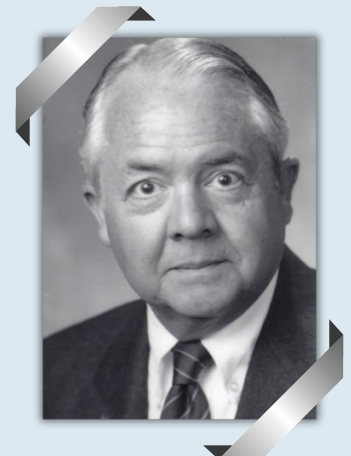
*Past President Benjamin Dansard*  
*9/23/1927 - 10/31/2023*

*It is with great sadness that the Rotary Club of Toledo informs you of the passing Benjamin Dansard.*

*Ben passed away at the age of 96. He was an active Toledo Rotarian for over 40 years, although hasn't attended in recent years due to driving issues. Service above self was always an important guiding principal in his life. He was the President of our Club in 1987. We celebrated our 75th Anniversary that year and had 513 Total Members. This was the year right before we admitted our first female Rotarians.*

*Ben's full obituary and service arrangements can be found here: [Legacy.com](#)*

*Please keep his family in your thoughts and prayers during this time.*



## Thank you to our 2023-2024 Corporate Members!

We are grateful for your support of our club!



For more details on the benefits of a corporate membership versus traditional membership, please contact Jaci directly.

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## Your Ad Could Be Here!

We are pleased to offer Rotarians the chance to purchase paid advertising in the Spoke newsletter this year!  
(See Jason Harris's ad for example.  
Thanks Jason for your continued support!).

We continue to grow and this newsletter is distributed to nearly 300 members each week.  
If you are interested in learning more, please contact Jaci directly.

## 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](#)



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



## MEMBER NEWS & EVENTS

### Upcoming Monday Programs: Join Us!

11/20

Dr. Dionis Kononov  
Senior Behavioral Health  
Glass City Center 2nd Floor Ballroom

11/27

No Meeting  
in Honor of  
Thanksgiving Holiday

12/4

Robert Sprague, Ohio Treasurer  
Glass City Center 2nd Floor Ballroom

Thank you to November's  
Meeting Sponsor:



Thank you to Greater Toledo  
Community Foundation  
and to  
Rotarian Keith Burwell  
for sponsoring this  
month's weekly meetings!

## BOOK CLUB

MEETING NOVEMBER 28TH

The next Book Club meeting is  
Tuesday, November 28th, at 5:30 PM.  
Happening at Poco Piatti on Central Avenue.  
All are welcome!

The book selection is  
Demon Copperhead by Barbara Kingslover.

If you are interested and missed previous  
meetings, please email Mari Davies at  
[mdavies@artstoledo.com](mailto:mdavies@artstoledo.com).

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#GIVINGTUESDAY

# GIVEAWAY

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THE BLADE

The Winning Non-Profit as Voted by Blade audiences will receive  
a \$5,000 Promotional Package for digital and print use in The Blade.

Winner will be announced on [toledoblade.com](http://toledoblade.com) on Tuesday, November 28, courtesy of Yark Automotive.  
Voters will be eligible to receive a \$100 cash donation, in their name, to their non-profit of choice.

Nominations run through November 12.  
Top Ten voting starts November 14.



Visit: [toledoblade.com/GTgiveaway](http://toledoblade.com/GTgiveaway)  
\*Must be a 501C3 to receive the promotional package.



## MEMBER NEWS & EVENTS

*Thank you to everyone who joined us on Tuesday at Glass City Metropark for our New Member Orientation! We had 14 new members in attendance, as well as Committee Chairs and Club Leadership. We look forward to you getting involved with our club and all of the impact you will make in our community!*



Rotary Club of Toledo

NOVEMBER SOCIAL

# HOLLY TROLLEY

## BAR CRAWL

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH

TWO TIME SLOTS:  
6-8 PM & 8-10 PM

Tickets on Sale Now!

TICKETS:

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## MENTORSHIP OPPORTUNITY!

OUR YOUNG PROFESSIONAL FRIENDS IN THE ROTARACT CLUB OF TOLEDO WOULD LIKE TO PARTNER WITH US FOR 1:1 MENTORSHIPS!

WE HAVE 9 INDIVIDUALS LOOKING TO BE PAIRED WITH A MENTOR. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, PLEASE EMAIL JACI AND I WILL WORK ON FINDING YOU A GREAT INDIVIDUAL!



### Holiday Bell Ringing

**Saturday, December 2nd**  
**10 am - 6 pm**

**Walt Churchill's Market**  
**Both Maumee & Perrysburg**

**To Sign Up**  
**for Bell Ringing:**  
**Sign-Up Genius**

**We will be partnering**  
**with Rotaract this year.**

## TOLEDO ROTARY ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

*Save the Date!*

*Wednesday, December 6th*  
*at 5:30 pm*  
*Registry Bistro*

*Formal invitation to come.*  
*All members invited, with one guest.*



## 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. This does not highlight the Monday Meetings, but rather Social Events and Committee Meetings. Please note this is updated each week as changes come.*

Thanks to Rotarian Curt Church for creating a Google Calendar for you to sync to your personal calendars! Here is the link: [GoogleCal](#)

## November 2023

SUN	MON	TUES	WEDS	THURS	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Program 1 PM	7 Coffee Connection 8 am @ SIP New Member Orientation 5:30 pm	8	9	10	11
12	13 Vocational 11 AM Membership 1 PM	14 Community Service Mtg. 4:30 pm Carlos Poco Loco - Adams St. All are welcome!	15	16 Holly Trolley Happy Hour Click for Tickets	17	18
19	20 Youth Peace 1 PM	21	22	23 Happy Thanksgiving! 	24	25
Rotary Office Closed				Rotary Office Closed - 11/22 thru 11/27		
26	27 NO MEETING In Honor of Thanksgiving	28 Book Club 5:30 PM Poco Piatti on Central	29	30	Dec. 1st	2
Rotary Office Closed						