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TOLEDO ROTARY CLUB

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## JAMIE HELDT | HYLANT



*Jamie Heldt is the Market President of the Carolinas at Hylant, and fellow Rotarian. Prior to joining Hylant, she served as the founder of Curated Experience Consulting, Inc., a healthcare accessibility group dedicated to breaking down barriers to healthcare. In her role as CEO of Curated, Jamie collaborated with various sectors to ensure equal access to affordable healthcare for all. Her strategies ranged from eliminating financial obstacles to streamlining processes for timely care. Previously focused on optimizing relationships between employers and employees, Jamie shifted her focus in 2022 due to a growing realization of the need for immediate healthcare access without financial burdens, achieving her goal to address both physical and mental health challenges caused by financial stress, empowering individuals with cost-free access to essential healthcare resources. Jamie's commitment to the industry and community health has earned her accolades, including rapid advancement to Senior Vice President at Huntington Insurance, a 2024 Top 100 Innovator of the Year title, national speaking opportunities and her current role as Market President of Raleigh and the Carolinas.*

*Jamie holds a Master's Degree in healthcare administration from Central Michigan University and is licensed in health, life, and property casualty insurances.*

*Join us on Monday for Jamie's presentation, when she discusses healthcare insurance trends and solutions. Navigating the insurance landscape into 2026 requires more than just renewal reminders—it demands strategic thinking. Employee benefits are facing projected cost increases of nearly 9%, pushing employers to reimagine their total rewards strategy—from healthcare plan design to voluntary benefits and workforce wellbeing. This session will break down what these trends mean for your organization's risk profile, talent retention, and financial planning.*

[Zoom Link](#)  
[Meeting ID: 827 0168 4208](#)

 **Meeting Location:**  
Glass City Center,  
Ballroom, 2nd floor

THANK YOU TO OUR CORPORATE MEMBERS!



# YOUR DOLLARS AT WORK IN TOLEDO, AND BEYOND!

*Annually, the Toledo Rotary Club Foundation annually supports over 30 local and international nonprofit organizations by funding over \$250,000 in grants. Foundation funding is made possible through the generous contributions of members of the Rotary Club of Toledo and its friends.*

*This \$10,000 grant to Children's Theatre Workshop of Toledo is helping to fund the Bright Minds program, which will serve roughly 60 youth, by providing free or subsidized childcare programming after school in 2026. This program which focuses on creativity and wellness for children outside of school, will engage youth ages 5-12 in theatre and arts programs, homework help, free play time, as well as provide nutritious food. As a certified childcare facility with the Ohio Dept of Job and Family Services (ODJFS), the Bright Minds program, located at 3106 Lagrange Street, Toledo, OH 43608, serves a neighborhood that desperately needs opportunities for children outside of school. But Bright Minds is not just childcare. ODJFS has high standards for certified childcare settings that require safe, clean, enriching, and welcoming environments. Bright Minds could not be a registered program without meeting those standards. Theatre provides children with imagination, play, and social-emotional development. Visual arts develops a child's sense of beauty and wonder, as well as critical thinking and motor skill development. Bright Minds provides nutritious food, toothbrush kits, and personal hygiene kits, which for many children, is the most attention they may receive for personal care that day. Bright Minds dedicates time each day to homework help, but also free play time that children these days desperately need. This program supports the child's whole person in the after school hours.*

*Please consider making a gift to our Foundation today, to help support grants like this.*



Learn more about this organization [here](#).



Make a gift to the Toledo Rotary Foundation [here](#).



Join the Youth Services Committee today!

## TOLEDO ROTARY CLUB FOUNDATION IS NOW ACCEPTING QCDs

*We recently worked with our partners at Greater Toledo Community Foundation to equip our charitable fund to accept Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs). A Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) lets individuals age 70½ or older give directly from their IRA to a charity without paying income tax. For those age 73 and older, a QCD can also count toward their Required Minimum Distribution (RMD). It's a simple, tax-smart way to support the club.*

*The easiest way is a direct transfer from your IRA custodian to the Greater Toledo Community Foundation, where the gift can be directed to the Toledo Rotary Club Foundation Giving Fund. Club members just need to contact their IRA custodian to request the transfer.*

# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!



**DR. MISHA STREDRICK,**  
SUPERINTENDENT,  
MARITIME ACADEMY OF  
TOLEDO



**BRIAN KELBLEY,**  
PRESIDENT/CEO,  
SUN FEDERAL  
CREDIT UNION



**SHAYNA POTHAST,**  
CTE WBL ADMINISTRATION /  
PART-TIME FACULTY  
CRIMINAL JUSTICE,  
STRIDE / UNIVERSITY OF FINDLAY



**KELLE PACK,**  
VICE PRESIDENT OF  
INSTITUTIONAL  
ADVANCEMENT,  
OWENS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## ROTARY LEARNING CENTER - EXPLORE TODAY!

*All Rotarians have the opportunity to learn various topics, both specific to Rotary International and Club leadership, as well as for professional development topics.*

*They also offer courses in various languages!*

*If you are interested in exploring these offerings as part of your membership, please visit: [learn.rotary.org](http://learn.rotary.org)*

## RotaryWORKS WEEKLY HIGHLIGHT

PROMOTING BUSINESS WITH LIKEMINDED ROTARY MEMBERS WHO SHARE VALUES AND ETHICS

Be featured next!  
[CLICK HERE](#)



### Derrick Case

Owner/COO  
Frame's Pest Control & Wildlife

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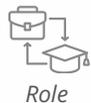


[VIEW OPEN POSITION HERE!](#)



Services

Pest control and wildlife trapping and exclusion.



Role

My role at Frame's is ever changing. The biggest thing I am doing now is mentoring and supporting the staff while also networking to help grow our brand and areas served.



Key to Success

Dependability and accountability. I've found the key is not just showing up for the job, but actively 'taking the call'—meaning, being the person who consistently tackles challenges head-on and finds workable solutions, even when it's difficult. Being accountable for both my commitments and the results is what has driven my success.



*Which pillar of the 4-Way Test resonates most with your professional life and why?*

### Will it build goodwill and better friendships?

I believe in prioritizing what truly endures. While the service or job one provides is important, building lasting relationships based on trust is what goes much further, touching the human spirit in ways no task or transaction ever could.



## UPCOMING PROGRAM SPEAKERS



*Dr. James Holloway, University of Toledo  
Meeting at Glass City Center  
in Main Ballroom*



*Kim Kaufman, Black Swamp Bird  
Observatory  
Meeting at Huntington Center Aquarium*



*Jason Abodeely, Sunshine Communities  
Meeting at Meeting at Glass City Center  
in Main Ballroom*



KROGER  
COMMUNITY REWARDS

**OUR TOLEDO ROTARY CLUB  
FOUNDATION IS A REGISTERED  
501(C)(3) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION  
WITH KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS.**

**IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR A NEW  
CHARITY TO SUPPORT WITH YOUR  
LINKED KROGER CARD, PLEASE  
CONSIDER OUR WONDERFUL  
FOUNDATION.**

**IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE ON HOW TO  
DO SO, YOU CAN VISIT THE  
[KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS  
WEBSITE HERE!](#)**

## THANK YOU TO FEBRUARY'S MONTHLY MEETING SPONSOR!

### ABOUT DAN:

*Dan is a Toledo native, father of young children, and Rotary member since 2012. He's deeply involved in the Northwest Ohio through various civic, professional and social organizations. Dan understands firsthand the challenge of balancing a growing business with family life, and spends his time involved in the various activities three kids bring.*

### ABOUT SKILLFUL STRATEGIES:

*Skillful Strategies helps business owners build stronger businesses and ultimately prepare owners for their eventual transition and exit. As a Certified Exit Planning Advisor (CEPA), Dan works with owners on what's often called the "three-legged stool" of exit readiness: personal vision for life after the business, financial preparedness, and business value optimization. Most business owners spend decades building their companies but considerably less time planning for what comes next. Dan's practice addresses this gap by helping owners develop clarity around their transition timeline and readiness across all three areas. His work ranges from comprehensive multi-year exit planning to foundational business coaching for businesses of all sizes. He's developed educational programs and works with other professional advisors who recognize that successful business transitions require coordination across multiple disciplines. The focus is on helping business owners understand where they are today and what steps will move them toward their desired future, whether that transition is five years away or fifteen.*

*We invite you to connect with him directly and learn more about Skillful Strategies today!*



[Dan@skillfulstrats.com](mailto:Dan@skillfulstrats.com)



3rd Annual

# TOLEDO ROTARY FOUNDER'S DAY GOLF OUTING



Monday, May 11th, 2026  
at **SYLVANIA COUNTRY CLUB**

Register today to Play or Sponsor!

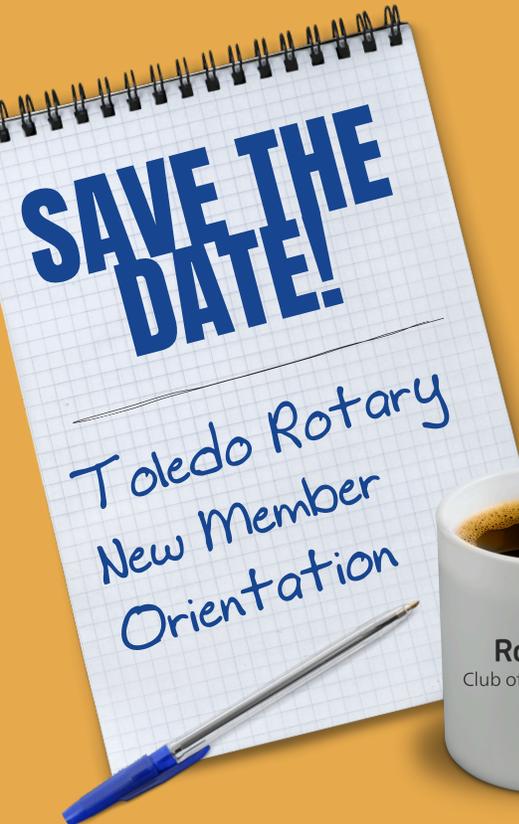
Lunch program at 11:30 am  
Shotgun Start at 1:00 pm

Annually, the Toledo Rotary Club Foundation supports the community by funding more than \$250,000 in grants to over 20 community organizations, totaling nearly \$2,000,000 since our Centennial in 2012.

Proceeds from this outing will continue to support these initiatives.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4TH**

7:30 AM - 9:00 AM  
@ GLASS CITY CENTER



## Dr. Seuss and the Symphony

SUNDAY, MARCH 22  
3PM | THE PERISTYLE  
with PRECONCERT ACTIVITIES  
beginning at 12:30PM

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**ROTARY MAGAZINE**

All Rotarians receive a subscription to the Rotary Magazine as part of their paid membership. Do you wish to receive this digitally?

Email Jaci today for help with switching from paper to digital.

**YOUR FEEDBACK MATTERS!**

All Rotarians receive an email survey on Monday at 1PM, asking to rate the guest speaker and topic, as well as to leave additional feedback. Without these submissions, we cannot grow and improve our programs!

Please know that we highly value your input and read these survey responses regularly.

**Rotary District 6600  
Legacy Dinner**

Honoring those who invest  
in Rotary's Future

**February 28, 2026**

\$100 per person • Black Tie Optional  
Avon, Ohio

Toledo Rotary Club's

**MONTHLY  
HAPPY  
HOUR**



When:  
**THURSDAY,  
FEBRUARY 19TH  
4:30-6:30 PM**

Where:  
**MY WAY BISTRO  
5827 MONROE ST.,  
SYLVANIA, OH**

**GREETERS  
NEEDED!**

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**STAY CONNECTED**

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



**Watch  
Past Meeting  
Videos Here!**



Missed a meeting that you wanted to catch? Not to worry! You can always view past meeting videos here: [Past Meeting Videos](#)

# FEBRUARY 2026

NOTE: NEW Google LINK!



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



| SUN     | MON   | TUES  | WEDS | THURS  | FRI   | SAT  |
|---------|---|---|------|--|---|--|
| 1       | 2<br><i>Service Above<br/>Self Day</i><br><br><i>Sign Up<br/>Today!</i>   | 3   | 4    | 5  | 6<br><i>Coffee Connection<br/>8 AM<br/>Jamii Cafe</i><br><br><i>Golf Outing<br/>Committee - 8 AM</i>                | 7<br><i>District Peace<br/>Summit<br/>Free to Attend<br/>RSVP HERE</i> |
| 8       | 9<br><i>Speaker:<br/>Jonelle Massey</i><br><br><i>Program Committee<br/>1PM<br/>Community Services<br/>4:30PM</i>                       | 10  | 11   | 12   | 13  | 14   |
| 15      | 16<br><i>No Meeting<br/>In Honor of<br/>President's Day</i>   | 17<br><i>Youth Services<br/>2PM<br/>Virtual</i> | 18   | 19<br><i>Happy Hour<br/>4:30-6:30pm<br/>MyWay Bistro</i> | 20<br><i>Golf Outing<br/>Committee - 8 AM<br/>Original Pancake<br/>House</i>  | 21   |
| 22      | 23<br><i>Speaker:<br/>Jamie Heldt</i><br><br><i>Vocational at 11AM<br/>Enviro, Disability,<br/>and Peace<br/>Committees<br/>at 1 PM</i> | 24  | 25   | 26   | 27  | 28   |
| March 1 | 2<br><i>Speaker:<br/>Dr. Holloway</i><br><br><i>International<br/>11AM</i>  | 3   | 4    | 5  | 6<br><i>Coffee Connection<br/>8 AM<br/>Jamii Cafe</i><br><br><i>Golf Outing<br/>Committee - 8 AM<br/>Jamii Cafe</i> | 7  |
| 8       | 9<br><i>Speaker:<br/>Kim Kaufman<br/>(Meeting at<br/>Huntington Center)</i>   | 10  | 11   | 12   | 13  | 14   |