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TOLEDO ROTARY CLUB

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## JUDGE JACK ZOUHARY | 2026 LAW DAY

*Oh gather, good friends, come gather this way,  
We're here at Rotary to celebrate Law Day!  
This 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, we pause and applaud,  
The promise that lives in the Rule of Law.*

*It guards the American Dream, steady and true,  
A system that works for the many—not the few.  
With three branches balanced, each playing its role,  
They steady the system and strengthen the whole.  
From laws that are written, to actions we see,  
To courts that interpret what justice should be.*

*And in their chambers, Judges measure the law,  
To makes sure it upholds, "justice for all"—  
Not for praise or power or momentary sway,  
But for truth and for principle guiding the way.*

*Our Law Day guest, with perspective that's wide:  
A fellow Rotarian, who's served courts nationwide.  
So please lend your ears—no need for your cheers—  
For the Honorable Jack Zouhary, speaking here!*

*Judge Zouhary,  
U.S. District Court,  
Northern District of Ohio  
Rotarian since*

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

***Due to another event using the ballroom, our meeting will take place in the Huntington Center Aquarium this week. Lunch costs and process remains the same.***



***Use this parking lot.  
For your GPS: "[129 N. Huron, Toledo, OH 43604](#)"***



***You will want to park in the RED lined spots ONLY.  
The spots on the other side of the alley are not available to use for us Rotarians.***

***Alternatively, you are always welcome to use a meter on the street near the arena.***

THANK YOU TO OUR CORPORATE MEMBERS!



# YOUR DOLLARS AT WORK IN TOLEDO, AND BEYOND!

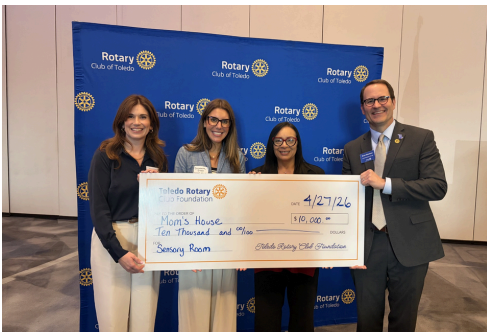
*Annually, the Toledo Rotary Club Foundation annually supports over 30 local and international nonprofit organizations by funding over \$250,000 in grants. Foundation funding is made possible through the generous contributions of members of the Rotary Club of Toledo and its friends.*

*This \$10,000 grant to Mom's House of Toledo helps support Calm Sensory Rooms at both of their campuses. These rooms are designed as peaceful, developmentally appropriate spaces where children can practice self-regulation and return to learning with confidence.*

*Mom's House shared that the rooms will provide children with a safe, sensory-rich space to regulate emotions and restore balance, offering a dignified, trauma-informed alternative to traditional discipline. This aligns closely with Rotary's commitment to strengthening families, supporting youth, and building healthier communities.*

*We are proud to partner with an organization doing such meaningful, compassionate work for Toledo's children.*

*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.*

## UPCOMING PROGRAM SPEAKERS



*Founder's Day Golf Outing  
Sold Out Event!  
No Luncheon at Glass City Center*



*Ricky Verret - American Cultural Exchange  
Meeting at Glass City Center  
In Main Ballroom*



*No Meeting  
In Honor of Memorial Day*

THANK YOU TO APRIL'S  
MONTHLY  
MEETING SPONSOR:

**HARTMANN·BOGAN**  
Financial Planning

Thank you to  
**Hartmann-Bogan Financial Planning**  
and **Rotarian Donna Bogan**  
for sponsoring this month's  
weekly meetings!

## ★ *Toledo Rotary's* **4TH ANNUAL MEMBER AWARDS EVENT** *2026*

*Celebrating the successes of our members and our leaders.  
We hope you will join us!*

**THURSDAY, JUNE 11TH  
AT 5:00 PM  
HOSTED AT SHUMAKER OFFICES DOWNTOWN  
1000 JACKSON ST, TOLEDO, OH 43604**

**We are excited to announce that nominations for this year's  
Member Awards Event are now open!  
We invite you to submit thoughtful and qualified nominations  
from now until May 6<sup>th</sup>. Once all nominations are submitted, voting  
will be open for final determinations.**

**[Nominate HERE](#)**

## SUMMER GOLF LEAGUE LOOKING FOR SUBS

*If interested please email [Brad@toledospring.com](mailto:Brad@toledospring.com).*

*If you received an email request to sub last year, you do not need to send a follow-up contact.*

*Our dates are:*

*League play starts May 20<sup>th</sup> at Belmont CC. Tee times will start at 1pm.*

*June 18<sup>th</sup> at Maumee Bay. Tee times starting at 12:28 pm.*

*July 10<sup>th</sup> at Stone Oak. Tentative tee times start at 11:30pm.*

*August 20th at Sylvania CC. Tee times start at Noon.*

*Sept 15th at Toledo CC. A 1pm shotgun start with dinner afterwards.*

*This year if you sub the only cost to you will be your after-round drinks and appetizers. Please plan on staying around for an hour or so to have fellowship.*

## DISTRICT 6600 HAS PAID FOR IGNITE APP FOR ALL MEMBERS!

*District 6600 has officially purchased the IGNITE mobile app (by DACdb) for every member in our district.*

As we move toward the sunseting of the current DACdb app on June 30, 2026, IGNITE represents a major leap forward in how we connect.

Why IGNITE is a Game-Changer for your Club:

- **Easy Member Look-Up:** DACdb database at your fingertips: all your club members' email addresses, cell phone numbers and email addresses included. Contact them directly from your phone.
- **Seamless Communication:** Text committees, groups, or individuals directly from the app.
- **Service on the Go:** Members can log service hours and upload "Service Selfies" in seconds with the addition of service projects in the Engagement Module.
- **Unified Calendar:** One view for all Club and District events.
- **Rotary Foundation Giving:** Each member's Foundation giving status, including Paul Harris status; donate directly to TRF from the app

Next Steps:

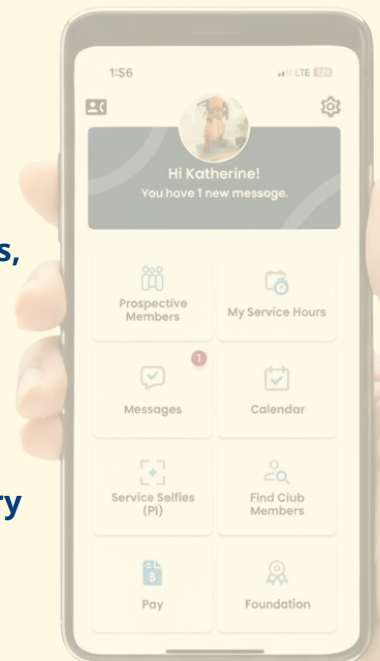
- **Download:** Search "IGNITE by DACdb" in your app store (or see the attached PDF with QR codes for Apple or Android platform). Log in with your current DACdb credentials (email address used for Rotary communication and password)

*Questions on the app or DACdb?*

Attend our district-wide Q&A on Monday, May 4th at 12 noon and Wednesday, May 6th at 6 PM.

*Monday, May 4, Noon Zoom link: [HERE](#)*

*Wednesday, May 6, 6 PM Zoom link: [HERE](#)*



ALL ROTARIANS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!  
CLICK THE IMAGE FOR MORE DETAILS.

# ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

TAIPEI, TAIWAN | 13-17 JUNE 2026



## PROGRAM COMMITTEE ACCEPTING SUBMISSIONS FOR FUTURE LUNCH PRESENTERS

*All Rotarians have the opportunity to suggest various topics and guest speakers for our weekly luncheons. We invite you to submit a qualified speaker today for consideration.*

*Use this link:*

<https://toledorotary.org/program-speaker-idea-submission-form/>

## RVL Read for Literacy

*You are invited to attend*

A PURPLE CARPET GALA EVENT

### *Claire's Night*

CELEBRATING THE 25<sup>th</sup> YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF CLAIRE'S DAY

FRIDAY MAY 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
6:30 PM TO 9:00 PM

MALAWI EVENT CENTER, THE  
TOLEDO ZOO

2 HIPPO WAY TOLEDO OHIO,  
43609

FOR TICKETS & INFO, SCAN  
THE QR CODE OR CALL DIANA  
BUSH 419-242-7323



## BOOK CLUB MAY 12TH

*Join us for Book Club  
**TUESDAY, May 12th at 5:30 PM.**  
Happening at Poco Piatti  
on Central Avenue.  
All Rotarians are welcome!*

*The book selection is  
"Buckeye" by Patrick Ryan.*

*If you are interested in attending,  
please email Mari Davies at  
[mdavies@artstoledo.com](mailto:mdavies@artstoledo.com).*

## CLUB ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR

*Thank you to all who shared and encouraged friends/colleagues to apply for the Rotary Administrative Coordinator position. We have extended an offer and look forward to introducing this new person to our club on Monday!*

# WE LOVE OUR MEMBER "CHECK-INS"!

Keep "checking in" to each Rotary event you attend to earn points and prizes!



**GREETERS  
NEEDED!**

[CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP](#)



## 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](#)

# MAY 2026

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
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3	<p><i>Speaker: Law Day Judge Zouhary</i></p> <p><i>Meeting in Huntington Center</i></p>	5	6	<p><i>Golf Swag Bag Assembly in Rotary Office. Volunteers welcome! (Email Jaci)</i></p>	8	9
10	<p><i>Founder's Day Golf Outing Sylvania Country Club</i></p> <p><i>(No program at Glass City Center)</i></p>	<p><i>Book Club 5:30 PM Poco Piatti on Central Ave.</i></p>	13	14	15	16
17	<p><i>Speaker: Ricky Verret</i></p> <p><i>International at 11AM Finance, Program, Com. Serv., and Peace Committees at 1PM</i></p>	19	20	<p><i>Happy Hour 4:30-6:30pm</i></p>	22	23
24	<p><i>No Meeting in Honor of Memorial Day</i></p> 	26	27	28	29	30
31	<p><i>June 1</i></p> <p><i>Back at Glass City Center for regular programming</i></p>	2	3	4	5	6