



★ TOLEDO ROTARY CLUB

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TASK FORCE 20: JASON GRAVEN / DR. HEATHER VINCIL



Toledo Rotary welcomes **Jason Graven** and **Dr. Heather Vincil** of **Task Force 20 on Monday, June 15**, a veteran-founded nonprofit based in Toledo dedicated to improving the mental and physical well-being of U.S. military veterans through fitness, community, and purpose.

Jason, an Army veteran and founder of Task Force 20, established the organization in 2016 after witnessing the challenges many veterans face following military service. Since then, Task Force 20 has supported hundreds of veterans through gym memberships, personal training, community events, and programs designed to combat PTSD and depression while fostering meaningful connections.



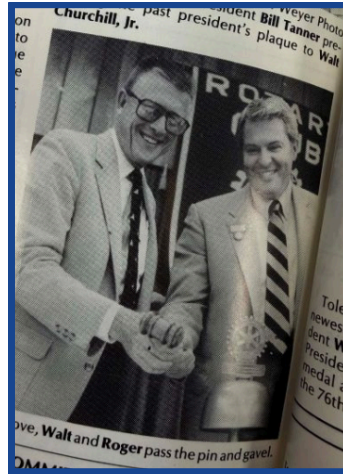
Joining him is Dr. Heather Vincil, an Army veteran and passionate advocate for veterans' health and well-being. Throughout her career in behavioral health and higher education, Heather has worked tirelessly to improve access to care, strengthen community resources, and support veterans as they pursue education, employment, and healthier lives. tf20.org/

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



Glass City Center,
Ballroom, 2nd floor

HONORING A TOLEDO ROTARIAN



WALT CHURCHILL PAST PRESIDENT

It is with profound sadness that we share the passing of Rotarian and **Past President Walt Churchill** at the age of 97.

Walt became a Toledo Rotarian in 1958 and held a perfect attendance streak for many decades. Service Above Self resonated with him through and through, fitting for a United States Marine Veteran. He served as our Club President from 1984-1985.

These photos (left) capture moments from his dedication to Rotary. The first is from October of 2019, when we launched the 1912 Fellow giving level for the Toledo Rotary Club Foundation, where Walt shared the stage with fellow Past President Dick Anderson for a wonderful discussion about their leadership and more. The second shows Walt passing the gavel at the end of his presidency to incoming President Roger Rummel.

Our hearts are with the entire Churchill family, including family, friends, and the many beloved employees at their locations, as they navigate this difficult time.

DEDICATION OF THE ENTRANCE SCULPTURE AT INTERNATIONAL PARK



Courtesy Weyer Photo Service

On Thursday, June 14, 1984, another exciting event took place in International Park. The International Park Advisory Board, the Natural Resources Department of the City of Toledo, and the Rotary Club of Toledo officially dedicated the new Entrance Sculpture. This Entrance Sculpture was a gift (\$20,000) to the community from Toledo Rotary and is one of the most dramatic park symbols in the country.

At this ceremony, **Msgr. Jerry Schmit** gave the invocation and **President Dr. Bill Tanner** presented to Toledo Mayor **Donna Owens** the sculpture with the following remarks: "In February of 1980, Rotary International celebrated their 75th anniversary. On that occasion, Toledo Rotary donated 75 flowering trees along with a flag pole and the American flag to the marina. Today, on behalf of the Toledo Rotary Club, it is my pleasure to present this magnificent sculpture to the citizens of Toledo with the hope that this area will become a favorite spot for the people of our city as well as visitors to observe and take part in waterfront activities."

June 14th was also Flag Day; and as part of the celebration, 21 International Flags, which so beautifully surround the marina basin, were rededicated and raised together along with flags of the United Nations, State of Ohio, and the United States of America. Toledo Rotarian **Dick Boers** conducted the rededication ceremony.

Other Rotarians in attendance were: **Ben Darnold**, **Subcommittee Chair Dick Fry**, **Photographer**

THE TOLEDO ROTARY

ROAMING ROTARIAN

who	where
Dick Bayer	Cleveland, OH
Dick Bennett	Reynolds Corners, OH
Carleton Carver	Maumee, OH
Frank Dolan	Jackson, MI
Bill Falvey	Maumee, OH
Gale Franklin	Reynolds Corners, OH
Skip Gifford	Perrysburg, OH
Gary Gutman	Lansing, MI
George Haffelder	Perrysburg, OH
Bryan Hartley	Reynolds Corners, OH
Jack C. Hayes	Sylvania, OH
Martin Janis	Columbus, OH
Bill Jares	Reynolds Corners, OH
Bob Johnson	Reynolds Corners, OH
Jerry Kimmelman	Reynolds Corners, OH
Ken Koegler	Reynolds Corners, OH
Dennis McClung	Reynolds Corners, OH
John McKinney	Perrysburg, OH
Hank McWhorter	Petoskey, MI
Tom Peirce	Perrysburg, OH
Frank Pitt	Reynolds Corners, OH
Bob Reichert	Sylvania, OH
Sam Rice	Huron, OH
John Sala	Maumee, OH
Chuck Stocking	Perrysburg, OH
George Ward	Mancelona, MI
Lee Wealton	Reynolds Corners, OH
Whitey Wistert	Traverse City, MI
Vance Gray	Naples, FL
Henry Hauenstein	Trilby, OH
Sharon Hudson	Sylvania, OH
Harold Krueger	Trilby, OH
Stan Goldman	Trilby, OH
Chris Matthews	Trilby, OH
Sydney Mostow	Trilby, OH
Mac McAlpine	Ponte Vedra, FL
John Howland	Traverse City, MI
Aniese Seed	Perrysburg, OH
Bob Stover	Perrysburg, OH
Jack Tibbets	Chicago, IL
Bruce Walker	Sylvania, OH
Hugh Caumartin	Perrysburg, OH
Greg Emmert	Perrysburg, OH
Bill Heywood	Perrysburg, OH
Gordon Todd	Prosser, WA
Dave Kachias	Sylvania, OH
Tom Rogers	Treasure Island, FL
Gerry Williams	Barrie, Ont.
Sam Sloan	Chester, England
John Borns	Trilby, OH

A PRICELESS POSSESSION

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HELP US CREATE A WARM ROTARY WELCOME!

Sign up to serve as a Rotary greeter from **11:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** before an upcoming Monday meeting. It's a simple and rewarding way to welcome guests, connect with fellow Rotarians, and embody Rotary's spirit of fellowship and Service Above Self.



SIGN UP



YOUR DOLLARS AT WORK IN TOLEDO, AND BEYOND!

Toledo Rotary Foundation Helps Bring Clean Water to More Than 11,000 People

Thanks to the generosity of Rotarians and supporters, the Global Grant GG2461741, Cameroon (Kumbo) Community WASH Project has reached its fundraising goal and construction is set to begin. This life-changing initiative will provide access to clean, potable water for more than 11,000 residents in three communities in Cameroon, which is a country in Central Africa. The project stands as a powerful example of Rotary members coming together across clubs and districts to create sustainable change and improve lives internationally.

CREATE LASTING IMPACT

Rotary District 6600 Installation
2026-2027 Leadership Celebration

Celebrate the Leaders Who Will Shape Our Year

Friday, June 26, 2026

5:00-9:00 PM

Toledo Zoo | Malawi Center
2 Hippo Way, Toledo OH 43609

All Rotarians are invited

Join us as we install our new District Governor and honor the incoming leaders of our clubs.



Scan the QR code to
register OR visit
bit.ly/6600Installation

Rotary
District 6600



UPCOMING PROGRAM
SPEAKERS:



Noon - 1:00 P.M.

Task Force 20

The Cost of
Courage: Veterans,
Policy and Suicide
Prevention

June
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Noon - 1:00 P.M.

State of Housing

Panel Discussion with
Maumee Valley
Habitat for Humanity

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Noon - 1:00 P.M.

Rob Pasker

Real Estate / Home
Ownership Landscape

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THANK YOU TO JUNE'S
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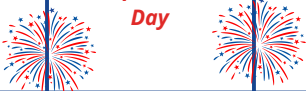
Thank you to
Browning Cousineau Corp. and
Rotarian Brent Cousino
for sponsoring this month's
weekly meetings!

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

TONIGHT
AT 5:00 PM
HOSTED AT SHUMAKER OFFICES DOWNTOWN
1000 JACKSON ST, TOLEDO, OH 43604

JUNE 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
	<p>1</p> <p><i>Speaker:</i> Randy Muth</p> <p><i>Environmental Services Committee</i> 1 PM</p>	2	<p>3</p> <p><i>New Member Orientation</i> 7:30 am <i>networking</i> 8am program</p>	<p>4</p> <p><i>Partners in Education</i> 5 - 6:30pm <i>Glass City Metropark Pavilion</i></p>	5	6
7	<p>8</p> <p><i>Speaker:</i> Angie Jones</p> <p><i>Meeting at Glass City Center</i></p>	9	10	<p>11</p> <p><i>4th Annual Member Awards</i> 5 - 7:30 PM <i>Shumaker, 1000 Jackson St, Toledo, OH</i></p>	12	13
14	<p>15</p> <p><i>Speaker:</i> Task Force 20</p> <p><i>Finance and Peace Committees</i> 1 PM</p>	16	17	18	19	20
21	<p>22</p> <p><i>Speaker:</i> Toledo Housing Panel</p> <p><i>Meeting at Glass City Center</i></p>	23	24	25	<p>26</p> <p><i>6600 District Installation</i></p> <p><i>Toledo Zoo</i> 5 - 9 PM</p>	27
28	<p>29</p> <p><i>Speaker:</i> Rob Pasker</p> <p><i>Meeting at Glass City Center</i></p>	30	July 1	2	3	4
5	<p>6</p> <p><i>No meeting in observance of Independence Day</i></p> 	7	8	9	10	11