

## Keith Hodkinson Biography

Keith Hodkinson has been a Rotarian for 37 years. In that time, he has served as President of the Tiffin Club twice (the only person in the history of the club to do so) in 1997-1998 and then again in 2012-2013. He is a Paul Harris Fellow Plus One. The second PHF was awarded in 2017 by District Governor Do Nguyen for Distinguished Service to District 6600.

In 1985, Keith was one of five Rotarians in Tiffin that developed the Tiffin Rotary Community Auction. The annual televised event raised over \$750,000 in the 33 years that it ran on the local cable access channel.

In 2013, Keith kicked off a program called the Rotary Technology Initiative where the club purchased 30 iPads and charging unit security cart to be used in place of textbooks at the Tiffin Middle School for science classes. Each iPad proudly carried the Rotary logo.

In 2014, as past president and a member of the Tiffin Rotary Club Foundation he helped encourage the club to move into supporting major international efforts. Tiffin became one of several district clubs that helped fund the Honduras project. In January, 2015 Keith and 8 other Rotarians went to San Pedro Sula, Honduras and began a week long mission trip working with teenage girls at a small, local orphanage repairing toilets, water pumps, computers, windows and general construction.

Keith was named as District Governor Nominee in the fall of 2017 and began his ride up the Governor's line of succession where he became Tiffin's first District Governor since 1946 on July 1, 2020

Professionally, Keith has worked in the Radio Broadcasting industry for 45 years. Currently, he is doing a local morning radio show on WBVI Mix 96.7 that serves the Findlay, Tiffin, Fostoria markets. He recently retired from his Sports and School Photography business of 30 years.

Personally, Keith has a great love of rescue dogs and was the chief developer of the Tiffin Bark Park project, a 1.5 acre off leash dog park in Tiffin that in one year has grown to nearly 350 registered users. He serves as the non-profit corporation's president, raising funds for the park's on-going maintenance and improvement.

Keith is single and is the father of 2 sons Eric (38) and John (29). A third son, Alan, passed away in April 2020.