

Rotary



Club of Lancaster West



Another great LWR Monday!

Connie, rang the bell solidly to call the meeting to order. This was followed by an invocation by Connie Williams, the flag salute led by Chuck Hoey, and the song led by Tylor Simi. We had a few guests today; Chris Gardner from the SLO rotary club, introduced by Barzin Omid, Brian Moses, the AVC Baseball coach, introduced by Tylor Simi, and our two program speakers, Ricky Michel and Maya Brooks.

Past Prez Ron Johnson was at the podium today in Jay's absence. Ron hit everyone with a pin check and threw out several other fines, but then called on Howard and showed some mercy after hearing all that'd happened in the last couple of weeks at Howard's house.

G Simi won the lucky Lincolns every week! Guest Brian Moses bought the flowers donated by Linda Bishop and Fashion Flowers. Ron was the secret greeter, but everyone shook his hand.

Announcements from the Floor

The monthly board meeting for August, Thursday, August 15, at 7:30 am at Crazy Otto's Diner on Avenue I. The current year's board should plan to be in attendance. All members of the LWR are welcome to attend.

Connie requested that everyone send her their RSVP for the District Governor's official visit. The meeting is tentatively planned for August 21, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be at Gino's in Lancaster and the theme is Hawaiian. If our club wants to have a separate, club specific, visit by the governor to our club then that is not off the table, so if you have a strong opinion one way or the other, please let Connie know. Also, we are **dark on Monday 8/19/24** because of the Wednesday governor's meeting.

Avenues of Service:

If you have a grant proposal you want to sponsor, then email the proposal to Gina and bring 10 copies to the meeting and be prepared to present the proposal to the committee for consideration. The grant applications are available to LWR members in the "Club Files" section on DACdb. The next regularly scheduled meeting for Avenues of Service is on **Thursday, September 05, 2024**.

Club Service:

No announcement

Membership Committee: If you know anyone that you think would be a good addition to our club, then please discuss with Mike Massari. Reminder that the next bring a guest to the meeting day will be Monday, August 26, **Invoices for 2024-25 rotary year member dues have been sent via email to all and the payment is due upon receipt.**

Program Speakers needed! If you have ideas for good programs or know people that would be interesting speakers, then please reach out to Ryan Garza or Bridget Cook to help schedule those programs.

Program: Ricky Michel & Maya Brooks "Los Angeles County Economic Development Corp.

Today's program was presented by Ricky Michel and Maya Brooks, who are both regional managers for the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corp and assigned specifically to the Antelope Valley region. Mr. Michel gave a brief overview of what the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corp stating that they work to attract, expand and support local businesses in Los Angeles County. They assist businesses in navigating any procedural hurdles encountered dealing with any county agency. They also help businesses connect with funding sources and grants to help support and grow these local businesses.

Los Angeles County Economic Development Corp has started an "Economic Mobility Initiative" which focuses on three primary categories:

1. Technical Assistance
2. Access to capital funding sources and Commercial Real Estate spaces
3. Entrepreneurship Academies

You can learn more about all of these programs and opportunities by visiting <https://laedc.org/>

Today's program gave the members in attendance an overview of how the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corp. helps and supports local businesses. We would like to thank Mr. Michel and MS. Brooks for taking the time to share this information with our Club. It is having interesting speakers like this that makes for great Monday meetings.

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Ryan Garza shared the information below in case anyone wants to help support this *Lost Angels Career*

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Events

August 15th
**Lancaster West
Monthly Board
Meeting**

August 19th
**Lancaster West
Weekly Club Meeting**

August 21st
**LWR -DG JOINT CLUB
VISIT**

August 26th
**Lancaster West
Weekly Club Meeting**

September 2nd
**Lancaster West
Weekly Club Meeting**

September 9th
**Lancaster West
Weekly Club Meeting**

Birthdays

Scott F. Gaudineer
August 15th

Morris Fuselier III
August 17th

Michael Giovannini
August 25th

Mike Massari
August 28th

Wedding Anniversaries

Steven Derryberry
August 27th

Stan A. Ulvin
September 3rd

Years of Service

Giovanni R. Simi
07-01-1991
34 Years

Mark Hemstreet
07-01-1991
34 Years

Committee List

LWR Club Service
LWR Board
LWR Charity Auction
LWR Charity Golf
Tournament
LWR Community
Services
LWR Disaster
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LWR International
Services
LWR Lobster Dinner
LWR Membership
LWR Vocational
Services
LWR Youth Services
(New Generations)

Club Meeting

Lancaster West
Meets at JP Eliopoulos
Hellenic Center
43404 30th Street West
Lancaster, CA 93536
Time: Monday at 12:00

Myra Carra shared the information below in case anyone wants to help support the Lost Angels Carra Center fundraiser and have a chance to win a restored vehicle. Click link for more info.



<https://www.lostangelscp.org/>

