

Steel Wheel

Lorain Rotary Club

Greetings fellow Rotarians,



As I compose this month's newsletter, I'm looking out at what used to be a snow covered back yard. No sure if this is a January thaw or that's all the winter we'll have. Some say, yay. I happen to enjoy winter for many different reasons. I experienced one of these this past weekend when Tammy & I took our dog for a hike at Edson's Woods. If you're not familiar with Edison Woods, it's a large Erie County Metro Park located near Berlin Heights. One of the reasons we enjoy hiking there is that it is so large you rarely encounter more than a few fellow hikers. What got my attention on this hike was the stillness. No wind, no real noises, just perfect stillness. Something that I think is unique to being outdoors in the winter.

January felt kind of odd to me with only one in person meeting. That is why I'm pleased that we'll be back to a more normal twice per month schedule in February. Our first meeting is on February 6th. It will be held at the LCCC offices, which are in the City Building, at Erie and Broadway. Our special speaker will be Gary Newton from MESA. MESA, Medical Equipment and Supplies Abroad Foundation, continues to do an outstanding job and Gary will provide us with the latest information.



We'll be going on the Road for our February 20th meeting. W will meet and tour the Career Pathways facility at Lorain High School. My understanding is that the program offers multiple potential career options for students. I look forward to finding out more and I hope you'll join us as well.

For a short month, February has a lot of going on. There's Groundhogs' Day, Valentine's Day, Super Bowl 59, to which all our squares have been accounted for, thanks Michelle. There is also a unique astrological event, The Parade of Planets. By the end of February 7 planets : Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune will align. Depending on environmental conditions they will be visible here. You'll need a telescope or binoculars to see the Uranus and Neptune.

Thanks to all who joined us at our latest 5th Thursday in the "basement" at Brass and Bronze. It was another exceptional event. Planning is on-going for the upcoming Quadrant gathering, May 3rd, at Beulah Beach. I will keep you updated as the plans are finalized. I look forward to seeing you this month.

Yours in Rotary,

Dan Beeman

Lorain Rotary President '24 - '25

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Rotarian Assignments

Sergeant-At-Arms

February

Fred Kerestury

Michelle Riley

March

Herb de la Porte

Jessicka Castro

February Speakers

February 6th : Gary Newton of St. Mary's will present on MESA

February 20th : Rotary on the Road at Lorain High—more info to come

Greeters

February 6th : Danielle Coward

February 20th : Elaine Georgas

March 6th : Rebecca Jones

March 20th : Thomas Pihlblad



Upcoming Speaker assignments

March 6th : Ron Mantini—4 Way Speech Contest

March 20th : Martin Leibas

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

February 23rd : Jessicka Castro

Anniversaries

Lissi Greeneisen '24



December minutes (unapproved)

Lorain Rotary Board minutes

January 9, 2025 via Zoom

AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS UPON REQUEST

Holiday luncheon pictures at Lorain High's Lighthosue Grille

