

Steel Wheel

Lorain Rotary Club

Dear Lorain Rotarians:



February is very special in the Rotary calendar since it is designated World Understanding Month. The month also includes the anniversary of the **first meeting of Rotary held on February 23, 1905**, now designated World Understanding and Peace Day.

If you visit the Causes page for Rotary International on Promoting Peace, this is what you will find:

Promoting peace is a core cause of Rotary International.

Today, over 70 million people are displaced as a result of conflict, violence, persecution, and human rights violations. Half of them are children.

We refuse to accept conflict as a way of life. Rotary projects provide training that fosters understanding and provides communities with the skills to resolve conflicts.

Rotary creates environments of peace.

As a humanitarian organization, peace is a cornerstone of our mission. We believe when people work to create peace in their communities, that change can have a global effect.

By carrying out service projects and supporting peace fellowships and scholarships, our members take action to address the underlying causes of conflict, including poverty, discrimination, ethnic tension, lack of access to education, and unequal distribution of resources.

Our commitment to peacebuilding today answers new challenges: how we can make the greatest possible impact and how we can achieve our vision of lasting change. We are approaching the concept of peace with greater cohesion and inclusivity, broadening the scope of what we mean by peacebuilding, and finding more ways for people to get involved.

Rotary creates environments where peace can happen.

It's hard listening to the news these days with the amount of conflict going on around the world. But when you do listen, you can take pride in being part of an organization that is actively working to bring about a world with less conflict. And even some of the projects that Rotary undertakes that are not directly conflict-resolution-related help to bring about social conditions where peace is more possible. Thank you for being a Rotarian.

Yours in Rotary Fellowship,

Betsey Kamm

President



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Rotarian Assignments

Sergeant-At-Arms

February
Rebecca Jones
Ron Mantini

March
Homer Virden
Sanford Washington

January Speakers

February 2nd—Our own Sandy Kaiser will present on the Amherst Historical Society
February 16th—Michael Doud, Executive Director of the MHARS Board of Lorain County

Greeters

February 2nd—Dina Ferrer
February 16th—Nicara Garcia
March 2nd—Rob Levit
March 16th—Chris Pataky



Upcoming Speaker assignments

March 2nd—Morgan Hammond

March 16th—4 way speech contest

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

February 23rd—Jessicka Castro

Anniversaries

none



Board of Directors Minutes (unapproved)

January 12,2023

AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS UPON REQUEST



Service Above Self





Above : holiday meeting pictures

Below : pollinator garden plantings

