

Steel Wheel

Lorain Rotary Club

Greetings fellow Rotarians,

The metaphor “time flies” is very appropriate for this month’s update. Thank goodness for Michelle Pullin. When she emailed me that she was expecting a new President’s letter I had to do a double take on the calendar. Where did March go? April is here and it brings, for most of us, a once in a lifetime event to our area. The total solar eclipse. Chances are you weren’t around for the last one in 1906 or won’t be around for the next one in 2099. Expectations are for upward of a million visitors to descend on Lorain County to view the eclipse on Monday, April 8th. Hopefully it will be a beautiful April afternoon across NE Ohio and we’ll all be talking about this for years to come. The eclipse and not the traffic issues that is.

As another reminder that time flies, we have now had our first official 2024 trivia meeting. This is Lorain Rotary’s main fundraising event and is always highly anticipated. Especially by our competing teams. This years event will be held on Friday, November 1st at German’s Villa. We look forward to a successful event and one way to guarantee that is through your participation. If you’ve never been involved in the planning process for trivia night, you’re more than welcome to join us every 4th Thursday at 11a through October via Zoom. Just let Michelle know you want to participate, and she’ll make sure you get the details. Many hands make the labor light.

Here's what is going on in April. We have two in-person meetings, April 4 & 18. In addition to the eclipse, the Guardians have their home opener on the 8th. Rotary District 6600’s Conference will be held on Friday & Saturday April 19 & 20 at Maumee Bay State Park. The District 4 Way speech contest will be held on Saturday, April 27th at Sandusky High School. For these and all other Rotary events I’d encourage you to visit Lorain Rotary’s website.

Looking forward to seeing you this month.

Yours in Rotary,

Dan Beeman

Lorain Rotary President '23-'24



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Rotarian Assignments

Sergeant-At-Arms	March Speakers	Greeters
April Denise Nail	April 4th—TBA	April 4th—Lynn Rebman
Sanford Washington	April 18th—Gary Tollett, owner & operator of WDLW/Kool Kat radio station	April 18th—Michelle Riley
May AJ Stephanie Alexander-Johnson Herb de la Porte		May 2nd—Stacey Scealf May 16th—Palma Stipe



Upcoming Speaker assignments

May 2nd—Danielle Coward

May 16th—Jason Williams

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

Jack Bradley & Betsey Kamm April 7th

Homer Virden April 10th

Michelle Pullin April 21st

Anniversaries

AJ Stephanie Alexander-Johnson '22

Mary Beattie '22

Betsey Kamm '12

Palma Stipe '21



Board of Directors Minutes (unapproved)

March 14 2024, via Zoom

AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS UPON REQUEST



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The Lorain Rotary Club is offering post-secondary scholarships for full-time students whose permanent residence is in the City of Lorain or graduates from a high school in the City of Lorain (Lorain, Clearview, Amherst, Vermilion, Sheffield/Sheffield Lake). **College students at the sophomore, junior, or senior level are eligible to apply.** In addition to financial need, awards are based upon student initiative as evidenced by the student's personal contribution toward college expenses, volunteerism, and extracurricular activities. Academic achievement is of secondary importance.

An application may be obtained by emailing lorainrotary@gmail.com

Completed application, postmarked by the Third Friday of May this year, should be returned to:

Lorain Rotary Memorial Scholarship Fund
P.O Box 581
Lorain, OH 44052

You can also download the application at: www.lorainrotary.org (click on "Memorial Scholarship").

2024 4-WAY SPEECH CONTEST



On Thursday March 28th 3 LHS students participated in our 4 way speech contest.

Shown from left to right:

2nd place—Leasya Castro

1st place - Liz Alvarez (also the 2023 winner)

3rd place—Elonzo Smith

Thank you and congratulations!