



# Flint Rotary World

*Charter No. 220 – Rotary Club of Flint, Michigan – Organized April 7, 1916*

*Rotary theme for 2022-2023 “Imagine Rotary”*

*Jennifer Jones, Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland, Ontario Canada, Rotary International President*

*Mike Chaffee, Rotary Club of Flint, Flint, Michigan, Governor, District 6330*

**Coming up 03/30/23: Rotary Social Hour at Market Tap starting at 5PM**  
**Join us in-person!**

## Speaker Round-Up

Jerome Threlkeld has been the Community Engagement Coordinator at Sloan Museum of Discovery and Longway Planetarium for the past three years.

Jerome shared that the oral history project has allowed Sloan to revamp their archive collection. He continued by saying that this project it has changed “the way people see people.” With a focus with Of/By/For All change network that is a DEI platform, that allows Jerome and his team to go out and find the individuals that they could work with on this project.

Jerome and his team decided that they wanted to work with the black community focusing heavily on narrative change, because it is important to highlight these stories and perspectives properly, while providing more inclusivity. Oral History helps to tell a more detailed story, it also helps understand the community’s perspective on

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different things that have occurred over time in the community.

The Oral History project discusses topics like segregation, the fair housing act, etc. The Oral History project helps us understand from people’s first-hand accounts of things that happened during very volatile and divisive times in our history. The project also details what has changed, or what has stayed the same. This project will preserve information for generations to come.

Jerome paused his presentation, and asked each table group to talk about their childhood experience in their respective neighborhood. The conversations revealed connections to neighborhoods, people were smiling and engaged with other people’s reminiscent stories. It was a great way to connect and just to remember that we are all human, and when you focus on humanity and that every single person has their own story to tell, that really makes a difference.

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**MEET YOU IN PERSON OR  
ON ZOOM!**



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## Speaker Round Up Continued

Jerome mentioned that he has been working closely with the St. John Street neighborhood. There were narratives that referred to the neighborhood as being slummed and having run down homes. But recovered artifacts have proved otherwise. Jerome and his team partnered with the Community Foundation of Greater Flint, U of M Flint, the Neighborhood Engagement Hub and Sloan Museum of Discovery and Longway Planetarium. With this collaboration, the Flint Neighborhood Oral History project came to be.

The Flint Neighborhood Oral History project can be viewed on Youtube.



## Save the Date for the DISTRICT CONFERENCE

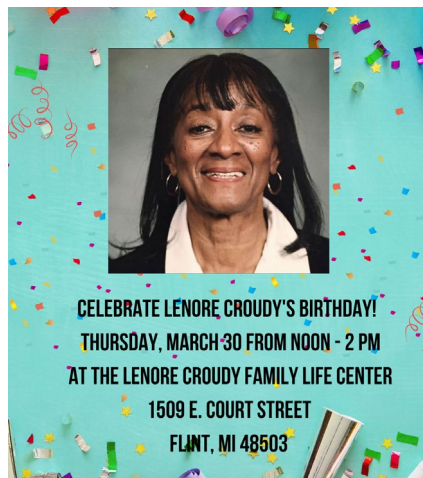
**Friday, June 23 – Sunday, June 25, 2023**

*Mark your calendars for a weekend of fun and fellowship as Rotarians from throughout District 6330 gather in Flint, Michigan, to celebrate the 2022-2023 Rotary year. Guided by the theme Imagine: Protecting the Environment, together we will explore ways to create positive, lasting change across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.*

*We are the host club – see Mike Chaffee for details or to volunteer.*

## REMEMBER!

This week, we will not have our usual Friday meeting due to this being a "fifth Friday." Instead, please show up **THURSDAY**. We will be hosting a social gathering at Market Tap (located upstairs at the Farmers' Market) at 5 pm with some pizza. When we did our member survey and workshop in December to get input on what days and meeting formats worked for folks, Thursday was a popular day. So, we're going to try that this week.



Earlier on Thursday, Mott Community College will honor longtime Rotarian Lenore Croudy in what would have been her birthday. Between noon at 2 p.m., you can stop by the Lenore Croudy Family Life Center (formerly Woodside Church) to take a tour and have a cupcake and ice cream in her honor.

## Service Opportunity

On Saturday, May 20 Edible Flint is distributing vegetable and herb garden growing kits from the Neighborhood Engagement Hub office 3216 M L King Ave in Flint to over 400 Flint & Genesee County families on Saturday May 20.

**Text, call or email Jim Richardson to sign-up: 810-348-5331 (cell & text), zich@att.net**

Edible Flint's garden starter program supports Flint & Genesee county residents in growing and accessing healthy food by providing vegetable plans and seeds at a very affordable price.

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## Where to make up:

### Monday

Saginaw Valley NOON  
Horizons Conference Center  
Grand Blanc (1st & 3rd Monday)  
NOON  
Aubree's Pizzeria and Grill

### Tuesday

Clio 7:30 AM  
Roger's Lodge  
Durand 11:30 AM  
Durand Union Station  
Fenton 7:15 AM  
Spring Meadows Country Club  
Genesee Valley (Flint) 12:15 PM  
Redwood Lodge, Hill Rd.  
Lapeer 12:10 PM  
Lapeer County Center Building

### Wednesday

Greater Flint Sunrise 7:00 AM  
HAP Conference Room  
Owosso 12:15 PM  
Owosso Memorial Hosp. Annex  
Saginaw NOON  
Saginaw Club

### Thursday

Davisburg (1st & 3rd Thursday) 7:00 AM  
4H Fair Grounds Community Room  
Burton 12:15 PM  
Sharky's Sports Bar  
Corunna NOON  
Corunna Community Center  
Flushing 7:00 AM  
Sorrento's Restaurant  
Frankenmuth 12:10 PM  
Zehnder's Restaurant

## NEW Hybrid Meeting format

We are now offering meetings in a hybrid format. We hope see many of you in person at the Food Bank, while others will be joining via zoom.

### Coming Up –

03/31/23: NO NOON MEETING - 5th Friday  
04/07/31: NO NOON MEETING - Good Friday Holiday  
04/14/23: Theresa Roach, Crim Fitness Foundation - Introduction into Mindful Leadership  
04/21/23: Shelly Hilton, CEO & Pam Bailey, The YMCA of Greater Flint: Now & In the Future  
04/28/23: Club Assembly  
05/26/23: NO NOON MEETING - Memorial Day Holiday  
06/16/23: Presidential Roast/Farewell of Elizabeth Jordan

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## The Rotary Four-Way Test

Of the things we think,  
say or do:

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?"