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January is Vocational Service Month

Rotary Meeting Summary – Jan. 28, 2016

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Announcements: This one's important, so I'll lead with it.

This week's meeting is a *breakfast* meeting. (Yes, I even made it the word of the day; so you have no excuse.)

We will meet at 7:30 a.m. this Thursday at LaMalfa.

Do not show up at noon. You will have missed the meeting by 4 ½ hours.

Also, thanks to your generosity, we were able to give \$637 to Project Hope. Your contributions are improving the lives of those who need it most.

Additionally, we are looking for sponsors for our annual Derby Day,



which would be May 6. Let Vickie know if you're interested in sponsoring it.

Finally, we are collecting orders for khaki Rotary caps. They look good and promote the club. (And

you want to look good, right?)

They only cost \$12 each, which is less than some of us spend on coffee each week.

If you want one, reach out to Rocketron@ameritech.net.

Program: Our speaker this week was Mark Gilson, the president of Gilson Garden Center.

The garden center is a third-generation nursery located in Perry. It specializes in perennials, ground covers and native plants.

The family began with a single greenhouse and a roadside stand that offered bare-root perennials and field-grown shrubs.

Today, as many as 50 employees



work on five farms with more than 40 acres in production.

Furthermore, Mark

Wear a hat. You'll look better.

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and Wheelchairs
Feb. 11—Dating Game at LaMalfa
Feb. 18—Domenic Paolo, Fairport Harbor Schools Superintendent, Imagening Fishing Lure Project

BIRTHDAYS

January 30 – Bill Pickett
February 5 – Kevin Newcomb
February 12 – Amy Kapostasy

If I have missed anyone, please email jasonmarklea@gmail.com

**THE 4-WAY TEST
Of the things we think,
say or do...**

**Is it the Truth?
Is it Fair to all concerned?
Will it build Goodwill and Better Friendships?
Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?**

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WHERE WE MEET

LaMalfa Center
5783 Heisley Road
Mentor, Ohio
Thursday at Noon

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<http://www.rotary.org>

MEETING MAKEUPS

Following are a few nearby Rotary Club meeting sites and times for makeups:

Monday

Willoughby at LaVera Party Center Complex, 32200 Chardon Road, Willoughby Hills at noon

Tuesday

Painesville at Hellriegel's Inn at noon

Wednesday

himself serves as a living historian and chronicler of the nursery industry in Lake County.

If you've ever had a question about local nurseries—either their past, present or future—there's a good chance that you can find the answer on Mark's blog.

He's an advocate for an often overlooked industry in the region.

Mark's interest extends beyond nurseries to all local green spaces, including parks and the well-being of native species.

For more information, visit <http://gilsongardens.biz/category/mark-corner/>

UPCOMING EVENTS.

Jan. 28—Mark Gilson of Gilson Garden Center
Feb. 4—Grant Howarth Volcanoes

Burton-Middlefield at Welshfield Inn Banquet Hall, 14001 Main Market Road, Burton at 7 p.m.

Cleveland East at Nighttown Restaurant, 12387 Cedar Road in Cleveland Heights at noon

Thursday

Cleveland at Windows on the River in the Flats, Bridge View Room, Third floor, in the Powerhouse

Friday

Chagrin Highlands (Beachwood area) at Mitchell's Fish Market, 28601 Chagrin Blvd., Woodmere at Eton Square
