

GLR CONNECT

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Hello there,

GLR remains committed to delivering timely strategic project updates, spotlighting key upcoming events, and sharing notable developments shaping the Greater Lima region. Explore this issue to stay informed on the latest activity and opportunities across our community.

WHAT'S NEW

Lima Rotary Club Welcomes Superintendent Andre Rudolph

At its January 12 meeting, the Lima Rotary Club heard from Lima City Schools Superintendent Andre Rudolph, who highlighted student programs, community engagement, and his vision for a strong, inclusive district. Emphasizing an open-door approach and a curriculum designed to offer “something for everyone,” Rudolph encouraged deeper connections between the schools and local leaders. His message aligned with Rotary’s January focus on Vocational Service, reinforcing the shared commitment to strengthening the Lima community.



WORK-FORCE

MAKERFEST 2026 IS COMING!

OCTOBER 8 & 9

ALLEN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

We invite all educators and industry partners to be part of this year's exploratory event. If you'd like to participate, simply complete the interest form on the MakerFest website.

If your company participated in the 2025 event, please take a moment to review your company tile on the MakerFest website—specifically the listed work experiences and point of contact—to ensure everything is accurate and up to date. If anything needs to be updated, just let us know.

Thank you for helping make MakerFest a meaningful experience for our region's students. Your support truly shapes the success of this event!

EVENTS

GREATER LIMA REGION
A REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP FOR OPPORTUNITY

QUARTERLY ENGAGEMENT BREAKFAST

Click on or scan the QR code below to RSVP to the event!

Wednesday, February 4
7:30 AM – 9:00 AM
at the City Club

Program:
Regional Development Collaboration
Featuring a Guest Panel of Economic Developers from:
Allen • Hancock • Hardin
Putnam • Van Wert Counties

Join Us for the Quarterly Engagement Breakfast!

Hosted by the Greater Lima Region – A Regional Partnership for Opportunity – this event brings together leaders and stakeholders from across the area to foster collaboration and drive regional development.

Date: Wednesday, February 4

Time: 7:30 AM – 9:00 AM

Location: The City Club

Program Highlights:

- Focus on Regional Development Collaboration
- Featuring a guest panel of economic developers representing: Allen, Hancock, Hardin, Putnam, and Van Wert Counties

RSVP Today!

Scan or click the QR code on the flyer to confirm your attendance. The link to the RSVP form is also listed below.

<https://forms.gle/m9BCbLCMkVbZ36379>

2026 EVENT SCHEDULE

GLR BOARD MEETINGS
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM
1/15 | 2/19 | 3/19 | 4/16 | 5/21 | 6/18
7/16 | 8/20 | 9/17 | 10/15 | 11/19 | 12/17

GLR ENGAGEMENT BREAKFASTS
7:30 AM – 9:00 AM
2/4 | 5/6 | 8/5 | 12/2

AEDG BOARD MEETINGS
7:30 AM – 8:30 AM
1/15 | 2/12 | 3/12 | 4/9 | 5/14 | 6/11
7/9 | 8/13 | 9/10 | 10/15 | 11/12 | 12/10

MAKERFEST
8:00 AM – 1:00 PM
10/8 | 10/9

AEDG/GLR ANNUAL MEETING
5:30 PM – 7:30 PM
11/10

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AEDG
ALLEN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GROUP

Member Connect Sessions

If you're interested in setting up a time to meet and talk through your membership commitment and any other ideas or visions, feel free to reach out to me directly. I'm happy to coordinate a time that works well for you and make sure we get everything in place.

Thank you for reading this month's edition of **GLR CONNECT**. We're excited about the growth and progress within our community, and we look forward to keeping you updated on future developments. Stay tuned for more exciting news, events, and opportunities to get involved.

If you have any feedback or want to contribute, don't hesitate to reach out to us.

We value your input!

Until next time,



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