



# American Welding Society

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Cleveland Section, District 10  
Chartered in 1921, Over 500 members

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Grand River, OH 44045  
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## **NDE – What CWIs Should Know**

**January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 6:00 p.m.**

**St. Demitrios Cultural Center**

**22909 Center Ridge Rd.**

**Rocky River, Ohio 44116**

The Cleveland AWS section will be hosting an in-person meeting on **Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm**. The meeting will take place at the St. Demetrios Cultural Center located at 22909 Center Ridge Rd, Rocky River, Ohio 44116.

Roger Kostreba will speak about what CWI's should watch for while witnessing various Non-Destructive Test (NDT) methods. During the presentation, he will demonstrate the Ultrasonic Testing (UT) process and show how to calibrate an ultrasonic flaw detector to AWS D1.1.

Roger Kostreba is the NDE Manager for Kostreba's Inspection and Training, LLC. He operates the NDE program and performs employee and equipment qualifications to the program. The program includes visual (VT), penetrant (PT), magnetic particle (MT), and ultrasonic (UT) methods of testing. Roger has 14 years of experience in the welding industry and 8 years in inspection. Roger's past work experience in inspection includes the defense, bridge, and structural steel industries.

Dinner and drinks will be served during the meeting. The cost is \$20 at the door, or \$18 if you RSVP by Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup>. To register, or if you have any questions or concerns, please send an email to the Cleveland section [cleveland@awssections.org](mailto:cleveland@awssections.org) or call Mike Barrett at 216-212-2021.

Please let us know your email when you RSVP for this meeting. In the event of poor weather and the meeting needs to be cancelled, an email notification will be sent out from the [cleveland@awssections.org](mailto:cleveland@awssections.org) email address.

## **Christmas Party and Auction Generates Scholarships Funds**

Once again, the supporters of the Cleveland AWS scholarship program generously bid on the wide range of donations at the annual Christmas Party and Auction. This year's silent and live auctions generated money that will be added to the AWS Cleveland Section Scholarship Fund. The scholarships are used to help pay for welding education for members that live in the Cleveland Section area. The scholarships support all types of welding education, from hands on training to advanced degrees.

The AWS Cleveland Section would like to thank all the Cleveland Board Members and volunteers from the Lincoln Electric Training program for all the time and work put into helping with the auction. The section also thanks all of people and companies that donated items for the silent and live auction. We wouldn't be able to this without the great support from Lincoln Electric, Airgas, Hypertherm, OE Meyer, Milwaukee, SME, Flextur, Polaris Welding School, and many others.

### **Where does the money go?**

The Cleveland Section scholarships recipients range from students just learning to weld to students enrolled in four-year university degree programs. The Cleveland Section has three named scholarships, the **John Gerken**, the **Jack Buck**, and the **Ray Sacha**.

Each of these awards has a specific focus. The **Gerken Award** helps pay for welding education at the community college and university level for up to four years. The student earning the **Buck Award** will receive a scholarship for learning pipe welding. The **Sacha Award** is to develop welding skills for students pursuing a post secondary degree in a welding related program and will assist with paying for hands on welding skills training. These scholarships are awarded to residents within the Cleveland Section boundaries -- Sandusky to Ashtabula, Cleveland to Akron. It is not necessary to be an AWS member or related to an AWS member to receive a scholarship.

For scholarship details contact our Scholarship Chairman by emailing [cleveland@awssections.org](mailto:cleveland@awssections.org). Students wanting to apply for the Gherkin scholarship can do so through the AWS website using the scholarship link below. In addition to the Cleveland Section Scholarships, the AWS Foundation has awards more than \$600,000 in scholarships at the national and the district levels every year. Applications for National Scholarships are now open. Please go to <https://scholarship.aws.org> to Apply! **Deadline to apply for National, District, and Section Scholarships is March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025!**

### **\*\*\*Vic Matthews Grant\*\*\***

The Cleveland Section created a Vic Matthews Memorial Grant in 2024. The grant allows welding schools to buy welding equipment. Secondary and post secondary non-profit schools are eligible to apply for this \$10,000 grant. The money is to be used to further welding education. More information is available on the AWS grants website, [AWS Foundation Section Grant | Supporting Local Welding Initiatives](#). The deadline to submit an application is March, 15<sup>th</sup> 2025. Apply now!

### **Looking to Get Involved in the AWS?**












The AWS Cleveland Section is welcoming volunteers to join the Cleveland Section Board. If you are interested in volunteering on the board, please email [cleveland@awssections.org](mailto:cleveland@awssections.org) for more information. We currently have a Member at Large position open as well as other opportunities! We are also looking for a future Treasurer.

## SPONSORS

Many of our sponsors offer their time as board members and volunteers and donate items for our annual auction, please support them.

Every month during the Section's business year, over six hundred welding professionals see the ads in this newsletter. That's over 5,000 opportunities each this year. Many of those welding professionals make purchasing decisions. A business card ad is a great way to get a buyer's attention and show support for the Cleveland Section. Please contact Harry Sadler at [maineoutpost@gmail.com](mailto:maineoutpost@gmail.com) for more information. A business card ad is only \$200 for the entire year.

Regards,  
Roman Martynyuk – AWS Cleveland Section Chair

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#### 2024-25 AWS Cleveland Meeting Schedule

**9/10/24** – AWS Social Meeting – Forrest City Brewery

**10/8/24** – No Meeting – AWS Show

**11/12/24** – AWS B2.1 Procedure Qualification

**12/12/24** – Annual Holiday Party / Scholarship Auction

**1/14/25** – NDE (Nondestructive Testing)

**2/13/25** – Work Force Development / Aerozone Alliance

\*\*\* **2/13/25 is a Thursday!** \*\*\*

**3/11/25** – TBD

**4/8/25** – Compressed Gas Safety

**5/13/25** – AWS Social (TBD)