



Note from President Kevin



Last week, our speaker offered our annual economic outlook.

Check out the meeting recap, [HERE](#).

This Week's Meeting: Shelly Zegart, Kentucky to the World



This week's meeting at the University Club features **Shelly Zegart, President and CEO of Kentucky to the World**.

Kentucky to the World: Leading the charge for narrative development vital to the Commonwealth's economic and workforce future.

From Paducah to Pikeville, Kentucky is filled with inspiring stories of innovation and resilience. In our communities, we know we need to invest in economic development, workforce development, and community development, but investing in narrative development is the vital fourth leg of the table.

Founded in 2012, Kentucky to the World fills that narrative gap by sharing compelling stories of extraordinary people with Kentucky roots through live events, television specials, digital content, collectibles, student programs and other initiatives.

Read Shelly Zegart's bio [HERE](#).

Next Week's Meeting: Mayor's State of the City Address



Louisville Metro Mayor Craig Greenberg will present his annual ***State of the City Address*** to our Club on February 1 at noon.

Our meeting will be held at the new **LMPD Summit Wellness Center at 601 Presidents Blvd.**

This event is almost SOLD OUT, so be sure to register and reserve your seat [HERE](#) before it is too late.

Read Mayor Greenberg's bio [HERE](#).

IN MEMORIAM: Ben Richmond



Long-time Rotarian **Benjamin K. Richmond** passed away on January 16.

Ben joined our club in September 1988. He was presented with the Service Above Self award at the Mayor's State of the City Address meeting in 2022. Ben served as President & CEO of the Louisville Urban League for over a quarter century from 1987 to 2015 and left a towering legacy for this city. Read more about Ben's legacy & impact [HERE](#).

Visitation & Memorial Services

Visitation: Friday, January 26, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Viewing and Visitation: Saturday, January 27, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Service: Saturday, January 27, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

St. Stephen Baptist Church, 1018 S 15th St, Louisville, KY 40210

Interment: Cave Hill Cemetery

In lieu of cards and flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Benjamin K. Richmond Legacy Endowment at lul.org/donate-now.

[Read More](#)

Save the Date: Cooking@Millie's on February 20

By Alisa O Gray



Please join us on Tuesday, February 20 at 6:00 p.m. for an enjoyable evening with your Rotary friends.

Where: [Cooking@Millie's](#), 340 W Chestnut St

Menu: Bacon Wrapped Stuffed Zucchini, Bourbon Glazed Salmon, and Tiramisu; wine included

Tickets: \$60 per person or \$120 per couple;

RSVP [HERE](#) before Feb 10

The event usually lasts 1.5 to 2 hours. Participants will be in a class setting with the inherent risks of a culinary setting. Any dietary restrictions need to be discussed in advance.

Rotary Day at the Opera: February 18

Our Rotary Day at the Opera is Sunday, February 18, for the matinee showing of *The Pirates of Penzance*.



Come meet the characters of Gilbert & Sullivan's *The Pirates of Penzance* as they untangle a leap-year mistake, discover young love, and stand firm-*ish* in their codes of honor. You'll hear the well-loved aria, "Am the Very Model of a Modern Major-General," and delight in all the quips, absurdities, and music in this comedic Kentucky Opera production.

We hope to include a back-stage tour. Save the date and stay tuned for more details and a registration link.

Join us for a swashbuckling good time!

Rotary Honors Scholars Mentoring

By Craig Mooney

Add these dates to your calendar and come out to help mentor our Rotary Honors Scholars.

Connect with Craig Mooney at cmooney@bosseconstruction.com for details.

Iroquois High School (4615 Taylor Blvd, Louisville, KY 40215)

- **January 31**
- February 14
- March 27

Western High School (2501 Rockford Ln, Shively, KY 40216)

- February 27
- March 19

** Please Note: Thursday, May 9 is our Rotary Honors Scholars Celebration luncheon.

[Read More](#)

Rotarians in the Spotlight: Sarah Davasher-Wisdom and Mike Mountjoy



A big congratulations to **Sarah Davasher-Wisdom** on hosting GLI's 2024 Annual Meeting. Our Rotary Club was represented well, with Rotarians at every turn.

Rotarian **Mike Mountjoy** was awarded GLI's highest honor, the Gold Cup. It recognizes a lifetime of service to making Greater Louisville a better place to live and work. Past Gold Cup recipients Sandra Frazier, Alice Houston, and Bill Samuels presented Mike with this recognition. Congratulations!

Rotarians in the Spotlight: Mentoring Monday



Congrats to Rotarians **Sarah Davasher-Wisdom**, **Lori Flanery**, **Maggie Harlow**, and **Cynthia Knapek** for being recognized as influential mentors in the business community. They will take part in Louisville Business First's 11th Annual Mentoring Monday event on February 26.

Learn more and [register here](#).

Did You Know?

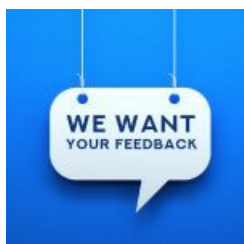


Rotary Club of Chicago emblem, circa 1906.

Ever wonder how a wheel came to represent Rotary?

Learn why and read about the history [HERE](#).

Share Your Thoughts



Survey of the week:

Should we continue having a door prize drawing at the weekly meeting?

Vote [HERE](#).

Creating Hope in the World



**CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD**

True Rotarians live out the 4-Way Test each and every day, expecting no recognition. However, it is nice to learn about the good things members of our club are doing.

We feature Rotarians in the Spotlight when a member receives public recognition, and we have special awards like the Service Above Self and Lifetime Service Awards for those who consistently go above and beyond in extraordinary ways.

This is an opportunity to show some love to those "Unsung Heroes" among our members who are Creating Hope in the World every day. It may be through a service project, committee service, offering assistance to another Rotarian, or just going out of their way to make new members or guests feel welcome.

We need your help to catch these Unsung Heroes in action. **Nominate a member** [HERE](#).

Events & Opportunities: Kosair for Kids

By Craig W. Scherman



What: *Hats On For Healing*

Organization: Kosair for Kids

Description: We need your slightly used Derby Hats. Your donation benefits the Kosair for Kids Child Abuse Prevention Fund. Your hat(s) will be auctioned to the highest bidder on Thursday, March 21, 2024, at the annual "Hats On For Healing" event at The Olmsted.

Last year, Kosair raised over \$37,000! All are welcome to this fun, free event. I serve on Kosair's Board of Advisers and I will pick up, or you can bring your hat donation to a Rotary meeting.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

Member to contact: Craig Scherman, 502-439-4396, scherman@win.net

Note: This section features upcoming events and opportunities to serve with our nonprofit member organizations. Submissions must be from a member (or spouse/partner) of our Club who is either an employee or board member of the organization for which the event/opportunity is being shared. Click [HERE](#) to submit.

Events

January 25th, 10:30-11:30 AM
[**Lifeline Committee Meeting**](#)

January 31st, 8:40-9:45 AM
[**RHS Mentoring at Iroquois High School**](#)

January 25th, 11:30-1:00 PM
[**RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Shelly Zegart**](#)
Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208
Speaker: Shelly Zegart, Kentucky to the World
February 1st, 11:30-1:00 PM
[**Mayor's State of the City Address**](#)
Location: LMPD Summit Wellness Center 601 Presidents Blvd
Speaker: Mayor Craig Greenberg
Subject: Annual State of the City Address

February 8th, 10:30-11:30 AM

DEI Committee Meeting

Location: University Club 200 E Brandeis Avenue

February 8th, 1:15-2:15 PM

Gun Violence Reduction Committee Meeting

Location: University Club 200 E Brandeis Avenue

February 15th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Cleo Battle

Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208

Speaker: Cleo Battle, Louisville Tourism

February 18th, 2:00-4:00 PM

Rotary Day at the Opera

February 22nd, 10:30-11:30 AM

Lifeline Committee Meeting

February 27th, 8:40-9:45 AM

RHS Mentoring at Western High School

March 7th, 10:30-11:30 AM

DEI Committee Meeting

Location: University Club 200 E Brandeis Avenue

March 19th, 8:40-9:45 AM

RHS Mentoring at Western High School

March 21st, 1:00-2:00 PM

Service Projects & Grants Committee Meeting

March 27th, 8:40-9:45 AM

RHS Mentoring at Iroquois High School

March 28th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Seema Sheth

Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208

Speaker: Seema Sheth, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

April 18th, 1:00-2:00 PM

Service Projects & Grants Committee Meeting

April 25th, 10:30-11:30 AM

Lifeline Committee Meeting

February 8th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Dr. Debbie Ford

Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208

Speaker: Dr. Debbie Ford, Chancellor, IU Southeast

February 14th, 8:40-9:45 AM

RHS Mentoring at Iroquois High School

February 15th, 1:00-2:00 PM

Service Projects & Grants Committee Meeting

February 20th, 6:00-8:00 PM

Rotary Date Night: Cooking @ Millie's

Location: 340 W Chestnut St Louisville, KY

February 22nd, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Bill Moore

Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208

Speaker: Bill Moore, President, UPS Airlines

February 29th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Lyndon Pryor, Louisville Urban League

Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208

Speaker: Lyndon Pryor, President & CEO, Louisville Urban League

March 7th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Dean Wegner, Authentically American

Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208

Speaker: Dean Wegner, Founder & CEO, Authentically American

March 21st, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Unsung Heroes Celebration

Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208

Speaker: Unsung Heroes Celebration Luncheon

March 21st, 1:15-2:15 PM

Gun Violence Reduction Committee Meeting

Location: University Club 200 E Brandeis Avenue

March 28th, 10:30-11:30 AM

Lifeline Committee Meeting

April 4th, 10:30-11:30 AM

DEI Committee Meeting

Location: University Club 200 E Brandeis Avenue

April 18th, 1:15-2:15 PM

Gun Violence Reduction Committee Meeting

Location: University Club 200 E Brandeis Avenue

Birthdays



Richard Roth
January 26th



Sandra Dodge
January 27th



Amalia Gamez
Guerra
January 27th



Kevin J
McCarron
January 28th



William Andrew
Holden
January 28th



Larry T. Sloan
January 28th



Carlos
Hernandez
Ocampo
January 28th



Barbara N.
Lankford
January 30th



Byron Riggs
Lewis
January 31st



Sharon LaRue
February 2nd



Barbara Lynne
Jamison
February 5th



Henry H. Kuehn
February 5th



Michael B.
Mountjoy CPA
February 6th



Jon Salomon
February 8th



Richard D. King
February 10th



Kenya Wade
February 13th



John R. Gregory
February 13th

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