

Walt's Words of Wisdom



Please check your inbox for Walt's weekly note that was sent out on Tuesday afternoon or you can view the note by clicking Read More below. Here are Walt's Words of Wisdom for this week:

"There's no crying in baseball!" - A League of Their Own

"I'd be willing to bet you, if I was a betting man, that I have never bet on baseball." – Pete Rose

"When you start the game, they don't say 'Work ball!' They say, 'Play ball!'" – Willie Stargell."

And now for a lot more word fun from Yogi Berra:

- "Little League baseball is a very good thing because it keeps the parents off the streets."
- "You better cut the pizza in four pieces because I'm not hungry enough to eat six."
- "No one goes there nowadays, it's too crowded."
- "A nickel ain't worth a dime anymore."
- "Never answer an anonymous letter."
- "You've got to be very careful if you don't know where you are going, because you might not get there."

Life is good!

Walt

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This Week's Meeting - Greg Galiette, President of Louisville Bats

This week's meeting at Savor at River House (our final one before we move to The Woman's Club of Louisville!) will feature **Greg Galiette**, **President of the Louisville Bats**. His topic will be:

"The Evolution of Pro Sports in Louisville Over the Last 50 Years"

There is a \$5 meeting fee for those who have not reserved a meal - this will include a dessert and unlimited tea/coffee/water - and of course a fantastic view and program. You can pay with cash, check or scan the QR code at check in to pay with a credit card.



Click here for the speaker bio: Read More

March 27th FUNdraiser is almost here!



Just 5 days until our big event... we have a few tickets left: https://bit.ly/FUNdraiserTicket

This is more than a fundraiser; it's a FUN-draiser! What do you get when you throw together juggling, tap dancing, magic, stilt walking, live music, open bar, and a botanical garden? A super fun, entertaining event! Not just any old boring event. Something fun that you will enjoy and go home feeling good about. I have MORE surprises for you and your guests...I just can't tell you yet.

Delene and I were on WAVE Listens Live! yesterday promoting the event - you can view it HERE.

Our silent auction is LIVE and we have some really cool experiences and items to bid on - check it out! https://bit.ly/2023RCLAuction

Note: we are adding and updating regularly, so check back and bid often!

AND - Purchase your WALTO Ticket! https://bit.ly/WALTO

\$111 each, only 111 will be sold, and only 30 more left! Drawing to be held at the event (you don't have to be present to win) with the winner choosing from one of these dream vacation trips (click Read More for package

details):

- Four-Night Stay in Cortona, Italy for Two (everything but airfare)
- Two-Day / Three-Night Stay in Romantic Savannah, Georgia for Two (includes room and airfare)
- Three-Night Stay in New Orleans for Two (includes dinner, room and airfare)
- Five-Night Stay in Sydney, Australia for Two (everything but airfare)

Bring your smile, your happy dance, and yes - your wallet - and come to the best fun you'll have all year. See you there!

Greg Braun, Party Meister / FUNdraiser Chair

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Meeting Recap - Unsung Heroes Luncheon

What an uplifting Unsung Heroes Celebration last week and an impressive group of young servant leaders! Thank you to **Maggie Harlow** for sharing words of wisdom and inspiration, and to **Corey Miller** who did a fantastic job of reading the accolades written for each student, in addition to helping **Craig Scherman** plan this awesome event.

If you attended this meeting please share your feedback <u>HERE</u>. You can watch the recording on our <u>YouTube</u> <u>channel</u>.



April 6th Meeting - Brooke Pardue, President/CEO at Parks Alliance of Louisville

The April 6th meeting at The Woman's Club of Louisville, 1320 S 4th Street, will feature Brooke Pardue, President/CEO at Parks Alliance of Louisville. Her topic will be:

"Parks For All - A Call to Action"

The menu will be **meatloaf**, **mashed potatoes**, **peas and carrots**, **and carrot cake**, and a salad or vegan/gluten-free option is available upon advance request.



There is a \$5 meeting fee for those who choose not to purchase a meal - this will include a dessert and unlimited tea/coffee/water - and of course a fantastic program. You can pay the \$5 in advance via SurveyMonkey or with cash, check or scan the QR code at check-in to pay with a credit card.

RSVP by NOON Monday:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RCL040623

For the speaker's bio click here: Read More

IN MEMORIAM: Bishop David Reed



The Right Reverend **David Benson Reed**, the Sixth Bishop of Kentucky and the senior Episcopal Bishop of the Episcopal Church, died Saturday March 11, 2023 at the age of 96.

He joined our club in 1974 and was a Paul Harris Fellow.

Visitation will be held on Friday, April 14th with a funeral at Christ Church Cathedral on Saturday, April 15th.

Please take the time to read the full obituary <u>HERE</u>... he was an incredible man and servant.

Proposed Officer & Director Slate

By Kevin Lynch

Rotarians.

Your Nominations Committee is pleased to propose a slate of Club and Fund officers and directors (in accordance with our Bylaws as amended March 9, 2023) who are all excited to serve beginning July 1.



Lori Hudson Flanery Club President-Elect (2024-25 President) CEO, New Directions Housing Corporation

Lori says it would be an honor to serve as President-Elect of our Club with its mission of 'Service Above Self' and the focus on camaraderie and the betterment of our local, national and international communities. She has served as Club and Fund Secretary for two years as well as Chair of the Governance Committee. Rotary has supported the work of New Directions (which provides affordable housing and other services to some of our most vulnerable neighbors) with its Repair Affair effort as well as its California neighborhood Head Start program at St. Benedict's Early Childhood Education Center. Besides leading a large nonprofit, Lori's career includes stints as legal counsel in private law firms as well as executive and legal positions in state government, most recently as the 'CFO' for the Commonwealth as the Secretary of the Finance & Administration Cabinet, reporting directly to the Governor. Her experience and perspective have been enhanced by working in the private, nonprofit and governmental sectors throughout her career. Lori is a Paul Harris Fellow, and she and her husband Kevin (retired President of Churchill Downs Racetrack) enjoy four adult children and two grandsons.



Kevin Fields, Sr. Club Secretary (2023-2025) President/CEO, Louisville Central Community Centers, Inc.

Kevin says he is proud to be an active member of the Rotary Club of Louisville. Getting to know long-standing members of the Club, while helping to cultivate new membership, has been a highlight for him over the past two years. He feels honored to be the first DEI Committee Chair for the Club and to serve as a Club Director. He is excited to take on the role of Secretary to the Board of Directors.



Claire Arnold
Club Director (2023-2025)
Director of Outreach and Partnerships, Kentucky Manufacturing Extension Partnership
University of Louisville

Claire has been a member of the Club since 2016 and during this time has been fortunate to work with several outstanding members on the Nominations Committee (2021-present), Leadership Fellows Committee (Co-Chair, 2021-present), Global Scholarship Committee for the District (2019-present), New Member Celebrations Committee (2017-2018), Business Synergy Committee (2016-2018), and Rotary Mentor program (2016-2017). In January, the District Governor appointed her to serve as the Chair of the Global Scholarship Committee beginning July 2023; this program supports exceptional students for graduate study at a university outside North America who are devoted to pursuing a career that aligns with one of The Rotary Foundation's seven humanitarian areas of focus. She says one of the most rewarding projects has been working with Ashley Brauer to rejuvenate the Rotary Leadership Fellows Program, a three-year leadership development program for UofL MBA graduates, which offers these aspiring community leaders professional growth through being matched with a Rotary mentor and personal development through involvement in community service initiatives. She wants to apply the experience gained over the past 7+ years to contribute to the governance and leadership of our Club so that it remains Louisville's premier fellowship of business, professional, and non-profit leaders dedicated to humanitarian and civic service to make a positive impact globally and in our community.



Craig Mooney
Club Director (2023-2025)
COO/CFO, Bosse Construction Inc.

Craig joined Rotary in August 2018, wanting to get involved with an organization that provided him with opportunities to serve the community. Since joining, he has participated in serving the monthly dinner at Re:Center Ministries, the cleaning of the Louisville Knot, and the Rotary sponsored Habitat for Humanity build. He chairs the Rotary Honors Scholars (RHS) Committee and has enjoyed working with students at both Iroquois and Western High Schools. RHS has also allowed him to make better connections and new friends with fellow Rotarians and community leaders. He says membership in Rotary has been a very rewarding experience for him, and serving on the Board is an opportunity to give back to the Club. Craig is a Paul Harris Fellow.



Harry Louis Seeger V Club Director (2023-2025) Private Banker, Republic Bank & Trust

Louis is deeply honored to be considered for the role of Club Director. He is very active with the Club and would love the chance to contribute even more as an active Board member. Since joining the Club at the end of 2019, he has served meals at Re:Center Ministries, rung the Salvation Army bell, helped with the Louisville Knot cleanup and serves as Co-Chair of the Emerging Leaders Committee and Vice Chair of the Membership Development & Engagement Committee. He is passionate about Rotary's mission, and believes he can contribute toward it in an impactful way.



Kevin McCarron Club Director (2023-2025)Founder, Projection Creative

Kevin is honored to be considered for the Rotary Club of Louisville Board and to learn and contribute to the advancement of the club and its impact. Since joining in 2018, he has come to understand the internal workings of a large club, and to see "how it's made." He is the Chair of the Public Image Committee and previously served as the Chair of the District 6710 Public Image Committee. He offers insights and experience in branding, digital marketing, design, and business development to support the mission of the Club and its many projects, and seeks ways our Club can improve the member experience and grow our presence in Louisville. Kevin is a Paul Harris Fellow and was selected as Rotarian of the Year for 2021-2022. His creative and technical skills were vital during the pandemic as we transitioned to virtual meetings and completely renovated our website. He shows up week after week to record our meetings and take photos.



Anne Monell
Fund Board Director (2023-2026)
Vice President of Philanthropy & Stewardship
Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary

Anne has been a member of Rotary since 2019 and has served on the Community Impact Committee. She has more than 25 years' experience in nonprofit leadership through her work at the seminary, Norton Healthcare, the Community Foundation of Louisville, and Family & Children's Place. She is ready to apply her professional insights and experiences through service on the Board of the Rotary Fund of Louisville.

Voting will be held by electronic ballot beginning on March 27, 2023 and will continue through April 10, 2023.

The results of the election will be announced at the Annual Meeting on April 13, 2023, which will be held at The Woman's Club of Louisville on 4th Street next to Central Park in Old Louisville.

2022-2023 Rotary Award Nominations

By Karen Morrison

The Rotary **Lifetime Service Award** award honors a member who has exhibited a personal dedication to the pursuit of Rotary's values in one or more of Rotary's avenues of service. It recognizes a Rotarian's full body of service both to Rotary and to other organizations in the community, region and beyond. Download the nomination form **HERE**. Please submit your nomination for this award by **April 6, 2023.**

The **Rotarian of the Year Award** is designated for the one Rotarian in our club who clearly stands out in demonstrating "Service Above Self" and principled commitment to the Four-Way Test. A nominee should be an outstanding club member who has made significant contributions to the mission and operation of our club, and to one or more avenues of Community or International Service. This award may be given to a member who exhibits Service Above Self in their daily activities and who promotes Rotary by their actions and involvement. This may be accomplished through one major activity in club service, in multiple activities, or by serving on several committees. This person should be highly visible in the weekly activities of the club. Download the nomination form HERE.

Please send the form(s) and supporting information to rotary@rotary45.org or 657 S Hurstbourne Pkwy, Ste D-226, Louisville, KY 40222.

Click below for a list of criteria for nominations.

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Rotarian in the Spotlight: Dr. Muhammad Babar

Dr. Muhammad Babar was featured on Wave TV for his humanitarian efforts in Turkey. Dr. Babar and a colleague from University of Louisville Health delivered much needed medical supplies after the recent

UofL Health doctors back from humanitarian efforts in Turkey



They're now back in Louisville after delivering much needed medical supplies.

Rotarian in the Spotlight: Ben Reno-Weber

Congratulation to **Ben Reno-Weber**, who became the District 8 representative of Louisville Metro Council, a spot vacated by Cassie Chambers Armstrong when she won a special election to the Kentucky Senate on Feb. 21.



Rotary Friendship Exchange / District 6710 Delegation

Several Club members are currently in New Zealand as part of the Rotary Friendship Exchange. Their hosts are scheduled to come to Kentucky in late April or early May. Most events on the Kentucky itinerary (Keeneland, Mammoth Cave, Makers Mark, Corvette Museum, etc.) have a few extra tickets available for purchase! Anyone interested can contact me or Susan Zepeda for details.



Interact Clubs Forge Ahead

By Linda Bartrom-Moore

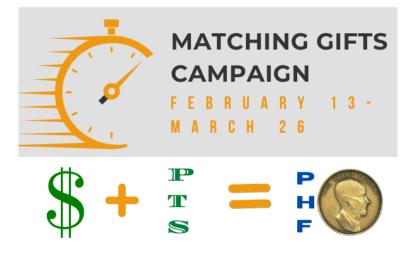
Our Iroquois High School INTERACT Club Board had a super productive meeting last Thursday. We discussed RYLA, two upcoming projects, End of Year Awards, the mission of Rotary, and had fun examining the international Interact Graduation Regalia: the Silk Sash of Service! Props to Ms. Livers for her support and to Mr. Gibson for advising. Privileged to work with such great kids!





District Matching Gifts Campaign - Last Chance!

By Mike Kull



Now through March 26, personal donations of \$125 (minimum) to \$2,000 to the Annual Fund-SHARE of The Rotary Foundation will be matched with donated points from District Rotarians (up to a total of \$60,000), which means you can earn Paul Harris Fellow recognition twice as fast!

Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) recognition is given to anyone who contributes, outright or cumulatively (or in whose name is contributed), a gift of \$1,000 or more to the Annual Fund of The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International. Multiple PHF recognition is extended at subsequent \$1,000 levels. Recognition consists of a pin, with sapphires or rubies added corresponding to the recipient's recognition level.

Contributions to the Annual Fund-SHARE program are also counted toward our Club earning Star Club status.

Make your personal check payable to "**Rotary Foundation**" and note "**SHARE Fund**" on the memo line. You can give your check to Delene, or mail to the address below (must be received by the District by March 26, 2023).

Sheila Stoke Rotary District 6710 Matching Program 7906 Westover Drive Prospect, KY 40059

Contact District Rotary Foundation Committee Co-Chair Mike Kull at 502-802-4485 or mjk502@aol.com to find out how far you are from the \$1,000 minimum required to achieve Paul Harris Fellow status.

Notice of Rotary Club of Louisville Annual Meeting

By Walt Kunau

This will serve as official notice in accordance with our Club and Fund Bylaws that our Annual Meeting will be held at noon on April 13, 2023 at The Woman's Club of Louisville, 1320 S 4th Street next to Central Park in Old Louisville.

This will be part of our regular lunch meeting and the results of the election to approve the proposed slate of officers and directors will be announced. You will receive another email this week with information about the proposed slate and the voting process, which will be by electronic ballot.

Please plan to attend. The meeting will also be recorded and available on our YouTube channel.

Save the Date: Club Social Events

Our Social Committee has been hard at work planning fun events, so mark your calendars and save these dates:

Wednesday, May 3 - Rotary Day at the Downs

Wednesday, June 7 - New Member Celebration

Sunday, June 11 - Craig Scherman's Fabulous House Party

August Date TBD - Rotary Soccer Day

Saturday, September 9 - Rotary Picnic with Ponies & Puppies

Satruday, October 14 - Rotary Day at Bernheim Arboretum & Research Forest

Friday, November 3 - Rotary Wine Swap Party

Thursday, December 14 - Rotary Holiday Celebration

Save the Dates: Business Synergy Networking Events

Save the dates for these upcoming evening networking events:

Wednesday, April 12, 5:30-7:30pm at the Kentucky Science Center

Tuesday, July 11, 5:30-7:30pm at Signarama Downtown

2023 Rotary Honors Scholars Mentoring Schedule

By Craig Mooney

Please consider volunteering some of your time and expertise to support our signature service project - mentoring Rotary Honors Scholars. No experience necessary!

- Tuesday, March 28 from 8:15am 9:15am at Western High School, 2501 Rockford Ln, Shively
- Friday, April 14 from 8:15am 9:00am at Western Early College, JCTC Southwest Campus, 1000 Community College Dr, SOAR Room Building A

These are fun sessions and offer a great opportunity for those that have not participated in the mentoring program yet to come out and give it a try. We always give new volunteers the opportunity to sit with an experienced mentor for the first session or two so that they can get a feel for how it works.

Please contact cmooney@bosseconstruction.com to volunteer or with questions.

Volunteers Needed: West End School

By Walt Kunau

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REMINDER: We will be reading **Pound the Stone** by Joshua Medicaf with 8th graders at West End School, 3628 Virginia Ave, on Thursdays from 9:45-10:40 am, beginning February 23 for about 5 or 6 weeks. Come once, twice, or to all the sessions. You will become more hopeful of Louisville's future because of your investment of time with these future leaders! We'd love to have some women of Rotary to join us. See me to sign up.

Volunteers Needed: Share Your Story at Iroquois HS

Our Rotary Club is the Business Partner for Iroquois High School and helped the school secure a \$750K grant from the Department of Education for before- and after-school programming for ESL students. The grant focus is to ensure *Every Student Succeeds*. We need volunteers to share career stories in a fun and engaging way. Talk for 10-15 minutes and let the students ask you questions after. You can do this either before school from 7:00 - 7:30 AM or after school any time between 2:30 - 5:30 PM. If you come on a Thursday, you can share with our Interact Club too. We will be doing this for March & April (except Spring Break which is April 3-8). To schedule, please email or call Yvette (pronounced "why vet") Livers at Iroquois yvette.livers@jefferson.kyschools.us or (740) 683-7505.

Events & Opportunities: Grawemeyer Lecture, Louisville Presbyterian Seminary

By Anne Monell

What: Grawemeyer Lecture

Organization: Louisville Presbyterian Seminary

Date/Time: March 30, 2023 / 7:30 PM

Location: 1044 Alta Vista Road, Louisville, KY, 40205, Caldwell Chapel

Description:

<u>Kelly Brown Douglas</u>, dean of Union Theological Seminary's Episcopal Divinity School in New York City and a canon theologian at Washington Cathedral, is one of the first Black female Episcopal priests in the United States and the first Black person to head an Episcopal Church-affiliated educational institution.

Douglas will speak on her award-winning book, "Resurrection Hope: A Future Where Black Lives Matter." She wrote the book in response to her son asking, "How do we really know God cares when Black people are still getting killed?" and seeing Black Lives Matter protests erupt nationwide after George Floyd's death.

More information and to Preregister: HERE

Member to contact / email: Anne Monell / amonell@lpts.edu

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 and Opportunities: IFMA Active Shooter Training

What: Active Shooter Training Event

Organization: International Facilities Management Association (IFMA)

Date/Time: Wednesday, April 19th, 8:15am - 2:00pm **Location:** University of Louisville Shelby Campus

Description: This event will be open to the general public. The course will cover how to understand, plan and

react in a mass-shooter event.

More information: https://ifmalouisville.org/

Member to contact: Craig Mooney, cmooney@bosseconstruction.com (past president, current board member

and program committee chair for the IFMA Louisville Chapter)



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Events

March 23rd

Read With 8th Grade West End School Students

March 27th

FUNdraiser Celebration of Past, Present, Future

March 30th

NO MEETING due to FUNdraiser

April 6th

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Brooke

<u>Pardue</u>

Speaker: Brooke Pardue, Parks Alliance of Louisville

April 13th

RCoL Annual Meeting (Speaker Demetrius Gray)

Speaker: Demetrius Gray, Founder & CEO, Captain **Subject:** In addition to our regular weekly meeting agenda, we will hold our Annual Meeting at this event and the incoming slate of officers and directors will be announced.

April 14th

ROTARY MENTORING Western Early College

April 20th

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Dan

Maloney

Speaker: Dan Maloney, Louisville Zoo

April 27th

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Ursula

Madden

Speaker: Ursula Madden, External Affairs Manager for

Blue Oval SK and Blue Oval City

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Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)

Speaker: Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)

May 11th

RCoL Rotary Honors Scholars Luncheon

Speaker: Scotty Davenport

May 12th

District 6710 Conference

Speaker: District 6710 Conference

May 18th

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Dr. Eli

Capilouto

Speaker: Eli Capilouto, University of Kentucky

President May 27th

Rotary International Convention

Speaker: Rotary International Convention **Subject:** https://convention.rotary.org/en

June 7th

New Member Celebration

Speaker: New Member Celebration

June 11th

Craig Scherman's Fabulous House Party

Speaker: Summer Social

March 23rd

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Greg

Galiette

Speaker: Greg Galiette

Subject: Louisville Bats President

March 28th

Rotary Honors Scholars Mentoring Western High

School April 4th

Rotary Leadership Fellows Meeting - April

April 12th

Business Synergy Event at Kentucky Science

Center

Speaker: Business Synergy Networking

April 13th

Rotary University Session 4: Service Projects &

Grants

Speaker: Rotary U Led by Steve Eggers and Alice

Bridges

Subject: Service Projects & Grants

April 20th

International Service Committee Meeting

April 26th

Re:Center Ministries Dinner

Speaker: Re:Center Ministries Dinner

May 3rd

Day at the Downs

Speaker: Day at the Downs

May 4th

NO MEETING due to Day at the Downs

May 11th

Rotary University Session 5: Rotary International

Speaker: Rotary U Led by Rick Harned & Susan

Zepeda

Subject: Rotary International

May 17th

Honor Flight Bluegrass

Speaker: Honor Flight Volunteer Opportunity

May 24th

Re:Center Ministries Dinner

Speaker: Re:Center Ministries Dinner

June 6th

Rotary Leadership Fellows Meeting - June

June 8th

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Dr. Marty Pollio

Speaker: Dr. Marty Pollio, JCPS Superintendent

June 15th

International Service Committee Meeting

Speaker: Re:Center Ministries Dinner

Birthdays



Gerald Martin March 25th



Ernst Camentz March 27th



Joan Louise Hannant March 27th



Kim Halbauer March 28th



Richard Paul Schiller March 28th



Glenn A. Price Jr. March 29th



Jonathan Richtarsic March 29th



Steven R. Ragan March 30th



Angie Bailey April 2nd



Denise L Sears April 3rd



Nelson Auge April 3rd



Graeme Donovan April 5th



Marisa Midkiff Neal April 6th



Erskine H. Courtenay III April 6th

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