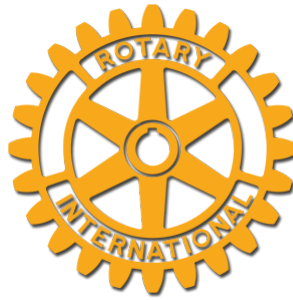


# Rotary Club of Louisville



## For Those Who Don't Scroll...

This edition is jam-packed with information and photos, so I hope you WILL take a minute to scroll. Here are a few highlights:

- Join Larry Sloan and the Lifeline Committee TODAY from 5-7pm to serve dinner at Re:Center Ministries
- We will NOT MEET for lunch at Savor on May 5 or May 26 due to other Rotary events those weeks
- Join us for the Derby Diversity Week *Brim's Bowties Bourbon & Buyers* event following our Day at the Downs on Wednesday
- Make sure to save the date for our Committee Fair, MELANnaire Marketplace and New Member Mixer in the evening on May 26 at LCCC
- Sign up for the member party at Craig Scherman's home on June 12th

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## This Week's Meeting - Angie Fenton, CEO of Extol Magazine



Our featured speaker this week will be Angie Fenton, CEO of [Extol Magazine](#). Her talk is titled "Is It Always Going To Be This Way? How the words of a 5-year-old changed my life – and my career."

We will also be recognizing new **Paul Harris Fellows** as well as those who have achieved a new level.

If you are interested in attending the meeting, email [rotary@rotary45.org](mailto:rotary@rotary45.org) to see if any seats are available.

To participate via Zoom, register in advance [HERE](#) (please use DROPDOWN box to select the date)

\*\*\*NOTE: we will NOT be offering a Zoom option during the month of May. We hope to see many of you in person! If you are not able to join us, the meeting recordings will be available for viewing at your convenience.

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## Last Week's Meeting Recap - Ward Wilson, Kentucky Waterways Alliance

Our featured "Earth Day" speaker was Ward Wilson of Kentucky Waterways Alliance. He spoke about KWW's mission to protect, restore and celebrate Kentucky's unique waterways and their watersheds. You can view the meeting slides [HERE](#).



We also welcomed Kelly Krieg-Sigman from the Downtown La Crosse (WI) Rotary Club who shared about a project her club has been involved with for 20 years called [The Brain Game](#), followed by a flag exchange with President Jean.





Rotary Foundation Committee Chair Mike Kull honored Roland & Marie Blahnik with Major Donor recognition.



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## Upcoming Meeting Speakers

May 5 - **NO LUNCH MTG**; Day at the Downs on Wednesday May 4

May 12 - Rotary Honors Scholars Celebration

May 19 - Pending confirmation

May 26 - **NO LUNCH MTG**; Committee Fair & MELANnaire Marketplace at LCCC (see below)

June 2 - Jose Gaztambide, GoodMaps

June 9 - Russ Cox, Norton Healthcare & Amy Luttrell, Goodwill of Ky

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## Rotarians in the Spotlight

President Jean and Ward Wilson with Kentucky Waterways Alliance were guests on WAVE Listens Live promoting our joint Earth Day events. You can watch the video [HERE](#).



President Jean kicked off the Earth Day Sand Island Press Event at the Shawnee Park Boat Ramp with Congressman John Yarmuth, Mayor Greg Fischer and many others. You can watch the video [HERE](#).



And Delene Taylor represented Rotary on Great Day Live at Waterfront Botanical Gardens. You can watch the video [HERE](#). Rotarian Dan Maloney with the Louisville Zoo was on the program as well!



# GDL: Rotary Club of Louisville & KY Waterways Alliance partner for Earth Day projects



To learn more about the KY Waterways Alliance, visit [kwalliance.org](http://kwalliance.org). For more information about Rotary Club of Louisville, go to [louisvillerotary.org](http://louisvillerotary.org).

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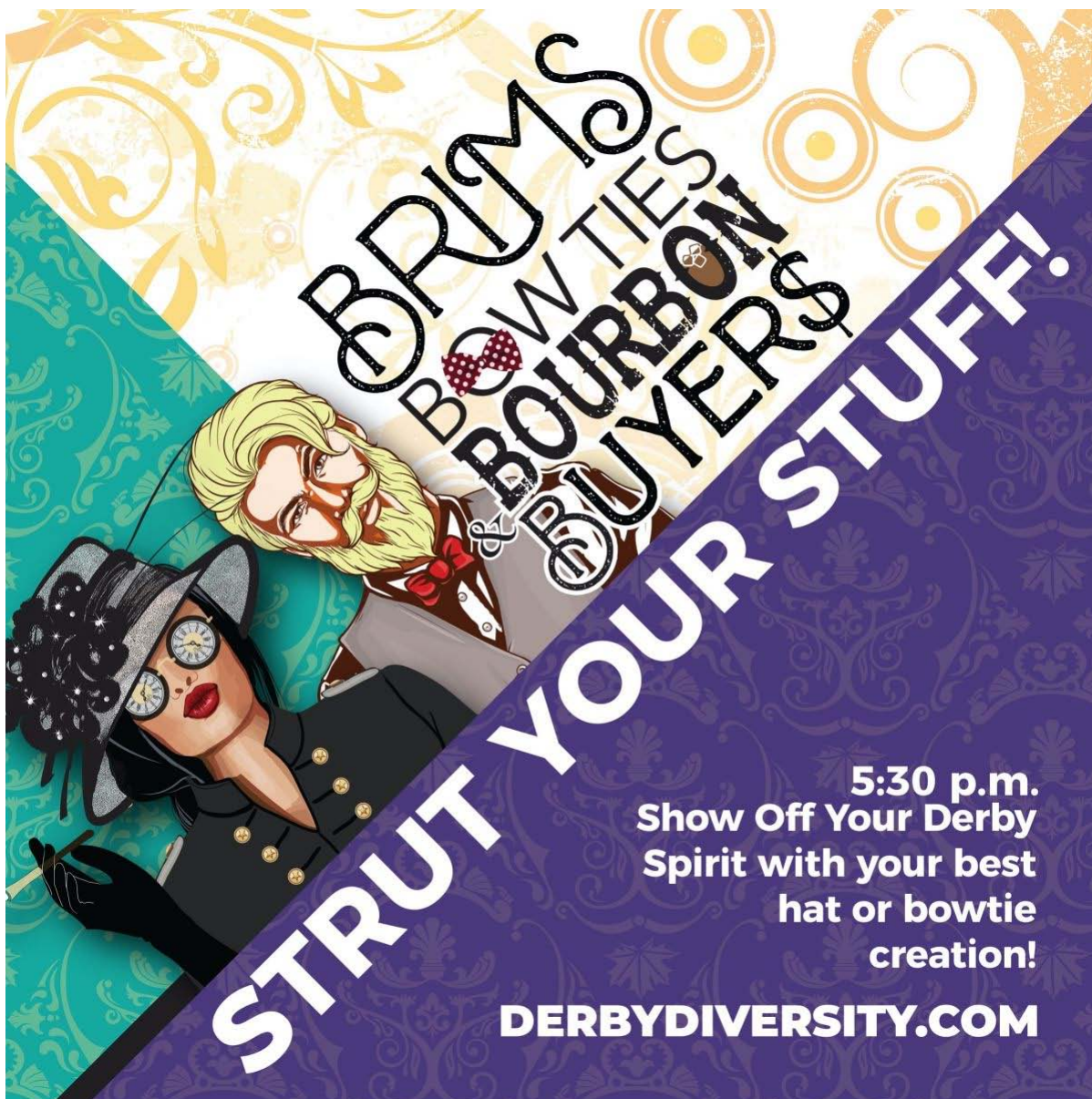
## Derby Diversity Week

By Jean West

Our club is participating in [Derby Diversity Week](#), created by Rotarian Tawana Bain and her team. We will have a booth at the Kentucky International Convention Center next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 1:30-5:30pm. Please come check it out. We need a couple of volunteers who are not attending our Day at the Downs event to staff the booth on Wednesday. Click [Read More](#) below the image to learn more about this multi-day program with speakers, a business marketplace, evening events and more.

As part of our partnership, we have 50 tickets to the *Brim's Bowties Bourbon & Buyers* event on Wednesday evening at the Convention center - sign up [HERE](#) (first come, first served). There will be a cash bar, light appetizers and a DJ.





[Read More](#)

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## May 26: Committee Fair, MELANnaire Marketplace & New Member Event

By Delene Taylor

I am excited to announce a special collaboration that is going to not only spotlight our Club in the community and engage new members, but also aligns with our club's formal [commitment to vendor diversity and inclusion](#):

Instead of our regular lunch meeting at Savor on May 26, we will be meeting at the [Louisville Central Community Center](#) at 1300 W. Muhammad Ali Blvd, where Club Director Kevin Fields serves as CEO. This will be our annual (pre-COVID) Committee Fair, with representatives from our Club committees on hand to share the mission of their committee, the work they are doing, and how you can plug in and become more engaged in an area that aligns with your passion(s). Following the fair, we will have a Mix & Mingle event for all of our "new" members who have joined since January 2020.

The MELANnaire Marketplace will be set up in the atrium/plaza area of LCCC and there will be plenty of time for you to visit these impressive entrepreneurs both before and after our meeting/fair.



LCCC is planning a ribbon cutting/press conference that afternoon to celebrate the launch of their new Old Walnut Plaza minority business incubator, which is great timing, since our Club is teaming up with SCORE to provide mentoring to the entrepreneurs who participate.

The tentative agenda is:

- 3:00pm MELANnaire Marketplace vendors set up
  - 4:00pm Ribbon cutting / press conference
  - 5:00pm Rotary meeting / committee fair
  - 6:00pm Rotary new member Mix & Mingle
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## Honor Flight Celebration

The return of the Honor Flight for Kentucky and Southern Indiana area veterans of Korea and Vietnam last Wednesday was an unforgettable experience. Rotarian Bill Hirtzel was among those honored. Thanks to Roland Blahnik, Ashley Brauer and Larry Sloan for capturing some photos...you can see more pictures and videos of the day [HERE](#). The next Honor Flight is June 2nd; you can write a note of gratitude to the veterans - must be received by May 25th: Honor Flight Bluegrass Mail Call, 8707 Storrington Court, Louisville, KY 40222.





# Repair Affair & Storm Drain Marking Service Projects

Thanks to all who joined us last weekend for our Repair Affair and Storm Drain Marking service projects!







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## Save the Date!

Craig Scherman will be hosting a party for members and guests at his beautiful home in Anchorage on Sunday, June 12th from 4:00-7:30pm. \$25 will cover food from Mark's Feed Store, open bar, live music and a whole lotta fun! Click [HERE](#) to RSVP.





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## Plan To Attend Our District Conference May 20-21 In Owensboro

Join President Jean, President-Elect Walt Kunau, Jr., Executive Director Delene Taylor and other Club Directors and members in Owensboro for our District 6710 Conference. More details and registration info [HERE](#).



**Rotary District 6710 Conference 2022**  
**May 20-21, 2022**  
**Owensboro Convention Center**  
**&**  
**Bluegrass Music Hall of Fame & Museum**



**SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, MAY 13**

<http://www.rotarydistrict6710.org>

**SCHEDULE**

Thursday, May 19: College of Governors' meeting/dinner-invitation only  
Friday, May 20: Registration opens 8 AM CT/9 AM ET  
Saturday, May 21: Conference closes 4 PM CT/5 PM ET

**\$99 includes**

- 5 General Sessions
- 3 Featured Speakers
- 2 lunches
- 24 Breakout Sessions-everything you need to know about Rotary, leadership, change, bourbon & more!
- 1 Special Event: Friday evening Bluegrass Music Hall of Fame & Museum, Heavy hors d'oeuvres & Cash Bar\*

**FEATURED SPEAKER**

**Kyra Elzy**, Head Coach  
UK Women's Basketball



Special pricing available for Interactors & Rotaractors  
Complimentary golf carts will be running all weekend to and from hotels and venues courtesy of Visit Owensboro!

**FIRST TIME EVER!**

District Conference On-line Shop

[District6710shop.com](http://District6710shop.com)

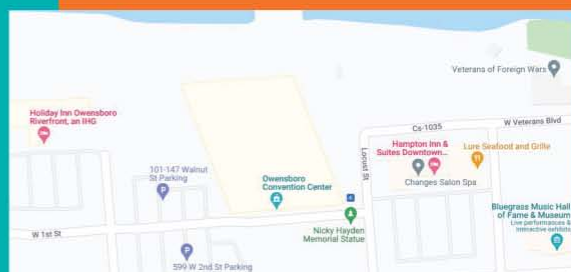
**\*PURPLE PINKIES FOR POLIO**

Specially designed purple cocktail/purple wine  
Souvenir glass  
Proceeds go to PolioPlus

**HOTELS**

Hampton Inn-Riverfront  
**\$129 Early Bird Pricing** expires 5/1/22  
401 W 2nd St, Owensboro, KY 42301-0736

Holiday Inn-Riverfront  
**\$129 Early Bird Pricing** expires 5/1/22  
701 W 1st St, Owensboro, KY 42301-0768



Contact District Admin. Asst. Leigh Perry for help with registration, [info@rotarydistrict6710.org](mailto:info@rotarydistrict6710.org) or 502-592-0930.

## 2021-2022 Rotarian of the Year Award Nominations

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 involvements. 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. You can find the Nomination Form [HERE](#). Submissions must be made by **May 31, 2022**. Please send the form and supporting information to [rotary@rotary45.org](mailto:rotary@rotary45.org)



or 325 W Main St, Suite 1808, Louisville, KY 40202.

Click below for a list of criteria for nominations.

[Read More](#)

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## Quarterly Contributions to the Rotary Fund and Rotary Foundation

Support of our local Rotary Fund of Louisville and the Rotary International Foundation grant-making organizations is a very important part of being a member of the Rotary Club of Louisville, and is the source of funds for our many service projects! To take advantage of lower processing fees available to tax-exempt organizations (the Fund is one, the Club is not), we are shifting from adding the contributions to Club dues invoices as we have done in the past - to setting up automatic recurring payments directly to the 501(c)3 Fund. This will save several hundred dollars in fees each year and be a much more efficient process, in addition to being more straightforward for tax purposes. The steps are very simple and do not have to be repeated once initially set up. If you prefer, we are happy to assist or do it for you.

I'm excited to announce a little incentive: each person who sets up an automatic recurring contribution to BOTH our local Rotary Fund of Louisville AND to the Rotary International Foundation (totaling \$100 or more per year for each) will have their name entered for a series of drawings. Winners will receive **Paul Harris Fellow recognition points**. Watch for a follow-up email with details.

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## JCPS Career Fair Survey



KentuckianaWorks, GLI and JCPS Academies of Louisville are partnering to explore the idea of hosting career fairs that coincide with JCPS graduation rehearsals at Freedom Hall, in order to connect seniors who may not have a solid post-graduation plan to job opportunities in our region. If your company has interest in participating, please take a couple of minutes to fill out [this brief survey](#).

Click Read More for preliminary dates. [Read More](#)

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## Middle School Literacy Project at West End School

There is still time to join us for our Middle School Literacy Project at West End School, 3628 Virginia Ave, through **May 6 from 9:50-10:40am daily**. We read and discuss the book *Just Mercy* by Bryan Stephenson with 8th graders - 6 students and their Reading Specialist. You will be amazed and enriched by the accomplishments of these students and this school. You can set your own schedule for participation. Email [wkunau@bellsouth.net](mailto:wkunau@bellsouth.net) or call 502.262.2792 to discuss what day(s) you would

like to come.



Click for more information:  
[Read More](#)

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## Rotary Soccer Day is August 13th - Lou City vs Tampa Bay

Plan to attend the 2022 Rotary Soccer Day as Lou City takes on the Tampa Bay Rowdies on Saturday, August 13th at 7:30pm. We will have a block of seats centerfield as well as pre-game access to the Four Roses Corner Bar beginning at 5:30pm. Tickets are \$46 each and can be purchased [HERE](#).





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## Rotary Job Board

Have a job opening at your company? Post it on Rotary's Job Board! A fellow Rotarian might know the perfect person to fill the position.

- Gilda's Club is seeking a [Clinical Manager](#), [Volunteer Engagement Manager](#), and [Family Program & Outreach Manager](#).
- Maid In Louisville - Front line cleaning techs; part-time; flex hours, weekends or weeknights. Contact Greg Braun [greg@maidinlouisville.com](mailto:greg@maidinlouisville.com)

If your company has a job opening to post, send the information to [rotary@rotary45.org](mailto:rotary@rotary45.org).

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## Events

April 27th

[Re:Center Dinner - Lifeline Committee](#)

May 4th

[Rotary Day at the Downs](#)

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May 12th

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May 5th

[NO THURSDAY MEETING due to Derby Event on Wednesday](#)

May 19th

[RCoL Meeting - TBD](#)

**Speaker:** TBD

May 26th

[RCoL Meeting - Committee Fair](#)

**Speaker:** Committee Fair

June 9th

[RCoL Meeting - Russ Cox, Norton Healthcare](#)

**Speaker:** Russ Cox, Norton Healthcare & Amy Luttrell, Goodwill of Kentucky

## Birthdays



Robert S. English  
April 26th



Turney P. Berry  
April 27th



Gary W. Noel  
April 28th



Stephen George  
April 29th



Boyce F. Martin III  
April 29th



Kevin Lynch  
April 29th



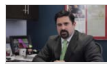
John W. Hampton  
May 3rd



Evon Smith  
May 3rd



Russell Smith  
May 4th



Michael Gabhart  
May 5th



John-Robert Curtin Ph.D.  
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Terry W. Tyler  
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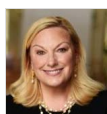
Ben Reno-Weber  
May 6th



Anthony R. Kemper  
May 7th



Brandy N. Jenkins  
May 8th



Chambers Moore  
May 11th

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