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Walt's Words of Wisdom

By Walt Kunau



Hello Rotarians,

I greet you in the spirit of Rotary's Motto – "Service Above Self"!

Imagine Rotary is the 2022-23 Rotary International presidential theme. The question I would like to pose to you is: Why Rotary? I hope you take some time to **imagine** your role in Rotary this year, so that when asked why you are a member of our Club, you will have an exciting answer!

Let's **imagine** what Rotary can be - for you, for our club, for our city, for our commonwealth, for our country, and for our world!

First, **imagine** a world without polio. It will happen, and it will happen because of Rotary and because of you! The eradication efforts imagined by Rotarians began in earnest in 1988 when cases numbered 350,000 annually. In 2007, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation joined us in the fight. Today, polio has been eliminated in more than 120 countries and remains endemic in only two. A global push for polio eradication by 2026 is on target, thanks to you!

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Note from Delene

Where to start??? There is so much happening! Can you **feel the energy** of the new year? It was present in our meeting last Thursday with 120 people in the room (many of whom we haven't seen in a couple of years) to hear Dr. John Hale. It was present in the **video** President Walt recorded encouraging you to sign up for this week's meeting (if you didn't see the video, go back and check your email from Rotary on July 7th). It is present at **Rotary University** sessions as new members figure out where best to engage, and with the **committees** that are kicking off a new year and new initiatives. It was present at the first **board meeting** of the year with six new board members. I'm certain it will be present at the **soccer** field on August 13, the Board/Committee **Leadership Retreat** on August 16th, the **Business Synergy** event we are planning for September, the Rotary **golf scramble** in October, and the BIG event Greg Braun is starting to plan for March 27th at Waterfront Botanical Gardens.

We have a **refreshed website** - thank you Rotarian of the Year and Public Image Chair Kevin McCarron, who is also working on a **new backdrop and banners!** We just received a **new badge maker** that will allow us to print custom badges as needed, one at a time, so that new members and those who change jobs, etc. don't have to wait weeks or months for a new badge (thank you for your patience, those that have been waiting)! The **club directory** proof will be sent out within a week for final review before it goes to print. **New grants** for 2022-23 from the Rotary Fund are in the works. We're 15 followers away from hitting 1,000 on our [LinkedIn page!](#) And thanks to Ashley Brauer and our Speakers Committee, we have an **outstanding lineup of speakers** scheduled weeks in advance.

If you have been saying you want to get involved again, or for the first time - don't wait! We need/want you right now. And we are ready to welcome guests and new members, so help spread the word of the amazing things that our Club is doing.

This Week's Meeting: Dr. Gordon Tobin, Ukraine Task Force

This week we will be hosting Dr. Gordon Tobin. His topic is **"War in Ukraine: A Tragic Human Crisis, Louisville's Engagement, and Historic Implications."** We will have a couple of surprise guests as well!

Dr. Gordon is a Professor of Surgery (Plastic and Reconstructive) at the University of Louisville and is passionate about humanitarian efforts.

We have 110 registered and are currently sold out of meals, so if your plans change and you are unable to attend, please text 502-295-9290 (even at noon on Thursday) so we can offer your meal for purchase (if purchased, you will receive a credit for a future meeting). If you would like to purchase a meal (pork chop), we have started a waiting list. If you would like to attend without eating, please email rotary@rotary45.org.



Click [Read More](#) for more information and the speaker's bio.

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July 7th Meeting Recap - Dr. John Hale

Last week we welcomed Dr. John Hale from the University of Louisville - his presentation on the underwater treasures found at Israel's Caesarea Maritima was yet another captivating look into Dr. Hale's storied career in archaeological discovery. We welcomed a multitude of guests and returning Rotarians to this meeting to kick off another exciting Rotary year. You can see more photos on our [Facebook page](#). If you attended and have not yet completed the meeting survey, please do so [HERE](#).

The 4 Way Test

of the things we think, say or do:

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- 1 Is it the TRUTH?
- 2 Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3 Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4 Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



Rotarian of the Year: Kevin McCarron

At our July 7th meeting we presented **Kevin McCarron**, Founder of Projection Creative, with the 2021-2022 *Rotarian of the Year* award. Thank you Kevin...your hard work and service is greatly appreciated by all.



Next Week's Meeting: Greg Gitschier, Former Secret Service Agent

On July 21 we will be hosting Greg Gitschier, a former Secret Service agent. His topic is titled "**Keep Your Head on a Swivel**" - focused on mass event safety, which unfortunately is quite relevant in our current society. We hope to see you there, and bring a guest!

The menu will be salad greens with chicken and a vegetarian/gluten-free option is available upon advance request.

Please RSVP by NOON on Monday, July 18th by clicking [HERE](#).



Rotarian in the Spotlight: Jeff Underhill

Rotarian **Jeff Underhill**, President of Underhill Associates, has purchased a historic building which will be revitalized for a new use. Located at 1140 Cherokee Road, the 127-year-old former Highland United Methodist Church will be converted into loft apartments. The property will house 18 units: three in the church, 12 in the attached learning center and three more in the lower level. The entire property totals about 20,000 square feet. The church was first built in 1895, while the learning center was added in 1962. You can read more [HERE](#).



Rotarian in the Spotlight: Joyce Seymour

Rotarian Joyce Seymour was featured in the Courier Journal for her 50 years of involvement with the girls LIT basketball tournament. We are so proud of all she has done to encourage and improve women's sports in Louisville. Way to go Joyce! You can see the full article [HERE](#).



Rotarians in the Spotlight: Goodwill / Norton Healthcare

We would like to celebrate the recent groundbreaking of the new 'opportunity campus' in west Louisville. Corporate Member **Goodwill Industries of Kentucky**, along with Corporate Member **Norton Healthcare** are investing more than \$100 million to transform a 20-acre site into a campus that will have Goodwill's headquarters operation, a full-service hospital and a collection of local agencies. You can read more [HERE](#) and see video [HERE](#).



Rotary Soccer Day is August 13th - RSVP now so we know how many to plan for

If you have been putting it off, now is the time to register 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 Rabbit Hole Corner Bar beginning at 5:30pm. Tickets are \$46 each and can be purchased [HERE](#).



Rotary University

If you are new to Rotary and/or haven't completed these orientation sessions, or just want to join in the fun with some of our new members, please mark these dates on your calendar. We will meet IN PERSON at Savor following the regular lunch meetings.

- August 11 - Rotary International (Rick Harned / Susan Zepeda)
- September 15 - Service Projects / Grants (Steve Eggers / Alice Bridges)
- October 6 - Rotary Honors Scholars (Thom Crimans / Craig Mooney)

All members are welcome.

Ohio River Restoration Plan Meeting: Wednesday, August 10, 2022, Louisville Community Boathouse

Kentucky Waterways Alliance is working with partners at the National Wildlife Federation and Ohio River Basin Alliance to plan a listening session about the Ohio River Restoration Plan on the evening of Wednesday, August 10, at the Louisville Community Boathouse in Waterfront Park. For more info, click [Read More](#) below or email Ward Wilson at ward@KWAlliance.org



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Events

July 14th

[RCoL Weekly Meeting Speaker: Dr. Gordon Tobin/Ukraine Task Force](#)

Speaker: Dr. Gordon Tobin, MD

Subject: War in Ukraine: A Tragic Human Crisis, Louisville's Engagement, and Historic Implications

July 25th

[Speakers Committee Meeting](#)

July 28th

[RCoL Meeting: Speaker: Monique Kuykendoll Quarterman, Tori Wood](#)

Speaker: Monique Kuykendoll Quarterman, Tori Wood

Subject: Monique Kuykendoll Quarterman, deputy executive director - office of entrepreneurship and small business innovation, KY Innovation / Tori Wood, project manager

August 11th

[RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: James O'Connor](#)

Speaker: James O'Connor, Louisville City / Racing Louisville President

August 24th

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

July 21st

[RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Greg Gitschier](#)

Speaker: Greg Gitschier, former Secret Service agent

Subject: Keep Your Head on a Swivel: Lessons from a security expert to keep yourself and your family safe in an unexpected situation.

July 27th

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

August 4th

[RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Todd A. Mooradian](#)

Speaker: Todd A. Mooradian, PhD / Dean, UofL College of Business

August 13th

[Rotary Soccer Day - Lou City vs Tampa Bay Rowdies](#)

September 1st

[RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Cleo Battle](#)

September 8th
[RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Susan Rademacher](#)

Speaker: Susan Rademacher / Origin Park

September 28th
[Re:Center Dinner - Lifeline Committee](#)

October 4th
[Rotary Leadership Fellows Meeting - October](#)

October 13th
[RCoL Weekly Meeting:3rd District Congressional Candidate Forum](#)

Speaker: 3rd District Congressional Candidate Forum

Subject: 3rd District Congressional Candidate Forum

October 26th
[Re:Center Dinner - Lifeline Committee](#)

November 1st
[Rotary Leadership Fellows Meeting - November](#)

November 10th
[RCoL Weekly Meeting: Speaker: Maggie Keith and Lindsey McClave](#)

Speaker: Maggie Keith/owner, Foxhollow Farm & Lindsey McClave/wine & food writer

Subject: Maggie Keith/owner, Foxhollow Farm & Lindsey McClave/wine & food writer - "The Farmer & The Foodie"

Speaker: Cleo Battle / Louisville Tourism

September 13th
[Rotary Leadership Fellows Meeting - September](#)

September 29th
[RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Felicia Smith/NCFL](#)

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October 6th
[RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Pat Armstrong](#)

Speaker: Pat Armstrong/KY Derby Museum

October 20th
[RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Ingrid Hernandez](#)

Speaker: Ingrid Hernandez / President - INgrid Design

October 27th
[RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Mike Anderson](#)

Speaker: Mike Anderson/President, Churchill Downs

November 3rd
[RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Dan Mann](#)

Speaker: Dan Mann, Executive Director, Louisville Regional Airport Authority

Subject: RI Foundation Focus

Birthdays



Walter J. Swyers
July 14th



Charles A. Roederer Jr.
July 15th



Kevin W. Cosby
M.Div.
July 15th



Doug James
July 17th



J. Michael Ehrler
July 18th



Barry Glen Allen
July 19th



Clifford T. Elgin
July 21st



Tyler N. Allen
July 23rd



Richard H.C. Clay
July 24th



Andre Kimo Stone
Guess
July 24th



Tony H. Coffey
July 25th



Miles Burkholder
July 25th



John Lueken
July 26th



G. Raymond
Schuhmann
July 28th



Gary Dryden
July 30th



Allan M. Parnell
July 30th



Cynthia P. Collier
July 30th



Maria A Smith
July 30th

Alan N. Singleton
July 31st



Paul J. Bickel III
July 31st



Anthony L.
Newberry
July 31st



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