

Walt's Words of Wisdom



Rotarians Up!

That's the call that will be made at Joe's Palm Room, 1821 W Jefferson, at noon on Thursday as we welcome **Mike Anderson**, President of Churchill Downs, to the stage.

The morning line odds make Mike a prohibitive favorite. The sure bet is the trifecta of Food, Fellowship, and Fun. For those of you who enjoy exotics, the Tip of the Week is for the superfecta as you box:

Help Ukraine with Rotary's Partners for Peace;

- 2. Enjoy a re-imagined tradition of Thanksgiving lunch with Kiwanis next Tuesday;
- 3. Ring the Salvation Army Bells sign -up with George Brakmeier
- 4. Register for our Holiday Party on December 7 and
- 5. Attend KY Opera's Gift of the Magi on December 18

If you want to be in the money, make the clubhouse turn, and gallop on down to Joe's. You don't want to finish off the board.

Your Rotary club continues to do the work of Rotary throughout our community and into the world. One aspect of that work is our local club governance. As part of implementing best practices for our club, every few years the Club Bylaws need to be reviewed and updated. That process is underway now. Amending bylaws changes the contract that Rotary Club of Louisville has made with the membership regarding how the club operates. Be on the lookout for an email from me that outlines recommended updates to our Bylaws. You will have access to the proposed changes and the time and opportunity to provide input and ask questions.

Walt's Words of Wisdom strike a Derby tone this week. Enjoy!

"Talk Derby to me."

"Until you go to the Kentucky Derby with your own eyes, behold the Derby, you ain't never been nowhere and you ain't seen nothing." Irvin S. Cobb

" 'All men are equal on the turf or under it' - that's one saying. But the folks who own the horses, it's much more for them, for them an exciting day out. Here's the ground of it, as I see it: a racehorse is a mirror, and a man sees his own reflection there. He wants to think he is from the best breeding. He wants to think of himself as brave. Can he win against all comers? And, if not, does he have the self-mastery to take a loss, stay cool in defeat, and try again undaunted? Those are the qualities of a great racehorse and a great gentleman. A gentleman likes to have a horse that gives the right answers to those questions, then he can believe that he will give the right answers too." From Horse by Geraldine Brooks

This Week's Meeting - Mike Anderson / President, Churchill Downs

This week's meeting at Joe's Palm Room will feature **Mike Anderson**, President of Churchill Downs. Mike will be discussing investments in the horseracing industry (new construction going on at the Downs), and how the Derby belongs to the community and to you in particular!



The menu will be a buffet with two options: shrimp pesto pasta or a salad with grilled chicken. A vegetarian or gluten-free option is available upon advance request. We will have TWO door prizes this week: the book *Horse* by Geraldine Brooks, and donated by Rotarian Cliff Elgin - (2) tickets to the Louisville Orchestra Pops Holiday Concert on Saturday 11/26.

The registration deadline has passed. To see if any seats remain available, please email rotary@rotary45.org.

Click for speaker bio: Read More

November 22nd Thanksgiving Lunch with Kiwanis, Audubon Country Club

***We will NOT have a regular meeting on Thursday due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

We will share a Thanksgiving meal and fellowship with the Kiwanis Club on **Tuesday**, **November 22nd at Audubon Country Club**. The speaker will be Captain Jimmy Parrish from the Salvation Army. Plan to arrive at 11:30am. The cutoff to reserve a buffet meal has passed, but you can still attend for \$10 (dessert only), payable at the door with cash or check.

Winter Clothing Drive for Ukraine

By Fred Cowan

Partnering for Peace, the collaboration between our Club and the Peace Corps community, is sponsoring a winter clothing drive over the next three weeks for families in Ukraine who have been forced to flee their homes. Please drop off winter clothing items such as jackets, sweaters, gloves, warm socks and scarves the next three Saturdays between 9 am and 12 pm at the home of former Ukrainian Peace Corps Volunteer Tim Nicolazzi, 1214 South Floyd Street. Tim is a member of Partnering for Peace and a prospective Rotarian. Alternatively, you may **bring clothing to the meeting** this Thursday and deposit in the bin provided. For additional information, please contact me at 502-417-6669 or <u>fjcowan@gmail.com</u>. We will be sending the clothes to Ukraine in early December.

Last Week's Meeting Recap - "The Farmer & The Foodie"

Last week's meeting featured Lindsey McClave, Co-Host of The "Farmer & The Foodie". You can catch up on episodes <u>HERE</u>. Shoutout to **Charlie Castner** for sending us off with some energetic tickling of the ivories - he'll be playing again this week!

If you attended the meeting, please share your feedback: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RCLSurvey11102022



Rotarian in the Spotlight: Gill Holland

Congratulations to Rotarian **Gill Holland** on the grand opening of <u>Harlan County Beer Company</u>, the first legal brewery in Harlan County! You may recognize Geoff Marietta in the photo as well - he spoke to us in August 2021 on *The Triple Bottom Line of Investing in Eastern Kentucky and Rural America*.



Rotary Holiday Party - December 7th - Big Spring Country Club

From the Rotary Elf Elwe,

This year's holiday party will be at the newly renovated Big Springs Country Club on Dutchman's Lane. You and your guest(s) will enjoy a huge buffet, with a holiday cash bar.

The program will include a word from President Walt and lots of fun and games for prizes before live music to dance the night away.

Wear your craziest holiday attire, as prizes will be given to the Best Dressed from the wise Elf of holiday fashion, Craig Winkleschoss!

Tickets are \$65 per person and advance registration is required: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RCLHolidayParty2022

Click Read More to see photos from last year's event: Read More

Rotary Day at the Opera - December 18, 2pm

Join your fellow Rotarians for a special afternoon at the Kentucky Opera on **Sunday, December 18th at 2:00pm**. Not only will we receive a **discounted rate of \$30** (reg price \$39), but we will also have the opportunity to **meet with cast members** following the performance (thank you Rotarian Barbara Lynne Jamison). The Kentucky Opera will provide wine and light bites if we have at least 25 attending, so let's show out! If you have family/friends in town for the holidays, invite them.

Please click <u>HERE</u> to RSVP. Note that once you submit the RSVP form, you will be taken to our website where there will be a link and instructions to purchase your tickets directly from the Kentucky Opera.



The Gift of the Magi

Presented at the Opera Center (708 Magazine Street), this heartwarming holiday classic brings you close to the action. Jim and Della cannot afford to buy each other presents for Christmas; as a result, they pawn their most prized possessions to purchase gifts for each other. However, their surprises go awry in this adaptation of O. Henry's classic story, delivered with beautiful melodies sung in English.

It's Time To Ring The Bells!

By George Brakmeier



Please join us for this year's Salvation Army Bell Ringing service project at the Holiday Manor Kroger on US 42. You can choose one or more of the following shifts - we need 4 volunteers for each shift and guests are welcome:

Saturday December 3rd, 10th and 17th Shifts are from 9:00 to 10:30, 10:30 to noon, noon to 1:30, 1:30 to 3:00

Register in DaCdb:

December 3: <u>https://dacdb.com/index.html?EventID=77634201</u> December 10: <u>https://dacdb.com/index.html?EventID=77634316</u> December 17: <u>https://dacdb.com/index.html?EventID=77634318</u>

For more information, my cell phone is 502-552-2002.

Western High School Warrior Tree Program: Donations Needed

By Walt Kunau

When shopping for the holidays this season, please consider supporting the Western High School Warrior Tree Holiday Program with a donation of Clothing, Toys, Food, Snacks and/or Monetary Donations. Many in our community go without food and clothing, and children are at the most risk. Youth over the age of 12 in Louisville miss out on holiday programs such as Angel Tree and Shop with a Cop. With the generous support of the community along with the staff at Western, more than 80 Western High School families were helped last year - let's make that number higher this year! Contact me to arrange collection of donated items: 502.262.2792 or wkunau@bellsouth.net

2022-23 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! We need mentors for our three January dates listed below:

- Wednesday, January 18 from 7:40am 9:15am at Iroquois High School, 4615 Taylor Blvd
- Tuesday, January 24 from 8:15am 9:15am at Western High School, 2501 Rockford Ln, Shively
- Friday, January 27 from 8:15am 9:00am at Western High School Early College at JCTC Southwest Campus, 1000 Community College Dr, SOAR Room, Building A

Click Read More below for future dates. Please contact cmooney@bosseconstruction.com to volunteer or with questions.



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Events

November 17th <u>RCoL Weekly Meeting Speaker: Mike Anderson /</u> <u>Churchill Downs</u> Speaker: Mike Anderson, President of Churchill Downs November 22nd <u>Joint Meeting with Kiwanis Club at Audubon</u> <u>Country Club</u> Speaker: Joint Meeting with Kiwanis Club November 30th <u>Rotary Leadership Retreat</u>

December 3rd Bell Ringing Benefiting Salvation Army Speaker: Bell Ringing / Salvation Army

December 8th <u>NO MEETING due to Holiday Celebration</u> Speaker: NO MEETING due to Holiday Celebration December 15th <u>International Service Committee Meeting</u>

December 17th Bell Ringing Benefiting Salvation Army Speaker: Bell Ringing / Salvation Army

December 22nd <u>NO MEETING - Happy Holidays!</u> Speaker: NO MEETING - Happy Holidays!

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 November 22nd

 RCoL Weekly Meeting Speaker: Mike Anderson /
 Rotary Honors Scholars Mentoring Western High

 Churchill Downs
 School

November 24th <u>NO MEETING - Happy Thanksgiving!</u> Speaker: NO MEETING - Happy Thanksgiving!

December 1st **RCoL Weekly Meeting Speaker: Lori Gonzalez** Speaker: Lori Gonzalez, UofL Interim President December 7th Rotary Holiday Celebration at Big Spring Country Club Speaker: Rotary Holiday Celebration December 10th **Bell Ringing Benefiting Salvation Army** Speaker: Bell Ringing / Salvation Army December 15th RCoL Meeting - TBD Speaker: TBD December 18th Rotary at the Opera Speaker: Rotary at the Opera Subject: The Gift of the Magi December 29th **NO MEETING - Happy New Year!** Speaker: NO MEETING - Happy New Year!

Birthdays



Robert B. Nesmith November 16th



Mary Anne Thornton November 20th



Kent Weyland November 25th



Claire Arnold December 1st



Amy Luttrell December 4th



Ingrid Hernandez December 9th



Harry Louis Seeger V December 18th



Tracy Evette Davis, JD, CDP December 21st



Jon Sanders December 23rd



Lisa DeJaco Crutcher December 28th

Club Leaders



Walt Kunau President



Jean West iPast President



Cynthia Miles Brown Club Director

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Rick Smith November 27th

Alisa O Gray

December 2nd

Robert M. Slider

December 5th

December 10th

December 19th

December 22nd

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Sam Cilone

Adam Fields

Jason Pierce

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Vincenti

December 23rd

December 28th

Kevin Lynch

Lori Hudson

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Jay Mallory

November 24th

November 29th

November 18th

Katie Jo Glesing December 6th

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Tawana Bain December 19th



T. Vernon Foster December 23rd

David Y. Wood December 23rd



Kimberly Mallory December 31st



David C. Dick December 31st

Dorn Crawford







Jay Mallory Club Director













Willie Billingslea December 14th



Tracie Texas Shifflett December 20th

Thomas K Stone

December 15th

Vincent Cameron

November 18th

November 24th

Charles R. Oberst

Stephenson, M.D. December 4th

December 1st

Walt Kunau

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December 23rd



















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