



# SPARKS

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 1, 2012

2012 Rotary Trade EXPO

*"Sharing Your Services with Rotary Friends"*

Tradeshow: 11:00 am - 1:30 pm / Buffet Opens: 11:30 am

Galt House East, 2nd Floor, Grand Ballroom A



Held every other year, the Trade EXPO is a good time to learn about other Rotarians and the services/products provided by their businesses. This will also be a great day for networking and getting to know many of the new Rotarians who have recently joined the Club. And, to add to the excitement, there will be 30 door prizes ranging in value up to \$250! So, don't forget your business cards to enter.

**IMPORTANT:** Make sure to come by the Rotary Club booth! We will be verifying that your information in the database is current and accurate for this year's roster. If your photo has not yet been provided or if you would like a more current photo in the roster, come prepared to have your picture taken! In addition, you will be able to register/purchase tickets for 'Day at the Downs' (May 1) and the 'Centennial Celebration' (July 21).

*We look forward to see you on March 1<sup>st</sup>!*

## Rotary Bowling Event



Saturday, March 3 (11:00a - 1:00p)

KINGPIN LANES

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\$10 (includes shoe rental)

Sign up at regular Thursday meetings, or contact  
Jeff Hadley (jhadley@boyshaven.org) or  
Gary Noel (gnoel@rhcgroupp.com).

♦ **MARCH 8 meeting location is at Walnut Street Baptist Church.**

♦ Pay-As-You-Go Members & Guests pay \$20 for lunch. (Only first-time 'prospective member' guests are free.)



## Birthday Table

Kirk Alliman	March 1
George Merrifield	March 1
Bill Stone	March 1
Bos Todd	March 1
Greg Braun	March 2
Paul Zurkuhlen	March 2
Bill Brantley	March 3
Joe Ferguson	March 5
Katie Hoy	March 5
Paul Oberst	March 5
Bob Ewald	March 8
David Garland	March 8
Skip Miller	March 8
Patricia Hart	March 11
Norman Berry	March 13

***Birthdays will not be observed on March 1 due to the Trade EXPO. Please sit at the Birthday table at the March 8 meeting. Thank you!***

**July 21, 2012 — SAVE THE DATE!**



**'Celebrating 100 Years of Service'**

When: July 21, 2012

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Log in and verify that all of your information is accurate, and make all necessary updates/edits. Also, be sure to upload your photo if it is not already there.

**This data will be in our next roster. It is your responsibility to ensure that your info is accurate.** UserName is your current email address. Password is your RI member number. (You'll be prompted to change your PW after your first log-in. Need assistance? Call 589-1800.) You have access to an abundance of information about the Club, members, etc. I suggest that you add it to your Favorites list.

**PROGRAM SCHEDULE**

- March 8** — Stu Silberman, Executive Director, Prichard Commission
- March 15** — Rotary Unsung Hero Program
- March 22** — Mark Simendinger, General Manager, Kentucky Speedway
- April 5** — Mike Berry, Executive Director, Kentucky Derby Festival
- April 12** — Dr. Jim Ramsey, President, University of Louisville
- April 19** — Lexington Mayor Jim Gray, *Bluegrass Economic Advancement Movement (BEAM) & Regional Business Development Issues*
- April 26** — Rotary Speech Contest Program
- May 10** — Governor Steve Beshear
- May 17** — Dr. James Bullard, President & CEO, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis
- May 24** — Michael Saag, M.D., Director of Center for AIDS Research, University of Alabama at Birmingham, *30 Years of AIDS ... Where Have We Been & Where Are We Going?*
- May 31** — Peter Morrin, *50th Anniversary & History of Studio Glass*
- June 7** — Ted Smith, Economic Development Director, City of Louisville
- June 14** — Gary Knell, President of National Public Radio
- June 28** — Changing of the Guard
- July 5** — Tom Owen, U of L Professor / Historian, Metro Council Member, *What Was Louisville Like 100 Years Ago?*
- July 19** — Ray Klingensmith, Rotary International President, *100th Anniversary Rotary Club of Louisville Celebration*
- July 26** — Dr. Susan Harkema, Rehabilitation Research Director, KY Spinal Cord Injury Research Center, *Locomotor Training: Helping Patients Walk Away from Paralysis*

**CLUB EVENTS**

- March 2** — Rotary Day Out, UPS Tour - **This event is sold out!**
- March 30** — Rotary Night Out, Speed Museum (*Details coming soon!*)
- May 1** — 47th Annual **"Rotary Day at the Downs"** Watch for email invitation to register! Limited availability.
- July 21** — Rotary Club of Louisville's Centennial Event at the Ice House: **"Celebrating 100 Years of Service"**

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Each certificate (*Dinner for Two at the Rivue Restaurant & Lounge -or- One Night's Lodging in the GH Suite Tower*) is valued at \$100 or more! Every RCL member at the meeting can enter, so all you have to do is be present to win!

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## Club Meeting - February 23, 2012

Our meeting took place in the Galt House West, Daisy-Sunflower Room. Joey Bailey led us in the invocation. Joe Speiden led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. We sang "America the Beautiful" with Charlie Castner on the piano. We had no visiting Rotarians. Members recognized eight special guests. Marti Hazel introduced three Rotary birthday celebrants.

President Stet recognized three members who have recently been in the news. Next week is our 2012 Rotary Trade Expo, which will be in the Galt House East. The location for our meeting on March 8 is Walnut Street Baptist Church. Gary Noel reminded us that the Rotary Bowling Event is still scheduled for March 3 at Kingpin Lanes in Jeffersontown. One new member was introduced by Joyce Seymour. Carl Thomas became a Paul Harris Fellow.

President Stet turned the meeting over to Lelan Woodmansee to introduce our guest speaker, Mark Carter. He and his wife have three children and three grandchildren. Mr. Carter graduated from the University of Kentucky. He is a Certified Public Accountant. Mr. Carter spent 20 years in the health care practice of Ernst & Young.

Mr. Carter is the Chief Executive Officer for Passport Health Plan. Mr. Carter geared his presentation to increase our understanding of Passport and how Passport benefits the community. It has a mission of improving the quality of health and life of some of our most vulnerable community members. This Medicaid plan has 170,000 members, covers 16 counties in Kentucky, and employs 239 in the Louisville area. Passport is a not-for-profit public/private partnership which began 14 years ago. The Passport Health Plan is currently ranked #13 of all Medicaid plans in the country by the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA). Passport is focusing on quality with the belief that cost gains will follow. Due to the well-publicized audit which took place a year ago, Passport has made dramatic changes. For every dollar spent, 94 cents is spent on medical care and only 6 cents covers administrative costs. The presentation ended after Mr. Carter took four questions from members. - Leo G. Smith



Lelan Woodmansee, Mark Carter and President Maynard 'Stet' L. Stetten, M.D.

### Family of Rudy Miller Extends Thanks ...



A letter was recently received in the Rotary office from the wife of Rudy Miller, Past Club President, who passed away on November 2, 2011. I wanted to share it with you:

*"Dear Members of the Rotary Club of Louisville,*

*I am writing to thank you for your many kindnesses while Rudy was in the hospital and later when he died. The sweet bouquet of flowers delivered to Baptist and the beautiful peace lily sent to the funeral meant a great deal to our family. Certainly, Rudy thought the world of each member of Rotary and loved all that the organization represented. Had he been able, he would not have missed a Thursday luncheon program at the Galt House.*

*Shortly before he achieved his dream of becoming President of Rotary, he was diagnosed with dementia. I had no concept of how we would manage Rudy's presiding over the weekly meetings, but he was determined to assume this important role. Vice President and family friend, Wayne Perkey, assured me that Rudy could accomplish this task and that he would stand beside him (often literally) to assist if necessary. Thus, a note of appreciation is due Wayne and all of you who exhibited such compassion and tolerance during his tenure and throughout the following years.*

*We miss him immensely but know that he is at peace and whole again. Hopefully, a cure for this dreadful disease may soon be discovered!*

*Our family is most grateful for your thoughtful gestures.*

*Sincerely, Becky Miller*

### 47th Annual Day at the Downs

Tuesday, May 1  
(11:00a - 6:00p)

**Cost: \$70 per person**  
(includes entrance to track,  
buffet lunch & gratuity)



Log in at [www.dacdb.com/rotary](http://www.dacdb.com/rotary) (District and Club DataBase), click on the 'Calendar' tab and scroll down to register and purchase your tickets. There are only 104 tickets available (13 tables of 8). Guests are welcome; however, tickets are sold to Club members only.

**Limited availability! Don't delay!**

### Council Court of Honor:

#### Eagle Scout Mentors

Saturday, March 3, 2012 at 1:00 pm  
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