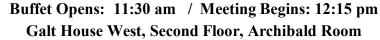


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Next Meeting: Thursday, April 5, 2012









Mike Berry has served as the President and CEO of the Kentucky Derby Festival, Inc., a private, non-profit civic association since 1997. He oversees a 75-member Board of Directors, full-time staff of twenty-two, over 4,000 volunteers and an annual budget of more than \$6 million.

Mike began his career with the Festival in 1986 and has served in a number of key roles with ever increasing accountability. Previously, Mike worked for Governor Martha Layne Collins serving as the Governor's appointee to the Derby Festival Board. He also worked on a variety of unique projects including the 1984 Democratic National Convention, the Derby Breakfast, the Inaugural, the 75th Anniversary of State Capitol and the Bluegrass State

Mike is a graduate of Georgetown College with a BA in American Studies and Political Science. He is a graduate of Leadership Louisville and a recipient of the Certified Festival Executive (CFE) designation. He was inducted into his industry's Hall of Fame in 2008.

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Birthday Table

Bill Campbell April 5 **Jeff Hadley** April 5 **Erskine Courtenay** April 6 **Clyde Warner** April 7 Mike Brumleve April 9 **David Heintzman** April 9 **Lowell Pratte** April 9 Harriette Friedlander April 10 Michael Neumann April 10 **Chris Bottorff** April 11 Please sit at the Birthday table on April 5!





47th Annual
'Rotary Day at the Downs'
May 1 (11:00a - 6:00p)
Cost: \$70 per person

(includes entrance to track, buffet lunch & gratuity)

Purchase tickets online at www.dacdb.com/rotary; click on the 'Calendar' tab and scroll down to 'Day at the Downs' event. There is limited availability (104 tickets / 13 tables of 8). Several tables have been reserved, so don't wait too late! Guests are welcome to attend; however, tickets are sold to Club members only.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

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 3 — John Asher, Vice President of Communications at Churchill Downs (tentative)

May 10 — Governor Steve Beshear (tentative)

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 21 — David Bell, Manager of Louisville Bats (tentative)

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 Klinginsmith, Rotary International President, 100th Anniversary Rotary Club of Louisville Celebration

July 26 — Dr. Susan Harkema, Rehabilitation Research Director, KY Spinal Cord Injury Research Center, Locomoter Training: Helping Patients Walk Away from Paraly-

CLUB EVENTS

April 18 — Luckett & Farley Tour 5:30-7:30 (light hors d'oeuvres and cash bar) followed by dinner in the Oak Room at the Seelbach.

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Rotary Meeting - March 29, 2012

The pre "Final Four" meeting of the Rotary Club of Louisville was convened by President Stet in the Fountain Room of the Galt House West. Perry Sangalli delivered the invocation followed by the pledge and singing led by the talented David Wood and his merry band of musicians who treated the Club to a spirited rendition of the Johnny Cash favorite *Folsom Prison Blues* performed in honor of today's guest speaker, Metro Police Chief Steve Conrad.

President Stet welcomed visiting Rotarians and guests, Bob Michael paid homage to Rotarians celebrating their birthdays, and congratulations were extended to those celebrating anniversaries as Rotarians including Mack Shwab, Charles Brockwell and Maria Hampton, Ed Galloway and Andy Susemichel. Tribute was then paid to "Rotarians in the News" including Lora Tucker, Cyndi Caudill, Christine Johnson and Joseph Steier.



Charles Lavelle requested nominations for "Rotarian of the Year" while Phil "Guido" Tamplin

delivered an impassioned plea for members to pay their dues, promptly ... or else! Jeff Hadley announced the winning team members of the Rotary Bowling Event which included Gary Noel, Kevin Wardell and Bob Slider with special recognition to Barbara Collins for extraordinary "pin avoidance". President Stet encouraged Rotarians to purchase tickets for the Centennial Celebration and to consider the 47th Annual Rotary Day at the Downs on May 1st, as well as Rotary Night Out on April 18th featuring a Luckett & Farley tour followed by dinner in the Oak Room at the historic Seelbach Hotel.

Kevin Wardell introduced new member, Cynthia Knapek, who succeeded our own Christine Johnson as President of Leadership Louis-ville. Randy Coe had the pleasure of introducing our distinguished guest speaker, Police Chief Steve Conrad. Chief Conrad began his remarks by praising Rotarians for their service to this community and for placing "Service above Self". Having served for 25 years with the Louisville Police Department, Chief Conrad served as Police Chief of the City of Glendale, Arizona from 2005 until earlier this year. An admirer of former Chief White, Conrad served as Merger Manager as the Louisville and Jefferson County police departments were merged as a result of government consolidation.

Chief Conrad accepted the challenge of Mayor Fischer to build upon the strong foundation laid by his predecessor, Chief White, with the ambitious goal of making Louisville the safest city in America. To do so, Chief Conrad emphasized the role that must be played by the citizens of this community to get involved with their neighbors in an effort to assist the police force in reducing crime throughout our community. Having accomplished a double digit reduction in crime for four consecutive years while in Glendale, Chief Conrad's return to Louisville gives us all a reason to celebrate ... and to answer the call to get involved.

— Phil Scherer

Annual Commonwealth Rotary Golf Challenge



May 11, 2012
Juniper Hills Golf Course
Frankfort, KY

Cost: \$75/player Limit to 18 Rotary Teams

Registration begins at 11:30 AM (EDT), with shotgun start at 1 PM.

Price includes entry into all events: 18 holes of golf, riding cart, lunch and door prizes. This annual Rotary event benefits the Frankfort Rotary Club Youth Scholarship Fund. Traveling banner AND net registration proceeds shared with the winning club! (Golf attire is required: collared shirt & soft spikes only.)

- 4-player teams counting 3 best scores each hole
- Longest drive contest
- Closest to the pin
- Hole-in-One New Car
- Rotary Club Members Only—No Ringers

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After registering online, make your \$300 check payable to:
Frankfort Rotary Youth Fund, P.O. Box 93, Frankfort, KY 40602



As Phil Tamplin said at Thursday's meeting, it is important that your dues are paid on time. Your membership will be in jeopardy of being terminated if your account is not paid on a timely basis.

- Thank you!

Wednesday, April 4 Rotary Volunteers Answer Phones / Take Pledges Public Radio's Spring Membership Drive

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