



# SPARKS

**Next Meeting: Thursday, May 3, 2012**

**Speaker: John Asher, Vice President  
of Communications — Churchill Downs**

**Buffet Opens: 11:30 am / Meeting Begins: 12:15 pm**

**Galt House West, Second Floor, Daisy-Sunflower Room**



John Asher has worked in the Thoroughbred racing industry as a journalist and a publicist for more than 20 years. He has served as Vice President of Communications at Churchill Downs since 1999, and it has been a tradition for years to have John as our guest speaker during Derby week.

As a radio journalist at WHAS-AM and WAVE-AM in Louisville, Asher earned five Eclipse Awards for "Outstanding National Radio Coverage of Thoroughbred Racing" and several other awards that recognized his coverage of the horse industry. His work on other issues earned recognition that included a National Headliner Award, a Scripps-Howard Award, and honors from the Society of Professional Journalists, the Radio & Television News Directors Association and the Kentucky Broadcasters Association. The Associated Press honored Asher as the "Best Reporter" in Kentucky Large Market Radio seven times.

A native of Leitchfield, Ky., John is a graduate of Western Kentucky University. Asher is a member of the board of trustees of WLKY-32's Spirit of Louisville Foundation, which oversees the annual Bell Awards; the board of directors of the Kentuckiana Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International, on which he serves as vice president of communications; the boards of directors of the Western Kentucky University Alumni Association and the Catholic Education Foundation; and the Presentation Academy board of trustees.

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John Hampton	May 3
Susan Ochs	May 4
John-Robert Curtin	May 5
Terry Tyler	May 5
Tony Kemper	May 7
George Barnum	May 9
David Roth	May 9
Brooks Senn	May 9

*Please sit at the Birthday table  
on May 3!*



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**PROGRAM SCHEDULE**

**May 10** — Skip Miller, Executive Director of Regional Airport Authority (MEETING LOCATION: Walnut Street Baptist Church)

**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 (MEETING LOCATION: The Ice House)

**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 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**

**May 1** — 47th Annual "Rotary Day at the Downs". SOLD OUT!

**May 3** — Deadline to submit your 'Rotarian of the Year' nominations.

**May 12** — Shooting Event (10:00 am - 2:00 pm) at Springdale Woods Farm. RSVP to lukas.dwelly@louisville.edu or call Lukas at 235-1003.

**June 20** — Rotary Day at the BATS (*Game begins at 11:45 am*) Free tickets / access to two suites.

**July 21** — Rotary Club of Louisville's Centennial Event, 'Celebrating 100 Years of Service'. Purchase tickets online at [www.louisvillerotary.org](http://www.louisvillerotary.org). Open to public! Live entertainment / dancing on the rooftop / other surprises planned!

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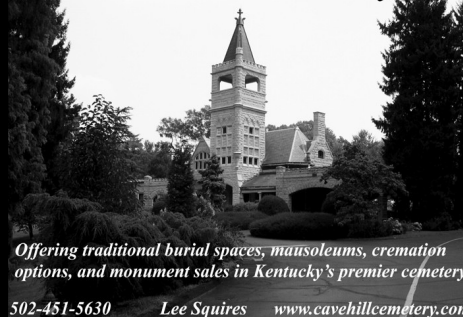
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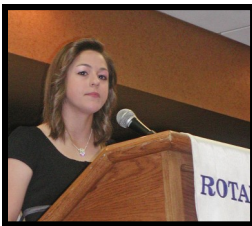
## Rotary Meeting - April 26, 2012

Our last meeting for the month of April was held in the ever-familiar Daisy-Sunflower Room in the Galt House West. Doug Myers gave the invocation. Gordon Costley led us in the Pledge. Stuart Alexander introduced our guest soloist, Rick Bartlett, who also happens to be providing the entertainment for our Club's upcoming 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary party this summer. Based on the selection that Rick chose for today's meeting, the party should be quite enjoyable. Cyndi Caudill introduced our four birthday celebrants in attendance. President Stet introduced the twelve new members who attended the recent Yearling Dinner. He also thanked Jim Remmers for the April 18<sup>th</sup> Rotary Night Out tour. Mike Shackelford announced the Shooting Event that will be held on May 12 at President Stet's farm. Past President, John Bush, introduced our newest member, Susan Ochs, a human resources consultant with Millennium Management Company.



Past President Mike Kull, Contestant Nathan Johnson, Contestant Destiny Hyatt and President Maynard 'Stet' L. Stetten, M.D.

President Stet then turned the meeting over to Mike Kull who introduced our two Rotary Speech Contest contestants. This year's theme was "Reach Within to Embrace Humanity." Each contestant was asked to speak for five to eight minutes without using notes.



George Brakmeier served as timekeeper. The two contestants, Destiny Hyatt, a high school freshman from Frankfort, Kentucky, and Nathan Johnson, a high school senior from Danville, Kentucky, each did a wonderful job. In the end, our judges (Susan Zepeda, Woody Northup and Jim Smith) chose Nathan as the winner. Nathan will advance to the Rotary district finals which will be held on May 16<sup>th</sup>. Each contestant received a monetary cash award for having participated. Nathan was awarded \$500 and Destiny received \$200. Including preliminary contest cash awards, the Rotary District Finals winner will have received a total of \$2,100 in cash prizes. — John S. Lueken



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**NOTE:**  
Location  
Change!

### May 10 Meeting Location Change!

The May 10 meeting will be at Walnut Street Baptist Church on Third Street. There's plenty of free parking. See you there!

### MAY 12 SHOOTING EVENT!

10:00 am—2:00 pm  
\$20 (lunch/earplugs/targets, etc. provided)

Location: President Stet's farm (Springdale Woods Farm) at 6020 South Highway 53, Smithfield, KY 40068.

Please RSVP to Lukas Dwelly at:  
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