



SPARKS



Next Meeting: Thursday, April 12, 2012

Speaker: Dr. James R. Ramsey, President - University of Louisville

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

Galt House West, Third Floor, Cochran Room



Dr. Ramsey was named the 17th president of the University of Louisville on November 14, 2002. Dr. Ramsey is also a Professor of Economics and Public Administration in the College of Business and Public Administration. Prior to his appointment at UofL, he served as the Governor's Senior Policy Advisor and State Budget Director.

Dr. Ramsey has held faculty and administrative positions at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Western Kentucky University, Middle Tennessee University, and Loyola University. He is an accomplished scholar and teacher, with more than 60 publications in the fields of economics and management. He received his Ph.D. in economics from the University of Kentucky and his undergraduate degree from Western Kentucky University. Dr. Ramsey is married and has two daughters.

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Birthday Table

Todd Barron	April 12
Kathy Evitts	April 12
Jim Molloy	April 12
Jim Crain	April 13
Theresa Raidy	April 14
Barbara Collins	April 15
Bil Hirtzel	April 16
Ken Middleton	April 16
Laura Douglas	April 17
John Hubbuch	April 18
Jeff Moe	April 18

**Please sit at the Birthday table
on April 12!**



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. Tickets are going fast, so don't wait too late! Your guests are also welcome.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

- 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 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

- 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.
- May 1** — 47th Annual "*Rotary Day at the Downs*". To purchase tickets online, go to www.dacdb.com/rotary, then select event on the Calendar ... or call the office. Limited availability, so don't delay!
- May 12** — Shooting Event (10:00 am - 2:00 pm) at Springdale Woods Farm.
- July 21** — Rotary Club of Louisville's Centennial Event, "*Celebrating 100 Years of Service*". Purchase tickets online at www.louisvillerotary.org. Open to public!

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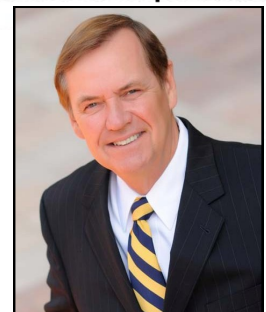
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Rotary Meeting - April 5, 2012

Our first meeting for the month of April was held in the Galt House West. Tyler Allen gave the invocation. Cindy Collier led us in the Pledge and singing. Charlie Castner was at the piano. In honor of UK winning the men's NCAA college basketball championship this past Monday, we sang the UK fight song. Alice Bridges hosted our birthday table of four celebrants. Carl Thomas made a request for us to submit "Rotarian of the Year" nominations. Lukas Dwelly announced the May 12th Shooting Event at President Stet's farm. David Burkholder introduced his son, Miles Burkholder, as our newest member.

President Stet then turned the meeting over to Chris Padgett, who introduced our guest speaker, Mike Berry, who is President & CEO of the Kentucky Derby Festival. Mr. Berry gave us some history about his organization. The Kentucky Derby Festival is a private, non-profit civic celebration which was incorporated in 1956. The original budget was \$640, of which \$448.81 was actually expended. The Festival was modeled loosely after the Rose Bowl Parade in Pasadena and was the brainchild of four local individuals, including Courier-Journal sportswriter, Earl Ruby.



Mike Berry, President/CEO of the KY Derby Festival, and President Maynard 'Stet' L. Stetten, M.D.

In stark contrast to its humble beginnings, Mr. Berry stated that today the Festival's annual operating budget is \$6 million. However, this relatively small investment results in a \$128 million economic impact on our economy. In fact, for every dollar the Festival spends, \$22 is generated in the local community. The Festival generally lasts for two weeks and produces over 70 events. The organization has 23 full-time staff members, a 75-member Board of Directors, and more than 4,000 volunteers. The attendance at the Festival over the two-week period is roughly 1.5 million people, although some of these may be counted more than once as many people attend an average of at least three events. Over half of the events are free of charge if you are wearing a Pegasus Pin.



The first ten years of Thunder over Louisville were not produced by the Festival. However, now Thunder is the second largest Festival production based on economic impact. The first-place finisher (pun intended) is the marathon, with more than 15,000 runners last year. Today, the Kentucky Derby Festival has evolved into a rite of spring for those in our area.

— John S. Lueken



April Invoices are Due — Prompt Payments are Appreciated!

At the request of several members, we retain payment information on file to streamline payments for quarterly invoices and events. This is more convenient for everyone, and late fees are never a concern. All credit card information is kept in a confidential/secure location in the office. Contact the office to take advantage of this service. *Thank you!*

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

Questions: 502-226-0973

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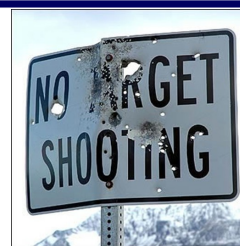
SHOOTING EVENT!

May 12

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:
Lukas.dwelly@louisville.edu or 502-235-1003



Have you identified someone who deserves to be nominated as 'Rotarian of the Year'? Please take a few minutes and complete the form ([click here to download form](#)).

Don't forget to turn in your nominations!

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