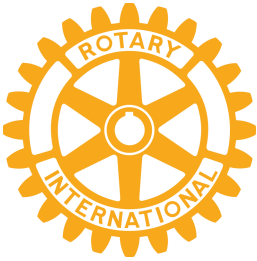


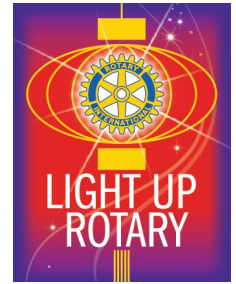
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**Next Meeting: Thursday, April 16, 2015**

## 18th Annual Rotary Regional Speech Contest

**Waterford Room, Galt House West, 25th floor**  
**Buffet Opens: 11:30 am / Meeting Begins: 12:10 pm**



The 18th Annual Regional Speech Contest will be held on Thursday, and the winner will compete in the Rotary District 6710 Finals. The vitality, spirit and oratory abilities of these contestants expressed through the delivery of their speeches will be inspiring, challenging, as well as educational and entertaining.

This year's topic is the 2014-15 Rotary Theme, "Light Up Rotary," chosen by RI President Gary C.K. Huang. President Huang stated: "In Rotary we set our hearts right by putting Service Above Self. We recognize that in order to be ambitious in our service, we must first care for our own organization and expand our family of Rotary. In 2014-15, I will ask all Rotarians to Light Up Rotary—by sharing our service, strengthening our clubs, and letting our light shine in our communities."

The contestants are high school students from public and private schools, and each is sponsored by one or more Rotary Clubs in the area. Children of Rotarians are not eligible. Contestants speak without notes for a period of five to eight minutes, and will be judged on delivery, originality and content. The Speech Contest always generates enthusiasm, as the students are competing to attain cash prizes: 1st place— \$500; 2nd place— \$300. You won't want to miss this on the 16th!

For the first time in club history, on April 23 Rotary will host a **Republican Gubernatorial Primary Panel Discussion**. To provide ample time, the meeting will end at 1:30 pm.

Email any questions that you would like all candidates to address to: [askrotary@gmail.com](mailto:askrotary@gmail.com). Due to time restrictions, we will not single out specific candidates with individual questions. Thank you. — *Speakers Committee*



Matt Bevin



James Comer



Hal Heiner



Will Scott

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### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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Laura Douglas	Apr 17
John Hubbuch	Apr 18
Don Cherrie	Apr 19
Todd Spencer	Apr 19
Barry Barker	Apr 20
Bill Kelly Jr.	Apr 22
Gordon Ragan	Apr 22
Tracey Clayton	Apr 23
Tracy Holladay	Apr 23
Robert English	Apr 26
Tony Zipple	Apr 26
Turney Berry	Apr 27
Don Kohler	Apr 27
Gary Noel	Apr 28
Kevin Lynch	Apr 29
Boyce Martin III	Apr 29
Bussy Short	Apr 29

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### Business Synergy Kickoff Event

**May 21 5:30-7:30**

Join other Rotarians at the new 8-UP Restaurant at 350 West Chestnut Street for this kickoff event planned by the Rotary Business Synergy Committee. Enjoy a great evening, meet other Rotarians, and share info about your business.

Questions? John Jennings (489-6455 / [johnj@uscky.com](mailto:johnj@uscky.com))

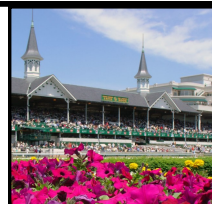
### 50th Annual Rotary Day at the Downs

**Tuesday, April 28 11:00-6:00 Millionaires Row**

**\$77 (track entrance, program, lunch buffet and gratuity)**

**GUESTS ARE WELCOME!**

Contact the office at 589-1800 to register.  
Don't delay! Less than ten tickets remain!



## PROGRAM SCHEDULE

**April 23 — GOP Gubernatorial Candidate Panel:** Matt Bevin, James Comer, Hal Heiner and Will Scott Meeting will be extended to 1:30 pm. Email any questions (askrotary@gmail.com) that you would like all candidates to address.

**April 30 — John Asher** (Vice President, Racing Communications, Churchill Downs)

**May 7 — John Walczak** (Director of Louisville Zoo)

**May 14 — Dennis Petrullo** (General Manager of KFC YUM! Center) *Tentative*

**May 21 — Wil James** (President, Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Kentucky, Inc.)

**May 28 — Raza Ahmad Rumi** (Pakistani Policy Analyst)

**June 4 — Ray Burse** (President of Kentucky State University)

**June 25 — Rotary Leadership Turnover Extravaganza!** *You won't want to miss this one!*

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**"THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT!"**

**May 12, 2015 (Tuesday) — FUNdraiser Event** at Copper & Kings; fundraiser for 'Rotary Fund of Louisville'; \$75/person; incredible auction items; this will be an exciting, fun evening. All guests are welcome!

**May 21, 2015 (Thursday) 5:30—7:30 — Business Synergy Event** at 8-Up Restaurant, 350 West Chestnut Street

**May 30 (Saturday) — Garden Party** at Boone Gardiner (jazz band, food, etc.)

**June 16 at 7:00 pm (Tuesday) — Rotary Evening at the Ballpark** — FREE tickets! Only 32 available. Dinner is on your own.

**July 15 (Wednesday) — Zoo After Hours Event** at Louisville Zoo for a 'behind the scenes' tour led by Director John Walczak

**September 26 (Saturday) — End of Summer Farm Party** at Stet Stetten's Springdale Woods Farm (Details coming soon.)



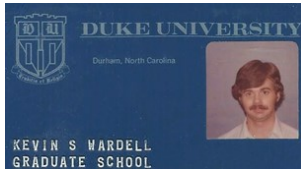
## April 9, 2015 Rotary Meeting

The Rotary Club of Louisville meeting of April 9, 2015 was called to order by President Kevin Wardell. The invocation was provided by Dick Clay, who presented a Byzantine prayer from the 1400s. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Gary Noel, who also led the Club's members in a recitation of the Rotary Four Way Test. Glenn Price introduced the Club's musical guests – UofL School of Music Associate Dean Naomi Oliphant (pianist) and baritone soloist Chad Sloan who sang a medley of songs from *South Pacific*. The performance was outstanding.

Various guests were introduced. Connie Cheak introduced the celebrants at the birthday table. President Kevin made a couple of announcements. On April 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Club will host for the first time a panel of four Republican candidates who are running to become Governor of Kentucky. Members are encouraged to submit their questions in advance, and the meeting will be extended to 1:30 PM. A few tickets remain for the Club's 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Day at the Downs. And, Stet Stetten encouraged all Club members to attend the annual fundraiser for the Club's foundation on May 12, during which several valuable items and incredible trips, etc., will be auctioned to the highest bidders.



President Kevin Wardell, Tom Jurich  
and Lukas Dwelly



Before President Kevin asked Lukas Dwelly to introduce our speaker, Kevin revealed his Duke University card (shown here) and shared a few humorous remarks about family members' basketball team rivals. Lukas Dwelly introduced Tom Jurich, UofL Vice President & Director of Athletics. Jurich has become one of the leading athletic directors in the United States and has held this position at UofL for 18 years. During his tenure, there has been significant improvement in the academic performance of student athletes. The UofL men's basketball program has been rated the nation's most valuable program from a financial standpoint. Also, Tom reminded the audience of the university's key steps to build new athletics facilities all across the campus.

Of course, one of the most recent milestones has been joining the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC). Since joining the ACC, the university has gone through a benchmarking process with other ACC schools in various categories, including academics. The goal is to be at or near the top in each category. Tom does not foresee any further expansion of the ACC beyond the current 15 members in the near future. During the question and answer session, Tom was asked his opinion on the issue of paying college athletes. Tom replied that, in his opinion, attending colleges as a student athlete is a privilege; however, if student athletes are to be paid, then all athletes in all sports should be paid. Tom commented further on reforms underway at the NCAA and what is being done to reduce/eliminate student violence and assault issues.

— Respectfully submitted by Luke B. Schmidt

### President Kevin Wardell Interviewed on Louisville Life TV Program!

President Wardell shared info about the **Rotary Promise Scholarship Project** in an interview which aired on April 3 & 4. **VIEW IT AT THIS LINK.** It will air again multiple times on the **KET KY Channel** (also on KET's website, featured on the American Graduate Education section).

### Rotary Club Service Day and Outdoor Lunch with Food Literacy Project - Saturday, May 30 at 10 am

Bring family/friends for a fun morning of Rotary service on an agricultural oasis between Oxmoor Country Club and I-64. This project connects underserved children with fresh foods, the people who grow it, the land, and each other. Angelique Perez, MPH, FLP's assistant director said: "Through these direct experiences, they are empowering themselves with skills to make a lifetime of healthy choices." Please volunteer to maintain the farm's 'outdoor classroom' (mulching, weeding and harvesting). **Enjoy lunch — Individual pizzas prepared in FLP's cob oven, using ingredients that you pick from the field!**

Contact Alice Bridges (alicebridges@kentuckyonehealth.org) or 502-587-4603.

### Annual Rotary Evening at the Ballpark Tuesday, June 16, at 7pm

Only 32 available FREE tickets!  
Contact Joey Bailey  
joeybaileycpa@gmail.com



### Behind the Scenes Tour

Join Rotarians/guests for a 'behind the scenes' tour led by Louisville Zoo Director/Rotarian John Walczak on **Wed., July 15.**



### JOIN US at the ANNUAL DISTRICT CONFERENCE in PADUCAH MAY 15-17

This year's conference coincides with the Lower Town Arts and Music Festival and conference organizers are working hard to make sure there is plenty of free time for you to enjoy the festival and other things that Paducah offers, as well as making the conference interesting and relevant. **Our own Club's Past President Stuart Alexander will preside over the Awards Brunch on Sunday!**

Make plans to spend the weekend in Paducah. A flyer with details is available at **THIS LINK**. Access the online Registration (with additional hotel info) at **THIS LINK**.

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