# **SPARKS**



Next Meeting: Thursday, April 11, 2013

**Guest Speaker: Dr. Terry I. Brooks** 

**Executive Director of Kentucky Youth Advocates** 

"Child Abuse: A Community Shame — A Community Solution"

**Introduction by Judy Lambeth** 

Buffet Opens: 11:30 am / Meeting Begins: 12:15 pm Galt House West - Daisy-Sunflower Room





It is an issue that explodes on the front pages of the Courier Journal and on your television screens on the 6 pm news. It is an issue that haunts children for their entire lives and rips families apart.

This presentation will explore the numbers. Just how pervasive is child abuse in this community? It will look at core causes. Why does this tragic issue linger with us? And, it will look to solutions. What can we, as a community and as individual community leaders, do to eliminate child abuse from Louisville?

Terry Brooks spent some three decades as a public school administrator. He worked as the senior associate for education at the Boston-based think tank, the Community Training and Assistance Center. And, nine years ago Dr.

Brooks became the Executive Director of Kentucky Youth Advocates (KYA), the nonprofit watchdog for Kentucky's children. KYA acts as the independent voice for kids on public policy issues, ranging from education to economic well-being; from health to juvenile justice; from child welfare to early childhood. None animates its action agenda these days more than stepping up for Kentucky's children around child abuse. Learn more about KYA's work at kyyouth.org.



# International Art & Networking Event MAY 9 at Fine Art Firm Gallery

Join other Rotarians and Greater Louisville International Professionals at FAF Gallery (Henry Clay bldg) on **May 9** from **5:30** to **7:30** for hors d' oeuvres & beverages. Percentage of artwork sales from now until May 9 will be donated to GLIP and Rotary!



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### Annual 'Rotary Day at the Downs'

Tickets going fast!

**HERE** for Fellowships contact info.

Tuesday, April 30 (11:00a-6:00p) Churchill Downs - Millionaires Row

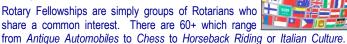
Cost: \$73 / person

Ticket, Program, Buffet Lunch, and Gratuity Included

**CLICK HERE TO REGISTER / PAY ONLINE!** 

### Like-minded Rotarians Connect ...

Two organizations which may be of interest are 'Rotary Fellowships' and 'Rotarian Action Groups'.



You may also want to check out the 'Rotarian Action Groups' ranging from AIDS to Food Plant Solutions to Literacy or MS. **CLICK HERE** for Action Groups contact info.



# Birthday Table

Chris Bottorff	Apr 11
Todd Barron	Apr 12
Kathy Evitts	Apr 12
Jim Molloy	Apr 12
Jim Crain	Apr 13
Daniel Swintosky	Apr 13
Theresa Raidy	Apr 14
Barbara Collins	Apr 15
Bil Hirtzel	Apr 16
Ken Middleton	Apr 16
Laura Douglas	Apr 17

Please sit at the Birthday Table on April 11.



### PROGRAM SCHEDULE

April 18 — Dr. Donna Hargens, JCPS Superin-

April 25 — Mitch Nichols, President of UPS Airlines

May 2 — John Asher, Vice President, Racing Communications of Churchill Downs

May 9 — Rotary Speech Contest District Fi-

May 16 — Rotary Promise Scholarship Fund Program

May 23 — Representative Bob M. Deweese, Legislation in Kentucky—How Laws are Made

May 30 — Jeff Bringardner, Humana KY President, and Steve Hester, Norton Healthcare Chief Medical Officer; 'Update on Health Reform & The Affordable Care Act'

June 6 — Charlie Mattingly, President & CEO, BBB of Louisville, Southern Indiana & Western Kentucky, 'BBB 100th Anniversary and Update'

June 13 — Mac King, Louisville native toprated Las Vegas Magician, "Magic and the www.LouisvilleMagicFestival.com June 14-

June 20 — Craig J. Richard, CEO of Greater Louisville, Inc.

June 27 — Changing of the Guard

July 3 — (WEDNESDAY meeting)

July 11 — Dr. Jason Chesney, James Graham Brown Center Clinician & Scientist. "Research & Work at the Brown Center"

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

April 30 — Annual 'Rotary Day at the **Downs'**, Millionaires Row

May 17 — Spring RPS Event/Dinner - Evening at Gheens Lodge, The Parklands

May 18 — Spring Family Picnic at The Parklands! Games, activities, clowns, magic, food — bring your family!

June 7 — Trolley Hop

June 26 — Rotary Day at the BATS game.

### PLANNING AHEAD

March 13, 2014 — Biennial 'Rotary Trade Expo'

> Rotary Day at the BATS June 26 - Watch for Details!





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## **April 4, 2013 Rotary Meeting**

President Stuart opened the meeting and introduced Bill Receveur for an appropriate Invocation. There was a moment of silence in tribute to the memory of Rotarian, The Rev. Stewart Joy, who had died the previous afternoon. The U of L "Fight Song" was not nearly as hearty as the Pledge of Allegiance, despite an impressive defeat by the U of L Cardinals over the Duke Blue Devils in the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament. Eight guests were introduced and seven Birthday celebrants were recognized, including Harriet Friedlander, who is retiring on April 5, and Clyde Warner who is 90 years old. President Stuart requested that Rotarians volunteer for club committees which particularly interest them. Aaron Walthers, a career Emergency Responder was introduced as a new member. The Rev. John Mulder introduced our speaker for the day, Father Clyde Crews, Professor Emeritus and Historian from Bellarmine University who gave an overview of "A Religious History of Louisville."

Appropriately he began with the Native Americans who had built massive earthen mounds along both the Mississippi and Ohio rivers, including two in the heart of what would become the City of Louisville, long before the first settlers arrived. Denominational structures were slow in arriving to



Reverend John Mulder, Father Clyde Crews and President Stuart E. Alexander III

the banks of the Ohio, although Christian worship services, held in multi-purpose spaces, began in the early 18<sup>th</sup> Century. Church buildings did not appear until the 19th Century when Methodists, Baptists, Roman Catholics, Presbyterians, and Episcopalians raised churches—including some with high steeples. The first Jewish Congregation was formed in 1843. Significant in the early 19th century was a tension between German and Irish immigrant groups culminating in the "Bloody Monday" riot of August 6, 1855, when the leadership of both Protestant and Catholic clergy was important in restoring peace. Many African American congregations were started before and after the Civil War including slaves and free people of color.

Father Crews spoke specifically of six religious leaders of 19<sup>th</sup> Century Louisville who worked together and set the pattern for what would eventually be called "one of the most ecumenical cities in the world". They were Baptist, Catholic, Jewish, Episcopalian and Christian Church, Disciples of Christ, and they were "ecumenical, Interfaith tolerant and nurturing of each other, long before this was common on the American religious scene." The deaths of these men were all front page news in the daily newspapers, as they were considered "civic treasures". National attention to the religious scene in Louisville was enhanced during the 20th century with expansion of the Presbyterian and Baptist Seminaries, The Merton Center and growing appreciation for the work of Thomas Merton, with the renovation of the two downtown cathedrals, the development of neighborhood "community" ministries, the annual Interfaith Festival of Faiths and the relocation of the Presbyterian National headquarters. Louisville claims the distinction of being perhaps America's only city that has a large—nearly equal--.population of the nation's two largest religious groupings—Roman Catholics and Southern Baptists. It is also the home of one of the ten largest "mega-churches in the US— Southeast Christian Church. Father Crews concluded with a quotation citing Louisville as "a city of tolerance, intelligence and common sense" with belief that this is in part due to "our religious climate that helps to make us this way." - David Reed



### **MAY 18 BIKE RIDE!**

Order your Rotary jerseys & shorts later APRIL 11! CLICK HERE for details.

### **RCL First Club in KY**

CLICK HERE to view letter received from Rotary International President congratulating our club for 100 years of 'Service Above Self', and noting that our club was the first Rotary club in the state of Kentucky.

# **RPS Dinner/Auction Event & Picnic!**

Dinner/Auction/Etcetera! Friday, May 17 Family Fun Picnic! Saturday, May 18





**Gheens Foundation Lodge** 

Friday, MAY 17 (5:30-10:00 pm) Gheens Lodge

Cost: \$75 per person (CLICK HERE to register/purchase)

5:30—7:00 Cocktails (cash bar)/Entertainment 7:00—10:00 Dinner/Auction/Etc.

Includes: Comfy Cow ice cream, flamingo dancers, entertainment, new Paul Harris Fellows induction, mini auction (furniture, art, vacation destinations, etc.) & surprises!

**VALET PARKING PROVIDED BOTH DAYS** 

Saturday, MAY 18 (10:00a-2:00 pm)

Cost: \$20 per carload (CLICK HERE to register/purchase)

Family Fun Picnic Includes: food/beverages, bike rides, park tours, magic for children, Kosair clowns, mini boot camp, etc.

**CLICK HERE** for detailed Map/Directions.

### **Welcome Recent New Member!** P. BLAINE GRANT



"Law - Business Litigation" Attorney Hayden Craig & **Grant PLLC** 

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Active in the community, Blaine serves on dePaul School Facilities Task Force in addition to his law practice as trial lawyer. Among other distinctions, he is an 'AV Preeminent" rated lawyer, in Louisville Magazine's 'Top Lawyers' and recognized as a 'KY Super Lawyer.'

Patrick resides in Prospect with his wife, Andrea Bouchillon Grant, and their two sons.

A few things you may not know about him: 1) he was attacked by a lion when he was younger; 2) he's a diehard Dallas Cowboys fan; and 3) he recently authored a chapter in an insurance book available at Amazon and Barnes & Noble.





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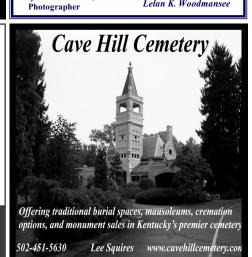
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