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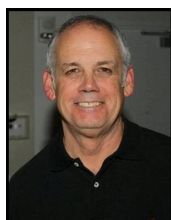
Next Meeting: Thursday, August 16, 2012

Speaker: Kris Kimel

Founder of IdeaFestival

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

Galt House West, 2nd Floor, Daisy-Sunflower Room



Kris Kimel is President and a founder of the Kentucky Science and Technology Corporation (KSTC), a non-profit company with an international reputation for designing and implementing a range of innovative initiatives. Over the 24 year life of KSTC dozens of projects have been funded by diverse supporters involving corporations, private foundations, state and federal governments. KSTC funds important R&D and technology commercialization projects at Kentucky universities. It also designed and manages the Kentucky Enterprise Fund (KEF) ... an early-stage venture fund which currently holds over 60 equity positions in innovation-driven Kentucky companies.

Kimel is the founder and leader behind the vision and implementation of Kentucky Space LLC, a new nonprofit enterprise focused on R&D, education and entrepreneurial space solutions and chairman of the Exomedicine Institute, an affiliate of Kentucky Space. The Exomedicine Institute pursues the research, development and application of medical solutions in the microgravity environment of space.

He is also the founder of the international IdeaFestival® (IF) ... a world-class event that attracts leading and highly diverse thinkers from across the nation and around the globe to explore and celebrate innovation, imagination and game-changing ideas.

Why join the Rotary Club of Louisville?

Anyone interested in joining a service organization that offers great programs, networking and fellowship, should know that the Rotary Club of Louisville is our community's largest service club as well as the tenth largest of over 34,000 Rotary clubs in the world!

There are so many other reasons to join:

Rotarians provide service at both the community and international levels. Service programs address education, clean water, healthcare, hunger and poverty, disaster relief, to name a few. The Rotary Club of Louisville offers its members the opportunity to choose from 30+ different committees. Through these committees, our Club's projects and events fulfill the objectives of Rotary.

Experience incredible programs with some of the best speakers in the world.

Our Club is privileged to attract great presenters from throughout our region and the world. Past speakers have included governors, mayors, military leaders such as Rear Admiral Frank Caldwell, college presidents, researchers and superintendents, sports leaders and coaches, corporate CEO's, etc.

Rotary provides a forum for professional networking and personal growth. Club membership ensures



personal and professional development. Members of the Rotary Club of Louisville are leaders in business, industry, the professions, nonprofit management, the arts, government, sports, the military and religion.

Serving as a Rotarian is good citizenship.

Weekly club programs keep members informed about the community, nation and world. In addition to building goodwill and better friendships, it provides an opportunity to come together with others throughout the world who are committed to 'service above self' through volunteer efforts and financial support of meaningful projects that make a positive impact in the lives of men, women and children throughout the entire world.

Rotary builds friendships. Rotary was founded on fellowship, an ideal that remains a major attraction to membership today. Club members enjoy the camaraderie with like-minded professionals, and club projects offer additional opportunities to develop enduring friendships. Rotary club members who travel have friendly contacts in almost every city in the world.

**SHARE YOUR PASSION
FOR ROTARY!
REFER A MEMBER!**

Bring a prospective member to next week's meeting as your guest. Then, invite them to a 'What is Rotary?' session. See p. 3 for details.

Birthday Table

Brent Girdler	August 16
Michelle Griffin	August 16
Alice Bridges	August 17
Emily Hart	August 18
Ben Talbott	August 20
Harry Bryan	August 21
Alex Novak	August 21
Mike Shackelford	August 22

Please sit at the Birthday table on August 16!



PROGRAM SCHEDULE

August 23 — Tom Owen, Metro Council Member, UofL Professor & Historian, Metro Council Member, *What Was Louisville Like 100 Years Ago?*

August 30 — LaQuandra S. Nesbitt, M.D., MPH, Director of Louisville Metro Public Health & Wellness

September 6 — Robert L. King, President of Council on Postsecondary Education

September 13 — Colonel Bruce Jenkins, Fort Knox Garrison Commander

September 20 — Wesley Jackson, President & Publisher of Courier-Journal

September 27 — John Yarmuth, 3rd District U.S. Congressman

October 4 — Brooks Wicker, 3rd District U.S. Congressional Candidate

November 1 — Rotary District Governor Don Dykman

November 8 — Brad Broeker (*tentative*)

November 15 — Scott Brusaw, CEO Solar Roadways

CLUB EVENTS

August 21 — Rotary Golf Championship, Hurstbourne Country Club at 1:00 PM.

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Rotary Meeting - August 9, 2012

Dr. Bill Baker led the *Lord's Prayer* and, with Cindy Collier at the keys, Bill (O')Kelly led *When Irish Eyes Are Smiling* in honor of the upcoming Notre Dame-Navy game in Dublin. Visiting Rotarians included Joe Hagedorn, District Governor of Indiana 6580, and Cyndi Caudill toasted our birthday celebrants. Julie Schmidt introduced a new member, Paul O'Flynn (see photo at left).



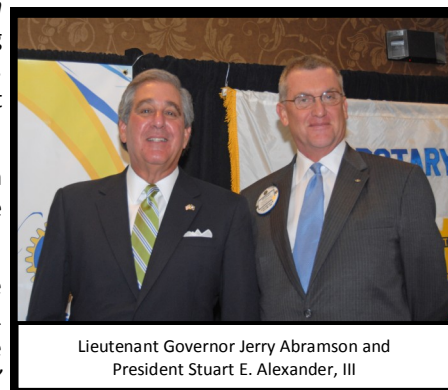
Even Lieutenant Governor Jerry E. Abramson was wearin' a green tie when President Stuart introduced this Paul Harris Fellow as the most frequent speaker in our club's hundred-year history.

The former "Mayor for Life" shared similarities and differences in the two roles. When he took office as Lt. Governor last December he moved right into budgets. Having done 21 budgets for the city, and four of the last five being austerity budgets with cuts, he said he was familiar with the process and added: *"But now we were dealing in billions, not millions."* He said corrections, health (Medicaid) and education comprise 70% of the state budget.

Abramson said as the city CEO you're managing the departments every day, but as Lt. Governor it is more policy-driven. *"I have a chance to think, dream and imagine how to improve K-12 and higher education, economic development and now, restructuring the tax code."* In working with mayors and county judges throughout Kentucky, he finds the same issues and desires everywhere. He said Kentucky once funded 60 percent of college costs; now it's 40 percent. There are fewer State Police on the roads and funding of mental health and other social services has been flat for 15 years.

Abramson said state taxes need to be fairer, more competitive, simpler and more elastic to allow revenue growth as the economy improves. He cited a great need for investment in infrastructure, especially bridges and community colleges that are "bursting at the seams," just as manufacturing jobs are returning from China and Mexico. He said he currently is working with 27 consultants who are looking at relocations of companies to Kentucky. As mayor, he asked for help from Frankfort on major projects. Now when a \$10 million request to re-do Market Street arrives, Abramson said, *"I'm there to say, 'That's a good idea!'"*

Just as Rotary promotes international understanding, Lt. Governor Jerry works to help Louisvillians and Kentuckians from other areas connect, understand and appreciate each other. *"Together we can make a better Kentucky."* - Lelan Woodmansee



Lieutenant Governor Jerry Abramson and President Stuart E. Alexander, III



**All prospective members
are invited to attend!**

"What is Rotary?"

**Two Opportunities Each Month
(Every first & third Thursday)**

11:00 AM

All "What is Rotary?" sessions are held in the Rotary office conference room located at 401 West Main Street, Suite 810.

Basic information is provided, membership proposal forms are distributed, and questions are answered at this session for prospective members. For further info, contact Debe at rotary@rotary45.org or at 589-1800.

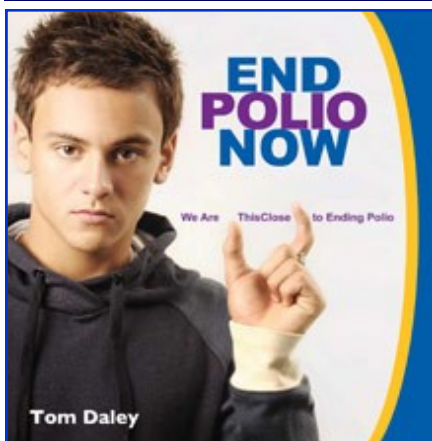
Need a Meeting Makeup?

There are many ways you can receive attendance credit when you cannot attend a meeting.

- Attend meeting of another club.
- Make up 'online'. Just visit www.RotaryEclubOne.org (requires 30-minutes).
- Attend a Rotaract or Interact Club.
- Participate in a club-sponsored event.
- Attend District or RI meetings.
- Work on a club service project.
- Attend a club Board or service committee meeting.

Email your makeup details to rotary@rotary45.org, or enter your own makeups. It's simple, just log in at www.dacdb.com/rotary.

Questions? Contact Debe at 589-1800



Olympic athletes help Rotary promote polio eradication ...

Posters, postcards and bus ads are used to help spread the word about Rotary's campaign to rid the world of polio.

Other Olympic athletes participating in the "This Close" campaign are more than a dozen members of India's team, including members of the men's boxing, men's and women's weightlifting, and men's and women's wrestling teams.

club calendar

FYI ... All Weekly Meetings and Committee Meetings are on your CLUB CALENDAR.

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