

Rotary



Club of Louisville

Sparks Newsletter - August 9, 2021

Rotary Club of Louisville Weekly Meeting - Thursday, August 12, 2021

Zoom virtual meeting - Register [HERE](#)

In person meeting - Savor at River House (3015 River Road) - by RSVP only

11:30 am - Networking

12:00 pm - Meeting begins

This Week's Speaker - Geoff Marietta, Ph.D.



Geoff Marietta, Ph.D., Co-Founder, Harlan Beer Company will be our featured guest speaker. His presentation is entitled 'The Triple Bottom Line of Investing in Eastern Kentucky and Rural America'.

Dr. Marietta is an entrepreneur, author, and educator based in rural Eastern Kentucky. He currently serves as Entrepreneur-in-Residence at the University of the Cumberlands and Founder of Invest 606, a business accelerator and pitch contest for Southeastern Kentucky. Geoff is also Co-founder of Harlan County Beer Company, the first legal brewery in Harlan County, Kentucky. He founded two technology firms, Mountain Tech Media, a diversified front-end digital media company based in Eastern Kentucky, and Giant Otter Technologies, acquired by Drift.com. His community development real estate company, Trillium Ventures, invests and restores historic main street buildings in the region.

To read Geoff's entire bio, click [HERE](#).

Meeting Recap - August 5, 2021



The August 5 Rotary Club of Louisville meeting featured O. J. Oleka, Ph.D., President of AIKCU - Association of Independent Kentucky Colleges & Universities. Dr. Oleka shared his captivating story of how his father's positive influence led him to be a strong leader helping to make a real difference in the lives of many others. He presented guiding principles that address inequities in education and generational poverty, and his presentation also included a challenge to Rotarians to allow the four pillars of promise, purpose, pain and power to drive them. His challenging and inspirational presentation held the attention of everyone in the room ... it was truly wonderful on every level!

To watch the meeting, [CLICK HERE](#).

Rotary Job Board

Have a job opening at your company? Post it on Rotary's Job Board! A fellow Rotarian might know the perfect person to fill the position!

JOB OPENINGS:

- Rotary Club of Louisville - Executive Director - click [HERE](#) for the job description. Contact Walt Kunau, Search Committee Chair at wkunau@bellsouth.net for more information.
- Northwestern Mutual - Recruiting professionals - click [HERE](#) for more information.
- Maid In Louisville - Front line cleaning techs. Part time. Flex hours. Weekends or weeknights. Contact Greg Braun - greg@maidinlouisville.com
- DMLO CPA's
 - Tax Manager - click [HERE](#)
 - Auditor - click [HERE](#)
 - Payroll Specialist - click [HERE](#)
 - Information Technology Associate - click [HERE](#)
 - Accounting Specialist - click [HERE](#)
- Canopy Certified, Inc. - Canopy Certification Manager position - click [HERE](#) for more details.
- Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary - Director of Communications position - click [HERE](#) for more details.

If your company has a job opening to post, send the information to rotary@rotary45.org.

Habitat for Humanity Build Project - Saturday, August 14, 8:30am

Monday, August 2, 2021



Bring a hammer and some good work gloves. Habitat will assign our jobs that we can do (bring your own tool bag if you are experienced at any kind of construction). We hope that you will join us. Please register at [THIS LINK](#).

Our Club is sponsoring this Habitat For Humanity build jointly with our friends at UPS and Underhill Associates (Jeff Underhill is president & member of our club) and Cralle Family Foundation.

The homeowner is Gabriele Shivers, a young African American w/ a 4-yr-old son who lives with her mother and grandmother. She is a shift manager at a nearby Speedway Gas and Convenience store. Gabriele is excited about this opportunity to have her own home. If you are not familiar with Habitat, their guiding vision is "We believe in a world where everyone has a decent place to live. Through building and repairing homes, we help create strong neighborhoods."

Save the Date! Saturday, September 25, 9:30am The Louisville Sign Project



Our club was instrumental in the installation of a community landmark known as the Louisville Knot sign located at the corner of 9th & Main Street. It is not maintained by the city and we are meeting at 9:30 am on Saturday, September 25, to give it a quick wash and wipe down, pull a few weeds, etc. Everyone is welcome to join in the fun. A 600-gallon water truck will be there and everything else we need is provided. All we need is you!

Save the Date! Saturday, September 25 at 12noon - Ice Cream Social



Join us for an Ice Cream Social on Saturday, September 25, at 12 noon. Kevin Fields is providing the location for our ice cream party at Louisville Central Community Center at 1300 W. Muhammad Ali. Cost info TBA. Mark your calendars for September 25 at noon!

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE VIRTUAL DISTRICT TRAINING ASSEMBLY

By Nancy Stearman on Thursday, August 5, 2021



AUGUST 28, 2021, 8 AM-12:30 PM CT/ 9 AM - 1:30 PM ET [CLICK HERE](#) For a personal invitation to District Training Assembly from District Governor-elect Nancy Stearman.

[CLICK HERE](#) to register now and come join us on the morning of August 28, 2021, at the annual VIRTUAL District Training Assembly. You will discover how serving can change lives in our Clubs, in our Communities

and in the World.

The Rotary Roundtables begin at 9 AM CT/10 AM ET and each 30-minute Roundtable will be hosted by a fellow Rotarian from our District. Your table host will share experiences, insights and possibly some how-to-do-it's to take back to your own Club.

Register for the for Rotary Roundtable sessions to discover:

- Using Social Media to drive visitors to your Club
- Ways to move your club toward International Service
- Membership secrets to attract new folks to Rotary
- Everything you need to know about District Grants
- An insider's look at giving to the Annual Fund & Rotary Foundation
- Amazing Polio Plus
- Ways to involve your club in Youth Services- RYLA, ROTARACT and INTERACT
- Tips for Successful Community Service Projects
- Opportunities to study abroad thru the Global Scholars program

The first hour, 8-9 AM CT/9 10 AM ET is dedicated exclusively to providing one-hour training sessions for your Club's officers and Committee Chairs. [Read More](#)

A River Runs Through It

By Gail Story



As the doors of opportunity opened during 2020-21, Districts 6710, 6060, 6460, and 6510 came together to begin a journey down the Ohio River. The result is a multi-District service opportunity led by us in District 6710. The journey will begin on September 27, 2021 as we Serve to Change Lives.

The American Queen Steamboat Company and Rotary have partnered to begin community service outreach and develop a lasting relationship in our

service effort within the 7th Area of Focus ♦ the Environment. Under the leadership of District 6710 Community Service Chair Bernie Strenecky, we will be working to save the river and planting friendship trees along the way for environmental effects and community beautification. [Read More](#)

Events

August 12th

[RCoL Meeting - Geoff Marietta, PhD, Founder of Harlan Co. Beer](#)

August 19th

[RCoL Mtg - Nancy Hancock, PhD, & Karla Spencer](#)

August 26th

[RCofL Meeting - Vince Tyra, Matt Banker, Drew Deener](#)

August 14th

[Habitat for Humanity Build Project](#)

August 26th

[Lifeline Committee meeting](#)

September 2nd

[RCofL Meeting - TBA](#)

Birthdays



[Jan M. Grayson](#)
August 11th



[Meredith Erickson](#)
August 12th



[Stephen C. Lannert](#)
August 13th



[Armistead F. Stewart](#)
August 14th



[Alice Bridges](#)
August 17th



[Gwen M. Mooney](#)
August 19th



[Jason Cissell](#)
August 19th



[Ben J. Talbott III](#)
August 20th



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August 21st



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