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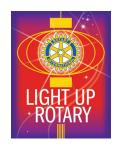
Next Meeting: Thursday, December 11, 2014

Speaker: Eric Gregory

**Title: President of Kentucky Distillers Association** Topic: Welcome to the Golden Age of Bourbon

Introduced by: Thom Crimans

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





Eric Gregory, President of the Kentucky Distillers' Association, is a veteran communicator with more than 25 years of experience in governmental affairs, marketing, journalism and strategic public relations.

As KDA President, Gregory oversees all aspects of the 134-year-old association that unites, promotes and protects the Commonwealth's signature Bourbon and distilled spirits industry, including the famous Kentucky Bourbon Trail® experiences.

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Gregory joined the KDA in 2008 after seven years as Governmental Affairs Manager at East Kentucky Power Cooperative. He previously served as Vice President of Public Affairs for Preston-Osborne, a prominent Lexington public relations, marketing and research firm.

A graduate of the University of Kentucky, Gregory began his career as an award-winning journalist for the Lexington Herald-Leader. He also served as a reporter and editor at the Honolulu Advertiser, and has been nominated twice for the Pulitzer Prize.

Gregory is a native of Henderson, Ky. He and his wife, Ellen, live in Midway, Ky., with their three children.

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## Birthday Table Dec 11

**Mack Shwab Doug Yates** Dec 11 **Claudia Eggleton** Dec 13 **Ben Brumleve** Dec 14 Laura Crahan Dec 15 Mike Cronan IV Dec 15 **Dan Rivers** Dec 16

Please sit at the Birthday Table on December 11.



### PROGRAM SCHEDULE

December 18 — Holiday Program (Louisville Youth Choir)

December 25 — (No Meeting)

January 1 — (No Meeting)

January 8 — Bob Bordogna (Chairman of Todd Asset Management) 'Annual Stock Market Predictions'

January 15 — Coach Dan McDonnell 'Louisville Baseball'

January 22 — Scott Colosi (President of Texas Roadhouse)

January 29 — Mayor Greg Fischer 'State of the City Address' (Location: New Southwest Library on Dixie Highway)

February 5 — Jonathan Wolff (Louisville Native and Seinfeld Composer) 'I Got a Call From This Comic Named Jerry ... Louisville to Hollywood and Back Again'

February 12 — Ted Smith (Chief Economic Growth & Innovation, Louisville Metro Govt) 'Institute for Healthy Air, Water & Soil'

February 19 — Wil James, Jr. (CEO, Toyota Georgetown) 'Toyota'

February 26 — Ralph de Chabert (Brown-Forman Chief Diversity Officer)

March 5 — Ray Burse (KY State University President / Recently Featured on NBC Brian Williams' 'Making a Difference')

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January 14, 2015 (Wednesday) — Horseshoe Casino \$45/person (includes tax & gratuity) 6:00 Bar / 6:30 Buffet — Free Valet — Free \$10 token for each attendee. Tour facility afterwards or hit the tables. Your quests are welcome.

January 21, 2015 (Wednesday) — Award-winning Musical "ONCE" at the Kentucky Center! Optional Bristol dinner before the musical. Additional details/reservations at THIS LINK.

May 12, 2015 (Tuesday) — FUNdraiser Event at Copper & Kings (Details to follow.)

2015 Date to be Announced! — Louisville City FC Soccer "Opening Night"

### **December 4, 2014 Rotary Meeting**

The Rotary Club of Louisville held its December 4, 2014 meeting at the Galt House in the Archibald Room. Presiding was President Kevin Wardell. The invocation was given by Tony Kemper. Tracy Holladay led the Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of the Rotary Four-Way Test. Charlie Castner electrified the audience with a swinging rendition of the "Swanee River Boogie" and received a well-deserved round of applause.

Members introduced their guests, including County Attorney Mike O'Connell and Hilliard-Lyons CEO Jim Allen. David Dunn recognized the birthday table and the celebrants were honored by Charlie Castner's playing of the traditional "Happy Birthday".

Turning to the announcements, Paul Bickel requested nominees for the Lifetime Service Award, then Past President Randy Coe made an appeal for contributions to the Rotary Fund of Louisville.



Bill Schneider, Tom Williams, President Kevin Wardell and Judge Angela Bisig

Greg Braun followed up with a spirited announcement of the "Pot-O-Gold" contest to raise funds for the Rotary Fund of Louis-ville during the remaining Rotary meetings in December. Matt Gardner gave a last minute reminder about the Rotary Holiday Party being held tonight at St. Charles Exchange.

Then Bill Schneider was called upon to introduce guest speakers Judge Angela Bisig, Jefferson Circuit Court, and Tom Williams, fellow Rotarian and member of the law firm Stoll Keenon and Ogden. Their presentation described the local Restorative Justice initiative, a new concept for dealing with juvenile crime that is victim-centered but requires full restitution by the offender. Restorative Justice also keeps offenders out of the traditional juvenile justice system, saves taxpayer dollars and reduces recidivism. Following their remarks, a number of questions were posed by interested Rotarians. President Kevin adjourned the meeting at 1:15 pm. - Respectfully submitted by Bill Schneider



To access the Magbooth photos taken at the Holiday Party, visit www.magbooth.com, and select 'Event Photos'. Then select 'Rotary Club of Louisville Holiday Extravaganza.'

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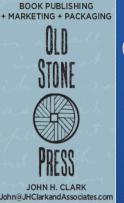
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