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Next Meeting: Thursday, January 17, 2013

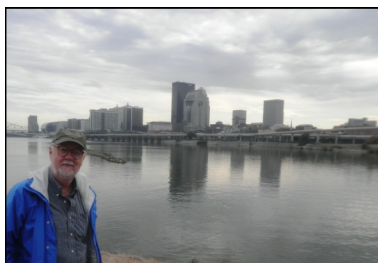
Guest Speaker: Rick Bell, Historian, Lecturer & Author

Program: "Louisville's Historic Waterfront"

Introduction: Chris Roberts

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

Galt House West, Second Floor, Daisy-Sunflower Room



Louisville's waterfront has felt the tread of historic footsteps throughout its existence, with each subsequent generation determining its own purpose for the land where the city meets the river's edge. Located adjacent to the Falls of the Ohio, the community has been defined by its relationship to the Ohio River. This presentation looks at that relationship from the city's founding in 1778 through the development of Louisville's award-winning Waterfront Park.

Rick Bell specializes in research and interpretation of Louisville and Portland's history. Trained as a news photographer, Bell has worked as a not-for-profit administrator, museum exhibit designer, Navajo trader and, for one summer, a deckhand on an Ohio River towboat. Formerly the executive director of the United States Marine Hospital Foundation, Rick Bell is the author of *Louisville's Waterfront Park – A Riverfront Renaissance* and *The Great Flood of 1937 – Rising Waters, Soaring Spirits*, published by Butler Books.

Bell currently serves as Education Coordinator for the Belle's Big Birthday Bash, an upcoming citywide celebration of the Belle of Louisville's 100th anniversary scheduled in October 2014. For more information, go to www.rickbellheritageservices.com.

January 24 Meeting w/ Mayor Greg Fischer at African-American Heritage Center!

The Jan 24 Rotary meeting will be held at the **African-American Heritage Center** located at **1701 West Muhammad Ali Blvd.** Mayor Fischer will present the annual 'State of the City' address.

Directions from Galt House: West on Main Street; left onto 6th Street; right onto Muhammad Ali Blvd. Center is on your right. **CLICK HERE** for map.



Birthday Table

Muhammad Babar	Jan 17
Vincenzo Gabriele	Jan 17
Brad Walker	Jan 17
Wayne Perkey	Jan 18
Bill Bellis	Jan 20
Joe Ackerman	Jan 21
Scott Childers	Jan 21
Dennis DeWitt	Jan 21
Phil Scherer	Jan 21
Dennis Riggs	Jan 22
Ron Sturgeon	Jan 23
John Whitty	Jan 23
Calvin Rasey	Jan 24
Benton Keith	Jan 25
Richard Roth	Jan 26
Amanda Storment	Jan 27
Lelan Woodmansee	Jan 27
Larry Sloan	Jan 28
Connie Cheak	Jan 29
Joan Frey	Jan 30
Barbara Lankford	Jan 30

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January 24 Meeting — GUESTS MUST RSVP by JAN. 18!

ALL GUESTS coming for lunch MUST RSVP to events@rotary45.org or call 589-1800 NO LATER THAN January 18. Mark's Feed Store is catering the event and we must ensure enough food for everyone. RSVPs are not required for RCL Rotarians; however, **be sure that your guests RSVP by Jan 18.**

January 24 — PARKING

The Center's large parking lot is free. If needed, additional free parking is nearby at 1812 Muhammad Ali Blvd (old Jay's Cafeteria) and 1901 Muhammad Ali Blvd (Quinn Chapel parking lot).

ATTN Birthday Celebrants!

Please sit at the Birthday Table on January 17.



PROGRAM SCHEDULE

- January 24** — Mayor Greg Fischer's annual 'State of the City Address' Catered by Mark's Feed Store - **(LOCATION: KY Center for African American Heritage, 1701 West Muhammad Ali Blvd. - Free Parking) Your guests MUST RSVP by Jan 18 to events@rotary45.org.**
- January 31** — Robert P. Friedland, MD, Rudd Chair & Professor University of Louisville Dept. of Neurology, 'Alzheimers, Dementia and Aging'.
- February 7** — Les Waters, Artistic Director, Actors Theater of Louisville.
- February 14** — Bruce Broussard, President, Humana, 'Humana: Simplicity to Achieve Sustainability'
- February 21** — Christen Boone, Director, Greater Louisville Project '2012 Competitive City Update Report'.
- February 28** — Greg Heitzman, President Louisville Water Company, Executive Director MSD, 'One Water - Consolidation of MSD & LWC'.
- March 14** — Christopher 2X, Community Activist, 'Violence in the West End'.
- March 21** — Unsung Heroes Program.
- March 28** — Dr. Lyle Roelofs, President of Berea College
- April 4** — Fr. Clyde Crews, Bellarmine University Historian & Archival Coordinator 'Religious History of Louisville'.
- April 11** — Terry Brooks, Executive Director of KY Youth Advocates, 'National Child Abuse & Awareness Month'.
- May 9** — Rotary Speech Contest District Finals
- May 16** — Rotary Fundraiser / Compassionate Louisville
- 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** — Maria Hampton, Co-Chair Vision Louisville & Federal Reserve Bank Vice President, 'Vision Louisville'

UPCOMING EVENTS

- January 23** — Meet at MEAT, Membership Party with YPAL.
- February 2** — Billiards Tournament at Pendennis Club.
- February 13** — Rotary Night Out - Dinner at the Bristol & The Kentucky Center "Million Dollar Quartet. **CLICK HERE** to purchase tickets.
- April 30** — 48th Annual 'Rotary Day at the Downs'.
- June 26** — Rotary Day at the BATS game.

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January 10, 2013 Rotary Meeting

After a welcome by President Stuart, Merrill Moter gave the invocation with the theme of helping others. David Roth of the Kentucky Opera led the pledge and introduced our singers also from the Opera, who sang two beautiful songs, "Blue Moon of Kentucky" and "This Land is Your Land."

President Stuart thanked the Sports Committee for a great bowling event on January 5. He gave a reminder about the upcoming Rotary Night Out on February 13 at The Kentucky Center. Chris Bottorff introduced new member, Julie Fadel, President of Avery ATMs.

Our own Keith Alvey of the American Red Cross was the featured speaker sharing with Rotary his unique involvement in Hurricane Sandy relief efforts. Keith was in charge of the Red Cross ground relief work for the State of New York.

The enormity of the task was revealed in some of the following facts:

- 24 hours before the storm hit, 194 shelters were open.
- 6.5 million people (twice the population of Kentucky) were without power.
- Public transportation systems were shut down.
- Sandy was the largest natural disaster since Hurricane Katrina.
- 50-75,000 people received two meals each day, prepared and served by the Red Cross.



Dan Rivers, Keith Alvey and President Stuart E. Alexander, III

Keith advised that we can all be better prepared for disasters by paying attention to planning ahead. Communication is key and not all systems will always work. Identify the weak links in your business or community (i.e., if they break, everything stops). Identify the critical activities and create solutions to keeping them working. Play a game of "what if?", such as, what if a tornado hit our business? Keith ended his presentation with this summation about helping the victims of Hurricane Sandy, "Hearts Opened, Outstretched Arms, Lives Saved." — Don Cherrie



Membership Event

Meet @ MEAT - January 23

1076 East Washington Street
TIME: 5:30—7:30



All Rotarians who bring a prospective member will receive two free drink tickets. Our co-host is YPAL.

MEAT is on the 2nd floor above The Blind Pig. Go to the rear and up the stairs.

The menu incorporates KY bourbons and more than 30 original cocktails, with a seasonal drink menu. Drinks International rated MEAT as one of "The World's 50 Best Bars". It's also one of only twelve American bars bestowed with the honors.



Feb. 13 Rotary Night Out

5:30 pm The Bristol
7:15 pm Kentucky Center (meet in lobby)



Dinner at the Bristol followed by Broadway play 'Million Dollar Quartet' at the Kentucky Center. Meet the cast/crew backstage for a private Q&A!

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