

SPARKS



Next Meeting: January 16, 2014

Speaker: Mayor Greg Fischer

Topic: *State of the City Address*

Introduced by: President Randy Coe

Buffet Opens: 11:30 am / Meeting Begins: 12:10 pm

Meeting Location

Churchill Downs, Triple Crown Room

(Enter parking lot at Gate One on Central Avenue; follow signs to elevator from main entrance.)



Committed to growing jobs and creating a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship, Greg Fischer was elected Louisville's 50th mayor in 2010 and is now seeking a second term. Since taking office, Mayor Fischer has pursued three top goals: making Louisville a city of lifelong learning, a much healthier city, and an even more compassionate community. As a businessman and entrepreneur, he is also bringing innovation to city government to make it more efficient and accessible.

Mayor Fischer's accomplishments include: 1) Regaining the 42,000 jobs lost to the long recession, including creating 12,400 new jobs in 2013 alone; 2) Launching *full-speed-ahead* construction of the two Ohio River bridges while opening the Big Four Bridge, used by thousands of walkers, joggers and cyclists monthly; 3) Bringing innovation and efficiency to city government by using data to increase performance through LouieStat, moving forward with the Louisville Water/MSD consolidation, and reaching a deal to bring \$27 million in efficiencies to city facilities with no upfront costs; and 4) Earning "International Compassionate City" recognition for Louisville in part by creating the Give A Day week of community service, which drew nearly 110,000 volunteers and acts of compassion in April, 2013. He was named a 2013 "Public Official of the Year" by *Governing Magazine*, the only U.S. mayor to earn the distinction.

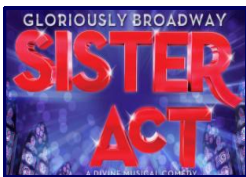
Greg is an entrepreneur, businessman and philanthropist who started several businesses including SerVend International and Iceberg Ventures, a private investment firm. Greg graduated from Trinity High School and Vanderbilt University. He and his wife Alex have four children. We hope you will join us at Churchill Downs for what promises to be one of our best attended and exciting meetings of the year.

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This Thursday's Meeting at Churchill Downs

If you have not yet completed the two-question attendance survey, please do so at [THIS LINK](#)! From the main entrance, signs will direct you to the elevator to take you to the 4th floor. To expedite the registration process, unless you are 'prepaid', please have exact cash ready or your \$25 check made payable to 'Rotary Club of Louisville'.



The Rotary Night Out evening on January 10 with dinner at The Bristol followed by the 'Sister Act' at The Kentucky Center was a great success! Even the Pope made a surprise visit! It was a full house. Ingrid Hernandez was spotted having a great time!



Birthday Table

Muhammad Babar	Jan 17
Vincenzo Gabriele	Jan 17
Brad Walker	Jan 17
Wayne Perkey	Jan 18
Janet Reilly	Jan 19
Bill Bellis, Sr.	Jan 20
Joe Ackerman	Jan 21
Scott Childers	Jan 21
Phil Scherer	Jan 21
Dennis Riggs	Jan 22

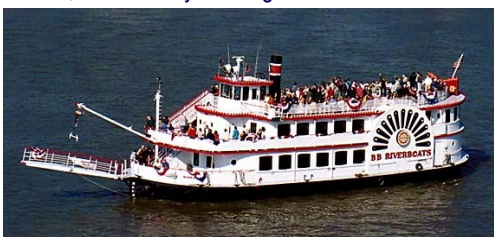
Please sit at the Birthday Table on January 16.



Rotary on the River!

All aboard! For the first time in the history of our Club, the October 16, 2014 Rotary meeting will be held on the Ohio River on the River Queen riverboat. It will be the week that Louisville plays host to a six-day (October 14-19) festival "Centennial Festival of Riverboats". The Belle of Louisville's 100th birthday celebration will include a river parade of boats, live music, fireworks, boat races, etc.

Exciting plans are also being made for a Rotary Night Out on the river during the Centennial Festival week! Stay tuned!



PROGRAM SCHEDULE

January 23 — **Ricky Jones Ph.D.**, Professor & Chair, UofL Pan-African Studies Department; "Martin Luther King Jr. Day Program"

January 30 — **Joseph Hinrichs**, Executive Vice President and President of the Americas for Ford Motor Company

February 6 — **Houston Barber, Ph.D.**, Named as new Principal of The Academy@Shawnee (Effective January 1 2014)

February 13 — **Carol Gunderson**, Director of the Food Literacy Project, 'Growing Healthy Communities: The Farm-to-Family Initiative'

February 20 — **Eli Capilouto, Ph.D.**, University of Kentucky President

February 27 — **Ted Bishop**, President of PGA of America

March 13 — **Rotary Trade Expo**

March 20 — **Roberto Bolli, M.D.**, UofL Director of Division of Cardiology and Institute for Molecular Cardiology

March 27 — **Unsung Heroes Program**

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February or March, 2014 — **Toyota Tour!** Details to follow.



**Look who's ahead in the
College Basketball
Competition!**

Name	College Team	Total Wins	Total Points	Total \$\$
Sam Swope	Ohio State	16	1296	\$144.80
Randy Coe	Louisville	15	1478	\$148.90
John Hampton	Louisville	15	1478	\$148.90
Bill Kelly Jr.	Louisville	15	1478	\$148.90
Aaron Walther	Louisville	15	1478	\$148.90
Susan Zepeda	Lady Cards (UofL)	15	1394	\$144.70
Keith Knapp	Xavier	13	1190	\$124.50
Joey Bailey	Kentucky	12	1222	\$121.10
Jay Davidson	Kentucky	12	1222	\$121.10
Steve Eggers	Kentucky	12	1222	\$121.10
Keith Knapp	Kentucky	12	1222	\$121.10

Can you play a trumpet or a saxophone?



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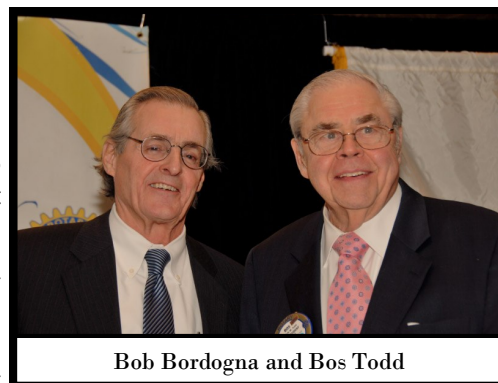
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January 9, 2014 Rotary Meeting

Our first Rotary meeting of 2014 was presided over by Past President Bos Todd. Dave Ramer provided the invocation and Alex Novak led the pledge of allegiance. Alex also led Rotarians in the song 'Side by Side', followed by the birthday table host, Carol Nord, who acknowledged the birthday celebrant, Stet Stetten.

Past President Bos announced that the next Rotary meeting will be on January 16 at Churchill Downs in the Triple Crown Room, and Mayor Greg Fischer will present his annual "State of the City" address.

Past President Bos congratulated the following members who had 100% attendance during the 2013 fourth quarter: Ed Binford, Tom Bohnert, Greg Braun, Bill Carrell, Charlie Castner, President Randy Coe, Lukas Dwelly and Aaron Walther. The winning name drawn who received a \$100 RIVUE Gift Certificate was Tom Bohnert! Another drawing had been held from members who posted comments on the website during the past two weeks, and the winner was Ken Middleton, who also received a \$100 RIVUE Gift Certificate.



Bob Bordogna and Bos Todd



Rick Harned introduced Margaret Fenton and explained how she was our Club's nominee and had been selected as 2014 Rotary Peace Fellow. This is a 'first' for our Club. Ms. Fenton (photo at left with Rick Harned) shared how she received a full scholarship from Rotary International to study and receive practical training at the University of Bradford in England for two years. She will study international relations, conflict resolution and development issues, supplemented by direct fieldwork.

Before introducing the main speaker, Bob Bordogna, Bos Todd mentioned several of his stock predictions made last year, reviewing how close (or off) his predictions had been and mentioned, "Now you know why I'm turning this over to someone else." He then introduced Bob Bordogna who immediately congratulated Bos for having provided his annual stock prediction program with excellence to the Rotary Club for the past 44 years!

Everyone rose to their feet to thank and congratulate Bos with a well-deserved standing ovation! Bob went on to present a very detailed, impressive report entitled "The Rocky Road to Economic Normalcy." He quoted John K. Galbraith who had said, "The function of economic forecasting is to make astrology look respectable." Bob noted that, as 2014 opens, we have more clarity about fiscal and monetary policies than we have had for many years. He said that there was a positive effect as this clarity became better known during the last 45 days of 2013 when various agreements and appointments were made. Bob gave a review of the market and ended with his stock predictions, followed by a long list of disclaimer statements. It was clearly evident why this is a popular annual meeting, and we are grateful to Bob for agreeing to carry on the tradition. - Debe Skidmore



A Reason To Celebrate

India marks three years without a case of wild polio on January 13, 2014, a landmark achievement for global public health and the worldwide effort to eradicate polio. Ending polio is a critical step toward improving the lives of the world's most vulnerable children.

[CLICK HERE](#) to access details about this exciting achievement!

It's getting serious now! Only four teams left to play!

The winner(s) will be decided next week. Either Jay Davidson and Jeff Underhill will win (if Denver beats New England! Or, Gordon Costley will sneak in with the top prize!

Standings in Total \$ Pledged:

Jay Davidson	Louisville	Denver Broncos	\$238.70
Jeff Underhill	Louisville	Denver Broncos	\$238.70
Cindy Collier	Alabama	Denver Broncos	\$237.60
Ken Middleton	Alabama	Denver Broncos	\$237.60
Allan Parnell	Alabama	Denver Broncos	\$237.60
Gordon Costley	Ohio State	New England Patriots	\$237.60



Six Rotarians will be cheering for New England!

Gordon Costley, Charles Eirk, Rick Harned, Bill Kelly, Chris Teeley and Barry Barker

And six others will cheer for Denver!

Jay Davidson, Jeff Underhill, Cindy Collier, Ken Middleton, Allan Parnell and Alice Bridges
Patrick Welsh will cheer for Seattle, and Dave Ramer for San Francisco! Should be interesting!

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