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UPCOMING MEETINGS

FEBRUARY 9
Kevin Moore



Greg Fischer
Mayor of Louisville Metro

"State of the City Address"

February 2 - Offsite Rotary Lunch Meeting
Baxter Community Center - Russell Neighborhood
11:30 Buffet • 12:05 Meeting

Address:
Baxter Community Center
1125 Cedar Ct.
Louisville, KY 40203

Greg Fischer is now in his second term as Louisville's 50th Mayor. His administration is focused on three top goals: creating good-paying jobs, improving education at all levels, and making Louisville an even more compassionate city. He was named a 2013 "Public Official of the Year" by *Governing Magazine*, the only U.S. mayor to earn the distinction. Using many of the performance-improvement approaches he used as a businessman, he has instituted a data-driven approach to city government with a goal of making it more efficient and accessible -- and making sure that every taxpayer dollar is wisely spent.

For a more detailed bio, please [CLICK HERE](#). For directions to the Baxter Community Center, [CLICK HERE](#).

JANUARY 26 2017 - ROTARY MEETING RECAP



Our **January 26th** Rotary Lunch Meeting featured speaker Mark Bolton, Director of Louisville Metro Corrections. He shared a virtual tour of the corrections facilities in Louisville as well as the protocols for inmate processing. Mark also presented the results of a rehabilitation program that helps addicted inmates from becoming repeat offenders.

A detailed look at our meeting can be found [HERE](#).

A video of our meeting can be seen [HERE](#).

ROTARY CLUB - PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Imagination Library - Fostering a Lifelong Love of Reading and Learning

The Rotary Club of Louisville was recognized Saturday as one of the sponsors of Imagination Library during a special "launch" event at the Main Branch of the Louisville Free Public Library. Imagination Library is a world-wide program of Dolly Parton's Dollywood Foundation with the goal of fostering a lifelong love of reading and learning. The Rotary Club donated \$10,000 toward the \$70,000 project to mail one book every month to 500 pre-school aged children in three inner city zip codes over the next five years. More than 200 children have already signed up. The program is a partnership of WAVE3, the Junior League, and the Jefferson County Public Education Foundation. WAVE3's General Manager, Rotarian Ken Selvaggi, and Rotarian Robin Jennings, a member of the program's advisory committee, represented our club at the program's launch.

A short slideshow of the event can be seen [HERE](#).

JCTC Committed to 1st Class of Rotary Promise Scholars - An Annual Review

The first class of Rotary Promise Scholars graduated last year and most are now enrolled in college. 17 chose to attend our higher education partners: 14 enrolled at JCTC and 3 went directly to U of L. 8 enrolled at other colleges. The RPS Program just completed an annual review

KEVIN MOORE
Managing Director, Actors
Theatre of Louisville
Off-site; Frazier History
Museum

FEBRUARY 16
Bruce Williams
Pastor, Bates Memorial
Baptist Church

FEBRUARY 23
Dennis Ogbé
Paralympian, Polio Survivor

MARCH 2
Jerry Abramson
Deputy Assistant to Former
President, Barack Obama
Former Lt. Governor of KY
Former Mayor of Louisville,
KY

MARCH 16
Chuck Sgro
Habitat for Humanity House
Construction Leader
Erica Hart
Habitat for Humanity
Homeowner
"Strength, Stability, and
Self-Reliance Through
Shelter"

MARCH 23
Unsung Heroes
Recognition Program
Ben Reno-Weber
Co Founder, Chief
Storyteller, MobileServe

Birthdays

Connie Cheak - Jan 29
Barbara Lankford - Jan 30
Joan Frey - Jan 30
Sharon LaRue - Feb 2
Scott Detrick - Feb 5
Henry Kuehn - Feb 5



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with JCTC and is overwhelmed by their commitment and energized by their suggestions to strengthen the program.

You can read the Annual Review by clicking [HERE](#).



Paul Harris School No. 240 - Montevideo Uruguay

The Rotary Fund of Louisville recently provided funding for some critical upgrades to the Paul Harris School in Montevideo, Uruguay. The school reported to us in December 2016 that they were able to complete the necessary upgrades for less than anticipated. Your Club and Fund Boards have agreed to let the school keep the remaining \$916 left over to use at their discretion.

MEMBER OPPORTUNITIES

Meeting and Event Sponsorship Packages

We are excited to have officially kicked off our meeting sponsorship program! In our goal to keep membership dues affordable while maintaining an extremely high quality membership experience, we invite your organization to sponsor an upcoming meeting. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information, [HERE](#) for a breakdown of our meeting sponsor benefits packages, and [HERE](#) for our event sponsor benefits.



SPARKS, Website, and Display Wall Advertising

Do you want to increase your organization's visibility, promote an event, or lead customer's to your webpage? Consider purchasing an advertisement through our Communications Committee. Please [CLICK HERE](#) for information about our advertisement packages. Members with questions about advertising are encouraged to contact [Sherry Duffy](#).



Rotary Promise Scholarship Mentoring Program - Feb 1, 2017 - Western HS

It's time for us to return to Western High School for our RPS mentoring session. During this fun-filled and meaningful session, Rotarians will model behavior, review goals and survey students to help them identify personal strengths. At the end of this session, students should be well-prepared to talk about their qualifications, talents and interests. Future sessions we will help students translate their experience into getting a job and/or a scholarship!

Where - Western High School - 2501 Rockford Lane, Shively, KY 40216 - [Google Map](#)
When - February 1st - arrive by 8:20 AM
Who - For questions, or to volunteer, contact [Walt Kunau](#) (502.262.2792)

Rotary Intl Atlanta Convention - June 10-14, 2017

Join District Governor Stuart Alexander and other Rotarians for the annual Rotary International Convention in Atlanta, June 10-14, 2017. A block of rooms has been reserved for Rotarians in District 6710. To register, visit www.riconvention.org.



Habitat for Humanity - Raise the Roof - April 26-28, 2017

Join our Lifeline Committee in helping Habitat for Humanity by partially building a new home. Our volunteers will frame a house in one "Raise the Roof" weekend, currently scheduled for April 26-28. We will need roughly 60 volunteers, or about 15 per day to do the framing so the Habitat volunteers can complete the house. Members interested in volunteering for either half or full days should contact [Mike Fallot](#) or [Jerry Martin](#) for more information.



ROTARIANS IN THE NEWS

TY HANDY - Louisville Business First - Featured in "What's the job like?" section of the cover story on University Presidents.

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BOB CONNOLLY - Louisville Business First - Stites & Harbison PLLC named 2nd largest law firm by number of local lawyers (89).

FRANKLIN JELSMA - Louisville Business First - Wyatt Tarrant & Combs LLP named 3rd largest law firm by number of local lawyers (78).

ALICE BRIDGES - Louisville Business First - Named a finalist in the "Community Outreach" category in this year's Healthcare Heroes Awards. Award winners will be announced on Thursday, February 23rd.

DR. MUHAMMAD BABAR - Louisville Business First - Named a finalist in the "Provider" category in this year's Healthcare Heroes Awards. Award winners will be announced on Thursday, February 23rd.

DENISE JEROME - Louisville Business First - Guest commentary about how to empower women to become business owners.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS - SOCIAL ACTIVITIES 2017

BROADWAY - Club members are now eligible to purchase group-rate tickets with included dinner for a showing of The Illusionists on Wednesday, March 15th. More information on the show can be seen [HERE](#). Click [HERE](#) for the event information sheet.

To register for the show and dinner, [CLICK HERE](#) (Use promo code **LOUROTARY** and create online account)

Want to register for dinner only? [CLICK HERE](#) to register. Payment will be accepted at the Bristol when you attend.

DAY AT THE DOWNS - This year, the Rotary Club will be hosting its first exclusive and private Day at the Downs on Wednesday, May 3rd. Cost will be \$125 per person, which includes a buffet-style lunch, private seating in the Stakes-Parlor room, and access to the 4th Floor viewing balconies on both trackside and above the paddocks. To see a preview of the room, [CLICK HERE](#). Registration now open. Please [CLICK HERE](#).

We invite you to add these dates to your calendar. Registration and more detailed information coming soon.

ROTARY CLUB BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Earlier this year, Rotary District Leadership moved to have each club post Board Meeting minutes online for member review. Our Club Office is in the process of uploading our monthly board meeting minutes to DACdb. To access the board minutes, members will need to visit DACdb and navigate the following in our club files.

After logging in, click the following:

Files ---> Club Files ---> 2016-2017 Board Meeting Minutes ---> Select a File