# **SPARKS**

Next Meeting: Thursday, July 25, 2013

Guest Speaker: Governor Steve Beshear "State of the State Address"

Introduced by: President Randy Coe



# Buffet Opens: 11:30 am / Meeting Begins: 12:10 pm Meeting Location: Galt House East, 2nd Floor, Ballroom 'C'



Steven L. Beshear was elected governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky in November 2007. An attorney by profession, Gov. Beshear has a long background in public service, having served as a state representative in the Kentucky General Assembly, attorney general and lieutenant governor prior to being elected governor.

As governor, Beshear has helped restore public trust by creating a culture of integrity in state government that has included rooting out cronyism and implementing stronger ethics standards. He has also streamlined spending with a trimming of the state workforce, implemented a more efficient way of designing and building roads and won bipartisan support for a complex reform of the beleaguered public pension system.

Despite inheriting an austere budget and a struggling economy, he has focused on initiatives to help Kentucky families. These have included expanding efforts to bring health coverage to 35,000 uninsured children, designing a plan to bring prescription drugs to those who can't afford them, securing "bridge" funding to save Kentucky's student loan agency and calling for a new analysis on higher education affordability and access.

Gov. Beshear is a native of Dawson Springs in Hopkins County, Ky. He and his wife, Jane, have two sons and three grandchildren.

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## ROTARY LEADERSHIP FELLOWS GRADUATION & INTRODUCTION

The Rotary Leadership Fellows Program was created to identify potential community leaders early in their careers, and to involve them in a formal, three-year Rotary leadership development program. Candidates come from the MBA program at the University of Louisville College of Business & Public Administration.

We are pleased to announce a Leadership Fellow Graduation at the July 25 meeting, and new Leadership Fellows will also be introduced.

July 23 is the 101st anniversary of the Rotary Club of Louisville!

#### 101 Years of Service Above Self!

Chartered on July 23, 1912, the Rotary Club of Louisville was the 45th club to be formed. There are now more than 34,000 clubs worldwide, and the Rotary Club of Louisville is the 10th largest. "You don't stop laughing when you grow old, you grow old when you stop laughing." - George Bernard Shaw

#### **Birthday Table**

July 25	Cindy Collier	July 30
July 25	Allan Parnell	July 30
July 26	Maria Smith	July 30
July 28	Tuck Tinsley	July 30
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Shannon Westerman July 31

Please sit at one of the Birthday Tables on July 25.



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#### July 18, 2013 Rotary Meeting

President Randy called the meeting to order and Dick Clay followed with the invocation of personal reflection and prayer. Sadly, for the second week in a row, we observed a moment of silence for two past Rotarians, Harold Bomar, Jr. and George Per-



kins. Bill Kelly led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Our guest singers, members of the Emerging Artists Group (photo at left), were introduced by Barbara Collins and sang an arrangement from Beauty and the Beast entitled, 'Popular'. CLICK HERE to view their performance.

Birthday celebrants were introduced by Carol Nord. President Randy welcomed seven visitors including President Debra Anderson of the Kansas City Plaza Rotary Club. The Louisville Free Public Library and the Library Foundation also had eight guests in sup-



port of our guest speaker. A total of five new members were introduced. Member Mark Hogg was recognized for his award winning work with water accessibility as a world issue. Immediate Past President Stuart Alex-

ander (one of the best-ever) announced Rotarian of the Year, Mitch Rue! (See photo at left.) Mitch received a standing 'O' for his amazing contributions after joining the club just four short years ago. It was interesting to note that Mitch has four ancestors who were members of our Club dating back to 1914, and two of those members served as Club President.

Julie Scoskie introduced guest speaker Craig Buthod, Director of the Louisville Free Public Library. Craig oversees 18 locations and a staff of 280. Our Library system has 10,000 in-person visits daily and another 10,000 visits to its website. Over 3.5 million books are checked out yearly. That's all great. But, in looking at 16 library systems in our region, the Louisville Library ranks at the bottom for funding. The Library is a tax-supported entity. According to Mr. Buthod, there is a definite disconnect between the services that people say they want and what they are willing to pay for.

Even in this day of tablet computers and smartphones, people are checking out books and reading them. In fact, in the last ten years, the number of units checked out to read has increased 200,000. So, the demand for services has increased, not diminished. What will the Library look like in this 21<sup>st</sup> Century? 1) Build out the Master Plan (found on the website www.lfpl.org); 2) Increased use of Technology; 3) Priority on Education; 4) Manage the public's perception of a library; and 5) Encourage the reading of books.

Two final points. City dollars fund the Library operations. Donor dollars fund growth. Youth are being encouraged to read and use the library. Look for 'A Library Champion Lives Here' banners in yards of local youth. Congratulate them on reading! In closing, Craig said, 'I sure want the kid taking care of me in a nursing home to be able to read the prescription label.' Amen to that.

Don Cherrie



#### 2013-14 Rosters / Important Update Information!

If you were not at last week's meeting, Rosters can be pick up on the 25th. It's important to note that many updates have occurred since its printing (i.e., company changes, email changes, new members, etc.). A printable version of the membership info w/ the very latest updates will be made available every few months. CLICK HERE for the most current membership info! Members must authenticate (log in) to gain access to this file.

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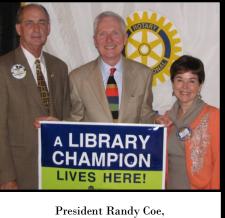


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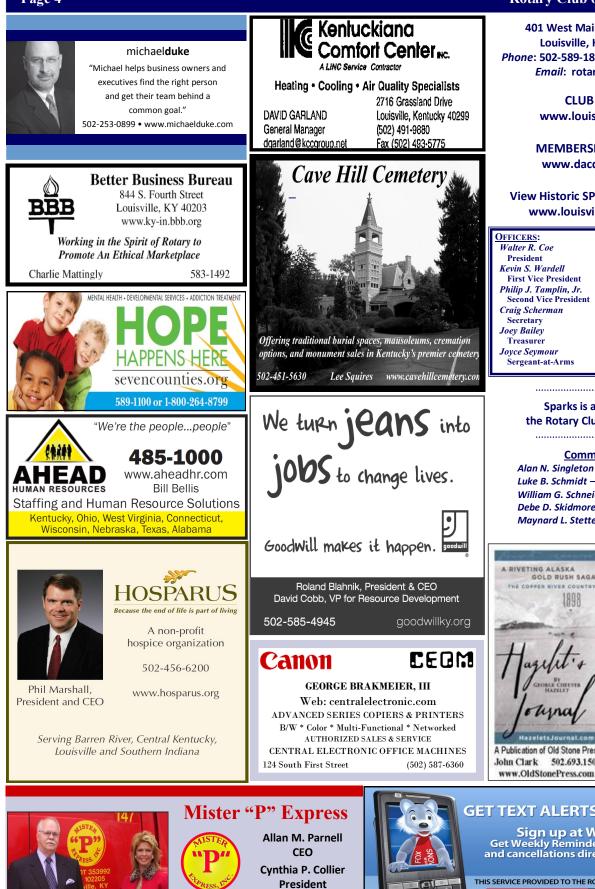






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