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Next Meeting: Thursday, June 28, 2012

Changing of the Guard

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

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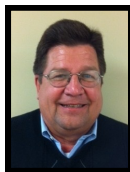
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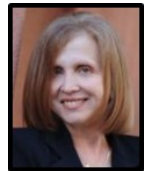
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'Celebrating 100 Years of Service'



July 21, 2012

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Membership Dues Increase

Official notice was sent recently via email to members about the increase of membership dues (additional \$21 annually), effective as of July 1, 2012. The last increase of membership dues occurred two years ago.

The increase of dues was elected/approved by the Board at their meeting last week. The decision was necessary to address rising costs by Rotary International, District and weekly meeting expenses.

Membership dues are payable every six months (July and January). Invoices will be going out soon, and will include the new dues amount (*increased from \$167 to \$177.50 for July 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012*).

Strategic Plan Will Chart Club's Growth for Next Five Years

Our Club is developing its first **Strategic Plan** in 25 years to guide the Club's work and its Board of Directors for the next five years. President Stetten appointed an ad hoc strategic planning group whose first task was to draft new Vision, Mission, and Values Statements, approved by the Board at its June meeting. (see pg. 3)

Birthday Table

Roland Blahnik	June 28
Jeff Underhill	June 28
Doug Myers	June 30
Karen Dahlem	July 2
Gwathmey Tyler	July 2
Shahid Ikram	July 3
Rajah Kara, M.D.	July 3
Susan Smith	July 4

***Please sit at the Birthday
table on June 28!***



PROGRAM SCHEDULE

July 5 — Senator Mitch McConnell

July 12 — Ted Smith, City of Louisville Economic Development Director

July 19 — Ray Klingensmith, Rotary International President, *100th Anniversary Rotary Club of Louisville Celebration*

July 26 — Dr. Susan Harkema, Rehabilitation Research Director, KY Spinal Cord Injury Research Center, *Locomotor Training: Helping Patients Walk Away from Paralysis*

August 9 — Tom Jurich (*Tentative*) - **MEETING LOCATION: CROWNE PLAZA**

August 23 — Tom Owen, U of L Professor / Historian, Metro Council Member, *What Was Louisville Like 100 Years Ago?*

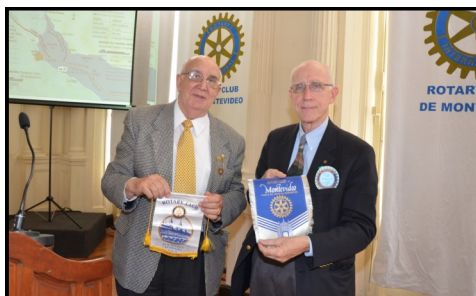
August 30 — LaQuandra S. Nesbitt, M.D., MPH, Director of Louisville Metro Public Health & Wellness

CLUB EVENTS

July 21 — Rotary Club of Louisville's Centennial Event, *'Celebrating 100 Years of Service'*. Purchase tickets online at www.louisvillerotary.org. Open to public! *Live entertainment / heavy hors d'oeuvres / dancing on the rooftop / many surprises! Bring prospective members and invite your friends, family and colleagues. You won't want to miss this event!! Purchased tickets may be picked up at the registration table on Thursdays.*

Remember! Proceeds from this event go to the Rotary Promise Scholarship fund.

August 21 — Rotary Golf Championship, Hurstbourne Country Club at 1:00 PM. Cost of \$65 includes greens fee and cart. For reservations, send \$65 to Rotary office.



Rick Harned exchanged banners with the Rotary Club President of Montevideo, Sr. Carlos Pache, in Uruguay. Rick will be there until November.

Only a few short weeks until the
Centennial Celebration!

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July 21, 2012

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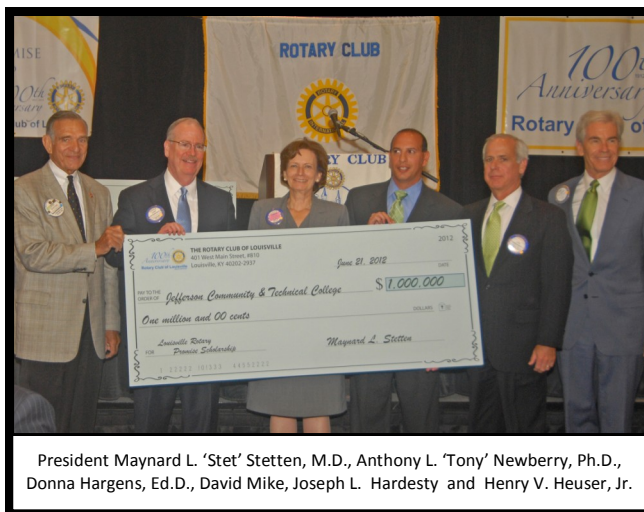
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Rotary Meeting - June 21, 2012

It was a day to be glad I had brought a guest for her first visit to the Downtown Louisville Rotary Club. With a star studded head table and a program of community involvement, there were many guests present for a program that began with an appropriate prayer led by former President Paul Gold, "one of the best", followed by the Pledge and a rousing Rotary version of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic."

The parade of 'stars' began with the introduction of our newest member: Donna Hargens, Superintendent of the Jefferson County Public Schools, followed by Past President and Louisville Rotary Promise Scholarship Chair, Henry V. Heuser, Jr., also "one of the best", who introduced the Louisville Rotary Promise Scholarship Program and called on our Mayor, Greg Fischer, who thanked the Rotary Club for its leadership in addressing the community's need for a higher level of education for young people graduating from our school system before they enter the work force. He spoke of the goal set for 50,000 college degrees in Louisville by the year 2020, and then recognized the leadership of Dr. Tony Newberry, President of the Jefferson County Community and Technical College for his determination to help graduating high school seniors receive a college education.



President Maynard L. 'Stet' Stetten, M.D., Anthony L. 'Tony' Newberry, Ph.D., Donna Hargens, Ed.D., David Mike, Joseph L. Hardesty and Henry V. Heuser, Jr.

Dr. Newberry, in turn, presented JCPS Superintendent Donna Hargens, who spoke of David Mike, the principal of Western High School, complimenting him for his impressive record in improving the level of training in that school, serving, as it does, a community of students who mostly come from homes without experience in programs of higher education. Further accolades for Western High School: since Mike has been Principal, there has been a 75% reduction in the number of suspensions and 400 students have been able to earn college credits for their work. The goal of the Louisville Promise Scholarship Program is that graduates of Western High School with a GPA of 2.5 or better, who want to get a college education will be able to attend JCTC for two years with a full scholarship, and then go on, after graduation, with a scholarship, to either the University of Louisville or the University of Kentucky, for a full four-year degree. The meeting concluded with Past President Heuser presenting two oversized checks—one for \$250,000 representing the fourth and most recent check given to the Jefferson County Community and Technical College; and another in the amount of \$1 million which represents the total amount given to date to JCTC, also representing the first of \$4 million which is the goal amount of the Louisville Rotary Promise Scholarship program, chaired by Henry V. Heuser, Jr. - David Reed

Strategic Plan (cont'd from page 1)

Our **Vision** is to be Louisville's premier fellowship of business, professional and civic leaders dedicated to selfless civic and humanitarian service, improving lives in our ever-changing community and world.

Our **Mission** is to provide a fellowship of inspired business, professional and civic leaders with exceptional opportunities for humanitarian and civic service, while promoting integrity, understanding and goodwill on a local, national and worldwide basis. We achieve our mission by:

- Developing a strong, growing and active membership that reflects the diversity of vocations and people in our community.
- Strengthening finances to support the club and to carry out the civic, vocational and international service projects that meet the needs of the community and the world.
- Building a dedicated, well-trained and energized leadership team to guide the club and to support the District and Rotary International.

Our Core Values are reflected in the Object of Rotary and The Four Way Test which we use in our daily lives: Service, Fellowship, Diversity, Integrity, and Leadership. (View Statement of Values)

The planning group was also asked to help develop strategic **Goals** and **Objectives** as well as **Action Plans** to implement the Strategic Plan. The group surveyed a large representative sample of club leadership and members to help identify the Club's strengths, weaknesses, and opportunities. (View Survey Results) and then facilitated a half-day workshop on June 13th to translate that information into recommended Strategic Goals and Objectives.

A subsequent workshop will develop the Action Plans to guide the day-to-day implementation of the board-approved Goals and Objectives. The full Strategic Plan will then be presented to the Board for approval.

The facilitators for the ad hoc planning group are:
Dennis Dolan, Karen Dahlem, Ken Middleton, and Kevin Connelly.

2012 Rotary Club Golf Championship

August 21, 2012

1:00 PM

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