

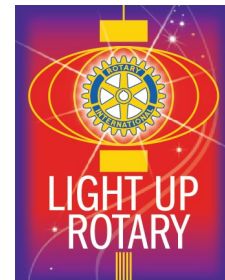
# SPARKS



**Next Meeting: Thursday, July 2, 2015**

**Guest Speaker: Rebecca Matheny**  
**Executive Director of Louisville Downtown Partnership**

**RIVUE Room, Galt House West, 25th floor**  
**Buffet Opens: 11:30 am / Meeting Begins: 12:05 pm**



Rebecca Matheny is the Executive Director of the Louisville Downtown Partnership. A native Louisvillian, she returned home from Boston in 2003. A graduate of Trinity University in San Antonio, TX, she did Masters work in Urban and Environmental Policy at Tufts University in Medford, MA. After beginning her career in affordable housing, she switched focus to Downtown Louisville in 2007 when she joined the staff of the Downtown Development Corporation. Her professional focus has been intergovernmental relations, deregulation and policy development, project planning and implementation and strategic and master planning.

Rebecca has a long record of civic engagement, including as Board Chair of YMCA Camp Piomingo, and membership on the YMCA Association Board, Parking Authority of Louisville Board, Greater Louisville, Inc., Friends of the Waterfront, Gallopalooza, Cherokee Triangle Association, Highland Presbyterian Church Pre-Schools, NuLu Business Association, and the Main Street Association. She is currently participating as a Bingham Fellow, and has coached soccer for Highland Youth Recreation.



**BEHIND THE SCENES TOUR at the LOUISVILLE ZOO!**  
**Wednesday, July 15 (5:30-8:15) \$33/person (Adults Only)**  
**Maximum of 60**

Join Rotarians/guests for a 'BEHIND THE SCENES' tour led by Louisville Zoo Director/Rotarian John Walczak. Buffet Dinner is included. Adults only. A maximum of 60 registrations can be accepted for this event, so register soon! [CLICK HERE for details and registration info!](#)



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## Register for ARB, and never bother with paying dues again!

The next quarterly dues invoices will go out the first week of July. You will have the option to register online (on our secure website) for '[Automated Recurring Billing](#)', and we hope that you will take advantage of this convenient service. **No more late fees!** **And it's a great timesaver for you and the Rotary office!** Thank you!

### Rotary Leadership Institute

Interested in Club leadership? You're welcome to attend RLI, a fast-paced, interactive one-day course & it's free:



- Aug 22 in Lexington
- Oct 10 in Louisville

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Dues  
Online!

### September 27

Join us at Past President Stet & Nancy Stetten's home at Springdale Woods Farm in Smithfield. If you have never been, you must add this to your calendar! Enjoy great food/fun, and enjoy the wagon farm tour. More details soon! **Save the Date!**



## Birthday Table

Jennifer Adrio	July 2
Sam Tyler	July 2
Shahid Ikram	July 3
Raj Kara M.D.	July 3
Clint Scharff	July 4
Susan Smith	July 4
Al Earley Jr.	July 5
Carol Stuecker	July 5
Jackie Ford	July 6
Bill Lamb	July 7

***July 2 Birthday Table!***

## PROGRAM SCHEDULE

**July 9 — David Phemister** (State Director KY Chapter of Nature Conservancy)

**July 16 — Mary Gwen Wheeler** (Executive Director of 55,000 Degrees)  
Meeting will be at **The Seelbach** in the Grand Ballroom (10th floor).

**July 23 — Jared Arnett** (Founding Executive Director of SOAR, Shaping Our Appalachian Region, Inc.)

**July 30 — Dr. Kevin Cosby** (St. Stephens Sr. Pastor / Simmons College of KY President / Community Initiatives)

**Aug 6 — John Sacksteder** (Engineer / Ohio River Bridges Update)

**Sept 10 — Gill Holland** (Entrepreneur / Development of Portland)

**Nov 5 — District Governor Mike Kull** (District Assembly)

**March 10, 2016** — Meeting will be at the Speed Museum (Just before it opens to the public!)



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### \*\* BUSINESS SYNERGY EVENT \*\*

**August 27 5:30p - 7:00p**  
**1136 West Market Street**

The next **Business Synergy Event** location is at Kelly Burke's **Office Environment Company**, located downtown at 1136 West Market Street. Free hors d'oeuvres & free parking.

Tour the beautiful showrooms at OEC, share about your own business or profession with other Rotarians and guests. Bring your friends and prospective members too! **To register, email [events@rotary45.org](mailto:events@rotary45.org).**



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## “THAT’S ENTERTAINMENT!”

**July 15** — Behind the Scenes Tour at Louisville Zoo - See pg. 1!

**August 27 (5:30p-7:00p)** Business Synergy Event at Office Environment Company; free hors d'oeuvres.

**September 12 (Saturday)** — UofL vs. Houston Tailgate

**September 27 (Sunday)** — End of Summer Farm Party at Stet Stetten's Springdale Woods Farm. (Details coming soon.)

**December 4 (Friday)** — Holiday Party at the Nunnlea House on Hurstbourne Parkway

**April 13, 2016** — Motown the Musical (details coming soon!)

### MEMBERSHIP COCKTAIL EVENT

**October 6 - SAVE THE DATE - Watch for Details!**



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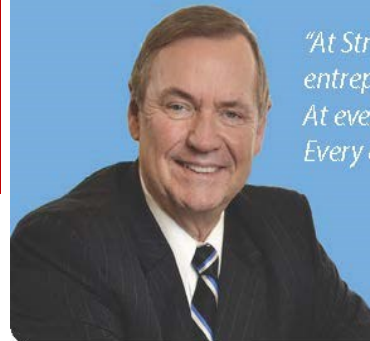
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events!



## June 25, 2015 Rotary Meeting

We met at the Galt House Waterford Room for our annual Rotary Changeover Meeting, and what a meeting it was! Outgoing President Kevin Wardell dismissed, with our thanks and much applause, the West Louisville Drum Corps. Julie Schmidt gave the Invocation and John Hampton led the Pledge and 4-Way Test. President Kevin welcomed a visiting Rotarian and five guests. Craig Scherman announced the birthday Rotarians, none present.



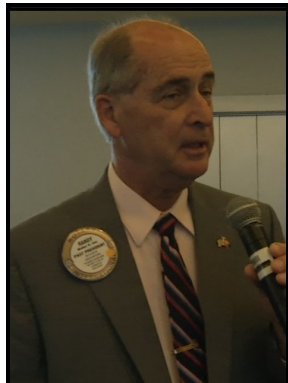
Past Pres. / PDG Woody Northup installed Past Pres. Mike Kull as the 2015-16 District Governor

Incoming President Greg Braun introduced Past President and Past District Governor Woody Northup, who introduced District Governor-Elect Stuart Alexander and Incoming District Governor Mike Kull, who will be the first District Governors from the same club to serve successively, and awarded each a portentous chain of office. Next, Pres. Kevin awarded service pins to Bob Ewald for 40 years, the 45-year pins were awarded to Scotty Detrick, Bill Hoagland, and Bussy Short, followed by two 50-year awards to Niels Ewing and Bill Kelly Jr. We all stood to recognize our past presidents.

Next, President Kevin and Incoming President Greg recognized and heard reports from committee chairs Mary Michael Corbett and Lukas Dwelly (Speakers); Glenn Price (Music); Connie Cheak, Lowell Pratt and Rene Brown (Hospitality); Muhammed Babar and Rene Brown (Invocation); Community and International Service projects chairs Dick Brien and Muhammed Babar (Shoes for Orphans, Polio Plus); Mitch Rue and Ken Middleton (Rotary Promise Scholarship); Rick King and Carol Nord (Youth and Education) including Food Literacy (Alice Bridges), ACE (Charles Farnsley and Daniel Swintosky); the Mentor Program, Susan Smith (Western) and Tom Crimans (Iroquois); Speech, Brumleve?; Scouts, Henry Kuehn; Middle School Connection, Bob Niblock, Arne Judd, Ted Buerck; and for Unsung Heroes, Craig Scherman and Kevin Smith.

Next, President Kevin recognized and heard reports from Rick Harned, District Rotarian of the Year and chair of International Service, Archives, and District Grants subcommittee, who recognized Tracey Clayton and Erskine Courtenay. Incoming President Greg then recognized Michael Faurest, Dan Mason and Rick Harned for their Rotoract/Interact service at Western HS and JCTC. President Kevin recognized Steve Lannert and Barry Denton for Membership; and a short report was given by Luke Schmidt, new board secretary and continuing chair of Communications, including our website and SPARKS newsletter. President Kevin heard brief reports from Susan Smith (New Member Orientation – What is Rotary?); John Jennings and Ken Grossman for Business Synergy; and Randy Coe and Tracey Clayton for Membership Engagement.

President-elect Greg acknowledged Craig Scherman, recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award, Stet Stetten for his indefatigable photography, Tracy Holladay and Kelly Burke for Administration & Compensation, Chris Bottorf and John Hampton for Finance/Audit, and David Ratterman for Governance Advisory service. President Kevin recognized Randy Coe for Development and Fundraising. Incoming President Greg acknowledged Susan Zepeda and Maria Smith for Rotary Foundation/Football leadership that yielded over \$40,000 from club members. President Kevin praised the Rotary Fund Board, Aimee Johnson, Bob Slider, Paul Bickel, and Mike Shackelford, Investment Committee Chair, noting that the Fund balance is at \$2.1 million, growing about \$80,000-\$90,000 annually.



Past President Randy Coe was presented with the 2014 - 2015 Rotarian of the Year Award

After Incoming President Greg awarded President Kevin his special Retirement Hat, the Music Committee sang many verses of "The Kevin Song" set to the tune of "New York, New York." Sample: "That Kevin Wardell/he led us so well!" IP Greg then recognized the 2015-2016 officers: Alice Bridges (President-Elect), Ken Middleton (Vice President), Dick Brien (Vice President), Tom Bohnert (Treasurer), Luke Schmidt (Secretary). President Kevin noted our continuing board members, Tracy Holladay, Mac McClure III, Mike Shackelford; our incoming directors, Muhammad Babar, Barry Barker, Mary Michael Corbett, Lukas Dwelly, and John Jennings. Outgoing officers and directors, Randy Coe, Julie Schmidt, Craig Scherman, John Hampton, Alan Griffes, Ken Grossman, and Susan Smith were awarded our famous Rotary Mugs by President Kevin. We paused briefly to hear that our club recently received these District awards: Best Youth Service Project: Food Literacy, Best newsletter: SPARKS, and Best Community Service: KIVA. Contributing to the District's success were Kirk Alliman, Scholarship Committee Chair, Julie Schmidt, Scholarship Committee Member, and Doug Myers, District Parliamentarian.

Finally, President Kevin presented the Rotarian of the Year award to Randy Coe, and Randy graciously accepted. President Kevin summed up his year as President, placed the President's pin in President Greg's lapel, and received from President Greg mementos of our thanks for his excellent leadership in service of our club. Whereupon, President Greg concluded the meeting.

— Submitted by Stan Whetzel



President-elect Greg Braun presents President Kevin Wardell's customized "Retirement Hat"



President Kevin looks on as many members with lucky cards received prizes given away by President-elect Greg Braun

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