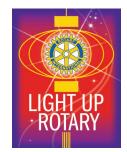
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Next Meeting: Thursday, March 19, 2015 Guest Speaker: Steve Conrad Metro Police Command Staff Chief Topic: *Public Safety* Introduced by: Barry Denton Fountain Room, Galt House West, 2nd floor Buffet Opens: 11:30 am / Meeting Begins: 12:10 pm





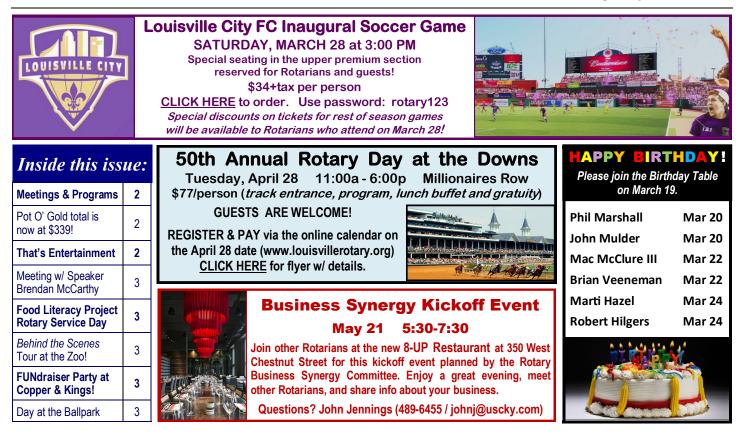
Steve Conrad began his career as a patrol officer with the former Louisville Division of Police (LPD) in 1980.

He worked his way through the ranks, rising to Assistant Chief in the LPD and later an Assistant Chief in the newly merged Louisville Metro Police Department (LMPD). As a Lieutenant Colonel with the LMPD, Conrad was Commander of the Administrative Bureau.

Chief Conrad left the LMPD in 2005 to become Chief of the Glendale (AZ) Police Department.

Conrad has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Police Administration and a Master of Science Degree in Community Development from the University of Louisville. He attended the Southern Police Institute (SPI) and the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) National Academy.

Conrad returned to his hometown as Chief of Police on March 19, 2012. He is married and has a step-daughter.



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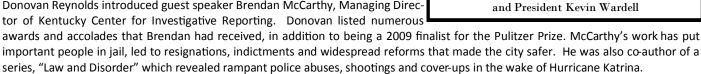


March 12, 2015 Rotary Meeting

President Kevin Wardell began the March 12, 2015 meeting of the Rotary Club of Louisville. The invocation given by Joey Bailey was tailor-made for today's topic. FY 2015-16 Board member, Dr. Muhammad Babar, led the pledge and Four-Way Test. President-elect Greg Braun introduced the guest singer/songwriter Carly Johnson, who sang 'Danny Boy'. John Jennings introduced the birthday celebrants, and Rotarians introduced their guests.

President Kevin announced next week's meeting with speaker Police Chief Steve Conrad, and he reminded members to order their tickets through the online calendar for the annual Rotary Day at the Downs. President-elect Greg Braun announced the FUNdraiser on May 12 to be held at Copper & Kings. Sergeant-at-Arms & 2015-16 Treasurer Tom Bohnert introduced new members, Cheryl Kersey, Kersey & Kersey Architects President, and Julie Guenthner, ElderServe CEO.

Donovan Reynolds introduced guest speaker Brendan McCarthy, Managing Director of Kentucky Center for Investigative Reporting. Donovan listed numerous



McCarthy shared research results revealing similar trends, for example: downward spiral since 1992 of the percentage of people reading newspapers statistics; 30-year decline of television evening news viewers; drop in news magazine sales since 2008; and a \$6 billion decline in ad revenues since 2006. He also shared how the public's trust in government since 1958 has plummeted (with a brief upward spike during 9-11). He noted news stories about llamas on the loose or about the color of a dress (blue or white) that received more than 70 million views online. He recently compared gambling taxes paid by Ohio River Casinos in Indiana (\$219+ million) versus Kentucky Horsetracks (\$2.9 million). Louisville Public Media established the Kentucky Center for Investigative Reporting to produce journalism in the public interest to: protect the city's most vulnerable citizens, expose wrongdoing by public officials, as well as those in the private sector, while endeavoring to increase transparency of their actions. The Center also exists to aid in the search for solutions to pressing environmental, educational, judicial, political and economic problems. After his presentation, McCarthy answered questions, and remained after the meeting was adjourned to answer more questions by Rotarians.

Penny Gold's name was drawn for the Pot O' Gold but the playing cards selected did not result in a win. The total is now almost \$400!

ROTARY CLUB SERVICE DAY & OUTDOOR LUNCH WITH FOOD LITERACY PROJECT - Saturday, May 30 at 10 am

Bring your family and friends for a fun morning of Rotary service with the Food Literacy Project (FLP). Located on an agricultural oasis between Oxmoor Country Club and Interstate 64, students visit FLP's farm to touch, smell, taste, hear and observe the plants and animals. The Rotary Food Literacy Project is connecting underserved children with fresh foods, the people who grow it, the land, and each other. Angelique Perez, MPH, FLP's assistant director said: "Through these direct experiences, they are empowering themselves with skills to make a lifetime of healthy choices." You can help by volunteering to maintain the farm's 'outdoor classroom' (mulching, weeding and harvesting). You'll enjoy a special lunch - Individual pizzas prepared in FLP's cob oven, using ingredients that you pick from the field! TO SIGN UP, CONTACT ALICE BRIDGES (alicebridges@kentuckyonehealth.org) or 502-587-4603.



Annual Rotary Day at the Ballpark! June 17 **Details coming soon!** Contact Joey Bailey: joeybaileycpa@gmail.com





Ioin other Rotarians and guests for a special 'behind the scenes' tour led by Louisville Zoo Director & Rotarian John Walczak on Wednesday, July 15.





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