

Rotary Club of Louisville SPARKS

THIS WEEK: Finding Common Ground at an Appalachian Picnic Table: Lessons from my Family Reunion

Our Guest Speaker

Caroline Koster,
Corporate
Secretary,
Newmark Group,
Inc.

**Waterfront Botanical
Gardens**
1435 Frankfort Ave
March 12, 2020
11:30 Buffet
12:05 Meeting

The Menu:

Caesar Salad
Lasagna
Roasted Vegetable Medley

Fresh Fruit
Cookies & Brownies
Iced Water/Iced Tea/Coffee



BRING A GUEST.

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#CONNECT4GOOD  

ASK A QUESTION

LEARN
INSPIRE
SUPPORT

MEET
CONNECT
GROW



BE THE INSPIRATION

Shout Outs







Do you want to share a  shout out  with the club? Share your recognition (in the news or an act of service) of a fellow club member with our Rotary staff - which will be featured at our next club meeting!

SUBMIT A
'SHOUT OUT'

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Click [HERE](#) to see the leaders that have recently joined our Club!

About Caroline A. Koster:

As a child growing up in Kentucky, every July, Caroline Aiken Koster, a Louisville native and Wall Street attorney, attended her annual family reunion in Pineville. This summer, frustrated by stories of polarization and an East Coast echo chamber, she packed up her husband and two college-aged sons from Brooklyn and returned to the Pine Mountain State Park seeking common ground. The lessons they learned and connections they made were featured in her op-ed [Politics Won't Come Between My Appalachian Cousins and Me](#) which was published in the *Wall Street Journal* on August 23, 2019. Ms. Koster was featured in  Seeking Civility in Family and Politics  on Fox & Friends on August 27, 2019. Her op-ed entitled  I Hand Out the Constitution and It Makes Me Feel Great  about Americans reading the Constitution as a new year s resolution for the new decade was published in the *Wall Street Journal* on December 31, 2019. Ms. Koster will talk with us about her recent writings, share with us some things she learned from her family s reunion about civility and finding common ground, and ask us for our suggestions for ways to seek connections in a

polarized nation.

To read Caroline's complete bio, click [HERE](#).

March 5th Meeting Recap:

Amanda Higgins currently serves as the Community Engagement Administrator at the Kentucky Historical Society, where she oversees statewide outreach efforts and helps local history organizations achieve their goals. At our March 5th Rotary lunch meeting, she gave a passionate presentation by sharing examples of how we can work together to create and sustain more inclusive narratives of our shared past. Amanda stated that since 2020 is the centennial of white women gaining the right to vote in national elections as well as the 150th anniversary of the ratification of the 15th amendment, which affirmed the right to vote for all US citizens regardless of race, color or previous condition of servitude, these milestones must be commemorated but it is a necessity to ensure the entire story is told by historians and visitors of cultural sites can help to ensure this happens.

To watch the meeting and Amanda Higgins' presentation, click [HERE](#).



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Upcoming Meetings

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| March 12th
Rotary Club Lunch Meeting | March 19th
Lifeline Committee Meeting |
| March 19th
Rotary Club Lunch Meeting | March 26th
Rotary Foundation Meeting |
| March 26th
Rotary Club Lunch Meeting | April 2nd
Rotary Club Lunch Meeting |
| April 9th
Rotary Club Lunch Meeting & Unsung Heroes Program | April 16th
Lifeline Committee Meeting |
| April 16th
Rotary Club Lunch Meeting | April 23rd
Rotary Club Lunch Meeting |
| May 7th
Rotary Club Lunch Meeting | May 14th
Rotary Promise Scholarship Mentors luncheon |
| May 21st
Lifeline Committee Meeting | May 21st
Rotary Club Evening Meeting |
| May 28th
Rotary Club Lunch Meeting | |

Events & Opportunities

- March 11th
[Rotary Promise Scholars mentoring](#)
- March 13th
[Rotary Promise Scholars mentoring](#)
- March 18th
[Rotary Night Out on Broadway](#)
- March 25th
[Re:Center Dinner - Lifeline Committee](#)
- April 7th
[Rotary Promise Scholars mentoring](#)
- April 15th
[Rotary Promise Scholars mentoring](#)
- April 17th
[Rotary Promise Scholars mentoring](#)
- April 22nd
[Re:Center Dinner - Lifeline Committee](#)
- April 29th
[Rotary Club - Day at the Downs](#)
- May 27th
[Re:Center Dinner - Lifeline Committee](#)
- June 7th
[Rotary Summer Social](#)

HEY ROTARIANS...

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays



[Christopher N. Ballantine](#)
March 9th



[Chris Teeley](#)
March 10th



[Patricia W. Hart](#)
March 11th



[K. Norman Berry](#)
March 13th



[Lynn L. Ogden Jr., M.D.](#)
March 15th



[Smith B. Bushong III](#)
March 15th



[Michele R. Oberst](#)
March 16th



[John H. Clark](#)
March 16th



[Chris Stout](#)
March 16th



[Johnetta Roberts](#)
March 17th



[David Cobb](#)
March 18th



[Phillip L. Marshall](#)
March 20th



[Clifford Ashburner](#)
March 22nd



[Charles K. McClure III](#)
March 22nd



[Brian Veeneman](#)
March 22nd

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After logging in to DacDB, click 'My Club' for these resources:

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