

SPARKS

Next Meeting: May 22, 2014



Guest Speaker: Donna Hargens, Ed.D.

Title: Superintendent of Jefferson County Public Schools

Topic: *Promise Scholarship Report Card*

Introduced by: President Randy Coe



**** OFF-SITE MEETING LOCATION ****

Kentucky Center for African American Heritage

1701 Muhammad Ali Boulevard

FREE PARKING in Center's gated parking lot.

Buffet Opens: 11:30 am / Meeting Begins: 12:10 pm



Dr. Donna Hargens has been the Superintendent of Jefferson County Public Schools (JCPS) since 2011. As the Board Chair stated, "Her experience in raising student achievement, her overall leadership approach, and her commitment to diversity and student assignment make her the best choice to lead our district." As a child, Donna cultivated a lifelong love of reading, a curiosity about the world around her, and a determination to become the first person in her family to attend college. She exceeded this goal by graduating *summa cum laude* with a bachelor of arts degree from Marquette University. She earned an M.Ed. in educational administration and supervision from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and Seton Hall University awarded her an Ed.D. in educational leadership, management, and policy.

Donna spent 22 years of her educational career in the Wake County Public School System in Raleigh, NC, where she held a variety of positions that included interim superintendent, chief academic officer, assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction, area superintendent, and principal of two high schools. As JCPS Superintendent, Donna remains focused on raising student achievement for all students and is relentless in expecting staff to collect and analyze data to inform their decisions. Her leadership style is grounded in collaboration, and she devotes extensive time to listening to staff, parents, and community members to gain their perspectives and insights before making recommendations. She also keeps her finger on the pulse of our community by serving on the Mayor's Safe and Healthy Neighborhoods Advisory Committee, the Fund for the Arts Board, the Greater Louisville Inc. Board of Directors, and the Kentucky Science Center Board, among others. Donna enjoys being a part of the thriving city of Louisville and takes great care in guiding the educational experiences of more than 101,000 JCPS students. Donna and her husband, Jeremy, have two adult children, Jenna and Josh, and one granddaughter.

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Birthday Table

Kelly Burke	May 22
John Huber	May 22
John Keith	May 23
Scotty McArthur	May 23
Bob Rounsavall, III	May 23
Kevin Smith	May 23
Otto Feddern	May 25
Henry Heuser, Jr.	May 25
Keith Knapp, Ph.D.	May 25
Bud Orr	May 26
Annette Grisanti	May 28

**Please sit at the
Birthday Table on May 22.**

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

May 29 — Mark S. Slaughter, M.D.
(Professor and Chief, Division of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery, University of Louisville Department of Surgery) Topic: *"Heart Disease — Current Issues and Future Solutions"*

June 5 — J.K. McKnight, (Forecastle Founder & Captain) Topic: *"Forecastle Music Festival and Its Impact on Louisville"*


June 26 — Changing of the Guard

July 3 — NO Meeting!

July 10 — Paul Moore (Principal & Civil Engineer of Nelson/Nygaard Consulting Services) Topic: *"MoveLouisville - Strategic Multi Model Transportation Plan"*

July 17 — "General Elmus Ussery ROTARY REACH OUT" Expo

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JUNE 14 - DISTRICT TRAINING ASSEMBLY

Are you an incoming Board officer/director, committee chair or vice chair, new member, or a Rotarian interested in leadership?

Plan to join us at the **District Training Assembly** on June 14 in Owensboro at the Kentucky Wesleyan College. Continental breakfast and lunch provided. No charge to attend, but registration is necessary. Your travel expenses will be reimbursed.

Don't delay! Register today at the June 14 date on the calendar at our website: louisvillerotary.org.



WELCOME TO ROTARY
We are neighbors, community leaders, and global citizens uniting for the common good. With you, we can accomplish even more.



"THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT!"

May 31 (Saturday) — Shooting Event at Stet's Farm
See page 3 of this newsletter for details.

June 18 (Wednesday) — Rotary Day at the BATS This is a FREE 'day' event. Tickets are limited. Contact Joey Bailey. Details provided on page 3 of this newsletter.

June 21 (Saturday) — Firearms Safety & Concealed Carry Class D9:00a-5:00p w/ 30 min. lunch break. \$85/person. Open Range 5-star facility in Crestwood.

October 14 (Tuesday) — Riverboat Dinner Cruise
Board at 5:30 pm \$66/person (includes tax & gratuity) cash bar. Enjoy the cruise on the Belle of Cincinnati, dinner buffet and entertainment included. A parade of riverboats will be on the Ohio for the following weekend's celebration of the Belle of Louisville's 100th year!

The Four-Way Test

"Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



ENDPOLIONOW

May 15, 2014 Rotary Meeting

The Rotary Club of Louisville held its May 15, 2014 meeting at the Galt House in the Archibald Room. Presiding was Past President Merrily Orsini. The invocation was given by Club Treasurer Joey Bailey. Barbara Collins led the Pledge of Allegiance and introduced our special entertainment, soloist Rob Carlson and pianist Jim Rightmyer, who performed a medley of Stephen Foster songs.

Current Club President Randy Coe was called to the podium to introduce District Governor Ed Kalmey, and to recognize Stan Klausing, Chair of the Rotary District Speech Contest, and Michael Brumleve, Louisville Metro Speech Contest Coordinator and a member of our Club. Past President Merrily then invited Club members to introduce their guests.

Michael Brumleve then explained the format of the speech contest. The three contestants, who were not identified by name, each made a 5-8 minute speech on this year's topic, "*Engage Rotary, Change Lives*". The three young women were poised and made inspirational speeches without notes, espousing the good works of Rotary and how it has affected their lives and the lives of millions around the globe. Following the speeches, and to allow the judges to compile their results, Leo Smith introduced the birthday table and the honorees were serenaded with the singing of Happy Birthday, led by Gordon Costley on the piano.

President Randy Coe announced that the May 22nd meeting would be held at the African American Heritage Center and that fellow Rotarian Dr. Donna Hargens would be speaking to us about the success of the Rotary Promise Scholarship program. Other announcements included an invitation for Club members to volunteer for the June 14 Repair Affair, Stet Stetten reminded us to submit nominations for Rotarian of the Year, and Michael Shackelford promoted upcoming events organized by the Sports Committee.

District Governor Ed Kalmey was called upon to announce the winner of the speech contest: X'Zashea Mayes of Trigg County. Second place was awarded to Emma Jackson of Danville, followed by Kinsey Morrison of Louisville, daughter of Club member Karen Morrison. Past President Merrily then led the recitation of the 4-Way Test and adjourned the meeting. — Bill Schneider



Kinsey Morrison,
X'Zashea Mayes and Emma Jackson



"ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR"

Please identify and nominate Rotarians whose actions demonstrate the 4-Way Test in professional, Rotary and civic activity. **Submit nominations before June 6.** Access the form at [THIS LINK](#).

2014 Annual Shooting Event at Stet's Springdale Woods Farm

Saturday, May 31 — \$20/Person
6020 So. Highway 53, Smithfield, KY 40068



Lunch, earplugs, targets and clay pigeons provided. Guests of Rotarians are welcome.

Two main areas are planned: target range and space to shoot sporting clays. Even if you've never held a gun before, come for fellowship and firearms! Safety is paramount and trained range safety officers will be on hand. Bring your own pistols/shotguns; no high caliber rifles or semi-automatic weapons allowed. **RSVP by 5/27** to Lukas Dwelly (lukas@addmorllc.com / 502-235-1003).



ROTARY DAY at the BATS

Wednesday, June 18 - FREE!

Two suites are available for Rotarians on Wednesday, June 18. Tickets are FREE, but food will be on your own. Limited tickets. First come-first serve. A drawing at the June 12 Rotary meeting will determine who will have the privilege of throwing out the ceremonial First Pitch!

Contact Joey Bailey directly via email at joeybaileycpa@gmail.com Reserve your ticket today!



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Thursday, July 17

Reserve your booth today!

Exhibit opportunities are available to showcase businesses, nonprofits, Rotary Committees, Service Projects, or Rotarians can share information about their hobby or collection. Door prizes and special entertainment are planned! This will be a fun, exciting event that you won't want to miss!

Access registration form with details at [THIS LINK](#).

Registration Deadline: May 22

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