

SPARKS



Next Meeting: May 29, 2014

Guest Speaker: Mark S. Slaughter, M.D.

Title: Professor & Chief, Division of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery, UofL Department of Surgery

Topic: Heart Disease — Current Issues and Future Solutions

Introduced by: Charles Oberst, M.D.

Galt House West, Third Floor, Cochran Room

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



Mark Slaughter, M.D., an internationally acclaimed expert in heart transplants and ventricular assist devices (VAD), is the director of the Heart Transplant and Mechanical Assist Device program at Jewish Hospital & St. Mary's HealthCare, as well as chief of the department of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery for the University of Louisville.

After receiving his medical degree from the Indiana University School of Medicine, Dr. Slaughter completed his general surgery residency at McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University in Chicago, and his cardiovascular and thoracic surgery fellowship at the University of Minnesota Hospital and Clinic. He is certified by the American Board of Surgery and American Board of Thoracic Surgery. Prior to leaving Chicago's Advocate Christ Medical Center and the University of Illinois in 2008, Dr. Slaughter implanted over 250 ventricular assist devices and was a leader in destination therapy, or permanent use of the device for patients who aren't transplant eligible. His work has also focused on using the VAD as a bridge to transplant, as

well as for myocardial recovery and rescue surgeries.

Dr. Slaughter has published over 50 articles, has written a book, and chapters in multiple books. He serves on the board of directors for the American Society of Artificial Internal Organs (ASAIO), board of trustees for the International Society of Rotary Blood Pumps, the editorial board of ASAIO and is a journal reviewer for the Annals of Thoracic Surgery, Circulation and the Journal of Heart and Lung Transplantation. Dr. Slaughter currently serves as a consultant to the FDA Medical Device Review panel and a National Science Foundation SBIR/STTR grant reviewer. He has served two terms for the Health and Human Services Medicare Coverage Advisory committee.

In addition to being substantially active in clinical trials and manuscript contributions, Dr. Slaughter is committed to training future leaders in thoracic surgery. Since Dr. Slaughter's arrival, Jewish Hospital has become the second hospital in the nation (and first in Kentucky) to implant the HeartWare Ventricular Assist System as part of a national clinical trial. The implant procedure was performed by Dr. Slaughter, the principal investigator in the trial, and was completely successful. HeartWare's HVAD pump is the only full-output pump designed to be implanted in the chest, avoiding the abdominal surgery generally required to implant competing devices. Dr. Slaughter's overlying goal is to offer individuals with heart failure an alternative to heart transplantation, repairing hearts and helping them recover naturally, without the need of a transplant.

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Birthday Table

John Lannert	May 30
Woody Northup	June 1
Steve Jester	June 2
Bob Mackin	June 2
Bill Schneider Jr.	June 2
Jim Wagner	June 3

Please sit at the Birthday Table on May 29.



PROGRAM SCHEDULE

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

June 12— Kent Whitworth, (Executive Director of Kentucky Historical Society) Topic: *"Kentucky's Birthday"* (tentative)

June 19— Ted Smith, (Chief, Economic Growth & Innovation - Louisville Metro Government) Topic: *"Air Pollution"* (tentative)

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

July 24 — Bill Goodman (Host & Managing Editor, KET Kentucky Tonight)



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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.

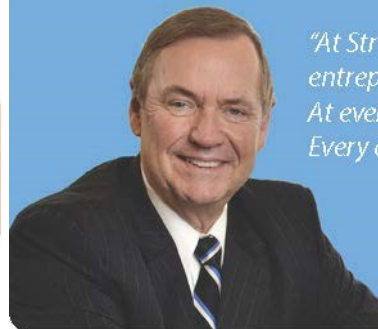
June 21 (Saturday) — Firearms Safety & Concealed Carry Class D9:00a-5:00p w/ 30 min. lunch break. \$85/person. Open Range 5-star facility in Crestwood.

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!

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?

Join us at the **District Training Assembly** in Owensboro on June 14 at the Kentucky Wesleyan College. Continental breakfast and lunch provided. No charge to attend, but registration is necessary. Your travel expenses will be reimbursed. Register today at the June 14 date on the calendar at our website: louisvillerotary.org.



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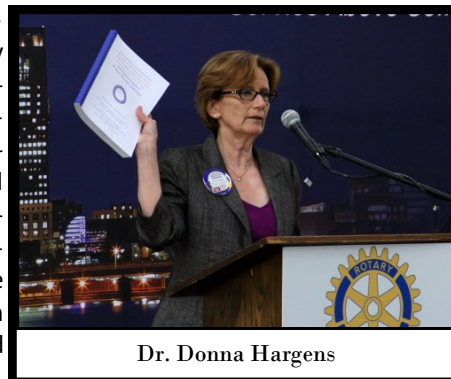
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Keith Knapp (254-4235 /
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May 22, 2014 Rotary Meeting

The Rotary Club of Louisville convened on Thursday, May 22, 2014 at the African-American Heritage Center. The meeting was called to order by Club President Randy Coe. The invocation was given by Mark Hogg. Dorn Crawford presided over an impressive tribute to Memorial Day which started with a video containing excerpts from President Reagan's 1981 Inaugural Address. The tribute also included presenting of the colors by the Kentucky Air National Guard Color Guard based at Louisville International Airport, followed by the pledge of allegiance. Then soloist Pat Mathison sang the National Anthem a cappella, and bugler Skip Banister played the taps. Leo Smith introduced the birthday table, and the honorees who were present were honored with the singing of Happy Birthday. The Operations Manager of the Kentucky Center for African American Heritage, Rita Phillips, added her welcome to Club members, and invited attendees to consider using the facility for future events.



Dr. Donna Hargens

President Randy then introduced our guest speaker (and fellow Club member), Dr. Donna Hargens, Superintendent of Jefferson County Public Schools (JCPS). Although scheduled to speak on the success of the Rotary Promise Scholarship's partnership with JCPS, Dr. Hargens first commented on the audit which had been completed and released just the day before by Adam Edelen, Auditor of Public Accounts for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Dr. Hargens noted that the JCPS Board of Education had specifically requested the audit of the Department's organizational structure and had already started to implement some of the recommendations contained in the audit. Dr. Hargens stated that *"every data point contained in the audit is a heartbeat."*

Dr. Hargens concluded her remarks by focusing on the Rotary Promise Scholarship partnership. Rotary has now partnered with two high schools – Western and Iroquois – to provide financial assistance to each student who upon graduation has met certain goals, including finishing with a 2.5 GPA, 90% attendance record, and no suspensions. At present, 40 Western and 92 Iroquois students are on track to earn a scholarship which will provide up to 60 credit hours over the first two years at Jefferson Community & Technical College and up to \$10,000 in additional scholarship money at the University of Louisville. Dr. Hargens recognized support for the program from businesses such as Kosair Charities, Norton Healthcare, UPS, Texas Roadhouse and Buckheads, along with Club members who are serving as mentors to students.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded with the recitation of the Rotary Four-Way Test. — Luke B. Schmidt



"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](#).



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!

2014 Annual Shooting Event at Stet's Springdale Woods Farm

Saturday, May 31 10:00am-2:00pm

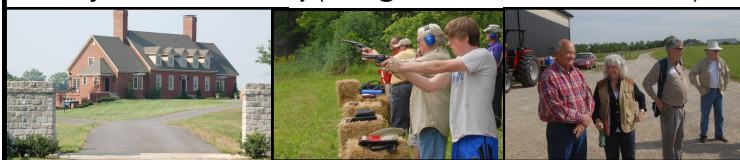
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Lunch, earplugs, targets and clay pigeons provided. Guests of Rotarians are welcome. Two main areas are planned: target range and space to shoot sporting clays. Even if you've never held a gun before, come for fellowship and firearms! Safety is paramount 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).



General Elmus Ussery ROTARY REACH OUT

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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