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ROTARY:
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DIFFERENCE

CLUB CALENDAR

Want to Bring A GUEST TO ROTARY?

Pre-register your guest at www.louisvillerotary.org and select the 'Make a Payment' button.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

MAY 10

Wes Cowan
CEO, Cowan's Auctions

MAY 17

Rotary Promise Scholars
Program
Maggie Payette Harlow
CEO, Signarama Downtown
Louisville
Topic: Cliff Divers-Get In
Over Your Head

MAY 24

Eric Granger
CEO, Yum Center
Topic: TBD

MAY 31

Lisa Bajorinas
Vice President,
Entrepreneurship and Talent
at Greater Louisville, Inc.
Topic: Enterprise Corporation
and the Startup Community

JUNE 7

Dr. John Hale
Director of Liberal Studies,
University of Louisville
Topic: APOCALYPSE: Why
Great Civilizations Collapse

JUNE 14

Julian Van Winkle
President, Old Rip Van Winkle
Distillery
Topic: The Story of Pappy
Van Winkle

JUNE 21

Tori Murden McClure
President, Spalding University



Wes Cowan

CEO, Cowan's Auctions

May 10 • Rotary Lunch Meeting

4th Floor Loft • Frazier History Museum

11:30 Buffet • 12:05 Meeting

In 1977, after receiving his BA and MA in Anthropology from the University of Kentucky, Wes Cowan left his home state and headed to the University of Michigan to pursue his PhD. He took respite from the grind of school by driving the backroads of southeastern Michigan, stopping at the many antique stores of the day and buying the only thing

he could afford: photographs of 19th century America.

Degree in hand, Wes joined the faculty of the Ohio State University in 1980, where he taught archaeology, continued his fieldwork and wrote about the origins of agriculture in eastern North America. In 1984, he joined the Cincinnati Museum of Natural History as a Curator of Archaeology.

Along the way, Wes kept building his knowledge of photography and American history - buying, selling and trading with collectors the world over. By the early 90s, he was holding mail and phone auctions from a makeshift office in the garage. In 1995, he left the museum to become a licensed auctioneer and launched Cowan's Auctions.

Selling early photographs, historical manuscripts, maps and political ephemera, Wes quickly built a reputation as an expert who brought a new level of scholarship and honesty to the arena. Over the next few years, his business grew rapidly as he added specialists with expertise in American Indian Art, Furniture, Paintings and Decorative art, Jewelry, Antique Firearms and 20th century studio ceramics. Today, Cowan has offices in Cincinnati, Cleveland and Denver, with annual sales exceeding \$16M.

From 2003-2014, Wes Cowan appeared as a host of the PBS series, *History Detectives*. He continues as a frequent appraiser on PBS' *Antique Roadshow*, and speaks at meetings and events around the country. In 2014, Wes led the launch of Bidsquare, an online bidding platform where auction houses are vetted to ensure honesty and quality.

****Special Opportunity:** Wes will look at items brought in by Rotarians prior to the meeting from 11:30 am – 12:00 noon (first come, and time permitting) and incorporate two or three items selected into his presentation. If you'd like to bring in one item (you must be able to transport by yourself), please be at the Frazier by 11:20.

May 10th Menu

Traditional Caesar Salad
Chicken Parmesan Over Linguini
Vegetable Lasagna
Oregano Seasoned New Potatoes
Grilled Vegetable Medley
Garlic Bread
Fresh Fruit
Assorted Cookies and Brownies

ROTARY MEETING set-up

The Rotary office thanks you for your patience as we explore the best ways to manage logistics at the Frazier History Museum.

Topic: TBD

JUNE 28

Rotary Leadership Turnover

Birthdays

John-Robert Curtin - May 5
Michael Gabhart - May 5
Terry Tyler - May 5
Ben Reno-Weber - May 6
William Barber III - May 6
Tony Kemper - May 7
Herb Warren - May 8
Sydney Goetz - May 9
Paul Herrington III - May 10
Chambers Moore - May 11
Jim Watkins - May 12
Gordon Costley - May 12
Paul Gold - May 13
Mark Rorer - May 14
Luke Schmidt - May 14



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Parking-There are several options for parking at our weekly meetings:

- Frazier Museum of History surface lot - 9th Street
- Louisville Slugger Parking Garage- 20 S. Eighth Street. Pick up a parking voucher from the Rotary registration table before leaving the meeting.
- FREE valet parking at the front door of the Frazier Museum of History
- TARC Zero Bus - FREE and convenient for Rotarians who work downtown

Committee Meetings-There are 2 conference rooms available at the Frazier for committee meetings on a limited basis. These rooms **MUST** be reserved in advanced and are subject to availability. Please contact the Rotary Office for the use of these rooms.

4th Floor Loft - West Bay-This area is always available for your meetings, but pre-meeting set up, sound checks and musician warm ups can present noise problems. Please understand that these activities are vital to delivering a quality meeting and accept our apologies for any inconvenience.

Meet & Greets-Welcoming fellow Rotarians to the weekly meetings always provides your best opportunity to distribute information and/or recruit volunteers. Please conduct all "meet and greets" in the 1st Floor Lobby rather than outside the 4th floor elevator. This high traffic area must remain as clear as possible so our servers can make their way from the kitchen to the buffet and dining tables.

Leaving Early-The 9th Street elevator offers your best opportunity to leave quietly without disturbing the meeting. This elevator is located by passing the restroom and turning right down the hallway. A bowl for your name badge is on a table in the West Bay so you can skip the stop on the 1st Floor.

May 2, 2018 - ROTARY MEETING RECAP

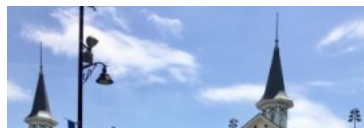


Our May 2nd Rotary Club meeting was held at Churchill Downs and featured **John A John Asher**-Vice President of Racing Communications at Churchill Downs. Mr. Asher shared his wealth of knowledge of horse racing and gave his insight on this year's Derby by providing his annual update on his picks, Mr Asher shared some Churchill Downs history as well as horse racing in general.

Kirt Jacobs was voted the "Best Dressed Guy" and was awarded a tie donated by Ken Grossman. Mary Michael Corbett was voted the "Best Dressed Gal" and was awarded a bottle of wine and a box of chocolates.



Nine Rotarians were given the opportunity to walk down to the track and present the trophy to the winner of Race #2.



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MEMBER OPPORTUNITIES

District 6710 Conference!

The District 6710 Conference will be held in Paducah, KY on June 1-2. It will be 2 days when Rotarians throughout our District will highlight accomplishments both locally and internationally, providing club awards, training officers, and completing a service project. Please make plans to attend, especially if you have never attended a District Conference. To register, log into DACdb and click on "Calendar" and then "My Club Calendar." Click on the event and then follow the prompts.

Lifeline Committee - Honor Flights!

2018 Honor Flights will be on June 6th and June 27th. The Lifeline Committee is looking for WWII and Korean War Veterans who would like to participate in the trip as well as Rotarians to support the welcome home festivities. Every service member deserves a THANK YOU and a WELCOME HOME! Contact Sophia Fischer or Jerry Martin for more information.

Golf Scramble!

The Rotary Club of Louisville Golf Outing will be held on Tuesday, June 12th at the Glen Oaks Country Club. The cost per player is \$79.00. Click [HERE](#) to view the flyer and registration form. For more information, contact Cliff Elgin.

Broadway in Louisville - Waitress!

Rotarians can save up to 20% on tickets to see "Waitress" with music by Sara Bareilles on June 26th - July 1st. To purchase tickets or to get more information, click [HERE](#).

Save the Date - Rotary Club Family Night at the Zoo!

Join the Rotary Club of Louisville for a Family Night at the Zoo on Wednesday, July 18th from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. There will be a Southern BBQ and activities for all ages. More details to follow as we get closer to the date.

Meeting and Event Sponsorship Packages

In our goal to keep membership dues affordable while maintaining a high-quality membership experience, we invite your organizations to sponsor an upcoming meeting.

For more information, please contact the Rotary Club of Louisville office at rotary@rotary45.org or 502-589-1800.



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Under the weather or know a club member who is? Please let us know. We want to let our members know we are thinking about them - especially if they will be out for an extended period. Contact the Rotary Club office staff or Larry Sloan at lsloan0033@yahoo.com.



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Scan Your Badge

It is important to always get your badge scanned when you attend a meeting.
Thanks!

