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ROTARY:
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CLUB CALENDAR

Want to Bring A GUEST TO ROTARY?

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

NOV 22

Rotary/Kiwanis Joint Meeting
Harry Pickens, Jr., Pianist
Topic: In Tune With Gratitude

NOV 30

Natalie Harris
Executive Director, Coalition
for the Homeless
Topic: Homelessness

DEC 7

Luke Schmidt
Project Director
Topic: Louisville Regional
Airlift Development Initiative

DEC 14

Holiday Party
Big Spring Country Club

JAN 4

Mayor Greg Fischer
Louisville Metro Mayor
Topic: State of the City
Address

JAN 11

Brent Schutte
CIO, Northwestern Mutual
Topic: Investment Forecast

JAN 18

Donald E. Lassere
President/CEO, Muhammad
Ali Center
Topic: The Ali in All of Us

JAN 25

Missy Eckenberg
Rotary District Governor



Harry Pickens, Jr.

Pianist, Educator & Performing Artist
November 22 • Rotary Lunch Meeting
4th Floor Loft • Frazier History Museum
11:30 Buffet • 12:10 Meeting

Title: "In Tune With Gratitude-From Thanksgiving to Thanks-Living"

Harry Pickens, Jr. is a modern-day renaissance man. He's an award-winning performing artist, educator, composer, author, workshop facilitator and life transformation coach. Harry's international career as a jazz pianist has taken him to 17 countries throughout Europe, Japan and the Americas and has featured collaborative performances with hundreds of the world's top jazz artists and educators. His performance credits include recording on the [Blue Note](#) label as well as international radio and television appearances and engagements in top concert and club venues worldwide. Harry has also composed over 100 choral works. His composition, "The Awakening Heart" was featured in a personal performance for His Holiness, the Dalai Lama.

Harry will be introduced by Tom Williams. For a complete bio, please [CLICK HERE](#).

November 22nd Menu

Waldorf Salad
Turkey and Dressing
Honey Ham
Country-style Green Beans
Mashed Potatoes
Corn Pudding
Dinner Rolls
Assorted Cakes and Pies
Sliced Fresh Fruit

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.

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

Birthdays

Vincent Cameron - Nov 18
Glen Metten- Nov 18
Wade Mountz - Nov 19
Mary Anne Thornton - Nov 20
Bill Receveur - Nov 22
Bill Knopf - Nov 22



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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.

November 16, 2017 - ROTARY MEETING RECAP



Our November 16th Rotary Club meeting featured **Dave Danielson**, Executive Chef at Churchill Downs. Dave delivered a personal account of the magnitude of challenges faced in delivering the highest quality of food and service to 400,000 people during Derby week, which includes 24,000 sit-down meals and different menus each day. With impressive experience that brought the Chef from Chicago to Las Vegas, to New York, to the United Nations and then to Churchill Downs, Dave has proven he was the right man for the job to achieve the singular stated mission, "Make the Derby the most prestigious event in the world." A detailed

summary of Dave's presentation as well as the meeting can be read [HERE](#).

MEMBER OPPORTUNITIES

Cast Your Ballot - VOTE!

The Election Ballot for President and Directors was emailed to each Rotarian via DACdb. Election guidelines are as follows:

- Choose 1 Nominee for President
- Choose 4 Nominees for Director
- Voting ends on Nov 27th at 10 am
- Results will be announced at the Holiday Party on Dec 14th

Support the Western High School Interact Club Project!

Donate new or gently used winter clothing such as hats, scarves, gloves, socks and sweaters to help support the Western High School Interact Club Project. Items will be collected at the November 22nd weekly meeting. For more information, please contact Rick Harned at r.harned@twc.com.

Rotarians needed to Volunteer to "Ring the Bell" to Benefit the Salvation Army!

Rotarians are being asked to sign up for 1.5 hour shifts at the Kroger at Holiday Manor during the first three Saturdays in December. Shifts begin at 9 a.m. and last until 4 p.m. It's a great way to spend a short amount of time with other Rotarians while spreading the holiday spirit.

For those who will not be available those weekends, there will be an "Early Bird Ringers" shift at 3rd and Main Streets on Tuesday, November 28th. It will start at 5:30 a.m. with some TV exposure. At 7 a.m., the street action will pick up with Wayne Perkey and some radio coverage. Feel free to show up anytime you can until 8:30 a.m. There will be coffee, donuts, music and a visit from Santa. Free parking will be available at the U.S. Bank lot. For more information, please contact George Brakmeier at gbrakmeier@centralelectronic.com. Sign-ups are available below:

Nov 28th - Early Bird Ringers - [CLICK HERE](#)
Dec 2nd - [CLICK HERE](#)
Dec 9th - [CLICK HERE](#)
Dec 16th - [CLICK HERE](#)

New Member Celebration Dinner and Service Project!

Brighten the holidays for children at the Home of the Innocents while getting to know some of our Club's newest members at the New Member Celebration service project and dinner on Wednesday, Dec 6th at 6 p.m. at the Home of the Innocents campus located at 1100 East Market Street.

All rotarians are invited to help with the service project. We will be filling holiday stockings for approximately 70 pre-teens living at the Home and sharing the holiday spirit with them. Once the service project is complete, we



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Scan Your Badge

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

Thanks!

will eat dinner and new members will receive their Rotary pins.

The items suggested by the Home of the Innocents for the service project include: notecards, envelopes, notebooks without wire binding, markers, crayons, stickers, Bath and Body Works lotion, stress balls, fidget spinners, decks of cards, candy, hot chocolate packets, popcorn, chips, fuzzy socks, makeup and hair accessories for teenagers, \$5 gift cards for McDonalds and Little Caesars, gift cards for Target and Walmart. NO pens, pencils, soap, candles, ornaments or anything glass. Items will be collected before the weekly meetings on Nov 16th and 30th.

Please register for the event by clicking [HERE](#) no later than Friday, Dec 1st. If you have any questions, contact Marisa Neal at marisa@mmconsulting.com or Claire Arnold at Claire.Arnold@louisville.edu.

Mentors Needed for the Promise Scholars Program!

- Dec 11th at Western High School from 9:00 am - 10:00 am
- Dec 13th at Iriquois High School from 8:30 am - 9:30 am

For more information, please contact Walt Kunau at wkunau@bellsouth.net.

Come To Kenya for a Rotary Safari in March 2018!

This is your chance to go to Kenya and see for yourself what a difference Rotary makes in the lives of Kenyan children.

This Safari will show you the Rotary projects first hand. You will receive a thank you from the incredible school children. You will experience Kenya culture that is unseen by most tourists. You will see the amazing animals in the Masai Mara. This is the second safari we have arranged and it promises to be even better than the first.

The Safari is an 11 day trip from February 28 to March 11, 2018. Your cost will be \$3,800 plus return airfare from LAX to Nairobi and your personal expenses and gratuities. Economy return airfare from LAX to Nairobi is about \$1,100.

For more information about this exciting opportunity, [CLICK HERE](#).

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.

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Help Us Keep In touch!

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.
