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ROTARY:
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CLUB CALENDAR

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

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

Birthdays

Walt Kunau - Nov 24
Niels Ewing- Nov 24



Natalie Harris

Executive Director, Coalition for the Homeless
November 30 • Rotary Lunch Meeting
4th Floor Loft • Frazier History Museum
11:30 Buffet • 12:10 Meeting

Title: "Homelessness by the Numbers"

Natalie Harris has been working to address homelessness and poverty in Kentucky for over 30 years in both the non-profit and public sector. She has worked to address housing needs from the "coalfields" of Appalachia in the late 1980s, to the inner city and suburbs of Louisville today where she presently serves as the Executive Director of the Coalition for the Homeless. Natalie will discuss what has changed and what difficulties persistently remain in Louisville and across the country that result in homelessness for those at the lowest incomes. Her presentation will include important numbers that will help us understand the scope and difficulty of the problem and may even dispel some common held myths. She will

also share some exciting efforts taking place in Louisville and offer opportunities to get involved in changing the future of our city.

Natalie will be introduced by Pam Darnall. For a complete bio, please [CLICK HERE](#).

November 22nd Menu

Kentucky Bibb Salad with sliced Strawberries, Blueberries and Feta Cheese
Basil Chicken
Apple Stuffed Pork Tenderloin
Broccoli, Carrot and Cauliflower Medley
Wild Rice Pilaf
Dinner Rolls
Bread Pudding
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 & Greet-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

Charles Brockewell - Nov 24
Kent Weyland - Nov 25
Jay Mallory - Nov 28



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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.

November 22, 2017 - ROTARY MEETING RECAP



Our November 22nd Rotary Club meeting featured **Harry Pickens**, Pianist and Life Transformation Coach. Harry provided an inspirational Thanksgiving message and played two moving songs. He began his talk with a quote from the late Muhammad Ali by saying that "service is the rent you pay for life on earth." Harry spoke about the need to "focus on the good in life" and he mentioned how he had started a journal to capture the positive things he encounters. He shared a personal story about a medical issue he had to face and how he put his beliefs into practice instead of dwelling on the negative.

A detailed summary of the presentation as well as the meeting can be read [HERE](#).

MEMBER OPPORTUNITIES

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 more information, please contact George Brakmeier at gbrakmeier@centralelectronic.com. Sign-ups are available below:

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 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.

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Scan Your Badge

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

You will experience Kenya culture that is unique to 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.

For more information, [CLICK HERE](#).



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Do you want to increase your organizations's visibility, promote an event, or lead customer's to your webpage? Consider purchasing an advertisement through our Communications Committee. For more information, [CLICK HERE](#).

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.

shout outs!

Promise Scholar Mentors - Another Great Session!

There was another great session held by the Promise Scholar Mentors with 31 students from Western High School who participate in Early College at Jefferson Community & Technical School Southwest. Twelve seniors will have their Associate's degree when they graduate from high school - great job Mentors AND students!!!

