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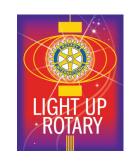


Next Meeting: October 9, 2014

Guest Speaker: Hood Harris

Title: President of AT&T Kentucky Introduced by: Barry Denton

Fountain Room, Galt House West, 2nd Floor Buffet Opens: 11:30 am / Meeting Begins: 12:10





Hood Harris, president of AT&T Kentucky, is responsible for the company's local, state and federal government relations, public policy and community relations initiatives across the Commonwealth. He was appointed to this position in August 2013 after serving as deputy regional vice president for public affairs for AT&T. In that role, he directed the company's public affairs efforts in the southeastern United States, including strategy development and implementation of AT&T's key legislative and regulatory initiatives.

Mr. Harris has more than 15 years of government affairs experience and is a veteran of national, state and local political campaigns. Prior to joining AT&T, Mr. Harris served as chief of staff to Alabama Congressman Robert Aderholt in Washington D.C. He also served as chief of staff at the Busi-

ness Council of Alabama where he advised organization leadership on public policy and political issues impacting the business community.

Mr. Harris is a graduate of Auburn University where he studied engineering. He and his wife Heather have one son and live in Louisville.

Food Literacy Project VOLUNTEER WORKDAY Saturday, November 15 from 10 am to 1 pm

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Would you like to get your hands dirty while contributing to the health and well-being of local children and families? Attend a volunteer workday for Rotary Club members with the Food Literacy Project at Oxmoor Farm, a local nonprofit inspiring a new generation to build healthy relationships with food, farming, and the land. The workday will consist of gardening and outdoor site work at the Food Literacy Project's home on Oxmoor Farm, and projects will be geared toward preparing our Learning Garden and Outdoor Kitchen for the winter season.

Please RSVP to Becca Barhorst, Resource Development Coordinator becca@foodliteracyproject.org (502) 491-0072

### Birthday Table **David Dunn** Oct 9 Lawrence Jelsma Oct 13 **Daniel Mason** Oct 9 **Todd Mercer** Oct 13 Joe Speiden Oct 9 **Chris Roberts** Oct 13 **Ben Richmond** Oct 10 **Tom Roth** Oct 15 Fred Cowan Oct 11 **Robin Bleakley** Oct 20 Dade Luckett III Oct 11 **Steve Eggers** Oct 21 **Rick Mayes** Oct 11 Matt B. Gardiner Oct 21 **Joyce Seymour** Oct 11 **Gail Becker** Oct 22 Lee Guillaume Oct 12 **Jack Guthrie** Oct 22 Please sit at the Birthday Table on October 9.

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## PROGRAM SCHEDULE

October 16 — Rotary Meeting on the River Queen ALL Rotarians must register to attend. CLICK HERE

October 23 — Senator Mitch McConnell (LOCATION: Louisville Marriott Downtown, 280 W. Jefferson Street, Kentucky Ballroom, first floor)

October 30 — Ed Hart (CEO of Kentucky Kingdom) Special entertainment has been planned!

November 6 Teddy Abrams (Music Director of the Louisville Orchestra: Music Director and Conductor of the Britt Classical Festival)

November 13 — Wayne Estopinal and Coach O'Connor (Louisville City Football Club) "New Soccer Team" (tentative)

November 20 🄀 — Ralph de Chabert (Brown-Forman Chief Diversity Officer)

November 26 (Wednesday) — Rev. Robin **Jennings** (Joint Meeting with Kiwanis)

December 4 — Circuit Court Judge Angela Bisiq & Stoll Keenon Ogden Member Tom Williams - Program Topic: 'Restorative Justice'

December 18 — Holiday Program December 25 & January 1 — Christmas and New Years Day (No Meetings)

January 8 — Bob Bordogna (Chairman of Todd Asset Management) 'Annual Stock Market Program'

January 15 — Coach Dan McDonnell 'Louisville Baseball'

January 29 — Mayor Greg Fischer 'State of the City Address' (date is tentative)

February 12 — Ted Smith (Chief Economic Growth & Innovation, Louisville Metro Govt)

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October 14 (Tuesday) — Dinner Cruise on the Belle of Cincinnati Board at 5:30 pm \$66/person (includes tax & gratuity) cash bar. Enjoy the cruise, dinner buffet and entertainment. A parade of riverboats will be on the Ohio for the following weekend's celebration of the Belle of Louisville's 100th year! Your guests are welcome. Make your reservation/payment today! Sign-up link is on the Oct 14 date at our online calendar (www.louisvillerotary.org).

December 4, 2014 (Thursday) — Holiday Party at St. Charles Exchange! Prepare for a fun evening!

January 14, 2015 (Wednesday) — Horseshoe Casino \$45/person (includes tax & gratuity) 6:00 Bar / 6:30 Buffet — Free Valet — Free \$10 token for each attendee. Tour facility afterwards or hit the tables. Your guests are welcome.

January 21, 2015 (Wednesday) — Award-winning Musical "ONCE" at the Kentucky Center! Optional dinner at the Bristol before the musical. Additional details/reservations at THIS LINK.

May 12, 2015 (Tuesday) — FUNdraiser Event at Copper & Kings (Details to follow.)

## October 2, 2014 Rotary Meeting

The Rotary Club of Louisville convened on Thursday, October 2, 2014 in the Fountain Room at The Galt House. The meeting was called to order by Club President Kevin Wardell. The invocation was given by Bart Bushong. Board Member Mac McClure led the Club in reciting the pledge of allegiance, followed by recitation of the Rotary Four-Way Test. President Kevin informed the Club that the Four-Way Test will be recited near the beginning of the meeting from now on. The Club then welcomed member David Roth of the Kentucky Opera who introduced a soloist who performed an aria for the Club. The Club welcomed a visiting Rotarian from Maryland and guests of Rotarians. Bil Hirtzel introduced birthday celebrants.

President Kevin made several announcements, including: (1) next week's speaker will be AT&T Kentucky President Hood Harris; (2) congratulated Past President Randy Coe, who received the prestigious Woodrow Wilson Award last week (Randy received the award from former Indiana Congressman Lee Hamilton). Finally, President Kevin thanked Sports Committee Chair Gary Noel for hosting a successful golf scramble during the past week, along with members Matt Boone Ga



President Kevin Wardell, District Governor Jayne Crisp, DG Elect Mike Kull and DG Nominee Stuart Alexander

successful golf scramble during the past week, along with members Matt Boone Gardiner, Cliff Elgin and Laura Crahan of the Entertainment Committee for hosting a fun U of L tailgate party at Papa John's Stadium.

Larry Sloan provided the Club with information about an upcoming Caregiver Expo event. Dick Brien updated the Club on various service projects. Three members were recognized as Paul Harris Fellows: (1) Barry Denton (new Fellow); Doug Myers (who added a stone for continued participation); and, Rick Harned (who added his third stone).

President Kevin then welcomed our guest speaker, Rotary District #6710 Governor Jayne Crisp. Governor Crisp is a graduate of Murray State University and joined the Murray Rotary Club in 1993 (where she served as President in 2010 – 2011). A Certified Public Accountant, Governor Crisp served as the Chair of the McCracken County Board of Education from 1989 – 1992. DG Crisp began her remarks by recognizing the Chinese background music which is entitled: It's Our Rotary. The current Rotary International president is the first RI president of Chinese descent, and like all RI presidents, he was allowed to choose his theme for the year, Light Up Rotary. Some of the District highlights from Governor Crisp's remarks included:

Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution – one of 110 worldwide Peace Fellows is a Louisville resident Disease Prevention/Treatment – the Morehead Club is working on a remote medical treatment project Water/Sanitation – the Rotary Club of Louisville is supporting Waterstep

Governor Crisp noted that she has presented 22 District Grants to clubs in her District (which stretches from the Mississippi River to the Frankfort area). Governor Crisp concluded her remarks by inviting all members to attend the next District Convention, which will be held in Paducah on May 15 – 17, 2015. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. - Luke Schmidt

## Has it been a while since your photo was updated in the Roster?



Do members have a hard time recognizing you in the Roster? For example, you may or may not recognize President-elect Greg Braun in this photo. It may be time to get your photo updated!

There will be four photo opportunities for Rotarians:

October 30, November 6, November 13 and November 20

Photos will be taken from 10:45 to 12 noon before the Rotary meeting on the above dates. Please plan to stop by. Thank you!



# Dinner Cruise on the Belle of Cincinnati Tuesday Evening, October 14

<u>Tuesday Evening, October 14</u> — For Rotarians and Guests — *Dinner Cruise* on the *Belle of Cincinnati*. \$66/person (includes tax and gratuity) Enjoy dinner buffet and entertainment. Only a few openings are left! Online registrations at THIS LINK.



# Rotary Meeting on the River Queen Thursday, October 16

<u>Thursday, October 16</u> — Registrations are required for ALL Rotarians and guests at <u>THIS LINK</u>. Approximately 15 spaces are left! First come, first serve!







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