

SPARKS News

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Committee Meetings on Nov. 5, 2015

10:30 am Finance-Audit Committee Meeting in BREATHITT Room

11:00 am Board Members Meeting with District Governor in BROWN Room

> 11:00 am Engagement Committee Meeting in LAFFOON Room

UPCOMING MEETINGS

November 12: Dr. Jay McGowan, President of Bellarmine University LOCATION: Seelbach Hilton. Medallion Ballroom

November 19: Governor Steve Beshear **LOCATION: Marriott Hotel, Kentucky** Ballroom

Wednesday, November 26: Kiwanis Meeting

December 10: Tori Murden McClure, President of Spalding University

December 24: No Meeting

December 31: No Meeting

January 7: Bob Bordogna, Annual Stock Market Report

January 21: RDML Gene Price, Deputy Commander, 10th Fleet - 'Cyberwarfare'

February 4: David Taliaferro, Director of Microfinance / KIVA Fellow

February 18: Bill Lamb, Leadership / Media

March 10, 2016: Speaker TBD. Location: Speed Museum (just before it re-opens to the public)

November 5 Rotary Meeting

Michael Kull, Rotary District Governor

Topic: Exciting Rotary Updates

Meeting Location: Galt House East, 2nd floor, Grand Ballroom C Buffet Opens at 11:30 / Meeting Begins at 12:05 pm

Mike has been a member of the Rotary Club of Louisville since 1982. He was club president in 2005-06; prior to that he was club secretary, club director and committee chair. He and his wife, Kathy, are multiple Paul Harris Fellows. Mike is a graduate of the University of Louisville with a B.A. and M.B.A. He spent 46 years in the quick service restaurant industry with Burger Queen, Druther's and retired as President of Dairy Queen

Corporate Stores. He serves as Chair of the Kentucky Restaurant Association Educational Foundation and is a past President of the Kentucky Restaurant Association, a past director of the National Council of Chain Restaurants and a Director Emeritus of the National Restaurant Association. A member of Christ Lutheran Church, he presently teaches Sunday school and serves as Finance Committee chair. Mike serves on the board of Cedar Lake Residences which provides community-based residential options and support for people with intellectual and development disabilities. Mike is the... (more here)

Member Spotlight

Cliff Elgin has been an insurance broker since 1975. He began his career with C.D. Harris & Sons and became a Principal/Senior Vice President when that agency grew into Harris & Harris. Cliff has worked with manufacturers and distributors throughout his insurance career. He insures manufacturers across the U.S. and has a number of international manufacturers as clients. Before joining USI Insurance, Cliff was instrumental in Wells Fargo Insurance Services and its international partner. Wells Fargo Global, placing worldwide Property and Liability including Products Liability coverage for a French owned dental products manufacturer. Cliff also insures a number of law firms and other professional



services providers. Cliff is a graduate of Transylvania University with a Master's Degree from Eastern Kentucky University. He has worked with numerous industry associations throughout his career including the Dental Manufacturers of America and the Dental Dealers of America. Cliff was a co-founder of the Network of Entrepreneurial Women in

Alan Singleton is Vice President and General Manager of CGB/AGRIfinancial Services, a farm lending company, and General Manager of CGB/Diversified Services, a risk management company specializing in the delivery of crop insurance. Alan's career spans 35 years, involving direct and managerial experience in both short and long term credit to agricultural enterprises. His background includes working with farmers and ranchers located across a large portion of the United States and across numerous agricultural commodities. Alan grew up on a Spencer County, Indiana (US) farm and is a graduate of Indiana University with a degree in Economics (1977). He joined the Farm Credit System first



as a loan officer and worked up to Assistant Vice President of Credit at the Louisville Farm Credit Banks. Since 1989, Alan has been highly involved in agricultural secondary market lending. In 2001, CGB Enterprises purchased Agricultural Mortgage Company of America, which Alan co-founded, and the name (more here)

Service Opportunities



Food Literacy Project - Saturday, Nov 7 (1 to 4 pm)

ALL VOLUNTEERS ARE WELCOME on Saturday, November 7 from 1:00 to 4:00pm at OXMOOR FARM, 9001 Limehouse Lane, 40222, to get the farm ready for the winter season. Inside work (prepare newsletter for mailing) will also be available for those who prefer to work inside.

> All volunteers will enjoy refreshments and farm fresh pizzas! PLEASE RSVP! CONTACT ALICE BRIDGES: alicebridges@kentuckyonehealth.org / 587-4603





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Birthdays This Week



Dennis Dolan - Nov 7 Ann Wells - Nov 7 Dick Brien - Nov 8 Bob DeWeese - Nov 8 Jim Hill - Nov 8 Pete Lanham - Nov 8 Ken Selvaggi - Nov 8 Ken Grossman - Nov 9 Cynthia Knapek - Nov 9 Mike Kull - Nov 10

Please join the Birthday Table this week so you can be recognized!

Club Officers

Greg Braun • President Alice Bridges • President-Elect Kevin Wardell • Past President Dick Brien • Vice President Ken Middleton • Vice President Luke Schmidt • Secretary Tom Bohnert • Treasurer

Club Directors

Muhammad Babar, MD Barry Barker

New Member Celebration! - November 10 at 6pm



Rotarians & Spouses Welcome to Attend All members and spouses/guests are welcome to attend the NEW MEMBER CELEBRATION on November 10 at 6:00pm at 4209 Gardiner View Avenue, 40213, the Love the Hungry headquarters of 'Love the Hungry.' Hors d'oeuvres and a wonderful dinner will be catered by Ladyfingers.

You will have the option to participate in a fun, hands-on packaging project, while enjoying 50's style music. In a very short timeframe, more than 7,000 meals will be packaged for children and families throughout the world.

Welcome our newest Club members who will receive their Rotary pins that evening.

Cost is \$30 per person. Please RSVP to events@rotary45.org by November 5.

Help Ring the Bells for Salvation Army!



EER as a BELL-RINGER on Tuesday, December 1 from 6:40am to 8:45am at 3rd & Main Street and/or on the following Saturdays: Dec. 5, 12 and 19 at Holiday Manor Kroger (US42) during a scheduled timeframe between 9am - 4pm.

<u>To select a timeslot, SIGN UP HERE</u>

Questions? Contact George Brakmeier - gbrakmeier@centralelectronic.com

Rotary Lifetime Service Award - Send in nominations!

Send in nominations of Rotarians who are eligible for this award. Rotarians who over a lifetime have demonstrated Rotary's 4-W ay Test, especially in the area of community service are eligible. They must have also been a Rotarian a minimum of ten years, with significant achievements both in Rotary and in the local/regional community.

If you have someone in mind who may be eligible, CLICK HERE for details, complete the form and send it to the Rotary office at rotary@rotary45.org. Questions? Contact the Awards Committee Chair, Julie Schmidt at JSchmidt@ket.org.

That's Entertainment - Fun Events!

Oct 29 BUSINESS SYNERGY EVENT at Tyler Allen's USA Image Technologies was a great success!







USA Image Technologies Owner, Tyler Allen, led the group on a tour of his impressive faciility. He shared some history of the company and described details of the fascinating printing process that produces an endless variety of images used for PR and marketing (banners, backdrops, murals ... the possibilities are numerous). It was an incredible evening, and we are grateful to Tyler for making it possible. Tyler took a photo shot of President Greg and a short time later produced

a larger than life photo (shown above)!

Special thanks to the Business Synergy Committee for planning this great event. We're already looking forward to the next one! Details coming soon!



Saturday, December 5, 6:00pm - HOLIDAY PARTY \$50/person

Rotary Holiday Party at historic Nunnlea House on Hurstbourne Parkway. Make

Mary Michael Corbett Lukas Dwelly Tracy Holladay John Jennings Mac McClure

Michael Ray Shackelford

Fund Officers

Alice Bridges • Vice Chair

Luke Schmidt • Secretary

Tom Bohnert • Treasurer

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Member Database

Club Website











Access club calendar, member contact info, and more anywhere / anytime on your smartphone!

Get your badge scanned!

Several members are slipping through the entrance at Rotary without getting their badge scanned. This is important for attendance records, so please be sure your badge is scanned when you attend each week. Thanks!





Live music, great food, and holiday spirit for just \$50 per person.

RSVP by emailing: events@rotary45.org

Member Opportunities

Rotary Leadership Institute - FREE to Rotarians!

Saturday, January 9, 2016 in Lexington (8am to 3pm) Continental breakfast and lunch included.

Want to learn more about Rotary? Are you interested, willing, and have the potential to engage in future club leadership (*Committee Chair, Vice Chair, Board member, Vice President, or President*?

For more details and how to register, check out THIS LINK.



Social Media & Web

Connect with Social Media

Connect to fellow members using our Club's social media platforms: Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn. Your participation will make it dynamic! Join in on discussions, post photos, and celebrate fellow Rotarian's accomplishments. LinkedIn is for members only to allow private discussions and can be found by searching "Louisville Rotary Club" in the category "Groups." Then click the yellow "join" button. You can also send photos, articles, featuring Rotarians and other news to Executive Director Debe Skidmore at rotary@rotary45.org and to Ashley Brauer at Ashley@guthriemayes.com. We need members who want to post, too! If you'd like to help, please contact Ashley

Join the Member Marketplace

Join our Club's new virtual Marketplace and showcase your business or organization through this new member's-only service. There are three options:

Basic Listing (No Charge): Includes the member's name, title and the name of his/her organization (company or nonprofit organization), email address (hyperlinked), and office and mobile phone numbers. While this listing is free, members must submit their information to webmaster@rotary45.org to be included.



Deluxe Listing (\$300/year): Includes everything listed above plus your logo and hyperlink to your website.

Premium Listing (\$500/year): In addition to the features above, this includes a short description of the services provided by the member's company/nonprofit organization (up to 500 characters).

To showcase your business, click here for details

Member Development

Bring them to lunch and invite them to stay afterward for a brief "What is Rotary?" session, held immediately after every Thursday Rotary meeting around 1pm at a designated table in the meeting room. It's easier than ever for you to invite a friend or colleague. Check out our membership criteriahere.

Oct 29 Meeting Recap: Guest Speaker Kirk Bloodsworth

President Greg Braun began the meeting, and the invocation provided by Jay Davidson was followed by the Rotary 4-Way Test led by Ken Middleton. The talented National FFA Choral Group gave an incredible performance of ROAR. If you missed it, Past President Randy Coe captured it on video. See it *HERE* via the Club's Facebook page. Birthday celebrants were congratulated by table host Cheryl Kersey, announcements were made, shout-outs were given, and a lucky table of Rotarians picked up gift bags with tricks or treats inside. Dan



Goyette introduced guest speaker Kirk Bloodsworth, exonerated former death row inmate, whose presentation was riveting! (more here)

Member Perks

Rotarians Receive Free Shoeshines!





DECEMBER is ... Ugly Holiday Sweater and Ugly Holiday Necktie MONTH

Fun & Prizes are planned for Rotary meetings during the month of December. Judges will determine the Ugliest Holiday Sweater and Ugliest Holiday Necktie on Dec 3, 10 and 17. You now have two months to plan ahead for your December attire!



Rotarians receive FREE shoe shines by Shawn when our meetings are held at the Galt House. Members are enjoying this Rotarian Perk' each Thursday.

Here is President Greg Braun getting his shoes professionally shined by Shawn before the meeting began.

Custom Rotary Club of Louisville Logo Shirts - Only \$25

Custom polo shirts with the Rotary Club of Louisville logo are available in royal blue or white in Men's and Women's sizes (S,M,L,XL) for only \$25. These shirts are available in both colors and sizes at every Thursday Rotary meeting to help you decide which size and color to order.

Questions? Email rotary@rotary45.org.

Spin the Wheel! It's easy to win!

With a spin of the wheel by President Greg, you could be a winner if you happen to be sitting at the table with the lucky number!

Everyone at your table wins a prize. You might win a bottle of wine, sometimes a bottle of water, or ???! But Spin the Wheel doesn't happen at every meeting.