

Rotary Club of Louisville



Walt's Words of Wisdom



Hello Rotarians:

Don't pull a Walt and show up for Rotary on Thursday; we are **not** meeting at The Woman's Club of Louisville this week. We will instead be at Churchill Downs on **Wednesday** for our annual Rotary Day at the Downs.

This is the 50th Anniversary of Secretariat's record-setting Derby! If you missed the note President Walt sent out on Monday, click Read More below to view.

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"Until you go to Kentucky and with your own eyes behold the Derby, you ain't never been nowhere and you ain't seen nothin'!" Irvin S. Cobb

"I heard Sham's hooves disappear behind me... And then, there was nothing. All I could hear was Secretariat's breathing and his hooves hitting the ground. It was very quiet." Ron Turcotte, Jockey of Riva Ridge, 1972 Derby Winner & Secretariat, 1973 Triple Crown Winner

"I tell you waiting for the Derby to start is the longest day of your life... It's just a unique time of thrill and tension and worry." Penny Chenery of Meadow Stable, Owner of Riva Ridge, 1972 Derby Winner & Secretariat, 1973 Triple Crown Winner

"You hear about the Kentucky Derby. You hear that it's the greatest race in the world. It's a fantasy. If you ask any rider in the country that hasn't won the Derby, 'What would you like to do best?' I guarantee you they are going to tell you they want to win the Kentucky Derby. [laughs] Oh yes." Laffit Pincay, Jr., Jockey of Swale, 1984 Derby Winner

Bob Hope's definition of a race track: ***"A place where the windows clean the people."***

"No horse can go as fast as the money you bet on him." Cartoonist Nate Collier

"If you don't dream of winning the Derby, you have no business training Thoroughbreds." Bennie "Chip" Woolley Jr., Trainer of Mine That Bird, 2009 Derby Winner

"It's like a dream. I can't - I mean... She's incredible. She did it; I didn't. I was just the passenger." Gary Stevens, Jockey of Derby winners: Winning Colors (1988), Thunder Gulch (1995) & Silver Charm (1998)

"It is very, very difficult to win. A horse is only three once. His opportunity is only going to occur once, when he sets foot into that gate and he is only going to have two minutes and a little bit of extra to pull it off." John Sosby, Former Manager of Claiborne Farm Claiborne Farm bred & Owned Swale, 1984 Derby Winner Claiborne Farm bred Johnstown, 1939 Derby Winner & Jet Pilot, 1947 Derby Winner

Have a great Derby Week!

Life is good!
Walt

For Derby trivia or information on sending encouraging letters to our first responders, click [Read More](#).

[Read More](#)

No Meeting This Thursday May 4th

We will NOT have a regular meeting this Thursday but will instead be meeting on Wednesday, May 3rd at Churchill Downs for our annual Rotary Day at the Downs.

The following Thursday, May 11, we will be back at The Woman's Club of Louisville to celebrate our scholars at the annual Rotary Honors Scholars luncheon.

And on Thursday, May 18, we welcome Dr. Eli Capilouto back to our podium.

Next Week's Meeting - Rotary Honors Scholars Celebration



Next week's meeting will feature our Rotary Honors Scholars Celebration. Please come to support our students! Click [HERE](#) to register.

Coach Al Davis, assistant coach of Bellarmine Knights Men's Basketball will be speaking.

Lunch is \$25 and the menu will be chicken piccata, roasted potatoes, mixed vegetables, mixed berry butter cake. A vegan or gluten-free option is available upon advance request.

There is a \$5 meeting fee for those who choose not to purchase a meal - this will include a dessert and tea/coffee/water and, of course, a fantastic program. You can pay \$5 in advance via SurveyMonkey or with cash, check or scan the QR code at check-in to pay with a credit card.

[Read More](#)

Meeting Recap - Ursula Madden

We welcomed speaker Ursula Madden of Blue Oval SK and Blue Oval City last week. You can view the meeting on our [YouTube channel](#). If you attended, please share your thoughts on the event [HERE](#).



We also inducted several new members into our club; Nick Garner, Jordan Clemons, Brian Schneider, Morgan Hancock, and Helen Cohen. Please congratulate them next time you see them!

Rotary University: May 11 - Rotary International

By Chris Manzo

Please join us on May 11 following our regular meeting at The Woman's Club of Louisville for an overview of Rotary International with Rick Harned and Susan Zepeda. Completion of Rotary University is required for new members, so please prioritize these sessions!

January 12	Session 1 - What is Rotary?
February 9	Session 2 - Committees
March 9	Session 3 - Rotary Honors Scholars
April 13	Session 4 - Service Projects
May 11	Session 5 - Rotary International
TBD	New Member Celebration / Mixer (location TBD)

Contact Chris Manzo for details cmanzo@sndbx.design

Filson Tours: May 11 and May 25

By Julie James

Join fellow Rotarian Julie Scoskie James, for a free, exclusive tour of the Filson Historical Society's

campus, which includes the historic Ferguson mansion and the award-winning Owsley Brown II History Center!

The Filson, one of Kentucky's oldest and largest privately funded historical societies, is dedicated to collecting, preserving, and sharing the significant history and culture of Kentucky and the Ohio Valley through quarterly publications, weekly lectures, and events, exhibits, and extensive historic collections.

On display currently, the exhibit ***People Passage Place: Stories of the Ohio Valley*** uses the Filson's vast collections to share stories that shape the social and cultural fabric of the Ohio Valley. **These FREE 30-minute tours will be held on Thursday, May 11 at 11:15 am or Thursday, May 25 at 1:15 pm, and participants will receive a guest pass for an upcoming Filson program.** The Filson is conveniently adjacent to the Woman's Club of Louisville and offers free parking and the ability to walk across the street. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/smudbx3e> to register today for free tickets!

Events & Opportunities: JFCS MOSAIC Awards

By Courtney Evans

What: JFCS MOSAIC Awards

Organization: Jewish Family & Career Services

Date/Time: May 16, 2023 6:00 pm

Location: The Olmsted

Description: The JFCS MOSAIC Awards honor five refugees and immigrants who are diverse leaders, changemakers and humanitarians who have all made significant contributions to their professional fields and have given back to the community that supported them.

To purchase a ticket: <https://one.bidpal.net/jfcsmosaic2023/ticketing>

Member to contact / email: Courtney Evans, cevans@jfcsloouisville.org

Note: This section features upcoming events and opportunities to serve with our nonprofit member organizations. Submissions must be from a member (or spouse/partner) of our Club who is either an employee or board member of the organization for which the event/opportunity is being shared. Click [HERE](#) to submit.

Honor Flight: May 17



Plan to join us for the next Honor Flight on May 17th. Volunteers are needed for the Ground Crew as well as to welcome our veterans as they return to the airport that evening.

<https://www.honorflightbluegrass.org/>

Contact Gerald Martin (gerald@riverhillcapital.com) or Larry Sloan (larry.sloan@yahoo.com) for more information or to sign up.

Habitat for Humanity Service Project: May 20

By Larry Sloan

We are excited to announce that we will be helping with funding and volunteers for another Habitat For Humanity House. Our club was awarded a District Grant for this project. The homeowners are a husband and wife who are Iraqi refugees and have two children. This home will be built in Eastern Jefferson County near the Ford plant between Westport Road and KY 22 (Ballardsville Rd.) Our fellow club member **Jeff Underhill** with Underhill Associates, along with **Jeremy Vokurka** with Miranda Construction, will be organizing work crews, skilled and otherwise, to help with the Raise the Roof work which will take place over 3 days. We will be helping out on **Saturday, May 20th** and President Walt will be saying a few words at the Ground Blessing at 11:30am that day. If you can help, contact me at larry.sloan@yahoo.com.



Abbas Algburi and Iman Mns, married, ages 37 and 33, from Iraq. They have a 4-year-old boy and a 3-year-old daughter. He works as a caregiver at Access Care. They've recently moved from an apartment in Beuchel to a house in Fern Creek.

13606 Park Springs Lane



We are planning with Habitat for two additional project dates, the first of which will be for installing siding and the second for landscaping (planting shrubs and spreading topsoil for sod). When those dates are firmed up I will be sending out another email.

There will be a Pre-Construction meeting where we will meet the homeowners and the construction project leaders from Habitat. That meeting will be on Wednesday, May 3rd at 11 am on the Habitat Louisville campus at their Jane and Jewell Center, 1620 Columbia Street, Louisville, KY 40203. If you plan on volunteering, you can click [HERE](#) to fill out the volunteer form for Habitat.

Please let me know if you would like to:

- 1) join me for the Pre-Construction meeting on May 3rd;
- 2) work on the Raise The Roof May 20th;
- 3) be put on the list for the subsequent volunteer days of installing siding or doing landscaping.

Yours in Rotary Service,
Larry Sloan, Lifeline Committee Chair
"Many hands make the work light."

Save the Date: Club Social Events

Our Social Committee has been hard at work planning fun events, so mark your calendars and save these dates:

Wednesday, June 7 - New Member Celebration

Sunday, June 11 - Craig Scherman's Fabulous House Party

Saturday, September 9 - Rotary Picnic with Ponies & Puppies

Saturday, October 14 - Rotary Day at Bernheim Arboretum & Research Forest

Friday, November 3 - Rotary Wine Swap Party

Thursday, December 14 - Rotary Holiday Celebration

Events

May 3rd, 12:00-7:00 PM

[Day at the Downs](#)

Location: Churchill Downs First Turn Club 700
Central Avenue Louisville, KY 40208

Speaker: Day at the Downs

May 4th, 11:30-1:00 PM

[NO MEETING due to Day at the Downs](#)

May 11th, 1:00-2:00 PM

[Rotary University Session 5: Rotary International](#)

Location: The Woman's Club of Louisville 1320 S.
4th Street

Speaker: Rotary U Led by Rick Harned & Susan Zepeda

Subject: Rotary International

May 17th, 8:00-10:30 PM

[Honor Flight Bluegrass](#)

Speaker: Honor Flight Volunteer Opportunity

May 20th, 8:30-3:30 PM

[Habitat for Humanity Build](#)

May 25th, 11:30-1:00 PM

[RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Tom Hallion](#)

Location: The Woman's Club of Louisville 1320 S.
4th Street

Speaker: Tom Hallion/Retired MLB Umpire

June 1st, 11:30-1:00 PM

[RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Dan Maloney](#)

Location: The Woman's Club of Louisville 1320 S.

May 4th, 8:00

[Rotary Youth Leadership Awards \(RYLA\)](#)

Location: Greenville, Kentucky

Speaker: Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)

May 11th, 11:30-1:00 PM

[RCoL Rotary Honors Scholars Luncheon](#)

Location: The Woman's Club of Louisville 1320 S.
4th Street

Speaker: Coach Al Davis

May 12th, 10:00

[District 6710 Conference](#)

Location: Holiday Inn - University Plaza 1021
Wilkinson Trace Bowling Green, KY 42103

Speaker: District 6710 Conference

May 18th, 11:30-1:00 PM

[RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Dr. Eli Capilouto](#)

Location: The Woman's Club of Louisville 1320 S.
4th Street

Speaker: Eli Capilouto, University of Kentucky
President

May 24th, 5:00-7:30 PM

[Re:Center Ministries Dinner](#)

Location: 733 E Jefferson St Louisville, KY 40202

Speaker: Re:Center Ministries Dinner

May 27th, 12:00

[Rotary International Convention](#)

Location: Melbourne, Australia

Speaker: Rotary International Convention

Subject: <https://convention.rotary.org/en>

June 6th, 5:30-7:30 PM

[Rotary Leadership Fellows Meeting - June](#)

Location: TBD

4th Street

Speaker: Dan Maloney, Louisville Zoo

June 7th, 5:30-7:30 PM

New Member Celebration

Location: TBD

Speaker: New Member Celebration

June 11th, 4:00-7:30 PM

Craig Scherman's Fabulous House Party

Location: 1208 Evergreen Rd

Speaker: Summer Social

June 15th, 11:30-1:00 PM

Louisville Weekly Club Meeting: Hannah Drake

Location: The Woman's Club of Louisville 1320 S. 4th Street

Speaker: Hannah Drake

June 28th, 5:00-7:30 PM

Re:Center Ministries Dinner

Location: 733 E Jefferson St Louisville, KY 40202

Speaker: Re:Center Ministries Dinner

June 8th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Dr. Marty Pollio

Location: The Woman's Club of Louisville 1320 S. 4th Street

Speaker: Dr. Marty Pollio, JCPS Superintendent

June 15th, 10:30-11:30 AM

International Service Committee Meeting

June 22nd, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Brittany Penny

Location: The Woman's Club of Louisville 1320 S. 4th Street

Speaker: Brittany Penny, 2 Cents Inc.

Subject: First black woman CEO in bourbon, creator of The IX Bourbon

June 29th, 11:30-1:00 PM

Louisville Weekly Club Meeting: Rep. Morgan McGarvey / Changeover

Location: The Woman's Club of Louisville 1320 S. 4th Street

Speaker: Rep. Morgan McGarvey / Changeover

Birthdays



Kristen Byrd
May 2nd



Kelley Spillson
May 3rd



Evon Smith
May 3rd



John W. Hampton
May 3rd



Russell Smith
May 4th



Michael Gabhart
May 5th



Di Tran
May 5th



Terry W. Tyler
May 5th



John-Robert Curtin
May 5th



Ben Reno-Weber
May 6th



Anthony R. Kemper
May 7th



Brandy N Jenkins
May 8th



Chambers Moore
May 11th



Gordon K. Costley
May 12th



Luke B. Schmidt
May 14th



Sophia Fischer
May 15th



George A. Brakmeier III
May 17th



Eric Gurevich
May 17th



Charles Edward Jungbert
May 18th



Kevin S. Wardell
May 19th



Leroy F. Squires
May 20th



Karen Kurfees Meyer
May 21st



Melissa A. Marvel, MBA, CPA, CGMA
May 21st



William K. Burke
May 22nd



W. Kevin Smith
May 23rd



Robert W. Rounsavall III
May 23rd



Kristofer Twist
May 25th



Henry V. Heuser Jr.
May 25th

Clark Orr

Carl Kihm

Cynthia Sullivan

R. Wood



May 26th



May 26th



May 27th



Northup
June 1st

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