

Walt's Words of Wisdom



Happy Memorial Day Weekend!

Hello Rotarians: One of our favorite songs to sing when my children were small was:

We're going to the zoo, zoo, zoo. How about you, you, you. You can come too, too, too. We're going to the zoo, zoo, zoo.

I hope that song plays in your head until you make your reservation for Rotary this week! We are fortunate to have our very own Dan Maloney, Director of the Louisville Zoological Gardens for our program. Did you know that our zoo

collects and recycles mobile phones to help our gorillas and our environment – the newest pillar for Rotary? I am sure you will hear more from Dan about this and many more fun facts – I am not monkeying around!

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People forget the good that zoos do. If it weren't for zoos, we would have so many species that would be extinct today. Betty White

The greatness of a nation can be judged by the way its animals are treated. Mahatma Gandhi

Zoo: An excellent place to study the habits of human beings. Evan Esar

Zoo animals are ambassadors for their cousins in the wild. Jack Hanna

I didn't come this far to be breakfast. Marlin Perkins

Life is good!

Walt

If you missed President Walt's full email on Monday with information about an important upcoming rotary project, click the link below.

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This Week's Meeting - Dan Maloney, Director of The Louisville Zoological Gardens



This week's meeting at The Woman's Club of Louisville will feature our own Dan Maloney, Director of The Louisville Zoological Gardens.

Lunch is \$25 and the menu will be baked cod with lemon butter dill cream, fried potato rounds, coleslaw, pineapple upside down cake. 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.

The RSVP deadline has passed; email admin@rotary45.org if you would like to attend. 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.

For directions to The Woman's Club, click Read More.

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Meeting Recap - Tom Hallion

At last week's meeting we heard from Tom Hallion. He regaled us with some humorous and exciting stories. It was a very entertaining meeting.



Congratulations to Dr. Linda Bartrom Moore, on receiving the Service Above Self award for her outstanding work with Interact/Rotaract, and our cities' youth.



We also welcomed three new members to the club. Please congratulate Daniel Aziz, Ben Smock, and Stephanie Kelley when you see them!





We honored two new Paul Harris Fellows. Congratulations to Bob Hallenburg and Thomas Allen. Thank you for supporting Rotary and our projects.

The recording will be posted on our <u>YouTube channel</u>. If you attended, please share your thoughts on the event <u>HERE</u>.

Rotarians in the Spotlight: Jean West



Congratulations to Jean West, recipient of Spalding University 2023 honorary degree!

These prestigious awards are bestowed upon community leaders for their life achievements that exemplify the mission of Spalding University. Carolle Jones Clay, Jean West Losavio and C. William Weyland will be celebrated at Spalding's Commencement Reception on June 2nd at 6pm in the College Street Cafe.

Jean stated that she was humbled to receive such an honor from the Board of Trustees at Spalding University. She would like to invite as many Rotarians as possible to

the graduation ceremony on June 2nd. Come and show your support.

Follow the link below for more information.

https://spalding.edu/spalding-university-2023-honorary-degree-recipients/

NEW CLUB PROJECT: Welcoming Refugees to our Community

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In the coming months, our Rotary Club will co-sponsor two refugee families in partnership with Kentucky Refugee Ministries. We are now collecting needed household items. Click read more below to see the list of products. You are asked to bring items to our regular meetings on two Collection Dates **ONLY: June 29 and July 6!** We also welcome your donation of Kroger or Walmart gift cards in any amount on the same dates. Your support to help these families resettle in our community is greatly appreciated.

If you would like to be a hands-on member of our team for apartment set-ups, welcoming at the airport and befriending the family in their first few months, please contact Mary Ellen Harned (harneds@twc.com) or Larry Sloan (larry.sloan@yahoo.com) for the next steps.



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Events & Opportunities: Bourbon Raffle to Support Junior Achievement

By Tracy Peck

What: Pappy Van Winkle Bourbon Raffle to Support Junior Achievement Organization: Junior Achievement of Kentuckiana Date/Time: May 10th through June 1st



Description: Delta Dental® of Kentucky and Junior Achievement of Kentuckiana invite you to start your summer off right, by purchasing a chance to win SIX bottles of rare, Pappy Van Winkle. All raffle ticket purchases directly benefit Junior Achievement of Kentuckiana. With interactive programs tailored

to elementary, middle, and high school students, Junior Achievement introduces young people in our community to the realities and possibilities of the working world and personal finance. JAKY will serve over 47,000 students during the 22-23 school year.

More information: Visit <u>https://one.bidpal.net/pappyforapurposeja/welcome</u> to get your tickets. Member to contact / email: Jennifer Helgeson, jhelgeson@jaky.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.

RSVP Now for Craig Scherman's Fabulous House Party: June 11

Craig Scherman will be hosting a party for members and their guests at his beautiful home in Anchorage on Sunday, June 11th, from 4:00-7:30pm. \$30 will cover food from Mark's Feed Store, open bar, live music, beautiful views, great conversation and a whole lotta fun! Click <u>HERE</u> to RSVP.



Opportunity: Rain Harvest Dam Construction Project in India

By Roland Blahnik

Fellow Rotarians,

There is a wonderful opportunity to go to India and work on a Rotary project to construct a Rain Harvest Dam. It is likely to be an amazing, perhaps life-changing, experience. You will also visit some of India's top attractions, like the Taj Mahal and the Agra Fort, and finish up in Kathmandu. Arrive in India October 20, 2023, and leave for home November 10, 2023. See the itinerary and details <u>HERE</u>.

Trips like this led to my involvement in Kenyan projects, and my current efforts to participate in an Indian project like you will experience in India.

Please contact Elias Thomas **ethomas@metrocast.net** to arrange your attendance. If you would like to talk with me about my two experiences resulting in working with Kenya and working on starting projects with India, reach out to me at: rrblahnik@yahoo.com or 502-553-1955.

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 27th, 12:00 Rotary International Convention Location: Melbourne, Australia Speaker: Rotary International Convention Subject: https://convention.rotary.org/en June 1st, 11:30-1:00 PM RCoL Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Dan Maloney Location: The Woman's Club of Louisville 1320 S. 4th Street Speaker: Dan Maloney, Louisville Zoo June 7th, 5:30-7:30 PM New Member Celebration Location: TBD Speaker: New Member Celebration

June 1st, 11:00-11:30 AM Social Committee Meeting

June 6th, 5:30-7:30 PM <u>Rotary Leadership Fellows Meeting - June</u> Location: TBD

June 8th, 11:30-1:00 PM <u>RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Dr. Marty Pollio</u> Location: The Woman's Club of Louisville 1320 S. 4th Street Speaker: Dr. Marty Pollio, JCPS Superintendent June 11th, 4:00-7:30 PM Craig Scherman's Fabulous House Party Location: 1208 Evergreen Rd Speaker: Summer Member 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 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



R. Wood Northup June 1st





Steve Jester June 2nd

F. Gerald

Greenwell

June 8th

Wisdom June 15th



James M. Wagner June 3rd

June 9th

Louis Straub



Cynthia Hutchinson June 3rd

Daniel K Maloney June 4th

June 11th



Robert M. Fink

Jenifer Frommeyer June 11th

Sarah Davasher-



Samuel L. Clemmens June 13th



Delene E Taylor June 9th



Erica Fields June 14th



Mark Kull June 15th

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