

Rotary Club of Louisville



Note from President Kevin & Meeting Recap

Will Farmer, DVM, Equine Medical Director, Churchill Downs, gave a great talk to our club last week. When he was in vet school 20 years ago, he was interested in horses and taking care of horses...not in horse racing or the Derby. We're glad that after stints in other places, including Santa Anita Racetrack, Will and his wife moved to Louisville in 2008, so he could take on his job with Churchill Downs focusing on horse health and safety. To start the program, he showed us a film of the 2022 Derby where the winning horse was the 2nd biggest longshot (80 to 1) to win the Derby ever. It was exciting to watch; the only complaint I have is that Will started the video too fast and didn't give us a chance to place our bets!



This week, Attorney General and Republican Candidate for Governor Daniel Cameron will speak to our club.

Governor Andy Beshear will speak to our club on TUESDAY (repeat TUESDAY!!!), 9/5, at the University Club. We will not have a Thursday luncheon that week. Get your questions to Ashley Brauer by 9/1.

Click Read More below and scroll down to read the full note and meeting recap I sent out earlier this week.

[Read More](#)

This Week's Meeting - Attorney General Daniel Cameron



Tomorrow's meeting will be at the **University Club** with guest speaker **Attorney General Daniel Cameron, Republican Gubernatorial Candidate.**

RSVPs are closed for this meeting. If you would like to attend, please email admin@rotary45.org BEFORE 10:00am tomorrow. **We are not able to accommodate last-minute walk-ins at this meeting.**

Those attending may wish to arrive early. If the lot is full when you arrive, there are two paid parking garages nearby:

Speed Museum Garage (2317 S 2nd St)
Floyd Street Garage (2126 S Floyd St)

The buffet will open at 11:30am.

As a reminder, we will not be introducing guests at this meeting and there will be no open Q&A. All

questions were due to Ashley yesterday.

Click [Read More](#) to view Speaker's Bio: [Read More](#)

Rotary in the Spotlight: Media Event Tomorrow to Celebrate First WLHI Home Loan



Watch for Rotary in the news tomorrow. We will be hosting a media event at 10:00am in conjunction with Park Community Credit Union, to celebrate the closing of the first home loan to result from our West Louisville Housing Initiative. Speakers in addition to Rotary and PCCU will include:

- Chauntez Williams, Homeowner
- Morgan McGarvey, U.S. Congressman
- Barbara Sexton Smith, Deputy Mayor
- Greg Fischer, former Mayor
- David James, Deputy Mayor
- Charles Booker, Executive Director, Office of Faith-Based & Community Initiatives
- Kim Halbauer, Regional President, Fifth Third Bank

This is an exciting week for Rotary!

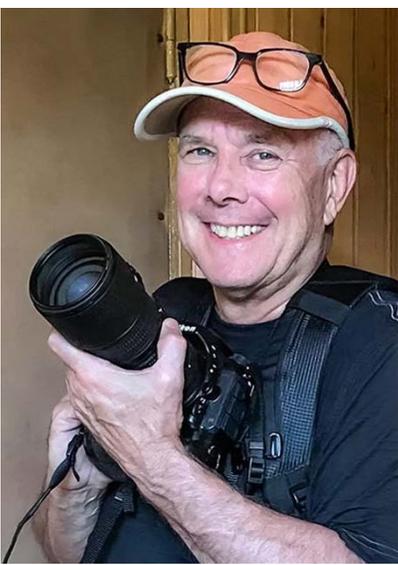
Next Week's Meeting - Michael Andrews

Next Thursday's meeting at the University Club will feature **Michael Andrews, Peace Corps volunteer and photographer**. His talk is titled: "*Rituals of Hope: Loss Transformed to Aspiration in Ukraine*"

Lunch is \$25 and the menu will be beef short rib stroganoff, roll, key lime pie; a salad with grilled chicken will continue to be offered, as well as a vegetarian/vegan and/or gluten-free option, available upon advance request.

RSVP [HERE](#) by NOON Monday, August 28.

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.

Click Read More to view Speaker's Bio: [Read More](#)

Upcoming Speaker - Governor Andy Beshear



Our meeting on TUESDAY, September 5th will be at the **University Club** with guest speaker **Governor Andy Beshear**.

Lunch is \$25 and the menu will be classic fish and chips, seasonal salad, and cookies, and a salad with grilled chicken will continue to be offered, as well as a vegetarian/vegan and/or gluten-free option, available upon advance request.

RSVP [HERE](#) by **NOON on Thursday, August 31st**. Note that with the Labor Day holiday on Monday and our meeting being on Tuesday, the deadline for meal purchases will be during our Thursday meeting next week.

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.

We will not be introducing guests at this meeting, and any questions must be submitted to Ashley Brauer, Chair of the Speakers Committee, NO LATER THAN Friday, September 1st:
ashley@maxstrategicpr.com

Supporting Fellow Rotarians: Maui Fires Relief Fund

Our Rotary Fund and Club Boards authorized a donation of \$1,000 to support our fellow Rotarians in Maui. RI District 5000 has created the [Maui Fires Relief Fund](#) for this purpose. If you feel led, please join us with your own personal contribution.

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**Sending our aloha
and prayers to
our Maui 'ohana!**

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Rotarians in the Spotlight: Nonprofit Visionary Leaders



Congratulations to these three members recognized as [Nonprofit Visionary Leaders](#) earlier this week at the Louisville Business First *Partners in Philanthropy* Awards program (click names to read interviews - must be a subscriber to view):

[Lori Flanery](#)

[Denise Sears](#)

[Swannie Jett](#)

Read comments from company leaders [HERE](#). You can view videos in our [Facebook group](#).

Rotary Picnic with Ponies & Puppies

By Alisa Gray



Join the Kentucky Humane Society for a Picnic with the Ponies and Puppies on September 9th, 11:00am-1:00pm at Willow Hope Farm in Simpsonville, KY. Learn about our Equine C.A.R.E. (Connect, Assist, Rescue, Educate) Program and the commitment KHS has made to finding solutions for neglected, abused, and abandoned horses in Kentucky. KHS's 42-acre farm is home to about 30 horses at any given time, and you can get a firsthand look at the equines in their care. We will offer equine demonstrations, a tour of the farm, time to spend with some KHS puppies, and of course provide a spot to have a picnic with your fellow Rotarians and their families. We will have Kingsley's BBQ, delicious sides and light cocktails.

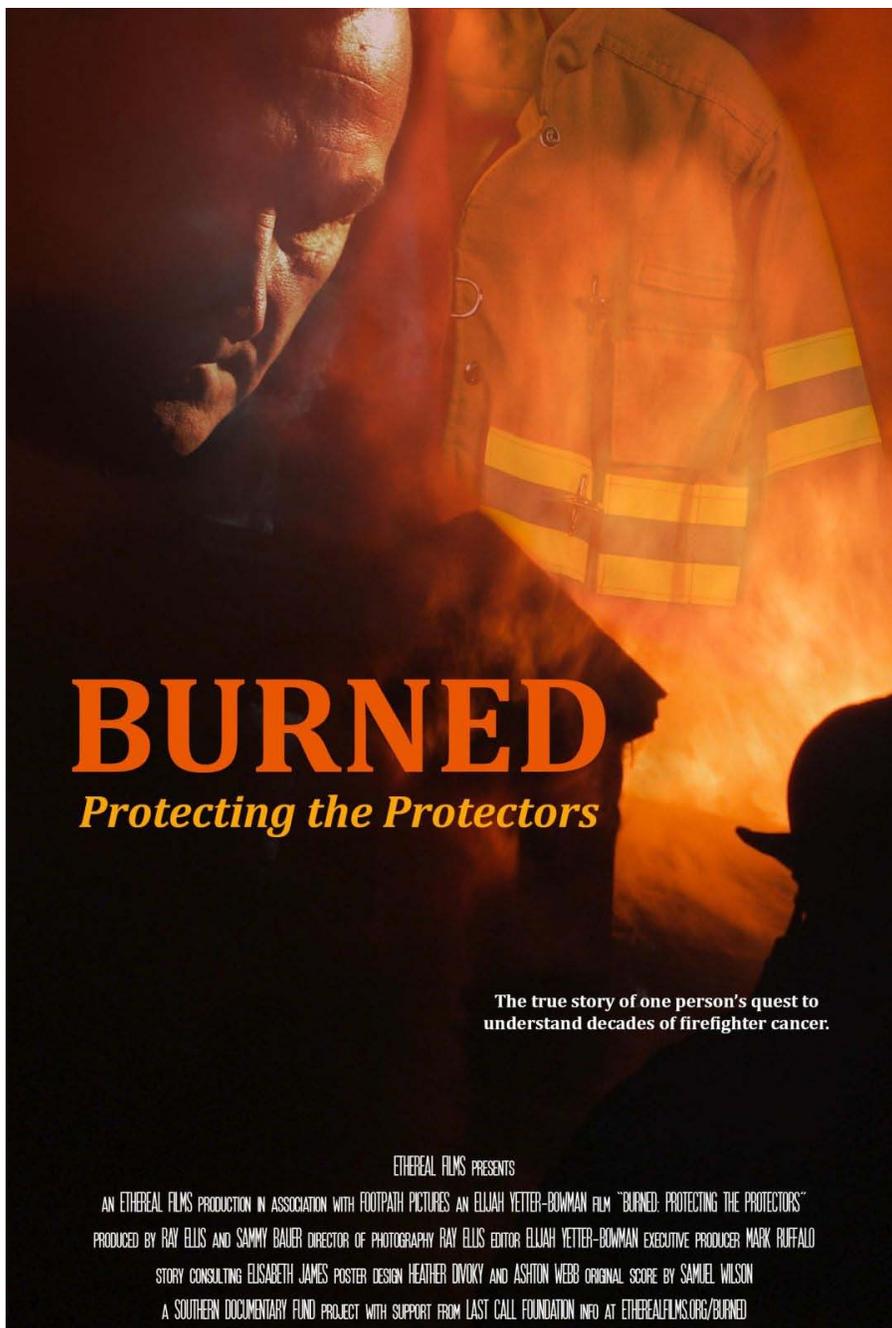
\$25 per person – includes lunch and visit/tour

\$35 per person – includes lunch, cocktails and visit/tour

Spots are limited and carpooling is encouraged. Please RSVP [HERE](#) by Sep 6 at 12:00 pm.

Rotary Project: PFAS Awareness

By Larry Sloan



BURNED

Protecting the Protectors

The true story of one person's quest to understand decades of firefighter cancer.

ETHEREAL FILMS PRESENTS

AN ETHEREAL FILMS PRODUCTION IN ASSOCIATION WITH FOOTPATH PICTURES: AN ELIJAH YETTER-BOWMAN FILM "BURNED: PROTECTING THE PROTECTORS"
PRODUCED BY RAY ELLIS AND SAMMY BAUER DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY RAY ELLIS EDITOR ELIJAH YETTER-BOWMAN EXECUTIVE PRODUCER MARK RUFFALO
STORY CONSULTING ELISABETH JAMES POSTER DESIGN HEATHER DIVOKY AND ASHTON WEBB ORIGINAL SCORE BY SAMUEL WILSON
A SOUTHERN DOCUMENTARY FUND PROJECT WITH SUPPORT FROM LAST CALL FOUNDATION INFO AT ETHEREALFILMS.ORG/BURNED

You are cordially invited to this FREE and OPEN TO THE PUBLIC documentary film screening at Louisville Speed Art Museum Cinema+ on SUNDAY, September 10 at 3:00 P.M. to see **BURNED: Protecting the Protectors - plus expert panelists and Q & A with attendees.**

This short film by Elijah Yetter – Bowman tells the story of how one woman's persistence reached top elected officials to uncover firefighters' turnout gear and toxic foam contains Forever Chemicals/PFAS. PFAS which have been linked to a plethora of firefighters dying of cancer; in fact, "occupational cancer is the #1 killer of firefighters".

Clean water, air, soil, food, are important to human health but virtually ALL of us have PFAS Chemicals in our bodies - but firefighters' well-being and lives are especially in peril.

The 30-minute film will be followed by a post-screening discussion with panelists at 3:30pm:



Elijah Yetter-Bowman
Ethereal Films Director
North Carolina



Brian O'Neill, Chief
Louisville
Fire Department



Dr. Graham Peaslee
Nuclear Chemist
Notre Dame



Dr. Banrida Wahlang
Toxicology
University of Louisville



Joe Baer, President
KY Professional
Fire Fighters



Teena Halbig
Moderator
V.P. UNA-USA KY Div.

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United Nations Association of the USA Kentucky Division
Rotary Club of Louisville
UofL Center for Healthy Air, Water & Soil
UofL Center for Integrative Environmental Health Sciences

****Co-Sponsors****

American Association of University Women Louisville Branch
Floyds Fork Environmental Association

Information: TeenaHal@aol.com or 502 267-6883, Teena Halbig, Vice President UNA-USA KY Div. www.unausa.org

This event is happening because organizations like our Club are dedicated to "PFAS Awareness" (per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances).

Watch the official trailer [HERE](#).

Rotary Day at Bernheim

By Tom Bohnert

Save the Date!

Rotary Day at Bernheim Arboretum and Research Forest is scheduled for Saturday, October 14, 2023, from 11:00am – 2:00pm. Rotary members and their families are welcome to come out early or stay later to play, hike, fish, or just sit quietly in nature's beauty.

We will gather at the Education Center Gallery for orientation, as a site to start optional tours and to eat lunch.



Cost is \$15 per carload at the gate plus cost for a catered lunch (TBD).

Rotarian Dr. Mark Wourms will present a summary of Bernheim activities during lunch. We may also be able to interact with one of Bernheim's Artists in Residence over lunch or in the field.

Bernheim will have a solar-powered cart that seats 5 guests, and a 10 passenger van as a back-up for another touring option, particularly for those who are mobility challenged.

Optional Tours Include:

- Walking tour to see Forest Giants in a Giant Forest (45-60 minutes)
- Walking tour of the platinum LEED Visitor Center, Edible Garden, and Playcosystem* (30 minutes)
- Driving tour of Bernheim's Art in Nature (30 minutes)

*Note the Playcosystem – an outdoor, natural play environment can be a multiple-hour destination for children on its own. Additionally, any of the above can be cart, van, or driving tours with minor modifications.

Most importantly, Bernheim provides something for every Rotarian and family member on their own or with Rotarian friends.

Events & Opportunities: The Big Table

By Delene Taylor

What: The Big Table

Date/Time: Sunday, September 10, 5:00-7:00pm

Location: Iroquois Park

Description: Magical things happen when we share a meal. We talk. We Connect. We heal. We build community. **The Big Table** is a giant outdoor potluck with ~2,000 people! Each family is asked to bring a dish to share with at least eight people - a recipe that reflects something about them, has a family story, or personal significance, along with a recipe card.

If you are interested in being a Table Host, you will welcome participants to your table and guide the

conversation that occurs with easy prompts provided by the Big Table Team. Here are [Table Host facilitation instructions](#). Volunteers are also needed to help set up / tear down.

More information and video/pics from prior event: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-big-table-join-a-community-of-dreamers-to-change-the-world-tickets-680703591767>

Member to contact: Delene Taylor, rotary@rotary45.org



Events & Opportunities: Gallopalooza

By Michelle Black White

What: Gallopalooza 2024 presented by Churchill Downs

Organization: Donations are tax-deductible and proceeds from Gallopalooza will support Brightside's clean and green activities that beautify and foster pride through volunteerism, planting efforts, sustainability, and education in Jefferson County, Kentucky.

Date/Location: In March 2024, all of the completed statues will come together for the public to view as a collection at the First Turn Club at Churchill Downs. The statues will then be moved to locations throughout the community from April through October 2024 for the public to enjoy.

Description:

Gallopalooza will build community pride; generate national attention for Louisville's celebration of the 150th running of the Kentucky Derby, area businesses, and the local arts community; and be fun! Artists will be compensated for their design work, providing a positive economic impact on our local art community. When the display period is over, sponsors will have the first right of refusal to purchase their statue for an additional donation. The remaining statues will be auctioned off in a live or online auction.

More information: www.gallopalooza.com

Member to contact: Michelle Black White, michelle@brightsidefoundation.com or 502-645-0575

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.

Rotary Honors Scholars Mentoring at Iroquois High School

By Craig Mooney

We have set the dates for the Rotary Honors Scholars mentoring program at Iroquois High School for the 2023-2024 school year.

Iroquois will begin the school day at 8:40am. We will work with the students during first period from 8:40am until 9:45am. The schedule is as follows:

- September 13th
- October 18th
- December 6th
- January 31st
- February 14th
- March 27th

** Thursday May 9th is the tentative date for the Rotary Honors Scholars Celebration luncheon.

Contact me at cmooney@bosseconstruction.com if you would like to participate.

Rotary Honors Scholars Mentoring at Western High School

By Craig Mooney

We have set the dates for the Rotary Honors Scholars mentoring program at Western High School for the 2023-2024 school year.

Western will begin the school day at 8:40am. We will work with the students during first period from 8:40am until 9:45am. The schedule is as follows:

- September 19th
- October 17th
- November 14th
- January 23rd
- February 27th
- March 19th

** Thursday May 9th is the tentative date for the Rotary Honors Scholars Celebration luncheon.

There will not be sessions at JCTC this school year.

Contact me at cmooney@bosseconstruction.com if you would like to participate.

Events

August 24th, 11:30-1:00 PM

[RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: AG Daniel Cameron](#)

Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208

Speaker: AG Daniel Cameron, Republican Gubernatorial Candidate

September 5th, 11:30-1:00 PM

August 31st, 11:30-1:00 PM

[RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Michael Andrews](#)

Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208

Speaker: Michael Andrews, Peace Corps Response Volunteer & Photographer

Subject: Resilience: The Heart of Ukraine

September 7th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Governor Andy Beshear

Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208

Speaker: Governor Andy Beshear

September 9th, 11:00-1:00 PM

Rotary Picnic with Ponies and Puppies

Location: Willow Hope Farm 4416 Todds Point Rd Simpsonville, KY 40067

Speaker: Rotary Picnic with Ponies and Puppies

September 14th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: TBD

Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208

Speaker: TBD

September 21st, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Maj. Gen. Donn Hill

Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208

Speaker: Maj. Gen Donn Hill, Commanding General, Security Force Assistance Command

September 28th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Raphaela Platow

Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208

Speaker: Raphaela Platow, Executive Director, Speed Art Museum

October 14th, 1:00-5:00 PM

Rotary Day at Bernheim

Location: Bernheim Arboretum & Research Forest 2075 Clermont Rd Clermont, KY 40110

October 18th, 8:40-9:45 AM

RHS Mentoring at Iroquois High School

October 25th, 5:00-7:30 PM

Re:Center Ministries Dinner

Location: 733 E Jefferson St Louisville, KY 40202

Speaker: Re:Center Ministries Dinner

November 2nd, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Dr. Kim Schatzel

Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208

Speaker: Dr. Kim Schatzel, UofL President

November 10th, 6:00-8:00 PM

Wine Swap Party

Location: Home of President Kevin Lynch 14713 Forest Creek Way Louisville, KY 40245

Speaker: Wine Swap Party

November 16th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Elaine Gravatte

Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208

NO ROTARY Meeting Today

September 13th, 8:40-9:45 AM

RHS Mentoring at Iroquois High School

September 19th, 8:40-9:45 AM

RHS Mentoring at Western High School

September 27th, 5:00-7:30 PM

Re:Center Ministries Dinner

Location: 733 E Jefferson St Louisville, KY 40202

Speaker: Re:Center Ministries Dinner

October 5th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Ryan Quarles

Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208

Speaker: Ryan Quarles, KY Commissioner of Agriculture

October 17th, 8:40-9:45 AM

RHS Mentoring at Western High School

October 23rd, 7:00

Rotary Large Club Conference: Baton Rouge, Oct 23-25

Location: Baton Rouge, LA

Speaker: Rotary Large Club Conference: Baton Rouge

Subject: Save the Dates

October 26th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Christy Brown

Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208

Speaker: Christy Brown

November 8th, 5:00-7:30 PM

Re:Center Ministries Dinner

Location: 733 E Jefferson St Louisville, KY 40202

Speaker: Re:Center Ministries Dinner

November 14th, 8:40-9:45 AM

RHS Mentoring at Western High School

December 6th, 8:40-9:45 AM

RHS Mentoring at Iroquois High School

Speaker: Elaine Gravatte, President, Sense Color | DDW

December 7th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCOL Weekly Club Meeting: Jamal Muashsher **Re:Center Ministries Dinner**

Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208

Speaker: Jamal Muashsher, President & CEO, Valvoline Global

December 13th, 5:00-7:30 PM

Location: 733 E Jefferson St Louisville, KY 40202

Speaker: Re:Center Ministries Dinner

December 14th, 6:00-10:00 PM

Rotary Holiday Celebration

Location: Big Spring Country Club 5901 Dutchmans Ln Louisville, KY 40205

Speaker: Rotary Holiday Celebration

Birthdays



Todd P. Royer
August 23rd



William C. Vail Jr
August 24th



Raymond G. Strothman
August 26th



Charles B. Mattingly
August 27th



Timothy Nicolazzi
August 27th



Irv Maze
August 27th



Janet Patterson
August 28th



Bryan Armstrong
August 28th



Craig Mooney
August 29th



Kathey Sanders
August 31st



Charles J. Lavelle
August 31st



William J. Rutledge
August 31st



Stanley W. Whetzel Jr.
September 2nd



Tyler Neal Thompson
September 5th

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