

Rotary Club of Louisville



Note from President Kevin & Meeting Recap

Once again, we had a great program last week, honoring veterans and listening to an inspirational talk by David Jones Jr. Click [Read More](#) below to see the full note and meeting recap I sent out earlier this week.

Elaine Gravatte with Givaudan Sense Colour shared her "Powerful Pebbles" yesterday; I will be covering more about that next week in my recap.

We have some excellent speakers in the lineup - please consider inviting a prospective Rotarian to attend with you.

Have a great weekend and I hope to see you on TUESDAY at the University Club!

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This Week's Meeting - Elaine Gravatte, President of Givaudan Sense Colour



Our meeting this week featured **Elaine Gravatte**, President of [Givaudan Sense Colour](#).

Her talk was titled "**Powerful Pebbles**" which she shared both literally and figuratively.

Watch for President Kevin's meeting recap next week, or you can watch the meeting recording on our [YouTube channel](#).

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

Next TUESDAY's Thanksgiving Lunch with the Kiwanis Club

We will host the annual Thanksgiving meal with the Kiwanis Club on **TUESDAY**, November 21st, at the University Club.



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

Our speaker will be **J. Bruce Miller** (you can view Rotarian Kirt Jacobs 2006 interview with him [HERE](#)).

His talk is titled: "*It's Time for Louisville to Wake up and Accept the Challenges to Become a Major League City*".

We will kick off the Red Kettle challenge, honor some of our members who have been Rotarians for 50 YEARS (!), and enjoy a delicious Thanksgiving meal and fellowship.

Below are some photos from last year's event.



Salvation Army Bell Ringers Needed

By George Brakmeier

We will be ringing the bell for the Salvation Army at the Holiday Manor Kroger on US Highway 42 again this year, competing with the Kiwanis Club to see who can collect the most. There will be 4 90-minute shifts each Saturday, and we need 4 people per shift. Sign up via the links below, or contact me at 502-552-2002.

December 2 - click [HERE](#)

December 9 - click [HERE](#)

December 16 - click [HERE](#)

If you can't take a shift but want to help us win the challenge, swing by one of these Saturdays between 9:00am-3:00pm, drop some coins, and cheer us on! Or, you can make a donation [HERE](#).



Rotary Holiday Party: December 14, Big Spring Country Club

From the Rotary Elf Elwe,

This year's holiday party will be at Big Spring Country Club on Dutchman's Lane. You and your guest(s) will enjoy a huge buffet, with a holiday cash bar. The program will include a word from President Kevin and lots of fun and games for prizes before live music to dance the night away. Wear your craziest holiday attire, as prizes will be given to the Best Dressed from the wise Elf of holiday fashion, Craig Winkleschoss!

Tickets are \$65 per person and advance registration is required:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RCLHolidayParty2023>

Rotary Holiday Party



Big Spring Country Club

5901 Dutchmans Lane

Thursday, December 14

Cash Bar 6:00 pm; Dinner 7:00 pm

\$65 per person

Attire: Holiday Festive

Gifts, prizes, dancing and lots of fun!

RSVP by December 10

admin@rotary45.org or 502-589-1800

Bring a Kid to Rotary Day: January 4

What do your kids, grandkids, nieces, nephews, mentees or other youth know about Rotary? Here is a chance to let them experience it first hand, in a fun and interesting way, while they are on winter break!

Thanks to an excellent response to our recent survey, our regular Thursday lunch meeting on January

4th will be held at the Kentucky Science Center. Save the date and stay tuned for more details and a registration link.

Save the Date: Cooking@Millie's on February 20

By Alisa Gray

Please join us on Tuesday, February 20 at 6:00 pm for date night or just an enjoyable evening with your Rotary friends.

Where: [Cooking@Millie's](#), 340 W Chestnut St

Menu: Bacon Wrapped Stuffed Zucchini, Bourbon Glazed Salmon, and Tiramisu; wine included

\$60 per person or \$120 per couple; RSVP deadline: Feb 10 (watch for registration link soon)

The event usually lasts 1.5 to 2 hours. Participants will be in a class setting with the inherent risks of a culinary setting. Any dietary restrictions will need to be discussed far in advance of the menu selection to see if we can accommodate any requests.

2023-2024 Rotary Award Nominations

By Karen Morrison

The Rotary **Service Above Self** award recognizes members of the Rotary Club of Louisville who have demonstrated recent significant service to the Club, going above and beyond, through excellent work on a project or committee service. The award is given periodically throughout the year. Please consider members who should be publicly thanked for their notable service on Club projects and submit recommendations. There is no timeline; applications are received throughout the year. You can email [nomination forms](#) to Awards & Recognition Chair Karen Morrison at Karen@gck.org or mail to 657 S Hurstbourne Pkwy, Ste D-226, Louisville, KY 40222.

The Rotary **Lifetime Service Award** award honors a member who has exhibited a personal dedication to the pursuit of Rotary's values in one or more of Rotary's avenues of service. It recognizes a Rotarian's full body of service both to Rotary and to other organizations in the community, region and beyond. Download the nomination form [HERE](#).

We will begin accepting nominations for the **Rotarian of the Year Award** as we get closer to the end of our Rotary year in June.

Click below for more info and a list of criteria for nominations.

[Read More](#)

Rotary 2024 Speech Contest

By Karen Morrison

Each year our club hosts a speech contest open to all Louisville area high school students (private, public, independent and home taught). The winner will advance to the sectional competition followed by a regional competition. Finalists from each region in the district will compete at the annual Rotary District 6710 Conference to be held here in Louisville on May 10-11, 2024.

This year's club contest will be held **Wednesday, March 6, 2024, 4:15pm at Gilda's Club Kentuckiana**, 2440 Grinstead Dr.

The contest offers students an opportunity to speak on a meaningful topic, to sharpen their speaking skills, and to gain recognition in addition to monetary rewards. By participating, they will learn about Rotary, our history, and our worldwide mission. Students will also have the potential of establishing a more meaningful relationship with members of our club.

Theme: *Create Hope in the World*

Length: 5-8 minutes

Delivery: Notes may be used at the first level, but memorization preferred, and no notes allowed at subsequent levels (use will result in significant deductions).

Prize Money: A total of **\$2,200 possible** for the student who wins District wide. (\$300, \$200, and \$100 at the club level for first, second, and third place winners). First place winners at each level proceed to sectionals, regionals, and finally district level. Prize money is increased at each level.

Deadline for submission of entry form: March 1, 2024

Click here for more info and to download an entry form:
<https://louisvillerotary.org/speech-contest/>

Please share [this flyer](#) with students in your circles.

Questions: Karen Morrison, Karen@gck.org

Western High School INTERACT Club

By Linda Bartrom-Moore

Rick Harned and I had a great meet up with Western High Interact, Advisor Mika Powell and her great crew of Interactors. They've completed a Blood Drive, red ribbon week, and are now collecting canned food for Thanksgiving. We are so blessed to mentor and work with these fine young folks. They loved their new sweats in school colors with our Rotary Interact symbol.



Re:Center Ministries Dinner: December 13

By Larry Sloan

Thanks to those who came out to serve a meal and spend time with the men at Re:Center Ministries last week!



Pictured: Huly Farr, Ginger Wallace, David Snyder, Larry Sloan, Kenya Wade

Please join us on **December 13th** to serve and have dinner with the men at Re:Center Ministries, 733 E. Jefferson Street. The Holiday Season is a tough time for many, including those with addictions. We set up the meal at 5:00 pm. Typically, I bring meat loaf, scalloped potatoes and steamed vegetables. Others supply the soft drinks, bread/rolls, salad and desserts of fruit pies. The men we serve are going through the LifeChange program recovering from addiction. Those of us who do this regularly always feel like we get more out of it than the effort we put into it. Our club has supported this program with funds and volunteers since 2015. We would love to see some new faces! Contact me at larry.sloan@yahoo.com or David Snyder at davids@ndhc.org for more information or to sign up.

Rotary Honors Scholars Mentoring

By Craig Mooney

Consider adding one or more of the dates below to your calendar to come out and help mentor our Rotary Honors Scholars. Connect with me at cmooney@bosseconstruction.com if you would like to participate...it's a lot of fun!

The schedule for Iroquois HS, 4615 Taylor Blvd, Louisville, KY 40215:

- **December 6**
- January 31
- February 14
- March 27

The schedule for Western HS, 2501 Rockford Ln, Shively, KY 40216

- January 23
- February 27

- March 19

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

Click [Read More](#) to see photos: [Read More](#)

Rotarian in the Spotlight: Steven and Liz Matly

Congratulations to **Steven and Liz Matly** for the write-up of their business expansion in Louisville Business First! They have added a new vehicle wrap facility that is 1,600 square feet. Click [HERE](#) to view the entire story or Read More below.



[Read More](#)

Rotarian in the Spotlight: Michael Mountjoy

Greater Louisville Inc. announced Tuesday it will recognize Rotarian **Michael Mountjoy** with its highest honor, the Gold Cup. The Gold Cup is awarded periodically to recognize extraordinary individuals who represent lifetime leadership in making the Louisville area a better place to live and work, according to a news release. Great work, Michael! Click [HERE](#) for the full story or Read More below.



[Read More](#)

Events & Opportunities: Parks Alliance of Louisville

By Alice Bridges

What: Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Alberta O. Jones Park

Organization: AOB Consulting and Parks Alliance of Louisville

Date/Time: Saturday, November 18, 2023 at 3:30 pm

Location: Alberta O. Jones Park, 744 A. 23rd Street, Louisville, KY 40211

Description:

Alberta O. Jones Park will officially open to the public with a ribbon-cutting ceremony marking the completion of phase one of Louisville's newest metro public park. The project has united California Neighborhood residents and community partners in transforming nearly seven city blocks of vacant property into a vibrant public greenspace. Under the leadership of the nonprofit Parks Alliance of Louisville and a community-driven planning process facilitated with support from Alice Bridges, residents chose everything from recreational amenities to naming the park after Alberta Jones—a pioneering Louisville attorney and civil rights champion.

GRAND OPENING

+ ribbon cutting



ALBERTA
O. JONES
PARK

744 S 23rd St, Louisville, KY 40211

NOV 18th | 3:30 PM



More information: Click Read More below; no registration required
Member to contact / email: Alice Bridges, aliceobridges@outlook.com

[Read More](#)

Events & Opportunities: Bridgehaven

By Jay Mallory

What: Bridgehaven Bridge Builder Annual Breakfast

Organization: Bridgehaven Mental Health Services

Date/Time: Wednesday, 11/29/23, 7:30 am- 9:00 am

Location: U of L Conference Center (Shelbyhurst Campus), 450 North Whittington Parkway

Description: Come out and have a hot breakfast, hear from some incredible speakers and support Bridgehaven. The proceeds from this event help this incredible organization continue to provide hope and recovery through innovative, comprehensive, community-based mental health services to adults living with mental illness.

More information: Contact member Jay Mallory at 502-419-7274 or jmallory@imagequest for more information and to register.

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.

Events

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

[RCoL Weekly Club Meeting with Kiwanis Club](#) [Happy Holidays - NO MEETING](#)

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

Speaker: J. Bruce Miller

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

[RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: LMPD Chief Jacquelyn Gwinn-Villaroel](#)

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

Speaker: LMPD Chief Jacquelyn Gwinn-Villaroel

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

[RHS Mentoring at Iroquois High School](#)

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

[RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Jamal Muashsher](#) [Bell Ringing Benefiting Salvation Army](#)

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

[Re:Center Ministries Dinner](#)

Location: 733 E Jefferson St Louisville, KY 40202

December 16th, 9:00-3:00 PM

[Bell Ringing Benefiting Salvation Army](#)

Location: Kroger on Holiday Manor (US42)

December 21st, 1:00-2:00 PM

[Service Projects & Grants Committee Meeting](#)

January 4th, 10:30-11:30 AM

[DEI Committee Meeting](#)

Location: University Club 200 E Brandeis Avenue

November 23rd, 11:30-1:00 PM

Speaker: N/A

December 2nd, 9:00-3:00 PM

[Bell Ringing Benefiting Salvation Army](#)

Location: Kroger on Holiday Manor (US42)

December 7th, 10:30-11:30 AM

[DEI Committee Meeting](#)

Location: University Club 200 E Brandeis Avenue

December 9th, 9:00-3:00 PM

[Bell Ringing Benefiting Salvation Army](#)

Location: Kroger on Holiday Manor (US42)

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

[Rotary Holiday Celebration at Big Spring Country Club](#)

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

Speaker: N/A

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

[Happy Holidays - NO MEETING](#)

Speaker: N/A

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

[Happy Holidays - NO MEETING](#)

Speaker: N/A

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

[RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: "Bring a Kid to Rotary" Day](#)

Location: Kentucky Science Center 727 W Main St Louisville, KY 40202

Speaker: Kentucky Science Center

January 11th, 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, Speed Art Museum

January 18th, 1:00-2:00 PM
Service Projects & Grants Committee Meeting

January 25th, 11:30-1:00 PM
RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Shelly Zegart
Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208
Speaker: Shelly Zegart, Kentucky to the World

February 1st, 10:30-11:30 AM
DEI Committee Meeting
Location: University Club 200 E Brandeis Avenue

February 8th, 11:30-1:00 PM
RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Dr. Debbie Ford
Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208
Speaker: Dr. Debbie Ford, Chancellor, IU Southeast

February 15th, 11:30-1:00 PM
RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Cleo Battle
Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208
Speaker: Cleo Battle, Louisville Tourism

February 20th, 6:00-8:00 PM
Rotary Date Night: Cooking @ Millie's
Location: 340 W Chestnut St Louisville, KY

January 18th, 11:30-1:00 PM
RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Alan Lenahan
Location: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208
Speaker: Alan Lenahan, CEO of Fund Evaluation Group

January 23rd, 8:40-9:45 AM
RHS Mentoring at Western High School

January 31st, 8:40-9:45 AM
RHS Mentoring at Iroquois High School

February 1st, 11:30-1:00 PM
Mayor's State of the City Address
Location: Metro Employee Wellness Center 400 S 1st Street
Speaker: Mayor Craig Greenberg
Subject: Annual State of the City Address

February 14th, 8:40-9:45 AM
RHS Mentoring at Iroquois High School

February 15th, 1:00-2:00 PM
Service Projects & Grants Committee Meeting

Birthdays



Vincent Cameron
November 18th



Glenn Metten
November 18th



Mackenzie White
November 19th



Mary Anne Thornton
November 20th



William J. Receveur III
November 22nd



Charles W. Brockwell Jr.
November 24th



Walt L. Kunau
November 24th



Kent Weyland
November 25th



Rick W. Smith Sr.
November 27th



Jay Mallory
November 29th

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