

SPARKS



Next Meeting: Thursday, June 21, 2012

Rotary Promise Scholarship Program

Mayor Greg Fischer & Other Special Guests

Buffet Opens: 11:30 am / Meeting Begins: 12:15 pm

Galt House West, 3rd Floor, Archibald Room



Greg Fischer
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Please join Mayor Greg Fischer, JCTCS President Tony Newberry, JCPS Superintendent, Donna Hargens and Western High School Principal David Mike for the dedication/presentation of our first \$1 million Louisville Rotary Promise Scholarship gift!

'Celebrating 100 Years of Service'



July 21, 2012

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There are multiple reasons to join Rotary and among them are *community service, networking, leadership skills, international service, building friendships*, etc.... Following are share benefits of being in Rotary:

"Every Rotary Club in the world, no matter how big or small, has one thing in common: friendship. And it's from this base of friendship that we serve our community." - Kemal Attila, Turkey.

"I've become much more internationally focused, and understand that there's so much more I can do as part of a bigger whole than I could ever do on my own." - Toni McAndrew, Pennsylvania

"A week doesn't go by that I don't learn something new from the speaker at our club, or just from working on projects with people. It's an opportunity to grow indefinitely." - Stephen Brown, California

NEW MEMBER PROCESS

AS OF JUNE 1, 2012

Check out the details on page 3.

Birthday Table

Dick Groff	June 21
Jerry Cantrell	June 22
Ro Byrd	June 23
Todd Warren	June 23
Garry Cronin	June 27
Chester Diamond	June 27
Doug McCall	June 27
Rick Merritt	June 27

**Please sit at the Birthday
table on June 21!**



PROGRAM SCHEDULE**June 28** — Changing of the Guard**July 5** — Senator Mitch McConnell**July 12** — Ted Smith, City of Louisville Economic Development Director**July 19** — Ray Klinginsmith, Rotary International President, *100th Anniversary Rotary Club of Louisville Celebration***July 26** — Dr. Susan Harkema, Rehabilitation Research Director, KY Spinal Cord Injury Research Center, *Locomotor Training: Helping Patients Walk Away from Paralysis***August 9** — Tom Jurich (*Tentative*) - **MEETING LOCATION: CROWNE PLAZA****August 23** — Tom Owen, U of L Professor / Historian, Metro Council Member, *What Was Louisville Like 100 Years Ago?***August 30** — LaQuandra S. Nesbitt, M.D., MPH, Director of Louisville Metro Public Health & Wellness**CLUB EVENTS****June 20** — Rotary Day at the BATS (*Game begins at 11:45 am*) Free tickets / access to two suites.**July 21** — Rotary Club of Louisville's Centennial Event, 'Celebrating 100 Years of Service'. Purchase tickets online at www.louisvillerotary.org. Open to public! *Live entertainment / heavy hors d'oeuvres / dancing on the rooftop / many surprises! Bring prospective members and invite your friends, family and colleagues. You won't want to miss this event!! Purchased tickets may be picked up at the registration table on Thursdays.**Remember! Proceeds from this event go to the Rotary Promise Scholarship fund.***August 21** — Rotary Golf Championship, Hurstbourne Country Club at 1:00 PM. Cost of \$65 includes greens fee and cart. For reservations, send \$65 to Rotary office.

Rick Harned exchanged banners with the Rotary Club President of Montevideo, Sr. Carlos Pache, in Uruguay. Rick will be there until November.

Only a few short weeks until the
Centennial Celebration!
100 Years of Service Above Self
July 21, 2012

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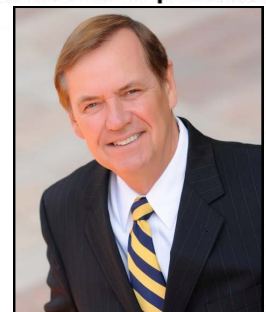
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Rotary Meeting - June 14, 2012

The June 14th meeting of the Downtown Rotary Club was a fitting preamble to Fathers Day and to a winning second half of the baseball season for the Louisville Bats. President Stet opened the meeting with the introduction of Gordon Ragan whose Invocation was a prayer built entirely around baseball themes and images. David Hinton then led an animated rendition of "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" after the Pledge of Allegiance. Introduction of guests recognized, among others, the long distance Rotarian from Brazil, and Jessica Murphy, a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar who had studied in Montevideo, Uruguay.

Two birthday-ites were appropriately serenaded. Two names were chosen as winners— Phil Scherer and Norman Berry — in the drawings for the first pitch at the Louisville BATS game this week, and a \$100 gift certificate for dinner at The Rivue restaurant. Greg Braun donned a party hat to remind everyone of the upcoming 'Party of the Century', the Club's Centennial Celebration which will be held next month. Exciting plans have been made for the event, and it will be a great opportunity to invite prospective members to attend. All were encouraged to purchase tickets and make plans to celebrate *100 Years of Service Above Self* at the Ice House on Saturday, July 21.

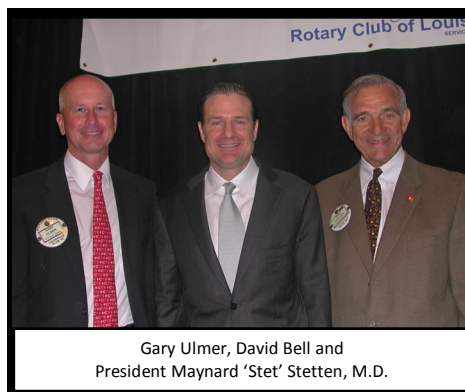


John Hodgkin and his wife, Linda, with President Stetten.

Gordon Ragan then returned to the podium to proudly introduce his son, Steven, as a new member of the club. The Paul Harris Fellows then all rose for the presentation of a couple, as John Hodgkin and his wife, Linda, were welcomed as Paul Harris Fellows.

Gary Ulmer, President of the Louisville Baseball Club, Inc., was called to the podium to introduce the guest speaker, David Bell, Manager of the Triple-A Louisville BATS. This handsome young athlete talked about his own career in baseball in terms of the influence of both his grandfather and his father who had been Big League players before him. "I always wanted to play in the Big League," he began. And, indeed, he did play (5 years in Minor League baseball and 12 years in Major, including three World Series). The wisdom and support of his grandfather who gave him advice along the way was a major encouragement to his career. "Don't worry about the game; let it happen." And his father's words, "Think about the ball," coming from a player-turned-coach, were also formative in his career. He spoke about baseball as very much a team sport, but emphasized that it was the scoreboard that really mattered. He ended his talk with comments about Slugger Field, "the finest facility in the country," and confidently predicted that the 2nd half of the Louisville Bats 2012 Season was going to be a good one. He handled questions well and ended by emphasizing the importance of the Integrity of baseball today, despite problems in the past.

- David Reed



Gary Ulmer, David Bell and President Maynard 'Stet' Stetten, M.D.

ROTARY DAY at the BATS



JUNE 20

(Wednesday)

Game begins at 11:45 am

TICKETS ARE GONE!

Special thanks to Joey Bailey for getting this organized.
We look forward to a great time at the ballgame!

2012 Rotary Club Golf Championship



August 21, 2012

Hurstbourne Country Club

1:00 PM

Cost: \$65.00

Cost includes greens fee & cart.

For reservations, send your \$65 payment to the office.



HURSTBOURNE
COUNTRY CLUB



NEW MEMBER PROCESS



Anyone considering RCL membership is invited to attend an informational session, the first step of the new-member process. These sessions are held on the FIRST THURSDAY of each month in the Rotary office conference room at 401 West Main Street, Suite 810, at 11:00 AM.

Prospective members will be given Membership Proposal forms at the session.

If you know anyone interested in membership, contact the office with their name/email/phone info, and we will invite the prospective member to the next session.

Thank you!



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