

Rotary Club of Louisville



Note from Delene | In This Issue

Rotary Family,

Remember that we will NOT be at the University Club on Thursday. If you missed registering for the State of the City Address, you can watch it on Louisville [MetroTV](#) or [Facebook](#).

As a reminder: when you introduce guests at a meeting, please state your name first, then the name, current role, and organization ONLY for your guest(s). When asking a question of the speaker, please follow the guidelines on the screen. If you have multiple questions, you can always recruit your neighbor to ask one. If you have a story to share with the speaker, consider doing so after the bell has rung. Our goal is to end promptly at 1:00 pm.

Service Above Self Opportunities (scroll to stories below):

- Mentor Rotary Honors Scholars at WHS and IHS: January 28, February 12 & 25 (monthly)
- Pack supplies with new members at SOS: February 12
- Serve dinner at Re:Center Ministries: February 26 (4th Wednesday of each month)
- Assist with Rotary Speech Contest: March 5
- Donate blood or volunteer at Interact (March 5 & 12) and Rotaract (March 19) blood drives

Committee Meetings:

- Public Image: 2/3 at TBD (virtual)
- DEI: 2/6 at 10:30 a.m.

[Visit our website](#) to read about Rotarians in the Spotlight and member organizations' Events and Opportunities.

Rotarians in the Spotlight:

- Lori Hudson Flanery
- Dr. Mark Wourms
- Whitney Austin & Dr. Swannie Jett

Events and Opportunities:

- Memorial Reception for Barry Barker: January 25
- OSHN Neighborhood Networking Connection: January 30
- UClub My Funny Valentine Dinner: February 14
- 2025 State of Downtown: March 27

In service,



DeLene E Taylor

Executive Director

Mayor Greenberg's Annual State of the City Address to Rotary

Our January 30th meeting will be at The Kentucky Center for the Performing Arts, where we will welcome Mayor Greenberg for his annual **State of the City Address** to Rotary. Lunch will begin at 11:00 am in the lobby; the program will begin at 11:45 am in the Bomhard Theatre.

This event is **SOLD OUT**; if you wish to be added to the waiting list, email admin@louisvillerotary.org.

Our Music & Arts Committee has arranged special performances to kick off the program:

A Magical Overture of the Arts will feature Kentucky Opera's Brennan Blankenship and Pianist Eileen Downey who will perform the aria "I Want Magic" from the opera *A Streetcar Named Desire*. Louisville Ballet's Sarah Bradley and Khalil Jackson will perform excerpts from *Le Corsaire Pas de Deux*, accompanied by the Louisville Orchestra's Teddy Abrams on the piano.



February 6th Meeting: Jake Cannon, The Kroger Co.

The February 6th meeting at the University Club will feature **Jake Cannon**, President of The Kroger Co., Louisville Division.

"*Grocery Retail Evolution: Navigating the Future of Food Commerce*"

The buffet opens at 11:30am and the program begins at noon. The menu is Chicken Piccata with Roasted Broccolini and Mashed Potatoes; a salad with grilled chicken or a vegetarian/vegan and/or gluten-free option is available upon advance request.

Please register by Monday, February 3rd [HERE](#).

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 cash, check or scan the QR code at check-in to pay with a credit card.

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

Rotary Honors Scholars Mentoring: January 28, February 12 & 25

By Craig Mooney

Join us for our next Rotary Honors Scholars mentoring sessions at Iroquois High School and/or Western High School.



Thank you to all who are investing time in the success of these young people! Click Read More below to see upcoming dates; mark your calendar and plan to join us! Contact me for more information or to sign up: cmooney@bosseconstruction.com

[Read More](#)

New Member Service Project at SOS: February 12

By Jay Mallory

Our next new member service project at SOS, 1500 Arlington Avenue will be Wednesday, February 12th, from 5:30-7:30pm. For those of you that have attended, feel free to come back. For those of you that have not made it, I hope you are able to, as this is a fantastic opportunity to give back and meet some of your fellow Rotarians. Come ready to have some fun, pack medical supplies, and you might even shed a tear when you learn about how this fantastic organization is changing people's lives.



[Read More](#)

Re:Center Ministries Meal Service: February 26

By Larry T. Sloan

Our next [Re:Center Ministries](#) meal service will be Wednesday, February 26th at 5:30 p.m. at 757 S Brook St.

Thanks to President-Elect **Ken Selvaggi** who served recently along with **Hulyn Farr**, **David Snyder** and **Craig Scherman**!



[Read More](#)

2025 Rotary 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 in Hopkinsville, KY on May 16-17, 2025.

This year's Club contest will be held on Wednesday, **March 5, 2025, 4:15pm at Gilda's Club Kentuckiana**, 2440 Grinstead Drive.

Click here for more info and to download an entry form:

<https://louisvillerotary.org/speech-contest/>

We need your help to spread the word; please share [this flyer](#) with students and teachers in your circles.

[Read More](#)

Rotary Wine Swap Party: March 14

By Jeffrey A. Underhill

Grab a couple of bottles of wine and join us on Friday, March 14th, for our next Rotary Wine Swap Party. Register [HERE](#).

Wine Swap Party

March 14, 6:00 pm

Home of Jeff & Mo Underhill
3185 Lexington Rd
Louisville, KY 40206

\$15 per person (limit 40)
Heavy Hors d'oeuvres
Cocktail/casual attire

Bring 2 identical bottles of wine per couple (value ~\$20), one for sampling and one for someone to take home.



*Hosted by the Social
Activities Committee*

First Annual Louisville Rotaract Club Blood Drive: March 19

By Linda Bartrom-Moore

January 13th was the first in-person meeting of our Louisville Rotaract Club. We discussed the clothing drive and continued to finalize our rules as an addendum to our constitution. March 19th will be our first annual Rotaract blood drive. If you plan that far ahead, please add it to your calendar. We would love to have you come over to campus to donate! You can sign up [HERE](#) (use Sponsor Code "UofLRotaract" if prompted).

Note: you can also sign up for our Interact Club spring blood drives - click [HERE](#).

Shout out to Dr. Green and Renecia Davis of U of L, who have done so much to support our club and, of course, to Rick Harned, whose guidance for me on all things "Rotary" is much appreciated.

[Read More](#)

Rotary Day at the Downs: April 30

Join us for **Rotary Day at the Downs** for Champions Day on Wednesday, April 30. We have reserved

the [Silks Balcony and Loge](#) with an elevated view of the Paddock in a covered open-air setting, and easy access to a dedicated race viewing location in the 3rd floor Clubhouse in Section 320.

Tickets are \$149 per person and include admission, racing program, 4-hour Chef's Table Buffet, coffee, tea and soft drinks, and a 4-hour OPEN BAR. Click [HERE](#) to register.



[Read More](#)

Nominate a Member for the Rotary Lifetime Service Award

By Karen Morrison

The Rotary **Lifetime Service 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. This award is presented annually to a Rotarian who: has been a member for at least 10 years and has demonstrated a lifelong adherence to Rotary's Service Above Self ideals.

Last year's recipient was **Dr. Linda Bartrom-Moore**.

Download the nomination form [HERE](#).

Note: 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.



Speaker Lineup

We have an exciting lineup of speakers - please mark your calendars and invite prospective Rotarians!

2/13 Conrad Daniels, HJI Supply Chain Solutions
2/20 Jennifer Hancock, Volunteers of America
2/27 Dawne Gee, WAVE Anchor, A Recipe to End Hunger Co-founder
3/6 Chris Enright & Robby Packard, PNC Private Bank
3/13 Chief Paul Humphrey, LMPD
3/20 Unsung Heroes Celebration Luncheon at Savor at River House

Events & Opportunities: OSHN Neighborhood Networking Connection

What: Neighborhood Networking Connection

Organization: Office for Safe and Health Neighborhoods (OSHN)

Date/Time: Thursday, January 30, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Location: Molly Leonard Portland Community Center, 640 N 27th St

Description: Join OSHN for an essential discussion on youth, gun violence prevention and community initiatives. Learn about Louisville's Comprehensive Violence Prevention Plan and how organizations in the Portland Neighborhood are playing their role in violence prevention.



Neighborhood Networking Connection

January 30th
6 pm to 7:30 pm

This event is an essential discussion on youth, gun violence prevention and community initiatives. Please register and get updated on what is being done to create a safer, and even more supportive community. Louisville's holistic approach involves education, mental health, and community engagement. Please join this discussion for creating more resilient neighborhoods for everyone.



PORTLAND NEIGHBORHOOD

 Molly Leonard Portland Community Center
640 North 27th Street,
Louisville, KY 40212



SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER



or email reimagine@louisvilleky.gov

More information: click [HERE](#)

Member to contact: Fred Cowan or Thom Crimans

Events & Opportunities: My Funny Valentine Dinner

What: My Funny Valentine Dinner

Organization: University Club Louisville

Date/Time: Friday, February 14, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Location: 200 E. Brandeis Avenue

Description: Join us for a four-course dinner (click Read More) and show with comedian Pete Wolyneec.

Celebrate Love with Humor This Valentine's Day!

**The University Club of Louisville
My Funny Valentine Dinner
Featuring comedian Pete Wolyneec**

Pete Wolyneec has performed at Comedy Clubs all over the US and was named the World Series of Comedy Main Event Top Finalist in 2024

**14TH FEBRUARY, 2025
6:30 P.M.**

DINNER INCLUDES A FOUR COURSE MEAL FOR \$47.95 PER PERSON (INCLUSIVE)
U CLUB MEMBERS RECEIVE A 15% DISCOUNT

RSVP ON-LINE VIA THE QR CODE:
OR CALL 852-6996 TO MAKE RESERVATIONS
RESERVATION DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 11

More information/tickets: <https://www.ticketleap.events/tickets/uclublouisville/my-funny-valentine>

[Read More](#)

Events & Opportunities: 2025 State of Downtown

2025 STATE OF THE DOWNTOWN

DOUBLING DOWN ON DOWNTOWN

March 27, 2025
11:30AM - 1:30PM
Louisville Marriott Downtown,
Kentucky Ballroom

What: 2025 State of the Downtown
Organization: Louisville Downtown Partnership
Date/Time: March 27, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Location: Louisville Marriott Downtown

Description: This event brings together community members, civic leaders, business partners, and Downtown stakeholders for an insightful look at the future of Downtown Louisville. Guest speaker Steve Leeper, President & CEO of Cincinnati Center City Development Corp (3CDC), will share learnings of the redevelopment of Cincinnati's downtown and Over-the-Rhine neighborhoods, and we will hear 2024 successes and economic impact and updates on the 2024 Downtown Strategy.

For more information or tickets, click [HERE](#).

Events

January 28th, 8:30-9:30 AM

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

RHS Mentoring at Western High School

Comment: Western High School 2501 Rockford Ln Louisville, KY 40216

February 6th, 10:30-11:30 AM

DEI Committee Meeting

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

February 12th, 8:45-9:45 AM

RHS Mentoring at Iroquois High School

Comment: Iroquois High School 4615 Taylor Blvd Louisville, KY 40215

February 13th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Condrad Daniels

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

Speaker: Condrad Daniels, President, HJI Supply Chain Solutions

February 25th, 8:30

RHS Mentoring at Western High School

Comment: Western High School 2501 Rockford Ln Louisville, KY 40216

February 27th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Dawne Gee

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

Speaker: Dawne Gee, WAVE Anchor, A Recipe to End Hunger Co-founder

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DEI Committee Meeting

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

March 12th, 9:00-2:00 PM

INTERACT Blood Drive

Comment: Iroquois High School Gym 4615 Taylor Blvd Louisville, KY 40215

March 14th, 6:00-8:00 PM

Wine Swap Party

Comment: Home of Jeff Underhill 3185 Lexington Rd Louisville, KY 40206

March 19th, 9:00-2:00 PM

ROTARACT Blood Drive

Comment: UofL College of Business Drummond Center (Room 344) 110 W Brandeis

March 25th, 8:30-9:30 AM

RHS Mentoring at Western High School

Comment: Western High School 2501 Rockford Ln Louisville, KY 40216

Mayor's State of the City Address (at KCA)

Comment: The Kentucky Center for the Performing Arts 501 W Main St Louisville, KY 40202

Speaker: Mayor Craig Greenberg

February 6th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Jake Cannon

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

Speaker: Jake Cannon, President, Kroger - Louisville Division

February 12th, 5:30-7:30 PM

New Member Service Project at SOS

Comment: SOS 1500 Arlington Ave Louisville, KY 40206

February 20th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Jennifer Hancock

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

Speaker: Jennifer Hancock, Volunteers of America

February 26th, 5:30-6:30 PM

Re:Center Ministries Dinner

Comment: Re:Center Ministries 757 S Brook St Louisville, KY 40203

March 5th, 9:00-2:00 PM

INTERACT Blood Drive

Comment: Western High School 2501 Rockford Ln Louisville, KY 40216

March 6th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Chris Enright & Robby Packard

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

Speaker: Chris Enright & Robby Packard, PNC Private Bank

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March 20th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Unsung Heroes Luncheon (at Savor)

Comment: Savor at River House 3015 River Road

Speaker: Rotary Unsung Heroes Celebration

March 26th, 5:30-6:30 PM

Re:Center Ministries Dinner

Comment: Re:Center Ministries 757 S Brook St Louisville, KY 40203

Birthdays



Sandra Dodge
January 27th



Amalia Gamez Guerra
January 27th



William Andrew Holden
January 28th



Kevin J McCarron
January 28th



Larry T. Sloan
January 28th



Carlos Hernandez Ocampo
January 28th



Barbara N. Lankford
January 30th



Byron Riggs Lewis
January 31st



Sharon LaRue
February 2nd



Barbara Lynne Jamison
February 5th



Henry H. Kuehn
February 5th



Aaron Jordan
February 6th

Michael B. Mountjoy
CPA
February 6th

Jon Salomon
February 8th

John F. Cunningham
February 10th

Richard D. King
February 10th



Alice K Alt
February 13th



Kenya Wade
February 13th



John R. Gregory
February 13th



Club Leaders



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Ken Selvaggi
President -Elect



Barbara Sexton Smith
President -Nominee



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Christen Boone
Club Director



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Club Director



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Club Director



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