

Rotary Club of Louisville



Note from Delene

Rotary family,

As much as I hope you will take time to scroll down and read all of the important content we worked hard to gather and create for this newsletter, I realize not everyone is able to when it shows up in your inbox. So, here are some highlights from this issue:

This week's meeting: [Read Dave Christopher's bio](#)

Next week's meeting: [RSVP for Dr. Paula Grisanti's presentation](#)

[RSVP here](#) for the August 13 new member service project at SOS

[RSVP here](#) for the August 20 Rotary Business Synergy networking event at the Kentucky Humane Society (invite a guest)

Click [HERE](#) to see the exciting lineup of speakers already booked through the end of the year; mark your calendars and invite guests.



Service Opportunities

- [Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Camp](#)
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Rotarians in the Spotlight

- [Courtney Evans: Louisville Business First Forty Under 40](#)
- [Cynthia Knappek: Article in Forbes, "Bridging Divides: The Role Of Community Programs In Connecting Leaders"](#)
- [Mackenzie White: Graduated from Leadership Louisville's Alice Houston Women's Leadership Program](#)

Be sure to RSVP early to these events and keep sending information about Rotarians in the Spotlight and snap a pic if you're at an event with Rotarians "In The Wild."

In service,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Delene E. Taylor".

Executive Director

This Week's Meeting: Dave Christopher, AMPED



The August 1 meeting at the University Club will feature **Dave Christopher**, President & Founder of [AMPED](#).

"The State of Us"

Our community's current state of affairs, including the need for unity and collaboration for our collective and common good. Where we are, where we're going, what things we've done well and where we still need to go.

The RSVP deadline has passed; email admin@louisvillerotary.org if you wish 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 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](#)

Next Week's Meeting: Dr. Paula Grisanti, National Stem Cell Foundation



The August 8 meeting at the University Club will feature **Dr. Paula Grisanti**, CEO of [National Stem Cell Foundation](#).

"Space Research, STEM Education, and Co-pays"

From first-in-kind research on the International Space Station to the prestigious National STEM Scholar Program and providing access to clinical trials for rare diseases, the National Stem Cell Foundation is changing lives and futures.

The menu is schnitzel with cabbage and potatoes; a salad with grilled chicken or a vegetarian/vegan and/or gluten-free option is available upon advance request.

RSVP by NOON on Monday, August 5 [HERE](#).

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

Speaker Lineup

Beyond mid-August, we have an exciting lineup of speakers. Please mark your calendars and invite prospective Rotarians to join us!

8/15 Tiffany Benjamin, CEO, Humana Foundation
8/22 Pat Mulloy, Deputy Mayor for Economic Development
8/29 Dr. Kim Schatzel, UofL President

See more upcoming speakers [HERE](#).

New Member Service Project at SOS: August 13

By Jay Mallory

Join us on Tuesday, August 13, from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. at [SOS](#) for our new member service project. All are welcome - this is an excellent opportunity to serve alongside and get acquainted with some of our newer members. We will sort and pack supplies to be redistributed to those in need.

SOS meets critical health care needs in medically impoverished communities in 106 countries around the world by collecting and distributing surplus medical supplies and equipment. Partnering with hospitals, clinics, and manufacturers to recover and redistribute what would otherwise go into local landfills, SOS promotes environmental stewardship.

Please RSVP [HERE](#).

Rotary Business Synergy Networking Event: August 20

By Jay Mallory



Rotarian **Alisa Gray** is hosting our next Business Synergy event on August 20 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. at the Kentucky Humane Society East Campus, 1000 Lyndon Ln. This informal networking event will include bites, beverages and furry friends!

Register for this free Business Synergy event [HERE](#) and invite a friend or two.

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Camp: September 26-29

RYLA is an opportunity for high school sophomores to step-up & stand-out! Rotary offers both local & international service opportunities. Join us at RYLA and see how YOU can make the difference!

EVENT DETAILS
Sept. 26th - Sept. 29th

- Student Leadership Challenge
- Myers-Briggs Personality Assessment
- Speech Contest
- Scholarship Opportunities
- Award Opportunities
- Leadership Team Building
- Service Project Fellowship
- Starting an Interact Club
- Rotary Opportunities

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Do you know a high school sophomore who needs a confidence boost, to be challenged to rise to their full potential and change lives along the way?

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Camp may be just what they need. It's Sept. 26 - 29 in Greenville, Ky., and applications are open.

Learn more about RYLA and apply [HERE](#) or click Read More.

Check out these recent videos:

[2023 RYLA](#)

[2022 RYLA](#)

When: September 26 -29

Where: [Wendell H. Ford Regional Training Center](#), 4675 KY-181 N, Greenville, KY 42345

Cost: \$300; email director@louisvillerotary.org for sponsorship information

[Read More](#)

Welcoming a New Refugee Family

By Mary Ellen Harned



Our Rotary Club welcomed a new family to the United States this month! We are co-sponsoring a Syrian family of 8 who has been living in Lebanon while waiting to be resettled. The HAJ ALI family, headed by the mother, includes two young adult children and five school-age children.

Our team has assembled most of the furnishings, but we ask for your support in the form of gift cards to Walmart or Kroger for groceries and consumables (such as toiletries, etc.).

PLEASE BRING GIFT CARDS AN UPCOMING MEETING.

Contact Team Leader **Mary Ellen Harned** with questions: harneds@twc.com

Honor Flight Bluegrass Mail Call Request



It is that time again when [Honor Flight Bluegrass](#) needs your help. There will be 80+ veterans flying to DC September 24th. "Mail call" is always a time of great joy when the vets receive all the cards and letters. Let's put the pen to paper and get the cards and letters to HFB by September 20th:

6215 Bay Pine Drive
Louisville KY 40219

Honor Flight Bluegrass is flying WWII, Korean War, and Vietnam War Veterans to Washington DC to see their Memorials September 24. Just like back in the day when they were serving, Mail Call was a highlight, so we want them to experience it again.

Please take a moment to share your gratitude with a letter or a simple thank you card to these honored veterans.



Ask your friends to help...
THE MORE THE BETTER

Address them to:
Honor Flight Bluegrass Mail Call
6215 Bay Pine Drive Louisville, KY 40219
**MUST BE RECEIVED
NO LATER THAN Friday, September 20th**



Rotary in the Spotlight

Our Club received a **Volunteers Doing the Most Good Group Bell Ringer Award**. For more than 35 years, Rotarians have been counted on to sign up for a shift to bell ring, put on an apron that says I AM A ROTARY BELL RINGER and ring the bells at a Kroger location.

This past year, Rotary Club of Louisville volunteers covered shifts for three Saturdays and raised more than \$8,500. In the "Battle of the Bells" between Rotary and Kiwanis, the La Grange Rotarians raised more than \$13,000, and the Kiwanis Club once again won the battle, raising a total of \$14,322.



Rotarian in the Spotlight: Mackenzie White



Congratulations to Rotarian **Mackenzie White** on graduating from the Alice Houston Women's Leadership Program with Leadership Louisville.

Mackenzie wrote: "What an incredible experience for leadership and skills development alongside so many amazing women in this community. Forever grateful for the connections I made over the past 6 months, and thankful for an employer like PNC who believes in the importance of professional development for their employees."

Rotarian in the Spotlight: Courtney Evans



Congratulations to Rotarian **Courtney Evans** on being selected to the 2024 Louisville Business First Forty Under 40 class.

Courtney is Director of Advancement for Jewish Family & Career Services.

Business First's Forty Under 40 list introduces readers to local professionals under the age of 40 growing and flourishing in their careers and contributing to our community. Read more [here](#).

Rotarian in the Spotlight: Cynthia Knapek



Check out Rotarian **Cynthia Knapek**'s latest article in Forbes entitled, "*Bridging Divides: The Role Of Community Programs In Connecting Leaders.*" In it, she discusses how community leadership programs promote unity, understanding and collaboration at the grassroots level. Read the article [here](#).

Rotarians in the Spotlight: Leadership Louisville



Congratulations to Rotarians **Eric Gurevich** and **Anne Monell** on being selected to the Leadership Louisville Class of 2025. They will spend ten months immersed in an experiential learning program, diving into our community's history, assets, and challenges, emerging ready to create positive change alongside a network of fellow community influencers and decision-makers.

[Read more.](#)

Events & Opportunities: Kosair for Kids

by Barry Dunn

SUPPORT OVER SILENCE FOR KIDS  

Have you ever seen a caregiver or a child struggling in public and didn't know what to do?

We can help.

"I feel much more confident supporting parents and kids when they're stressed. I love how this program is based on neuroscience and focuses on empathy."

retail worker

BUSINESSES - to learn more, please join us:
Monday, August 5th
1:00 - 2:30pm
Kosair for Kids
982 Eastern Pkwy,
Louisville, KY 40217

Reserve your spot now - space is limited

bit.ly/SOSProfessional

SupportOverSilence.com

What: Support Over Silence

Organization: Kosair For Kids

Date/Time: Monday, August 5, 1 - 2:30 p.m.

Location: 982 Eastern Pkwy.

Description: Please join the Kosair for Kids Face It Movement and Dr. Nancy Weaver on Monday, August 5th for a [Support Over Silence for KIDS](#) bystander training for businesses.

Register: <https://bit.ly/SOSProfessional>

Member to Contact: Barry Dunn, bdunn@kosair.org

Events & Opportunities: First Hour Grief Response

By Karen Kurfees Meyer



What: 4th Annual Ben Koier Memorial Golf Outing

Organization: First Hour Grief Response

Date/Time: August 19, 8 a.m.

Location: Polo Fields Golf & Country Club

Description: First Hour Grief Response is there for those who experience a sudden or traumatic loss...able to provide much-needed services because many of you are there for us! This golf outing is in memory of Ben Koier, who tragically died after his car was hit by a drunk driver. Ben was 19. He is the son of one of our founders, Lisa Schardein.

More information: <https://www.firsthourgrief.org/events/>

Member to contact: Karen Meyer, karen@firsthourgrief.org

Events & Opportunities: Canopy

By Stephanie Kelley



What: Canopy Presents...Talent Talks: Young Voices on Ideal Employers

Organization: Canopy

Date/Time: August 22, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Location: Horn Auditorium, UofL College of Business, 110 W Brandeis Ave.

Description: Join us for an insightful and dynamic panel discussion featuring bright millennial and Gen Z voices as they share their perspectives on what they seek from current and future employers. This event will provide a unique opportunity to hear directly from young professionals about their career aspirations, workplace values, and expectations in today's rapidly evolving job market. Following the panel, there will be opportunities to engage with Canopy Member Companies at exhibits in the College of Business Atrium. Meet with companies committed to reinvesting in their communities and learn how they

differentiate themselves from other employers on the job market.

More information: Click [HERE](#)

Member to contact: Stephanie Kelley, skelley@canopyky.org

Events & Opportunities: Leadership Louisville

By Paul Bolton



What: 2024 Leadership Louisville Luncheon

Organization: Leadership Louisville Center

Date/Time: August 28, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Location: Kentucky International Convention Center

Description: The annual Leadership Louisville Luncheon is a must-attend civic event that gathers over 1,000 of the region's most influential leaders to build connections and together tackle the major issues of our time. The 2024 Luncheon promises a unique perspective on leadership,

featuring two of the state's newest and most prominent faces in sports: Pat Kelsey, Head Coach of the University of Louisville Men's Basketball team and Mark Pope, Head Coach of the University of Kentucky Men's Basketball team.

More information: <https://join.leadershiplouisville.org/event/2024-leadership-louisville-luncheon/e593193>

Member to contact: Paul Bolton, pbolton@leadershiplouisville.org

Events & Opportunities: Park Community Credit Union Foundation



What: 2024 Friendsgiving Gala

Organization: Park Community Credit Union Foundation

Date/Time: November 9, 6 p.m.

Location: Mellwood Arts Center, Van Gogh Room

Description: Celebrate Park Community Credit Union Foundation's local impact at the inaugural Friendsgiving Gala! This unique event celebrates community connections with a twist on the traditional fall gathering. Eat, drink, and be thankful as you enjoy dinner and music from a live band, signature cocktails, an exciting auction, and more!

More information: click [HERE](#)

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

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

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Dave Christopher, Sr.

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

Speaker: Dave Christopher, Sr - AMPED

August 13th, 5:30-7:30 PM

New Member Service Project at SOS

Comment: SOS 1500 Arlington Ave Louisville, KY 40206

August 20th, 5:30-7:30 PM

Business Synergy

Comment: Kentucky Humane Society 1000 Lyndon Ln Louisville, KY 40222

August 22nd, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Pat Mulloy

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

Speaker: Pat Mulloy, Deputy Mayor for Economic Development

August 28th, 5:30-6:30 PM

Re:Center Ministries Dinner

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

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: TBD

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

Speaker: TBD

September 17th, 8:30-9:30 AM

RHS Mentoring at Western High School

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

September 25th, 8:45-9:45 AM

RHS Mentoring at Iroquois High School

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

September 26th, 10:30-11:30 AM

Lifeline Committee Meeting

September 26th, 1:00-2:00 PM

Service Projects & Grants Committee Meeting

October 10th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Nick Campisano | DG Dale Leatherman

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

Speaker: Nick Campisano | DG Dale Leatherman

August 8th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Dr. Paula Grisanti

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

Speaker: Dr. Paula Grisanti, National Stem Cell Foundation

August 15th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Tiffany Benjamin

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

Speaker: Tiffany Benjamin, Humana Foundation

August 22nd, 10:30-11:30 AM

Lifeline Committee Meeting

August 22nd, 1:00-2:00 PM

Service Projects & Grants Committee Meeting

August 29th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Dr. Kim Schatzel

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

Speaker: Dr. Kim Schatzel, UofL President

September 12th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Vivian Blade

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

Speaker: Vivian Blade, author

Subject: Workplace Resiliency

September 19th, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Rear Admiral Ingrid Rader

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

Speaker: Rear Admiral Ingrid Rader

Subject: America's Warfighting Navy

September 25th, 5:30-6:30 PM

Re:Center Ministries Dinner

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

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Brian Johnson

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

Speaker: Brian Johnson, Dan O's Seasoning

October 3rd, 11:30-1:00 PM

RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Senator Rand Paul

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

Speaker: Senator Rand Paul

October 15th, 9:00-2:00 PM

INTERACT Blood Drive

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

October 22nd, 8:30

RHS Mentoring at Western High School

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

Birthdays



Maria A Smith
July 30th



Gary Dryden
July 30th



Alan N. Singleton
July 31st



Anthony L. Newberry
July 31st



Paul J. Bickel III
July 31st



Carl M. Thomas
August 2nd



Barry Lee Dunn
August 2nd



Charles B. Castner
August 3rd



Robert M. Connolly
August 3rd



Griffin Meredith
August 4th



Paula C. Harshaw
August 5th



Hulyn Farr
August 6th



Matthew Riggle
August 6th



Susan G. Zepeda
Ph.D.
August 8th



Dr. Swannie Jett
August 9th



Jan M. Grayson
August 11th



David Graves
August 11th



Meredith Erickson
August 12th



Stephen C. Lannert
August 13th



Armistead F. Stewart
August 14th

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