

# Note from Delene | In This Issue

Rotary Family,

Believe it or not, this newsletter can be very time-consuming to create, especially when there is as much activity as we have in our Club. The goal is to send it out on Tuesday mornings, but there are weeks when it is not possible for me to meet that timeline. If I am traveling or have other activities that pull me away from the "normal" weekly routine, those hours are lost, and I work things in as best I can. For those of you for whom consistency in timing is important, I truly am sorry to disappoint in this regard.

Members who have served or are serving in the military, please make sure you complete <u>this survey</u>.

New in this issue:

- Visiting the Largest Rotary Club in the U.S.
- Be Part of The Magic of Rotary
- Hurricane Helene Disaster Relief
- Haj Yasin Family Update
- El Salvador Rotarians Visit Kentucky

#### Upcoming Social Event:

RSVP here for the 10/16 Rotary Happy Hour at Hop Atomica

#### Service Above Self Opportunities (scroll for details):

- Volunteer or donate blood for our Interact Blood Drives at WHS 10/15 and IHS 10/31
- Help host a table for Imagination Library: 10/18, 10/24, 11/16
- Mentor Rotary Honors Scholars at WHS and IHS: monthly, see below for dates
- Pack supplies with new members at SOS: 10/23
- Serve a meal at Re:Center Ministries: 10/23

#### **Committee Meetings:**

- DEI: 10/3 at 10:30 a.m.
- International Service: 10/17 at 10:30 a.m.
- Lifeline: 10/24 at 11:00 a.m.
- Service Projects & Grants: 10/31 at 1:00 p.m.

<u>Visit our website</u> to read about these Rotarians in the Spotlight and member organizations' Events and Opportunities.

#### **Rotarians in the Spotlight:**

- Rev. Kevin Cosby & Dr. Rick Smith Sr (Simmons College)
- Amy Luttrell & Gill Holland

#### Member organizations' upcoming Events & Opportunities:

- Gallopalooza Live Auction, 10/4
- Kentucky Humane Society Pars for Pets, 10/14
- MELANnaire Marketplace Fall Fest + Night Market, 10/18
- Whitney/Strong A Night For Life, 10/26
- Canopy Good Business Summit, 11/20

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**Executive Director** 



## **This Week's Meeting: Senator Rand Paul**



The October 3rd meeting at the University Club will feature **Senator Rand Paul**.

The RSVP deadline has passed; please 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: Nick Campisano + District Governor Visit



The October 10th meeting at the University Club will feature **Nick Campisano**, Founder & CEO of  $\underline{Zyyo}$ .

**District 6710 Governor Dale Leatherman** will join us for the official DG visit and have a brief presentation.

RSVP by NOON on Monday, October 7th HERE.

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

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.

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## September 26th Meeting Recap

The September 26th meeting at the University Club featured Brian Johnson with Dan-O's Seasoning. **Dr. Linda Bartrom-Moore** provided the invocation and **Matthew Gardiner** led the pledge and 4-way test. **Ashley Brauer** delivered the introduction.

We were honored to have three tables of students join us including:

Interact Club students and advisors from Western High School and Iroquois High School, meals sponsored by **Maggie Harlow with Signarama Downtown** and **Susan G. Zepeda**.

Silver Creek High School Academy of Business & Finance, meals sponsored by **Harry Louis Seeger V with Park National Bank, Chris Manzo with SNDBX Design Collaborative** and **A. Holland Houston, Family Law & Mediation**.



If you are interested in signing up to donate blood or volunteer for our Interact Club blood drives, click HERE.

If you would like to learn more about the Kentuckianaopoly game with local businesses created by the SCHS students, click <u>HERE</u>.

You can view the recording on our <u>YouTube channel</u> and download the slide presentation <u>HERE</u>. Provide feedback about the meeting <u>HERE</u>.

# **Welcome New Members**

At last week's meeting, we welcomed new members **Lisa Schardein, Portia Shoulders** and **Charlie Todd**. Click Read More to see their introductions.



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# **Speaker Lineup**

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

10/17 Eric Gregory, Kentucky Distillers Association 10/24 Dr. Daniel Blatt, Infectious Disease Physician (World Polio Day) 10/31 Soozie Eastman, President, 502 Film

Click Read More to see future weeks: Read More

### Visiting the Largest Rotary Club in the U.S.

By Lori Hudson Flanery

Delene and I visited the Rotary Club of Birmingham (known as Magic City) last week at the invitation of their president, Bruce F. Rogers. President Bruce and the clubâ $\in$ <sup>TM</sup>s new executive director, Lora Blalock, treated us to dinner and then provided a tour of their facilities the next morning. We were able to learn about the club, which is the largest in the U.S., and the incredible civic investment the entire city of Birmingham supports, including having the nationâ $\in$ <sup>TM</sup>s largest Kiwanis Club as well. The <u>Rotaract Club of Birmingham</u> is also one of the <u>largest in the world</u>, with 300+ members!

The Rotary Club of Birmingham is particularly focused on education and on preventing cervical cancer in several countries around the world as well as at home in Alabama. I was able to share about our work with the West Louisville Housing Fund and the Gun Violence Reduction committee. Birmingham unfortunately experienced a mass shooting just days before our visit that left four people dead and multiple people injured. All in all, it was a worthwhile trip, and we are pleased to have shared time with these great Rotarians!



# **Be Part of The Magic of Rotary!**

By Lori Hudson Flanery



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I am thrilled to announce that we are kicking off a new membership engagement campaign, and I hope EVERY member will be part of the MAGIC!

Not only will there be ongoing prizes for participating, but the GRAND PRIZE will be a trip to Calgary, Canada for the <u>Rotary International</u> <u>Convention</u> in June 2025 - the theme of which is MAGIC ALL AROUND!

We'll cover your expenses (guidelines apply) for registration, transportation to/from Calgary and lodging at the beautiful <u>Royal Hotel Calgary</u>.

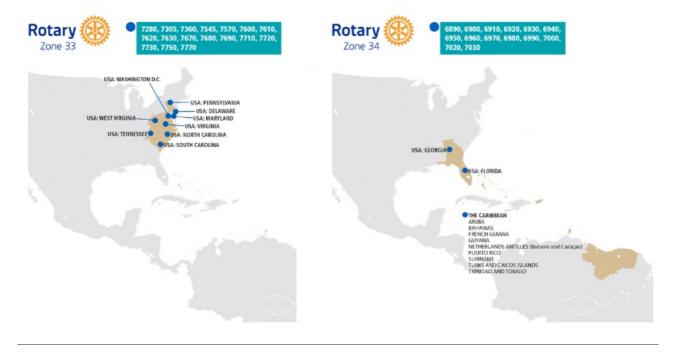
It could not be easier to be eligible to win. Complete and submit a monthly activity report by the 10th of the following month to be included in prize drawings.

Watch for an email with all of the details and the blank reporting form.

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# Hurricane Helene Disaster Relief

Hurricane Helene caused widespread devastation in Florida, Georgia, and the Carolinas, leaving countless families in need of urgent assistance. Rotary Zones 33-34 include most of the areas impacted. Rotary clubs can play a crucial role by leveraging their extensive network and resources, and mobilizing quickly to provide humanitarian aid, including food, clean water, and medical supplies. Rotary members can volunteer their skills for rebuilding efforts, to help coordinate disaster response activities, and to support long-term recovery projects. However, during the initial phase of any disaster recovery, the most important way to assist is through cash donations. If you wish to contribute, please click <u>HERE</u>.



# Haj Yasin Family Update & Request

By Delene Taylor

The Haj Yasin family of 8 from Syria that we are co-sponsoring is adapting quickly to life in the United States. They truly are a delightful, loving family! I have been privileged to spend some time with them along with other members of the co-sponsorship team, through visits to their home, an outing hosted by Rotarian Lisa Schardein and her husband Rick at their farm in Fisherville, and this past weekend, a Lou City FC game.

Please click **<u>HERE</u>** for more of their story, photos and a request from me.



### **El Salvador Rotarians Visit Kentucky**

By Rick Harned

Recently, two Rotarians from El Salvador, Elisabeth Zavaleta and Pedro Sigui, visited Kentucky to share updates and thank clubs that have supported their Toileton ("Clean Bathrooms for Rural Schools") Global Grant. Since 2017, our Club has been the Lead Sponsor and has witnessed the completion of 20 schools! Fundraising has almost been completed for Phase 5 for 7 more schools and will be submitted to Rotary International soon. Hosted by **Rick and Mary Ellen Harned**, they toured Louisville sites (including SOS) and met our Club's International Service Committee members. They also visited and spoke to the Rotary Clubs of Danville, Harrodsburg, and Lawrenceburg which have also supported this worthwhile project! Watch a brief "thank you" video from the students HERE.



# District 6710 Fall Forum: October 10

Save the date for this learning opportunity; the Zoom link to join the virtual meeting is HERE.



# **Rotary Peace Corps Week Recordings Available**

By Fred Cowan

The 2024 Rotary Peace Corps WEEK videos are now available on the Partnering for Peace YouTube channel. You can access the five videos <u>HERE</u>. Click Read More below for the list of topics and speakers each day.

If you are inspired by them and want to be more active in promoting the partnership in your Rotary District, be sure to check out our <u>Rotary District/Club toolbox</u> for resources that you can use.

### **Rotary Happy Hour at Hop Atomica: October 16**

By Jeff Underhill



The Social Activities Committee invites you to join us on Wednesday, October 16 at 5:00 pm for a Rotary Happy Hour at Hop Atomica.

Click <u>HERE</u> to RSVP.

# Please Support Our INTERACT Blood Drives in October

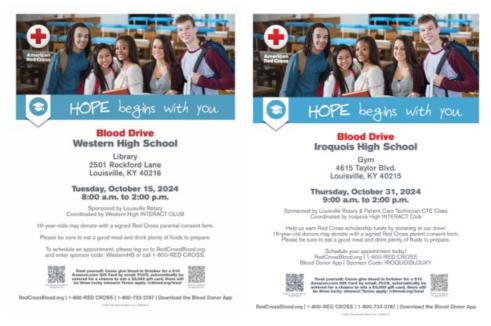
By Linda Bartrom-Moore

Rotary Club of Louisville is proud to sponsor the Interact Clubs at Iroquois and Western HS, and train our West End youth in Service Above Self. Our fall blood drives need your support!

10/15 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at Western High School, 2501 Rockford Ln - click HERE to sign up.

10/31 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at Iroquois High School, 4615 Taylor Blvd - click HERE to sign up.

Watch the video from previous events <u>HERE</u>.



Special shout out to Club Advisors James Gibson and Mika Powell.

# **Imagination Library Volunteer Opportunity**

By Rick Harned



Our Youth & Education Committee has already helped the <u>Imagination Library Louisville</u> recruit multiple new families to receive free books! Participants have reported that the task is really easy and fun, as talking with parents of very young children is inspiring.

We have three more dates scheduled, for which two Rotarians are requested to join Imagination Library Director, Maria Gurren, to talk to young parents who may not know they are eligible:

• Friday, 10/18: 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Shelby Park, 600 E Oak St. (Pumpkin Patch)

• Thursday, 10/24: 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at Cane Run Elementary School, 3951 Cane Run Road (Literacy Night)

• Saturday, 11/16, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at 3rd Street Neighborhood (Building our Block event with Councilwoman Jennifer Chappell)

Many of you saw Dolly Parton celebrating the <u>statewide rollout</u> of Imagination Library recently. If you can spare a couple of hours to enhance literacy in Louisville, please email rickharned@gmail.com.

## **Rotary Honors Scholars Mentoring: October 22 & 23**

By Craig Mooney

Join us for our next two Rotary Honors Scholars mentoring sessions at Western High School (10/22) and Iroquois High School (10/23). Thanks to Rotarian Melissa Cobb for capturing these photos last month!



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

### **New Member Service Project at SOS**

By Jay Mallory

Our next new member service project at SOS will be Wednesday, October 23rd 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.



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# GenX: The Saga of Forever Chemicals Film Screening & Discussion w/UNA-USA

By Larry Sloan



Join us for an important event presented by our club along with the United Nations Association of the USA, Kentucky Division, UofL, Kentucky Waterways Alliance and more. It will be on Monday, October 28th from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at Lang House, 115 S. Ewing Avenue. Snacks and refreshments will be provided. Seating is limited; let me know if you would like to attend: larry.sloan@yahoo.com.

There will be a private screening of the documentary film <u>GenX:</u> <u>The Saga of Forever Chemicals</u>, a first-hand account of a

community faced with decades of contamination and how their unification with other communities is systematically fixing the worst pollution crisis in world history. There will be a presentation by film director and producer Elijah Yetter-Bowman, who is also the founder of Ethereal Films as well as an Affiliate Researcher at UNC School of Public Health. Actor Mark Ruffalo is the Executive Producer of the film.

#### **Louisville Sustainability Summit: November 8**

By Larry Sloan



Save the date and plan to join us for the 11th Annual Louisville Sustainability Summit <u>Hungry for Change: Climate, Equity & the</u> <u>Future of Food</u> on Friday, November 8th at Sullivan University.

### **Rotary Annual Meeting & Holiday Party: Dec 4**



Our Rotary Holiday Party & Annual Meeting is set for Wednesday, December 4th.

Be sure to mark your calendars now to Save that Date!

We are changing things up a bit this year; the party will be at Hurstbourne Country Club and we will have one of the highestrated DJs in Louisville. This is a can't miss event!

#### **Events**

October 3rd, 10:30-11:30 AM DEI Committee Meeting

October 8th, 3:30 Rotary Large Club Conference: Memphis, Oct 8-10

 October 15th, 9:00-2:00 PM
 October 16th, 5:00-7:00 PM

 INTERACT Blood Drive
 Rotary Happy Hour at Hop Atomica

 Comment: Western High School 2501 Rockford Ln Louisville, KY 40216
 Comment: 1318 McHenry St Louisville, KY 40217

 October 17th, 10:30-11:30 AM
 October 17th, 11:30-1:00 PM

 International Service Committee Meeting
 RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Eric Gregory

 October 22nd, 8:30
 October 23rd, 8:45-9:45 AM

 RHS Mentoring at Western High School
 RHS Mentoring at Iroquois High School

 Comment: Western High School 2501 Rockford Ln Louisville, KY 40216
 Comment: Iroquois High School 4615 Taylor Blvd Louisville, KY 40215

 October 23rd, 5:30-6:30 PM
 October 23rd, 5:30-7:30 PM

 Re:Center Ministries Dinner
 New Member Service Project at SOS

October 24th, 11:00-11:45 AM Lifeline Committee Meeting

October 31st, 9:00-2:00 PM INTERACT Blood Drive Comment: Iroquois High School Gym 4615 Taylor Blvd Louisville, KY 40215 October 31st, 1:00-2:00 PM Service Projects & Grants Committee Meeting November 7th, 11:30-1:00 PM RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Angela Billings Comment: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208 Speaker: Angela Billings Subject: Crisis Communications

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 10th, 11:30-1:00 PM RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Nick Campisano {DG Leatherman visit } Comment: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208 Speaker: Nick Campisano, Zyyo October 16th, 5:00-7:00 PM **Rotary Happy Hour at Hop Atomica** October 17th, 11:30-1:00 PM **RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Eric Gregory** Comment: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208 Speaker: Eric Gregory, Kentucky Distillers' Association October 23rd, 8:45-9:45 AM **RHS Mentoring at Iroquois High School** October 23rd, 5:30-7:30 PM New Member Service Project at SOS Comment: SOS 1500 Arlington Ave Louisville, KY 40206 October 24th, 11:30-1:00 PM **RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Dr. Daniel Blatt** Comment: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208 Speaker: Dr. Daniel Blatt, Infectious Disease Physician October 31st, 11:30-1:00 PM Louisville Weekly Club Meeting: Soozie Eastman Speaker: Soozie Eastman Subject: Soozie Eastman, President, 502 Film November 7th, 10:30-11:30 AM **DEI Committee Meeting** November 13th, 8:45-9:45 AM **RHS Mentoring at Iroquois High School** Comment: Iroquois High School 4615 Taylor Blvd Louisville, KY 40215

November 14th, 11:30-1:00 PM **RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: DeVone Holt** 40208 Speaker: DeVone Holt, Muhammad Ali Center

November 21st, 11:30-1:00 PM **RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Jon Carloftis** Comment: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208 Speaker: Jon Carloftis November 27th, 5:30-6:30 PM **Re:Center Ministries Dinner** November 28th, 11:30-1:00 PM Happy Thanksgiving - NO MEETING Speaker: N/A December 5th, 10:30-11:30 AM **DEI Committee Meeting** December 12th, 11:30-1:00 PM **RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Lance Burton** Comment: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208 Speaker: Lance Burton, Master Magician December 25th, 5:30-6:30 PM **Re:Center Ministries Dinner** December 26th, 11:30-1:00 PM Happy Holidays - NO MEETING Speaker: N/A January 2nd, 11:30-1:00 PM Happy Holidays - NO MEETING

Speaker: N/A January 16th, 11:30-1:00 PM RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Beth Stubbs Comment: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY Comment: Iroquois High School 4615 Taylor Blvd Louisville, KY 40215 40208 Speaker: Beth Stubbs, Rotary International Treasurer January 23rd, 11:30-1:00 PM **RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Dr. Ty Handy** Comment: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208 Speaker: Dr. Tv Handv, President, JCTC January 30th, 11:30-1:00 PM Mayor's State of the City Address 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 13th, 11:30-1:00 PM RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Condrad Daniels

Comment: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY Comment: Western High School 2501 Rockford Ln Louisville, KY 40216 40208

Speaker: Condrad Daniels, President, HJI Supply Chain Solutions

November 19th, 8:30-9:30 AM **RHS Mentoring at Western High School** Comment: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY Comment: Western High School 2501 Rockford Ln Louisville, KY 40216

> November 26th, 11:30-1:00 PM Joint Meeting Hosted by Kiwanis Club Speaker: N/A

November 28th, 11:00-11:45 AM Lifeline Committee Meeting December 4th, 6:00-10:00 PM Rotary Holiday Celebration at Hurstbourne Country Club

December 5th, 11:30-1:00 PM NO MEETING due to Holiday Party 12/4 December 19th, 11:30-1:00 PM **RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: Dr. Kevin Cosby** Comment: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208 Speaker: Dr. Kevin Cosby, Simmons College December 26th, 11:00-11:45 AM Lifeline Committee Meeting January 2nd, 10:30-11:30 AM **DEI Committee Meeting** 

January 9th, 11:30-1:00 PM **RCoL Weekly Club Meeting: TBA** Comment: University Club of Louisville 200 E Brandeis Ave Louisville, KY 40208 Speaker: TBA January 22nd, 8:45-9:45 AM RHS Mentoring at Iroquois High School

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

February 12th, 8:45-9:45 AM **RHS Mentoring at Iroquois High School** Comment: Iroquois High School 4615 Taylor Blvd Louisville, KY 40215

February 25th, 8:30 RHS Mentoring at Western High School

#### Birthdays



Stuart E. Alexander III October 3rd



Antigone Mehani-Asghari October 8th



Frederic J. Cowan October 11th

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