

NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

The following individuals have been proposed for membership in Rotary:

Marianna Martin
Classification: Healthcare, Administration
Sponsor: Alisha Chaffin

Louis Hatcher
Classification: Organizations & Associations, Sunrise Children's Services
Sponsor: Barry Stumbo

Objections should be made in writing within seven (7) days to The Board of Directors, Rotary Club of Lexington, 401 W. Main Street, Suite 305, Lexington, KY 40507. Objections are kept in strict confidence.

TRANSFERRING MEMBER

Greg Wilmhoff
Classification: Service Industry, Hardware, (Ret.)
Sponsor: Eric Brooks

ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Our District 6740 Fall Rotary Leadership Institute will be held on October 11, 2025. And to accommodate our growing number of participants, we're moving to a new location: the Bluegrass Community and Technical College, Newtown Campus.

Please mark the date on your calendar and watch for more details as we get closer to the date!

D6740 Planning Group (Martha Riddell, Dean Hammond, Jack McAllister, Judy Worth)

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY AT GATTON PARK ON TOWN BRANCH!

The Rotary Club of Lexington has been invited to serve as greeters for the grand opening of Gatton Park at Town Branch on Saturday, August 23rd! This is a wonderful opportunity to support our community and showcase our ongoing commitment to this incredible public space.

Our Club has played a role in bringing Gatton Park to life, including a \$100,000 contribution to the plantings at the Children's Playground. Now, we have the chance to help welcome the community to enjoy it!

We are seeking volunteers to work in pairs at each of the four park entrances, greeting visitors and helping guide them during the morning festivities.

- Shifts are 1½ - 2 hours long, between 9:30 AM to 1:00pm.

This is a meaningful way to continue our partnership with Gatton Park and demonstrate Rotary's dedication to serving the community.

Interested in volunteering? Please contact Peggy Trafton at Trafton@rotarylexky.org to sign up.



READY TO GET SOCIAL? MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The Social Committee does a wonderful job of providing us with interesting and varied opportunities to hang with our fellow Rotarians and get to know them better, outside the confines of a structured meeting. For a couple of upcoming examples, keep reading.

On **July 31, 2025** we are having a 5th Thursday social at **Jack's Sandbar and Grill/ Malibu Jack's**. Bring your family or guests and join us from 5-7pm for appetizers, drinks, socializing and fun.

That will be followed by a Rotary picnic on **August 21, 2025 at Waveland State Historic Site**. Bring the family and come out the 3rd Thursday in August for Doing Rotary, Differently week! The picnic at the Waveland barn will start at 5pm. For those interested, tours of Waveland will be at 6:30pm. For a modest fee of \$5, you will be treated to Blue Door Smokehouse BBQ pulled pork and pulled chicken and drinks. Bring your favorite potluck dish to share. Waveland is located at 225 Waveland Museum Lane in Lexington.

This event is open to all family and potential members! Sign up will be online, so keep an eye out for more information.

The ROTARY Club of Lexington

WHEEL HORSE

July 24, 2025

— TODAY'S PROGRAM —

Presiding: President Jamie Schrader
Inspiration, Pledge, & 4 Way Test: DG Gridley
Introduction of Guests: Bill Byrd
Introduction of Speaker: Lyle Hanna

Speaker: Dr. Robert Farley, Senior Lecturer, Patterson School of Diplomacy and International Commerce, University of Kentucky
Program: State of the World: How to Make Sense of our Political and Economic Situation

Location: The Mane on Main

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MEET OUR SPEAKER



DR. ROBERT FARLEY

For over forty years, Lexington Rotarians have had the good fortune to look at the state of the world as seen through the eyes of the experts at the University of Kentucky's Patterson School of Diplomacy and International Commerce (Patterson School). Returning to the podium to defend his predictions from last year – and to offer new ones - is Dr. Robert Farley, Senior Lecturer at the Patterson School. Dr. Farley has taught security and diplomacy courses at the Patterson School since 2005. He also held an academic position with the Department of National Security Strategy, United States Army

War College from August 2018 to July 2019. He received his BS from the University of Oregon in 1997, and his Ph.D. from the University of Washington in 2004. Dr. Farley is the author of *Grounded: The Case for Abolishing the United States Air Force* (University Press of Kentucky, 2014), *The Battleship Book* (Wildside, 2016), and *Patents for Power: Intellectual Property Law and the Diffusion of Military Technology* (University of Chicago, 2020). He has contributed extensively to a number of journals and magazines, including the *National Interest*, *The Diplomat*: APAC, *World Politics Review*, and *The American Prospect*. Dr. Farley is also a founder and senior editor of *Lawyers, Guns and Money*, a self-described "progressive politics, academia, and culture blog". Last year Dr. Farley introduced us to the concept of the "polycrisis", a term used by The World Economic Forum's *Global Risks Report 2023* to explain how "present and future risks can also interact with each other

to form a polycrisis' – a cluster of related global risks with compounding effects, such that the overall impact exceeds the sum of each part".

The Patterson School has an interesting history and deep ties to the Rotary Club of Lexington. It was launched in 1959 in fulfillment of the vision of UK's first president, Dr. James Kennedy Patterson. Upon his death in 1922, almost his entire estate was placed in a trust to be used for the creation of a college of diplomacy to be named for his deceased son, William Andrew Patterson. Thirty-seven years later the trust had grown sufficiently large that, coupled with funding from the Commonwealth of Kentucky, the Patterson School became a reality. The late Vince Davis, a long-time Rotarian, served as Director of the Patterson School for twenty-one years, starting in 1972.

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- Aug 7** Dale Henley, Former President of the Lafayette Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution, *The Man the Myth the Legend: General Lafayette in Lexington Kentucky*
- Aug 14** Mitch Barnhart, Director of Athletics, University of Kentucky
- Aug 21** Doing Rotary Differently, No Lunch Meeting
- Aug 28** Phil DeSimone, *They Said it Couldn't Be Done in Kentucky- Successful Winery in the Bluegrass*

UPCOMING EVENTS/VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Jul 28** Early Morning Mixer, 46Solutions, Lexington Green, 8-9:30am
- Jul 31** 5th Thursday, Social, Malibu Jacks, Nicholasville Rd., 5- 7:00 pm, Cash Bar
- Aug 7** Blood Drive with American Red Cross, Mane on Main, 10-4pm
- Aug 22** Early Morning Mixer, 46Solutions, Lexington Green, 8-9:30am
- Sep 12** Lexington Sporting Club Match, Soccer Stadium, Shives Drive, 7 pm, \$10
- Oct. 8** Keeneland Outing, Lexington Room, Tickets \$125
- Nov 15** CHANGE OF DATE, Pickle & Pints, Club Pickleball Tournament Fundraiser

ROTARIANS GATHER AT GOD'S PANTRY TO LEARN ABOUT FOOD INSECURITY

The issue of food insecurity in Lexington has been on our Club's radar screen for some time and has been identified as a possible subject of our next transformative mission. To learn more about the issues, last Thursday, fifty Rotarians and guests heard from God's Pantry CEO and Rotarian Mike Halligan and his team in a gathering at the God's Pantry operations center. Also, we had a report from Harry Richart, chair of our Club's Food for Families committee on our food security efforts.

Rotary's efforts were acknowledged by God's Pantry in the following Facebook post: "A big thank you to The Rotary Club of Lexington for visiting the Food Bank yesterday and learning more about our efforts to reduce childhood food insecurity."

We're especially grateful for their support and continued partnership throughout the school year, volunteering their time to help pack BackPacks filled with nutritious food for kids facing hunger on holidays and weekends.

Together, we're reducing hunger and feeding Kentucky communities."



Rotary in Review

A NEW YEAR FOR THE ROTARY CLUB OF LEXINGTON

The Rotary Club meeting on July 10 ushered in a new year for Rotary. Immediate Past President Bret Anderson presided and administered the Oath of President to Jamie Schrader, who is one of four Past Presidents serving as Club President in 2025-26. The others are Jim Richardson, Bill Wilson, and Dean Hammond. He then administered the Oath of Office

to officers and board members. Past President Kim Johnson then had the honor of presenting the Past President's pin to Anderson.

Capping off the leadership transition was the traditional "passing of the gavel." Beginning with Bob Milward, the oldest Past President, the gavel traveled through the hands of all Past Presidents present, ending up with

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- Jamie Schrader - President
- Lyle Hanna - President-Elect
- Bret Anderson - Past President
- Susan Adams - Secretary
- Bruce Daily - Sergeant-at-Arms
- Jenny Schnurr - Treasurer
- Peggy Trafton - Executive Director (Staff)
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DIRECTORS

- Susie Basham (2026)
- Edwin Gibson (2026)
- Shawn Lyons (2026)
- Brigitte Blom (2027)
- Dylan Harper (2027)
- Chris Peck (2027)
- Chris Aldridge (2028)
- Eric Brooks (2028)
- Alisha Chaffin (2028)

ENDOWMENT BOARD

- Paul Chewning - Board President (2028)
- Dean Hammond (2026)
- Thom Hathaway (2026)
- Kent Hisle (2026)
- Jamie Schrader (2026)
- Laura Mobley-Corn (2026)
- Roger Baird (2027)
- Buzz Carmichael (2027)
- Michael Morrill (2027)
- John Wharton (2027)
- Sharon Reed (2027)
- Mike Baker (2028)
- Eileen O'Brien (2028)
- Tom Lester (2028)
- John Meyer (2028)
- Jenny Schnurr - Treasurer
- Jamie Schrader - Club President

WHEEL HORSE CONTRIBUTORS

- Paul Chewning, John Meyers
- Robert Mucci, Jim Richardson
- Bill Straus, Peggy Trafton
- John Wharton, Editor
- Dan Koett, Assistant Editor
- Set up & printing by Lynn Imaging
- Editorial Standards: *Chicago Manual of Style*, 17th ed.

President Jamie. Adding to the tradition was Bob's reminiscing about the Club when he was President in 1970-71. Schrader briefly recognized the accomplishments of Anderson, noting he was a leader in all respects and that he ends his tenure with the Club in great shape. Anderson was then presented with the Past President's Badge.

Incoming District Governor Greg Palmer, of the Florence, KY Club, was then introduced by President Schrader. Palmer is a pilot, a sportsman, and an entrepreneur who has devoted himself to Rotary and District 6740. DG Palmer observed that Rotary Clubs are either loud and boisterous or quiet with Rotarians sitting at tables looking at their phones. He said our Club is definitely the former—one that is financially secure, that is actively engaged in fundraising, and as the largest Club in the District, "is doing it right." Palmer said that he likes children's books because the words are simple, there are lots of pictures, and the moral of the story is evident. He then read *What to Do With an Idea*. The moral? That you, as a Rotarian, can change

the world. Schrader began his second tenure as Club President by stating that "the world needs more intercourse and Rotary is the right organization to deliver." He reminded Rotarians that the word "intercourse" means communication between individuals or groups and that Rotary provides human interaction and communication worldwide. He said that, despite technology and ever-emerging AI, face-to-face interaction to sell an idea, a product, or a service is needed more than ever. People need and want human connections and weekly Club meetings and programs help fill that void.

He then reviewed the Four Pillars that the four Presidents for 2025-26 have identified for the Club: Recruitment, Insuring Financial Stability, convening High Quality Meetings, and initiation of one new Major Project to impact the community. Under Membership, he encouraged Rotarians to invite friends and associates to meetings, ask them to become members, and to be proud of being a Rotarian. Financial stability requires growth in membership to

offset fixed costs and to raise dues that have not increased in four years in spite of District and Rotary International dues having risen during this time. He mentioned that exciting and impactful speakers help attract members and mentioned several major speakers scheduled for the fall. Finally, he said that the missing piece—a major new initiative—is being finalized during the next few weeks. Areas being considered are food insecurity, education, and homelessness. He concluded his remarks by encouraging Rotarians to make someone better today, this week, this month, this year—a new year for the Rotary Club of Lexington.

— Paul B Chewning



Past President Bret Anderson and President Jamie Schrader

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