



All Fayette County Academic Team
Carson Van Sanford, Christopher Menard,
Katie Ann Rafferty, Mary Buncher,
Seth Lawless, Caleigh Waldman, Fan Zhou



John R. Bryden Great Teacher Award
Ms. Barbara Christensen, Art Teacher, Henry
Clay HS; Rosanna Kim Smith, who wrote
the winning Great Teacher essay



W. Emmet Milward Award
Bob Milward, Fan Zhou



Lexington College and University Awards
Darren Hobbs, Melissa Coombs, Cara Neel,
Christina Mitchell, Kelly Ann Davidson,
Nicholas Hendrix, Elisa Renee Conde,
Nathan Brooks



Ollie Hurst Award
Dick Hurst, Linsey Catharine Powell

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

May 4 Keeneland President Nick Nicholson, Kentucky Derby Predictions (Bring a Guest!!)

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THE FOUR-WAY TEST
Of the things we think, say or do...

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

LEXINGTON ROTARY WEBSITE

You can view the membership roster of the Rotary Club of Lexington by visiting:
<http://www.rotarylexky.org> User id: RotaryLex Password: fasigtpton
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— TODAY'S PROGRAM —

PRESIDING: President Darrell Ishmael
INVOCATION: Butch Drake
SINGING & PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: Tom Jenkins

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Bob Quick
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKERS: Darrell Ishmael
PROGRAM: Youth Exchange and Group Exchange Programs



ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE

Rotary involvement in youth exchange dates from 1927. In 1972, the Rotary International Board of Directors agreed to recommend Youth Exchange to clubs worldwide as a worthwhile international activity that promotes global peace and understanding. Currently over 8,000 youth, worldwide, participate in the Rotary Youth Exchange program each year. Rotary feels that the most powerful force in the promotion of international understanding and peace is exposure to different cultures. The world becomes a smaller, friendlier place when we learn that all people – regardless of nationality – desire the same basic things: a safe, comfortable environment that allows for a rich and satisfying life for our children and ourselves. Youth Exchange provides thousands of young people with the opportunity to meet people from other lands and to experience their cultures. This plants the seeds for a lifetime of international understanding.

Currently, The Lexington Rotary Club, is sponsoring two inbound exchange students, Juan Gonzalez from Argentina and Tomas Pellizzari from Chile.

A total of 5 Rotary families and 2 non-Rotarian family have participated in their stay. In regard to students from Lexington, we have 3 local students who are participating in the program in the countries of Chile, France, and the Czech Republic. For the school year of 2006 to 2007 we will be hosting a female student from Italy and a male student from Chile and again have 3 local students that will be studying abroad next year.

Won't you and your family consider helping us as a Host Family for next school year? The Youth Exchange Committee is happy to meet to discuss the program in full detail with you and your family. If interested please give us the opportunity to give you all details of this very exciting program.

Our thanks to all those who have assisted in helping this program continue. Those involved can surely know that they have "lived" the Rotary motto – Service Above Self.

GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE

We Extend a Warm Welcome!

The Lexington Rotary Club is pleased to welcome the Rotary International Group Study Exchange (GSE) Team from Mysore, India. Mysore is known the city of palaces in southern India. The team has been in Kentucky since March 29 and will stay through April 30 to attend the District Conference.

Leading the team is Rotary member **Sanjay Sivapooja** (Chartered Accountant), **Belliappa Alamengada** (Dermatologist), **Chinmaya Kelanarase** (Pediatrician), **Shruthi Kilar** (Dental Surgeon), and **Suma Ramesh** (Attorney) enjoyed visiting with the Rotary Clubs in Northern Kentucky, Falmouth, Carlisle, Ashland, Pikeville, Hazard, and Somerset before coming to Lexington to see the wonders of the Bluegrass.

Joe Bark and wife **Linda**, **Bob Ross** and wife **Doris**, **George Wilson, II** and wife **Natalie**, **Wayne Simmons** and wife **Meme**, and **Robert Fox** and wife **Sue Wylie** graciously opened their homes to share our gracious hospitality. Vocational hosts included **Ron Ring** (Ring Financial Services), **Joe Bark** (Dermatology Consultants), **Joan Beck** (Lexington Fayette Urban County Government), **David Stevens** (Physician) and **Haywood Smith** (Dentist) offered to share their experiences in fields of interest to the GSE Team Members from India. Our drivers **Ron Pelfrey**, **Sayre Combs, Jr**, **Herb Southgate**, and **Steve Sivils** were thrilled to offer their time

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and knowledge of the area to make the team's trip to Kentucky memorable. GSE is an opportunity for professionals to participate in a cultural and vocational exchange that promotes international peace, understanding, and goodwill. It is one of the most exciting and worthwhile programs of Rotary International. **If you are interested in assisting next year, please contact Sandra Bastin at 533-4576.**



COLLECTION OF LAPTOP OR NOTEBOOK COMPUTERS

In July of 2005, I traveled to Kenya on a mission trip with members of my Sunday school class from Centenary United Methodist Church. Our class has been working with Kihuu International Ministries for the past five years to improve the conditions in the village of Mwimutoni in the Central Province of Kenya. The village is located about 30 miles from Nairobi, down a steep, 1000-foot treacherous descent from a main highway. This past year we were able to bring electricity to the primary school serving 700 hundred students.

Now that there are electrical outlets in the classrooms we are inviting the contribution of laptop or notebook computers to be used for instructional purposes at the school. As Americans we tend to want the "latest and greatest" capabilities in the technology for our own business or pleasure use. And it is not unusual for us to set aside equipment such as computers to be replaced by newer, faster, larger capacity machines. This older and slower equipment may very well be used in a less competitive environment for productive purposes. Until now these students, at best, are taught about computers from a single page in a tattered textbook.

To allay concern about the misuse of any personal or sensitive data that may be contained on donated laptops, we will use programs to remove such data to a degree that meets Department of Defense standards, before transporting the laptops to Kenya. And donations to this IRS-approved 501(c) 3 organization will be eligible for charitable tax deduction. The 700 hundred-student primary school and the secondary school serving 150 students would benefit by being able to use these donated computers in their curriculum, to be better prepared for work opportunities in this developing country.

If you can help with this project please call Gordon Patterson at (859) 253-0004.

HARRIET VAN METER- A LIFE EXTRAORDINARY

When she died in 1997, International Book Project founder Harriet Drury Van Meter left a legacy of community service matched by few Kentucky women.

On Friday, May 11, 2006, IBP and American Founders Bank will present, "Harriet Van Meter-A Life Extraordinary," a thirty-minute documentary that tells the story of the long-time Lexington resident's life, highlighting her profound impact locally and globally. The film, produced by Arthur Rouse and Kiley Lane, (granddaughter of Lexington Rotarian Charles Bringardner) of Video Editing Services, will premier at 6 pm at the State Theater, 214 E. Main Street.

A representative from the mayor's office will issue a proclamation declaring May 11 "Harriet Van Meter Literacy Day" in Lexington and Fayette County. The American Founders Bank premiere party is free and open to the public. "Harriet Van Meter-A Life Extraordinary" will also be shown on KET at 10:30 pm.

ROAMING ROTARIANS

- Gie Oei - Fort Myers Beach, FL
- Ullin Leavell - Orchid Island, FL (6) Vero Beach, FL (16)
- Jim Dundon - Johns Island, SC
- Pete Grass - Wilmington, NC
- Don Kurfees - Rochester, MN



MEMBERSHIP PROPOSALS

The following individuals have been proposed for membership in Lexington Rotary:

Denise Nelson, Owner
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Classification: Agriculture, Vineyards
Sponsor: **Amy Allen**

Jeannine Blackwell, Dean
University of Kentucky Graduate School
Classification: Education, Graduate School Amin.
Sponsor: **Sharon P. Turner**

Tom Martin, Editor-in-Chief
"Business Lexington"
Classification: Communications, Newspaper
Sponsor: **Buzz Carmichael**

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

ROTARY CLUB'S CONNECTION WITH CARDINAL HILL HOSPITAL

In 1923, representatives from twelve regional rotary clubs met in Covington to form the Kentucky Society for Crippled Children, which is now known as the Kentucky Easter Seal Society. In January, 1924, the first official meeting of the new Kentucky Society for Crippled Children was held at Lexington's Phoenix Hotel in conjunction with the Lexington Rotary Club Luncheon. On May 10, 1944, the Kentucky Society for Crippled Children established a fund to build a convalescent home for handicapped children, which resulted in the dedication of Cardinal Hill Hospital on November 10, 1950. During this time, the Lexington Rotary Club sought contributions throughout the state to equip the reception room and equipment fund for Cardinal Hill Hospital.

In the summer of 1961, Camp Kysoc, Kentucky's first camp specially designed for the physically handicapped, opened in Carrollton. This camp was sponsored by the Kentucky Society for Crippled Children.

Today, the Lexington Rotary Club provides gifts and two volunteers once a month for nine months a year to help run "Casino Night" for the patients at Cardinal Hill Hospital.

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