



Louisville Rotary Meetings 2012



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Meeting on July 4th was canceled due to the holiday.

Louisville Rotary Club - District 6650

Meeting Notes -Wednesday, July 11, 2012

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1. **Gathering** Meeting called to order by President Yeagley with 24 (of 46) members in attendance.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of The Four Way Test**
3. **Prayer** was led by Barry Gray
4. **Visitors and Guests:** Our exchange student Julia, Paul and Robin Grimlich, Karen Long, Jessica Clough, Cheryl Casar, Heather Shive
5. **Updates**
 - a. The door at the barn caved. Ken Smith motioned we pay for its replacement. Kathy Fausnight seconded. All approved.
 - b. Greg Anderson awarded Chris and Lanse Leach their Paul Harris award. Congratulations!
6. **Happy Dollars**
 - a. Bill Woods- happy he is not using crutches.
 - b. Greg Anderson happy he survived four years with the twins.
 - c. Eva Roshong happy her daughter is participating in Drama Days this weekend (7pm Friday and Saturday, 2pm Sunday. \$5 at North Nim).
 - d. Mike Snyder happy Summer Reading is going so well, in part due to super volunteers like Chris Leach. He is also happy the church ladies bring great lunches to the program.
 - e. Ted Burwell is happy for the Rotarian turn out at his son's Eagle Ceremony and he will also be happy when his kids return from the Warped Tour.
7. **Program: Louisville Meal Center Cheryl Casar**
 - a. Louisville Meal Center was founded in 2009. They serve a free meal to anyone in the community every First Thursday of the month from 5-6pm at the First Assembly of God Church (by Milann).
 - b. The Meal Center can't exist without help of local organizations like Rotary, Altercare, Kiwanis, Louisville City Schools, YMCA, Ermanos, Biery Cheese, and local volunteers. Altercare provides all the paper products for the year. Laura Mickley provides all the desserts and Kendra Burris provides all the fruit salad. There are usually 20-25 volunteers to help serve meals. This leaves food as their biggest need.
 - c. The Meal Center and Community Cupboard cooperate by sharing donations. If the Meal Center is given something they can't use, it goes to the Community Cupboard. Likewise, if the Community Cupboard orders too much milk or other product, they donate it to the Meal Center.
 - d. Cheryl is on a National Advisory Board through Key4Women and gives advice to women who are starting their own business. Through this board, she has been able to get 2 stoves and a fridge at the church for the Meal Center. They are also working on a commercial using the guy who discovered Ted Williams. He noted that Louisville's poverty occurs in pockets. Fifty percent of students are on free/reduced lunch with Fairhope having a higher percentage. Many people are afraid to ask for help.
 - e. Cheryl is now involved in a pet food mission. Pet stores are donating pet food expiring in 6 months and Cheryl is working with the Community Cupboard, Humane Society, and local churches to get the pet food to struggling pet owners. If you know someone in need, contact Cheryl and she will get him or her details. The first shipment was gone in 24 hours.
 - f. Cheryl is very happy to be one of the nine Athena finalists this year.

Upcoming Meetings:

July 18 Laura Ferguson
July 25 Sally Paquin

Rotary Personnel:

District 6650 Governor:
2012-2013 Linda Ferguson
Respectfully submitted by Secretary Wendy Jackson

Louisville Rotary Club - District 6650**Meeting Notes -Wednesday, July 18, 2012**

<http://louisvillerotary.com/> & on Facebook: **Louisville Rotary Club**

1. **Gathering** Meeting called to order by President Yeagley with 23 (of 46) members in attendance.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of The Four Way Test**
3. **Prayer** was led by Barry Gray
4. **Song** Eva Roshong No songs were sung today.
5. **Visitors and Guests:** Bill Wood introduced his wife Vivian; Jerry Dunbar introduced his brother Joel from Florida; Pat Richardson introduced Paul Gremlich; and, sadly, this is the final meeting for Julia Esteves da Silva, our Rotary Exchange Program Student.
6. **Updates**
 - a. Greg Anderson will be canvassing for votes for the School Levy this Saturday morning. Please contact Greg if you would be able to join him.
 - b. Ken Smith reminded everyone to make sure we drop off flags for only those addresses on our route sheets. Some past customers no longer participate and should not receive flags.
 - c. Treasurer Jay Barton has distributed invoices for the first half of the new Fiscal Year.
 - d. School Superintendent David Redd gave the following report:
 - 1) LHS For the most part the renovation/expansion project at the high school is done!
 - 2) Elementary School Landscaping There is great progress to report on this finishing touch.
 - 3) Elementary School Dedication This will occur on Sunday, August 19. More information later.
 - 4) Asbestos Abatement This is nearly done at the two old elementary schools.
7. **Happy Dollars**
 - a. Bill Wood is happy that Julia Esteves da Silva survived her first-ever tubing experience!
 - b. Jim Edwards is happy that the U.S. Flag program is doing a great job with 1,051 participants.
 - c. Betty Derry is happy to announce the next program of the Louisville-Nimishillen Historical Society which will be on Tuesday, August 14: the speaker is John Werren, Esquire, who will talk about Early Canton History.
 - d. Mike Snyder is happy to have made the acquaintance of Julia Esteves da Silva and, like all members of the Louisville Rotary Club, he wishes her the best in her future endeavors and may she return to the United States one day to visit her new family and her legions of friends!
 - e. Mike Snyder is happy that the Guinea worm (and the terrible disease it inflicts on the host humans) is on the verge of being eliminated in Africa and Asia.
8. **Program: Sally Paquin Program on China**
 - a. Ms. Paquin is a Canadian (Quebec) by birth and she is married to an executive of Good Year Tire and Rubber. She and her husband live in Canton but prior to this they lived in Brazil for a number of years.
 - b. She and her husband moved to Shanghai, China in August of 2011 and they have two more years to go before their return home. At first they were very nervous about moving to this city of about 27 million (yes) souls.
 - c. They have been very pleased with the safety of the City (feel secure any time night or day) and a bit mystified with the food, thus making eating a bit of an adventure. Street food is really creative but, unfortunately, a number of the dishes are a bit slimy for her Western taste buds.
 - d. The English language is spoken all over the place and particularly among the very young and the teen population.
 - e. While crowds can be very scary and it can be a real chore just getting around town, people on a one-to-one basis are super polite!
 - f. Commercialism is alive and well in modern China. Chinese merchants LOVE to bargain and their knock-off business is very well organized and universal. You can purchase almost anything in the so-called fake markets. There is largely a cash basis society in which even cab drivers carry lots of cash in their vehicles.
 - g. While Chairman Mao is considered a demonic monster by many in the West, some Chinese still regard him as the nation's savior. Yes, he made mistakes (such as the Cultural Revolution), they might say, but he eliminated foreign influence from China and help win the war against the Japanese.

Upcoming Meetings:

July 25	Councilman Rick Guiley, Beck Road Industrial Park
August 1	Business Meeting
August 8	TBA
August 15	Linda Furgason District Governor
August 22	Bill Jeffries, Beck Road Industrial Park
August 29	TBA

Rotary Personnel:

District 6650 Governor:
2012-2013 Linda Furgason
Respectfully submitted by Backup Pro Tem Secretary Mike Snyder

Louisville Rotary Club - District 6650**Meeting Notes -Wednesday, July 25, 2012**

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1. **Call to Order** ♦ Meeting called to order by President Yeagley with 26 (of 46) members in attendance.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of ♦The Four Way Test♦**
3. **Prayer** was led by Barry Gray
4. **Song** was led by Eva Roshong
5. **Visitors and Guests:** Rick Guiley
6. **Happy Dollars**
 - a. Betty Derry ♦ got to talk to her grandson in Afghanistan
 - b. Cynthia Kerchner ♦ happy to be at Rotary and out of the house
 - c. Eva Roshong ♦ happy to be at Rotary and to eat lunch
7. **Updates**
 - a. Upon arrival, please sign in on the new attendance sheets.
 - b. Chris Leach is resigning as Membership Chair. Interested individuals should contact Dave.
 - c. Next week at the business meeting, Jim Edwards and the financial committee will introduce their proposed donation process.
 - d. In two weeks, Ken Smith will hold another flag drilling party at the barn. Dates to follow.
8. **Program: Chesapeake Energy ♦ Councilman Rick Guiley**
 - a. Rick ♦s presentation is anecdotal. In early 2012, Bill Jeffries called Tom Ault and Rick to ask permission to go after Chesapeake Energy. Bill had learned that the Chesapeake CEO vetoed all the presidents ♦ and vice presidents ♦ votes to locate in Canton by the Quarry.
 - b. Chesapeake is structured so that each process in the fracking process is its own company. Originally, Chesapeake wanted to move one company/division to Louisville, which would create about 200 jobs. Now all six divisions are moving to Louisville, which some county sources indicate will create 1400 jobs. CEO Aubrey McClendon has stated before that every non-Chesapeake business in the area will need to create 15 more jobs to keep up. This will be a huge boost to the local economy.
 - c. In years 2015-2025 the City has offered an income tax refund, where they will return 25% of income tax collected by Chesapeake employees with a cap of 6 million. To reach this cap, Chesapeake would have to spend 1.2 billion dollars in wages.
 - d. Chesapeake was drawn to Stark County because of the labor pool and railroads. Bill Jeffries, his company, elected officials, fire & police chiefs, all acted as a team to provide information and resolve issues with the Louisville location.
 - e. Our community needs to learn about oil and gas. 110 years ago, Ohio was the biggest producer of oil in the world. It sits on top of two shales, with the Utica shale being only one mile from the surface. There are currently 60,000 wells in Ohio, but less than 20 are deep and horizontal. Ohio will be a test site for a deep well without the use of water.
 - f. Chesapeake will influence Louisville in many ways.
 1. Chesapeake will increase train traffic by about 100 trains a month. These trains will bring sand from Michigan and Illinois, so crossings in Canton and Broadway will be mostly impacted. One drill rig is moved by 42 train cars. Truck traffic will also increase. Chesapeake is negotiating with surrounding communities to videotape road condition so they can pay for any damage.
 2. Housing and rental prices will go up. Employees are looking at East Canton, Plain Township, and Louisville because they do not like Canton rental properties (condition, neighborhoods). Restaurants will also see increase in business as construction crews and trainers are from out of state.
 3. There are two ways to get a job with Chesapeake. First they can be hired directly through either Chesapeake. Second, they can be hired only through Express Employment Professionals. They have a satellite location in the Guiley Law Office on West Main. Chesapeake indicates each person they hire costs \$75,000 in wages and benefits.
 4. Louisville tax base will improve. For every 50 million of improvements on the land, it will equal 1 mil for the school district (but NOT in time for the cut in state funding). For the City, every 10 million in improvements, it will equal \$7000 in real estate tax.
 5. There is a good chance Chesapeake will build a water facility near its headquarters. This will allow Louisville to sell creek or discharge water for the City general fund. Louisville should have a monopoly on water sales because trucks will be leaving from this destination and thus not have an empty load if water was purchased elsewhere.
 - g. Louisville must be prepared for fracking protesters, but also understand how it can benefit the community and community organizations. Chesapeake wants to make a good impression on our community and be involved.

Upcoming Meetings:

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| August 1 | Business Meeting |
| August 8 | Maranda Saling |
| August 15 | Linda Ferguson, District Governor |
| August 22 | Bill Jeffries, Beck Road Industrial Park |
| August 29 | Mayor Pat Fallot |
| September 5 | Business Meeting |

Rotary Personnel:

District 6650 Governor:
2012-2013 Linda Fergason
Respectfully submitted by Secretary Wendy Jackson

Louisville Rotary Club - District 6650

Meeting Notes -Wednesday, August 1, 2012

<http://louisvillerotary.com/> & on Facebook: Louisville Rotary Club

1. **Call to Order** Meeting called to order by President-Elect Eva Roshong with 24 (of 46) members in attendance.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of The Four Way Test**
3. **Prayer** was led by Barry Gray
4. **Song** was led by Eva Roshong. July and August birthdays include Barry Gray, Bill Woods, Chris Leach, and Ken Smith
5. **Visitors and Guests:** James Carmen
6. **Happy Dollars**
 - a. Don Israel is happy that his wife is pregnant.
 - b. Bill Woods is happy that Julia got home safely. Our new exchange student from Italy, Grace, will be here next week.
 - c. Betty Derry is happy her oldest grandson is turning 30 this weekend.
7. **Rotary Minute and Updates**
 - a. Ron Derry traced the history of two Rotary mottos, including Service above Self. They originated out of 1910 and 1911 Rotary Convention speeches and were later revised in the 1950s and early 2000s.
 - b. Ken Smith is having a drilling party next week. More to follow.
 - c. Eva Roshong wants us to invite good standing citizens to meetings.
8. **Committee Updates**
 - a. Eva Roshong would like a report of what each committee plans to do.
 - b. Jim Edwards and the finance committee handed out a flexible proposal of how our club structures donations. They propose we set aside \$5000 per year for a major project. Next, we give three \$1000 donations to Rotary International programs, earning us 3 Paul Harris Fellowships each year as a club. Next, we advertise in the community for grant proposals and encourage applications by a set deadline. The club will vote on these applications to fill five \$1000 grants for the upcoming year. There will also be five \$200 awards to be decided by the Board during the year. Ken Smith motioned that we accept and move forward with the new grant/donation process as presented by Jim Edwards for \$14,000. Bill Woods seconded. All approved.
 - c. Bob Hallier indicated the Library has started the process of determining what they need for the new Library and Community Center. Chris Leach stated in keeping with years past, the Literacy committee will support an upcoming festival.
 - d. The Membership Committee still needs a chair.
 - e. Kathy Fausnight scheduled Pancake Day at LMS on November 10th.
9. **School Levy presentation**
 - a. The 5 year 5.9 mill emergency operating levy is up to vote on August 7, 2012. They have run a positive campaign, but if it does not pass in August, they show what cuts will occur if it does not pass in November.
 - b. Louisville City Schools (LCS) have been rated excellent for the last 5 years despite a very low spend per pupil. They are very efficient with their money.
 - c. LCS are funded primarily by the State of Ohio (65%), citizens (30%), and the Federal Government (5%). They rely more on state funding than any other school district in the area. For example, Jackson citizens fund 88% of Jackson schools. LCS has not had an operating levy pass in the last twenty years. These two factors combine to place LCS 610th out of 611 school districts in Ohio in terms of revenue. The CUPP report shows all financial data or you can call Treasurer James Carmen.
 - d. The State of Ohio has cut 1.4 million dollars of promised money, effective 2013. This causes significant impact to LCS and catalyzed the need for this levy.

Upcoming Meetings:

August 8 Maranda Saling
August 15 Linda Fergason, District Governor
August 22 Bill Jeffries, Beck Road Industrial Park
August 29 Mayor Pat Fallot
September 5 Business Meeting

Rotary Personnel:

District 6650 Governor:
2012-2013 Linda Fergason
Respectfully submitted by Secretary Wendy Jackson

Louisville Rotary Club - District 6650

Meeting Notes -Wednesday, August 8, 2012

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REMINDER: District Governor Linda Ferguson will attend our next meeting so please make every effort to attend this meeting.

1. **Call to Order** Meeting called to order by President Yeagley with 22 (of 46) members in attendance.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of The Four Way Test**
3. **Prayer** was led by Barry Gray
4. **Song** was sung by Rotary Exchange student Grace Salvio! Her song is a typical one that her fellow Italians sing when there is a cause for great celebration like winning the World Cup in Soccer in 2006.
5. **Visitors and Guests:** Grace Salvio of Italy!
6. **Happy Dollars**
 - a. Bill Wood is happy that Grace Salvio's flight arrived on time from Italy!
 - b. Maranda Saling is happy that she has a new niece and that her business continues to grow.
 - c. Betty Derry is happy that there will be an excellent program at the next meeting of the Louisville-Nimishillen Historical Society at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, August 14.
 - d. Mike Snyder is happy that the Rotary Club was a sponsor for a Dinner for Kids program at the Library at the final program of the Summer Reading Program.
 - e. Eva Roshong is happy to be taking on the duties of the Membership Committee and happy to forward the duties of the Food & Hunger Committee to Thaine Boldon.
 - f. Bob Hallier is that his sons are enjoying a dream come true: an Alaskan fishing getaway.
 - g. Jay Barton is happy that the current balance in the Happy Dollars account is \$68.00.
7. **Rotary Minute and Updates**
 - a. Farewell and best wishes to Tim Cox who will be moving to Bloomington, Illinois to work in city government there.
 - b. Ken Smith is having a drilling party on Thursday evening, August 9.
 - c. At the request of Mike Snyder, the following motion was made:
Motion made by Ken Smith/seconded by Bill Wood to award Ron Ponder, our Annual Banquet speaker.
Motion was approved by a majority of voters with one Nay vote.
 - d. At the request of President Yeagley, the following motions were made:
Motion made by Ken Smith/seconded by Kathy Fausnight to pay for an advertisement in the LHS football program.
Motion was approved with all those present voting in the affirmative.
And
Motion made by Bob Hallier/seconded by Ken Smith to award five free flags as a promotional for the LHS football season.
Motion was approved with all those present voting in the affirmative.
 - f. President Yeagley reported that we will soon discuss the possibility of providing funding to assist the Constitution Committee.
 - g. The consensus of the group is to invite 20 persons to attend our meeting on Wednesday, August 22 and to offer each of them a free lunch. Our speaker that day will be Mr. Bill Jeffries who will talk about the Beck Road Industrial Park project.
 - h. Bill Wood reported on a possible budget show-down at the federal level that will result in severe, automatic cuts in Washington and particularly in the Department of Defense, effective January 1, 2013. Bill urges us to contact our congressional delegates to fix this problem before the cuts take effect.
8. **Program Presentation by Maranda Saling**
 - a. Ms. Saling is a graduate of Ohio University and is the owner of a public relations firm called Bellflower Communications.
 - b. She enjoys being part an of organizations for both fellowship and professional reasons.
 - c. Her recommendation is to bring up Rotary in your everyday conversations and that younger people might be attracted to this club if they hear about all we do for others.
 - d. Ms. Saling described how she has been able to travel on the cheap while seeing lots of interesting places. One can consider: Swapping homes via the Internet, Crew a ship and be able to sail for free, Stay in a youth hostel, Couch serf by staying at other people's homes, Work on someone's farm, etc.
 - e. On one occasion, she helped build a home in another country for room and board.
 - f. Later this year she plans to fly to Italy to work during the grape and olive harvests. She plans to make contact with other Rotarians and will utilize mass transit at every opportunity. She will continue to serve her customers via e-mail and the Internet and plans to do some freelance writing.

Upcoming Meetings:

August 15 Linda Ferguson, District Governor
 August 22 Bill Jeffries, Beck Road Industrial Park
 August 29 Mayor Pat Fallot
 September 5 Business Meeting

Rotary Personnel:

District 6650 Governor: 2012-2013 Linda Ferguson
 Rotary Exchange Student: Grace Salvio
 Respectfully submitted by Second String Secretary Mike Snyder

Louisville Rotary Club - District 6650**Meeting Notes -Wednesday, August 15, 2012**

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1. **Call to Order** Meeting called to order by President Yeagley with 24 (of 46) members in attendance.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of The Four Way Test**
3. **Prayer** was led by Barry Gray
4. **Song** was led by Eva Roshong. Our very own **Ro Ro Ro Rotary Song**
5. **Visitors and Guests:** Larry Brandstetter, a Rotarian from Lexington, Kentucky, Bruce Ferguson, husband of District President Linda Ferguson, Toni Montgomery of Oakhill Manor Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Kimberly Weiss of the Canton Rotary Club, Marcie Blandford, a senior at LHS who is also a candidate to be an outbound Rotary Exchange Student, and Grace Salvio, our current inbound Rotary Exchange Student.
6. **Happy Dollars**
 - a. Greg Anderson is happy that there is still a place for younger fathers such as himself and Scooter Israel.
 - b. Bill Woods is happy that Marcie Blandford was able to attend our Rotary Club meeting today.
 - c. Eva Roshong is happy that we will be able to visit the lake home of Greg Anderson.
7. **Rotary Minute and Updates**
 - a. Ken Smith stated that the next U.S. flag drop-off will be on August 29, 30, and 31; the next U.S. flag pick-up will be after the Constitution Day Parade.
8. **Featured Speaker** Linda Ferguson, District Governor 6650
 - a. Governor Ferguson introduced the new Assistant Governor, Kimberly Weiss and thanked Greg Anderson for previously serving in that capacity.
 - b. She also introduced her husband, Bruce, who literally grew up in Louisville. She is from Alliance and they live very close to Louisville itself.
 - c. Governor Ferguson posed the question **Why did I join Rotary?** with a comment about the success of our club's progress on the eradication of polio. We are **this close** she said and indicated that the state of India has gone a full year without a new case of polio.
 - d. She reported to the membership that the Rotary theme is **Peace Through Service** and that this is a very personal issue with Rotary International President Sakuji Tanaka.
 - e. Governor Ferguson is asking Rotary Clubs in District 6650 to think of ways we can develop **Peace Forums** as a response to IR President Tanaka's call.
 - f. She reminded everyone that the leadership of District 6650 is **here to help you** in any way possible.
 - g. Governor Ferguson thanked Bill Wood who has worked tirelessly to assist the young people who come to the United States as part of the Rotary Youth Exchange Program.
 - h. In conclusion, she gave the group a warm **thank you** and expressed her sincere pleasure **to serve as your District Governor.**

Upcoming Meetings:

August 22 Bill Jeffries, Beck Road Industrial Park

August 29 Mayor Pat Fallot

September 5 Business Meeting

Rotary Personnel:

District 6650 Governor:

2012-2013 Linda Ferguson

Respectfully submitted by Substitute Secretary Mike Snyder

Louisville Rotary Club - District 6650**Meeting Notes -Wednesday, August 22, 2012**

<http://louisvillerotary.com/> & on Facebook: Louisville Rotary Club

1. **Call to Order** Meeting called to order by President Yeagley with 31(of 45) members in attendance.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of The Four Way Test**
3. **Prayer** was led by Chris Leach
4. **Song** was led by Eva Roshong
5. **Visitors and Guests:** Tom Ault, Ken Pugh, Todd Wade, Chuck Grimm, Alan Harold, James Carmen, Raeann Guiley, Annette Rosenberg, Rick Guiley, Bob Krabill, Nick Morris, Derek Harlan, Gail Gress, Don Israel, Pat Blandford, Walt Tennary, Jack Bollinger, Marsha Elkins, Sam Nees, Katherine May, Pat Fallot, Steve Malto, Brian Kandel, Leah Roshong, Bill Jeffries, Bill Jeffries Jr., Kimberly Rice, Pat Smith, Celina Hallier, Diana Clark, Jackie Clapper, Keith Peterson (apologies for misspelled names and/or anyone I missed)
6. **Happy Dollars**
 - a. Betty Derry is happy that she'll be a great grandma for the seventh time. She is happy that she and Ron will be doing a ribbon cutting at the Crisis Pregnancy Support Center her late daughter created 20+ years ago. The ceremony will be on YouTube and more

information on the September 6th 5:30 ceremony can be found on Facebook under PSCStark. Also, she is happy her grandson is okay after his recent move to a new base and immediate attack on the base.

- b. David Redd ♦ is happy school is back in session and all 3,000+ students got home.
- c. Maranda Saling ♦ is happy and sad that this is her last Rotary meeting before she heads to Italy.
- d. Cindy Pettiti ♦ is happy and sad that her daughter is headed to Italy.
- e. Kathy Fausnight ♦ is happy so many people are at Rotary.

7. Updates

- a. Group Study Exchange needs applicants ♦ must be under 40 ♦ for a four-week trip to India. Contact Dave for more information.
- b. Mark Sigler ♦s father recently passed away. He always supported Rotary and donated 11 yards of concrete and supervision to the Metzger Park bathroom project. Please think of things that we can do to do in his honor. Dave suggests a memorial tree at Metzger Park.
- c. We will meet at Greg Anderson ♦s house on Guilford Lake, Sunday September 9th. Please arrive after noon, with dinner served from 3-4 pm. More information to follow.
- d. The kitchen staff did a great job today.

8. Program: Beck Industrial Park ♦ Bill Jeffries

- a. Joseph A. Jeffries, founded in 1933 by Bill Jeffries ♦ Dad, was originally called Jeffries Coal. After his Dad ♦s passing in 1984, Bill and his siblings created a partnership and began investing and buying land. Jeffries bought the former Bennett farm and then unwanted land behind J&L.
- b. In 2009, Jeffries and the City applied for a State developmental grant. They submitted a proposal, had a 20-minute State presentation and State on-site visitation, but the grant was awarded to the old Hoover Company site. In 2010, they applied again with some modifications and received the grant. This allowed for the eventual bridge and sewer line construction.
- c. Louisville is the only area in Stark County with 70+ available acres with rail access. Once Chesapeake decided against Canton, officials worked with Louisville to keep Chesapeake in Stark County. This included giving Bill the cell phone number of the lead land developer. Bill called and left a lengthy voicemail. The developer returned his phone call and asked for more information. Norfolk-Southern representatives were in the Jeffries conference room, allowing for the first of many conference calls.
- d. Chesapeake originally was going to buy 80 acres, providing 200 jobs at \$75,000. They then decided to purchase the entire 291 acres from Beck Road to 44 and behind J&L, minus 7 acres for the new road. They will put a 5-story office building approximately the size of the new elementary school. There will be a 100,000 sq ft maintenance shop. They will build a mile rail circle to unload the approximate 100 cars per month of sand. This sand will be stored in 8 silos 40 ♦ by 155 ♦ (higher than the water towers). Rumor, to be confirmed in the next month or so, indicates 1400 jobs and up to \$100mil investment in rail. Jeffries will break ground on September 1st.
- e. There were many problems and a lot of luck with the Chesapeake deal. An area of the site was identified as wetland, which takes approximately 4-6 months for permits. Jeffries was at a conference with the EPA, talked to the right people, and the permit arrived within 2 days. Part of the site was searched for arrowheads and 18 acres are on hold because of found Indian bones. There is also a certain time trees cannot be cut down incase bats are using them to mate. Workers also needed parking, so they are renting 38 acres in Canton.
- f. The Chesapeake deal happened because private business and government worked together. Everyone was very open and honest about what they could and couldn ♦t do. City officials and council were very supportive. Louisville and Stark County have a good infrastructure of rail and state highway. In Louisville, our good schools, the cost of living, and our churches impressed Chesapeake.

Upcoming Meetings:

- August 29 Mayor Pat Fallot
- September 5 Business Meeting
- September 9 Guilford Lake meeting
- September 12 No Meeting

Rotary Personnel:

District 6650 Governor:
2012-2013 Linda Fergason
Respectfully submitted by Secretary Wendy Jackson

Louisville Rotary Club - District 6650

Meeting Notes -Wednesday, August 29, 2012

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- 1. **Call to Order** ♦ Meeting called to order by President Yeagley with 21 (of 42) members in attendance.
- 2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of ♦The Four Way Test♦**
- 3. **Prayer** was led by Barry Gray
- 4. **Song** was led by Eva Roshong
- 5. **Visitors and Guests:** Pat Fallot, Tom Ault, Kevin Lanser, Bill Wood, Derek Harlan
- 6. **Happy Dollars**
 - a. Betty Derry ♦ is happy to be here.
 - b. Mike Snyder ♦ is happy he captured a stray kitten and had it neutered. He ♦ll be even happier if he can find it a nice forever home.

- c. Jim Edwards ♦ is happy that four people came together to build steps for a couple in need.
- d. Eva Roshong ♦ is happy that we could help the aforementioned couple on her Meals on Wheels route.

7. Updates

- a. Mark Sigler ♦'s father recently passed away. He always supported Rotary and donated 11 yards of concrete and supervision to the Metzger Park bathroom project. Please think of things that we can do to do in his honor. Dave suggests a memorial tree at Metzger Park.
- b. We will meet at Greg Anderson ♦'s house on Guilford Lake, Sunday September 9th. Please arrive after noon, with dinner served from 3-4 pm. More information to follow.
- c. Today ♦ Friday: please post flags. Also, Denny Valentine talked to a former customer who indicated her Rotary club in Oregon also did the flag program.
- d. Bill Wood is requesting speakers ♦ no one is booked after September 19th.

8. Program: Louisville City Mayor Pat Fallot

- a. Pat has learned a lot in the last three years. Some of her perks include marrying people and visiting the schools to talk about local government.
- b. The Police Department has 8 full time officers, 11 part-time officers, one administrative assistant, one detective, one school liaison, and Havoc, the drug canine. Year-to-date (YTD) criminal incidents as of July 31st were 288, compared to 166 in 2011: Juvenile arrests were at 53 compared to 37, domestic violence arrests were at 35 compared to 18, OVI arrests were at 39 compared to 25, and drug arrests were at 39 compared to 19. Havoc has contributed to 15 arrests, \$10,000 in seizures, and one vehicle. Vehicle incidents were at 4187 on July 31st, compared to 3027 in 2011. Many of these numbers have increased due to proactive police measures; the number of theft/assault/etc has remained the same or decreased. The Police Department is also exploring architecture bids on a new police station. This would allow the fire and city departments to grow in the current building. In 2013, the Police Department hopes to replace a cruiser and purchase new bulletproof vests.
- c. The Fire Department has 20+ paid individuals on call, including 15 basic EMTs. There are two fire stations, one on Gorgas and one in Wilson Park in case of flooding. Stations are manned for 16 hours of the day and have had 621 calls as of July 31st, compared to 496 in 2011. The new white fire truck replaced a 1984 pump truck that does not meet minimum safety standards. It comes with many additional features, including automotive rescue tools and a 26 ♦ light tower. In 2013, they hope to replace canisters and purchase a new ambulance.
- d. The Service Department has cross-training programs, increased automation, and decreased from 16 full time employees to 11. They ♦ve used these cost saving measures to replace older equipment. The water treatment plant and the water pollution plant run 24 hours a day. Water towers have been inspected and painted, and a new repair truck helps with water and sewer main repairs. The Service Department plows 55 miles of road and is building a new salt storage area to comply with an EPA warning. This storage facility is guaranteed for 15 years and can hold over a year supply of salt. The City will sell Chesapeake water predominately from the creek, and has been aggressive in protecting our water well fields from oil wells.
- e. The Parks Department maintains 160 acres of parks and vacant land. They hire retired citizens and college students to help with mowing. In 2013, they hope to purchase a new mower and update/maintain some park facilities.
- f. The Finance Department keeps a close eye on City expenses. 25% of our income tax goes to a Utility Fund, as voted by citizens in 1993. The remaining 75% goes into the General Fund, of which 45% goes to safety forces.
- g. The Planning & Zoning Board consists of volunteers and over 7000 various permits are out. They have also finalized zoning at the Beck Industrial Park.
- h. There are many projects going on in Louisville. The West Main Project will be completed on or by October 30, 2012. The City has only paid a fraction of the total cost, thanks to grants and State funding. Constitution Week will be Sept 16-23 and the Naturalization Ceremony will be at 12:30 September 17th, at the Middle School. Julliard is introducing more fun art activities and the Chamber of Commerce will have many networking events.
- i. Pat thanks us for the flag program. She enjoys seeing them as she drives through town. Her door is always open for any compliments/complaints/questions.

Upcoming Meetings

- September 5 Business Meeting
- September 9 Guilford Lake meeting
- September 12 No Meeting
- September 19 Constitution Banquet (evening)

Rotary Personnel:

District 6650 Governor:
2012-2013 Linda Ferguson
Respectfully submitted by Secretary Wendy Jackson

Louisville Rotary Club - District 6650

Meeting Notes -Wednesday, October 10, 2012

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1. **Call to Order** ♦ Meeting called to order by President Yeagley with 24 (of 43) members in attendance.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of ♦The Four Way Test♦**
3. **Prayer** was led by David Yeagley
4. **Song** was led by Eva Roshong
5. **Visitors and Guests:** Tina Horn, Alan Harold
6. **Happy Dollars**
 - a. Bill Wood ♦ is happy his daughter is doing well after surgery.
 - b. Greg Anderson ♦ is happy Jen is back after her girls vacation to help with the twins.
 - c. Kathy Fausnight ♦ is happy for her new position.
 - d. Chris Leach ♦ is happy there were 32 tiny tots at the library program.
 - e. Betty Derry ♦ is happy for the display going up at the old post office.
 - f. Cynthia Kerchner ♦ is happy her grandson said her care package was the best one.
7. **Updates**
 - a. Posters are being printed up by a third party company that highlight Louisville businesses, on the condition the Louisville business pays \$300 to the company. This company ran an ad in the Herald indicating the Rotary would be selling these without our consent. After some discussion, Lance Leach moved and Ken Smith seconded to not sell these posters. All approved.
 - b. Barry Gray will be leaving our club, as he got a new position in Cleveland.
 - c. Tuesday, October 16, there will be a flag drilling party at the barn.
 - d. Paradise UCC has asked if the Rotary will serve as ushers for the Veterans Memorial Service, November 8th at 7 pm. Jay Barton, Dave Yeagley, Al Gress, and Ken Smith volunteered. We need at least two more people.
 - e. Rick Guiley invited Rotary to attend Monday, October 15th ♦s 7 pm City Council meeting. Chesapeake will be presenting and then there will be a break before the feral cat discussions resume.
 - f. Kathy Fausnight is asking for Pancake Day volunteers (November 10th).
 - g. Jim Edwards and his committee will be going through 17 applications for our five \$1000 grants.
8. **Program: Alan Harold, Stark County Auditor**
 - a. Homes are reappraised every six years and updated every three years. Historical sales data drives the appraisal model. The 2006 appraisal values relied on 2003-2005 arms-length sales data. Overall, county home values increased 7 percent. The 2012 appraisal values rely on 2009-2011 arms-length sales data.
 - b. The Auditor ♦s office primarily establishes if home attributes are up to date. The appraisal model is applied to the property card. Stark County is broken into 600 subgroups. Some areas are more challenging, since there are more foreclosures than amicable sales.
 - c. Stark County averaged a 10% decrease in home value, which translates into decreased government revenue. In Louisville, the schools will lose approximately \$150k, the city will lose approximately \$45k, and Nimishillen Township will lose approximately \$100k. Fourteen million dollars will be lost across the county.
 - d. A decrease in home value does not necessarily mean a decrease in taxes. Gross tax rate is the maximum millage that can be charged, whereas effective tax rate is the millage rate actually charged. The difference arises from the two types of millage. Ten percent of the rate is inside millage that goes to the schools, county, and city/township. The rest is voted millage or levies agreed to over time. For example, a 5 mills levy means five million dollars must be raised. Higher home values mean less effective millage because the office cannot raise more than five million dollars. Lower home values mean more effective millage because it takes a higher percent to reach five million dollars. Emergency levies are different because the million needs to be raised despite the millage cap. Therefore, a five million dollar levy may be 6.2 millage despite a voted 5.9 millage.
 - e. Alan ♦s office held meetings at every library in the county. Approximately 2500 property owners showed up to discuss their reappraisal. About half of these will be adjusted.

Upcoming Meetings

TBA

Rotary Personnel:

District 6650 Governor:

2012-2013 Linda Ferguson

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Louisville Rotary Club - District 6650

Meeting Notes -Wednesday, October 17, 2012

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1. **Call to Order♦** Meeting called to order by President Yeagley with 22 (of 44) members in attendance.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of ♦The Four Way Test♦**
3. **Prayer** was led by Eva Roshong
4. **Song** was led by Eva Roshong
5. **Visitors and Guests:** Joel Dunbar, Tom Pukys
6. **Happy Dollars**

- a. Cynthia Kerchner ♦ is happy for Breast Cancer support systems
- b. Eva Roshong ♦ is happy her family is healthy
- 7. Updates**
- a. Sherry Unger: The Title 1 teacher at Louisville Elementary School is looking for volunteers to read 30 minutes each week to help struggling children. To volunteer, contact the LES secretary at 330-875-1176.
- b. Jay Barton: Scooter Israel is working on placemats for Pancake Day. Contact him if you want to place a \$50 ad.
- c. Ken Smith: Flag posting will be November 7-9 and retiring will be November 13-15.
- d. Kathy Fausnight: Please contact her to sign up for the Pancake Breakfast, November 10th. Denny Valentine has posters.
- e. Dave Yeagley: The former minister at Beacon of Hope Community Church and his wife are both facing stage 4 cancers. There will be a benefit dinner from 4-7pm on Saturday, November 3rd.
- f. Dave Yeagley: The District Rotary is asking for nominations for District Governor. They must be a past president and have 5 years of Rotary experience.
- 8. Program: Tom Pukys, President of Alliance Area Development**
- a. The Alliance Area Development (AAD) is a non-profit economic development group that was formed 13 years ago. They are a resource and partner for city governments, the county, chamber of commerces, and state officials. Originally they worked only in Alliance, but have expanded to include Sebring, local townships, and Louisville.
- b. Their main goal is retention and expansion of jobs. Eighty percent of new jobs come from existing businesses. The second job creation source is entrepreneurial businesses. It is rare that businesses move into a town. Tom Ault added that in Louisville, OTC will double its workforce in the next year, Midlake is adding 10,000 sq feet of manufacturing, and both Alleghany Ludlum and H-P Products are adding employees.
- c. From a new business standpoint, there are ten strengths of Louisville:
 - 1. Infrastructure ♦ we have strong a strong energy supply and access to highways.
 - 2. Businesses ♦ we have a diverse blend of base businesses (H-P, Midlake, Alleghany Ludlum), and non-base businesses (coffee shops, pizza places, card stores).
 - 3. Low cost to do business ♦ Our taxes are in line and we have natural gas sources and low labor costs.
 - 4. Workforce ♦ we have a good mix of skilled and non-skilled workers both in Louisville and in the county. Tom Ault added that Alleghany Ludlum is still in Louisville because of the workforce; they ♦re too profitable to close it.
 - 5. City Government ♦ we have smart people that interact with the public and are business friendly.
 - 6. Schools ♦ we have excellent schools and many local colleges. This is very attractive to businesses and it is critical that our schools stay excellent. David Redd added that we lose a Moody ♦s point because of our levy voting history.
 - 7. Quality of Life ♦ we have parks, the library, the YMCA, and low crime rates.
 - 8. Low cost of living ♦ we have affordable homes and it ♦s a great place for people to live.
 - 9. People invest in the community ♦ people believe enough in Louisville to invest ♦ like Bill Jeffries and Steve Coon.
 - 10. Engaged community ♦ we have many service clubs, flag programs, and volunteers.

Upcoming Meetings

- October 24 David Redd/James Carmen ♦ school levy
- October 31 TBA
- November 7 Business Meeting
- November 10 Pancake Day
- November 14 Greg Anderson - Oracle

Rotary Personnel:

- District 6650 Governor:
- 2012-2013 Linda Fergason
- Respectfully submitted by Secretary Wendy Jackson

Louisville Rotary Club - District 6650

Meeting Notes -Wednesday, October 24, 2012

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- 1. **Call to Order** ♦ Meeting called to order by President Yeagley with 24 (of 44) members in attendance.
- 2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of ♦The Four Way Test♦**
- 3. **Prayer** was led by President Yeagley
- 4. **Song** was led by Eva Roshong
- 5. **Visitors and Guests:** Marci Blandford, Gina Horton & Heidi Wilson
- 6. **Happy Dollars**
 - a. Betty Derry - is happy just because!
 - b. Eva Roshong ♦ is happy that Marci Blandford is interested in becoming our outbound student next year.
- 7. **Updates**

- a. Kathy Fausnight: Please contact her to sign up for the Pancake Breakfast, November 10th. Denny Valentine has posters. Kathy has tickets. she can be contacted at kathyfmarykay@sbcglobal.net
- b. Jay Barton: Scooter Israel is working on placemats for Pancake Day. Contact him if you want to place a \$50 ad there is one spot left.
- c. Eva Roshong: Made a motion to support the former minister at Beacon of Hope Community Church and his wife. they are both facing stage 4 cancers. the money from the happy dollar fund and individual contributions from rotarians will be collected and sent to the Koonce benefit fund on Nov. 1st. Anyone wishing to contribute may do so by contacting me or any other club officers.

8. Program: david redd - louisville schools superintendent.

Mr. Redd answered club members questions regarding the upcoming school levy.

- a.) double dippers? 0. there are no retire rehire employees in the district.
- b.) all district employees have had their wages frozen this year.
- c.) if the district is so impoverished, who paid for the stadium? you did. the stadium was built with private funds collected from our community.
- d.) the elementary building saves the district \$300,000/year.
- e.) failure of the levy will mean the dismantling of our district:
- 1.- no busing
 2. - pay2play will increase to \$350
 3. - 27 teachers will join the ranks of the unemployed
 4. - state minimums will be enacted.

Upcoming Meetings

October 31 Greg Salvio
 November 7 Business Meeting
 November 10 Pancake Day
 November 14 Greg Anderson - Oracle

Rotary Personnel:

District 6650 Governor:
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Louisville Rotary Club - District 6650

Meeting Notes -Wednesday, October 31, 2012

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1. **Call to Order** ♦ Meeting called to order by President Yeagley with 21 (of 44) members in attendance.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of ♦The Four Way Test♦**
3. **Prayer** was led by Chris Leach
4. **Song** was led by Eva Roshong
5. **Visitors and Guests:** Grace Salvio
6. **Happy Dollars**
 - a. Cynthia Kerchner ♦ is happy for Breast Cancer support systems
 - b. Eva Roshong ♦ is happy that don marshall is in attendance. betty is happy to announce that the lnhs will be partnering with julliard for a light up louisville christmas event.
7. **Updates**
 - a. Chuck McLaughlin purchased the last spot on the placemats for Pancake Day. thanks chuck!
 - b. Ken Smith: Flag posting will be November 7-9 and retiring will be November 13-15.
 - c. Kathy Fausnight: Please contact her to sign up for the Pancake Breakfast, November 10th. Denny Valentine has posters.
 - e. Dave Yeagley: The former minister at Beacon of Hope Community Church and his wife are both facing stage 4 cancers. There will be a benefit dinner from 4-7pm on Saturday, November 3rd. rotarians can donate by contacting yeagley or barton.
 - f. Chuck McLaughlin: friends of the library will host an event sat nov. 3 at the old post office. The lnhs will also be open to visitors. let it be noted and duly recorded that chris leach, betty derry, chuck mcloughlin eva roshong and don marshall attended in costume. thanks to chris for providing treats for our costumed members.
8. **Program: Grace Salvio**, inbound exchange student

Upcoming Meetings

November 7 Business Meeting
 November 10 Pancake Day
 November 14 Greg Anderson - Oracle

Rotary Personnel:

District 6650 Governor:

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