

## Upcoming Speakers

Dr. David Silverstein

March 26

Sheri Erwin, President, Kentucky Rural Health Association

April 02

Dr. Boyd Buser, Dean, Univ. of Pikeville, Ky, Coll of Osteopathy

April 09

Stephen Hanson, CEO, Baptist Health Kentucky

April 16

## Club Leaders

**Chris McNeill**

President

**Jamie Futrell**

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**Thomas Scott Taylor**

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**Missy R Eckenberg**

iPast President

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Club Executive Secretary

## Birthdays

**Kyle P Katterjohn**

March 22

**Lanny King**

March 23

**Phil Hook**

March 24

**BA A. Hamilton**

March 27

**Victoria E Caldwell**

March 28

**Ann Erickson**

March 29

**Michael Cochran**

March 29

**Charles R Manchester**

April 02

**Joseph D. Crawford**

April 05

**Marvin G. Devers**

April 05

**Maurie McGarvey**

April 07

**William Edward Barker**

April 07

**Laurie Latham**

April 09

**Edward Grant**

April 13

**Georgann Lookofsky**

April 16

**William E. Hay**

April 17

**Bonnie Schrock**

April 17



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## The Coach



It could be argued that during the 42 years the legendary coach Adolph Rupp was at the University of Kentucky, he raised the sport to near-religious status in the Commonwealth. His tough, yet humorous demeanor ensured basketball took its place next to horses, coal and bourbon as Kentucky's cultural icons. Rotarians were treated to a live characterization of the famous coach this week portrayed by Dr. Edward B. Smith from the Kentucky Chautauqua program.

Rupp, a native of Kansas born to immigrant parents, coached high school football, track, wrestling and basketball in Iowa and Illinois before landing the UK job in 1930. Over his career at UK his teams won 880 games, four national championships and one Olympic gold medal.

Successful teams were the norm at UK, but Rupp's dynamic personality and genius for public relations set him apart. He was endlessly quotable, delighting the press with witty quips and quotes.

Smith's portrayal also made it clear that Rupp was an uncompromising taskmaster, both with himself and his players. He expected success and found it not only in basketball but also in various business ventures, including raising Hereford cattle. In the early days of college basketball, he was pioneer in many areas of the game, including style of play and in forming the official rules.

In 1972, the UK Athletics Board ruled the university's mandatory retirement age of 70 would apply to Coach Rupp, on which he commented, "they might as well take him to the cemetery." In fact, he lived until December 1977 and is buried in the Lexington Cemetery just down the street from Rupp Arena, the 23,000 seat basketball palace dedicated to him the year before his death.

Dr. Smith quoted Rupp as saying, "I know I have plenty of enemies, but I would rather be the most hated winning coach in the country than the most popular losing one."

## Announcements

March 19th, 2014

The Annual Antique Quilt Show is just around the corner! Please support the Club's largest fundraiser of the year by signing up for a volunteer shift April 22-26. Sign up sheets are available at each week's Rotary meeting. If you have not signed up for a shift by the end of March expect a call from the Quilt Show Committee.

Community Donation

Daniel Roe accepted a donation from the Club on behalf of the Boy Scouts of America.

### **Rotary Foundation Status:**

Every Rotarian Every Year - 98% of Club

Paul Harris Fellows - 77 members, 44% of Club

Paul Harris Society - 33 members, 19% of Club



## Guests

March 19th, 2014

Student Guests: Audrey Peyton, Community Christian Academy; Allison Reed, St. Mary High School; Will Hancock, Paducah Tilghman High School; and Kennedy Powers, Hyeobin Lee, and Courtney Grewelle, McCracken County High School

Angela Davis and Angie Everette – guests of Scott Davis;

Jack Johnston – guest of Bob Johnston;

Hudson Stivers – guest of Jody Stivers;

Betty Fassel – guest of Ken Schuppert;

Jill Jones – guest of Mary Hammond;

Lindsay Noesen and Cole Samuelson – guest of Mike Muscarella.