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Mondays 12 pm at the Hilton 7373 Turfway Rd, Florence KY Box 6027 Florence KY 41022 District 6740



2-Dec

## TODAY'S SCHEDULE, DECEMBER 2nd, 2019

Buffet Opens (\$14 for Buffet, Coffee, Tea, & Dessert) 11:45

12:15 President Frank Schneider Presiding

Team 7 Greeting, Prayer, Pledge and 4Way Test

12:30 NKY Economic Development. Lee Crume (Froelicher)

1:00 Meeting Adjourned



### **PROGRAMS**

Date	Program	Presenter	Т
6 pm	Christmas Concert at Lakeside	(Carroll/Stewart) Buttermilk Pike	
9	Club Assembly & goal planning for 2020		8
16	Year End Review	President Frank	9
<del>23</del>	Christmas Eve	No Meeting	
<del>30</del>	New Year's Eve	No Meeting	
01/6	Meet NKY	Eric Sume (Froelicher)	1
13	Prichard Committee, Bridgitte Ramsey (Pile)		2
<del>20</del>	Martin Luther King Day	No Meeting	
27	Hebron Library Offsite meeting 1863 North Bend Road, Hebron, (Herman)		3
02/3	Triple Crown Winner	Steve Cauthen (Froelicher)	4
10	William Howard Taft Historical Society	(Froelicher)	5
<del>20</del>	Presidents Day	No Meeting	
27	Mirsada Kadiric	(Pile)	6
03/2	Conservation Education Specialist	Susan Brown (Froelicher)	7

### **People of Action**

### DEC2 6PM CHRISTMAS CONCERT AT LAKESIDE CHRISTIAN ON BUTTERMILK PIKE

MAR14 NKY INT. FESTIVAL N.K. Convention Center 1 W Rivercenter Blvd, Covington, KY

- NOMINATE CLUB MEMBER FOR DG 2022-2023: The deadline is January 8, 2020
- \* 4 PRESIDENTIAL INITIATIVES:(1) GROW +20; (2) RAISE 20K; (3) DEV. 20K; (4) DIVERSITY
- MEAL AD \$100/quarter & runs weekly. PATRON AD is \$100/year runs every 3rd week.
- **OUR 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER COMMUNITY SERVICE PARTNER:** Welcome House, Tattoo Removal and Steinford Toy Foundation are 4th Quarter CSPs. Financial donations will be split between Welcome House and Tattoo Removal. Donations of new toys for STF will be accepted on November 18 and 25 as well as December 2 and 9. You may sign up your business as a drop off location for toys between November 18 and December 6. We need help with volunteers to distribute signs and boxes the week of November 18. And, we need volunteers to pick up toys at businesses on December 9, 10 and 11 to deliver them to SD1. Please contact Roger Babik to sign up to volunteer roger@masterprovisions.org. To volunteer at Welcome House - please call or email Sara

Kahmann at 859.431.8717 or skahmann@welcomehouseky.org.

- \* ROTARY BUSINESS CARD: Rotary is fun! Please invite new members to join! Tell them about our great programs and how Rotary has changed you for the better.
- KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS SIGNUP: Click to your local Kroger Store and use "The Florence Rotary Foundation, Inc." Won't effect Reward points.
- \* AMAZON SMILES: Simply Click. We are 1st option "Florence Rotary Club Foundation Inc". EIN 27-1752838. 15200 Porter Rd, Verona, KY
- \* WHO ARE WE: We are a community service organization focusing on "service above self". Guests are always welcome. More info: www.florencerotary.org or Facebook.
- **KENTUCKY VETERANS HALL OF FAME** is conducting a raffle of this vehicle. Gary Griesser has 100 tickets @ \$10 each.



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# Sports Betting and Medical Marijuana on 2020 General Assembly Agenda

Written By: Patrick Moynahan - November 22

The minority leader of the Kentucky Senate believes the history -making political makeup of the 2020 General Assembly could foster agreement on major policy issues such as sports betting.

For the first time in history, a Democrat will lead the executive branch and Republicans will comprise a supermajority of both chambers of the state legislature, according to Morgan McGarvey (D-Louisville). That means new Gov. Andy Beshear will need the support of GOP lawmakers for his legislative priorities and vice versa.

"I believe people want to see us work together," McGarvey said at a recent meeting of the Rotary Club of Florence. "You can force your ideas down people's throats but that doesn't taste very good. People generally don't like that.

"We are going to have big agreements. I hope we can take those disagreements and do something constructively to come out with some good policy."

McGarvey shared his views on policy issues the 2020 General Assembly likely will tackle in January. He expects to see bills filed on expanded gaming and medical marijuana as well as tax reform and education funding because 2020 is a budget year in Kentucky's biennial legislative process.

McGarvey believes legislators have played a "magic shell game" with the budget over the past 20 years as political control has shifted from party to party. Instead of reforming the state's tax structure and creating new revenue streams, the party in power has made minor cuts and shifted funding priorities in keeping with the party's agenda.

The net result is budget shortfalls.

"I don't believe we have enough money to run the basic needs and obligations of state government as it currently exists ... period!" McGarvey said. "The little cuts, put all together, are not working that well."

The only options for the 2020 General Assembly, he believes, are to cut government services or to raise revenue, which he contends are equally difficult votes for a lot of legislators in both parties. However, he believes legislation on sports betting will pass "if a good bill comes up."

McGarvey said Kentucky is allowing carloads of cash to cross the Ohio River to casinos in Indiana and Ohio because of the com-



monwealth's gaming restrictions. He favors a constitutional amendment to allow any kind of legal gaming, an approach that enables Kentucky voters to determine policy

"Every year, we don't do it, we're losing money," McGarvey noted. "I don't think governments should tell people how to spend their entertainment dollars. We should put it on the ballot and let the people decide."

The Senate Democratic leader also anticipates proposed legislation on medical marijuana, but he does not believe expanded gaming and medical marijuana will provide significant new revenue. Bipartisan collaboration on comprehensive tax reform driven by the split in political power could be the gamechanger, in his view.

"I am optimistic ... we can set a new tone of doing things differently than the past few years," McGarvey said.

He believes both Democrats and Republicans can benefit from sharing different political perspectives, different regional perspectives and other different viewpoints - e.g., rural vs. urban. He said Sen. John Schickel (R-Union) has influenced his thinking on some issues even though "we've voted together maybe seven times in eight years."

"He knows who he is, he knows where he's coming from and he knows he's doing the right thing," McGarvey said."

Schickel invited McGarvey to the Rotary meeting and introduced him as "a good friend."

"I don't believe there is anyone on either side of the aisle that doesn't like him," Schickel said. "He does what he truly believes in his heart is best for the state."

Looks as if two legislators already have started setting a tone.



Frank presenting donations to 4th quarter CSP: Barbara Keeling, President Frank, Stephanie Potter, Roger Babik. Also guest speaker, Chris Tobe.