

ROTARY CLUB OF FLORENCE

President: Frank Schneider
 Secretary: [Carrie Herrmann](#)
 Treasurer: Ian Addington
 SGT-at-Arms: Shawn Carroll
 P. Elect: Peter Weickgenannt

Mondays 12 pm at the Hilton
 7373 Turfway Rd, Florence KY
 Box 6027 Florence KY 41022
 District 6740
 859-334-0157



TODAY'S SCHEDULE, FEBRUARY 24th, 2020

- 11:45 Buffet Opens (\$15 for Buffet, Coffee, Tea, & Dessert)
- 12:15 President [Frank Schneider](#) Presiding
- Team 6** Greeting, Prayer, Pledge and 4Way Test
- 12:30 Bosnian Refugee will tell her story: Mirsada Kadiric (Pile)
- 1:00 Meeting Adjourned



UPCOMING PROGRAMS

| Date | Program | Presenter | T |
|------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| 03/2 | Conservation Education Specialist | Susan Brown (Froelicher) | 7 |
| 9 | Media Today? | Rob Braun (Froelicher) | 8 |
| 16 | Club Assembly / New Member Pinning | Ceremony (Schneider) | 9 |
| 23 | History of Triple Crown | Jim Berling (Dieter) | 1 |
| 30 | Ark Encounter | Mark Looy (Froelicher) | 2 |
| 04/6 | Life Learning Center | Alecia Webb-Edgington (Froelicher) | 3 |
| 13 | Fire Chief City of Florence | Scott Knoll (Froelicher) | 4 |
| 20 | Teacher of the Year | | 5 |

PEOPLE OF ACTION

- * **VOLUNTEER HOURS:** Please turn in to [Carrie Herrmann](#)
- * **PHOTOS NEEDED FOR DACDB.** To upload your photo, 1st login [here t.ly/P33Pe](https://t.ly/P33Pe) then click [here t.ly/y55d0](https://t.ly/y55d0). If you don't have a photo see [Paul Feuss](#) (our club photographer).
- * **DACDB COORDINATOR SOUGHT:** See Frank for more info.
- * **OUR 1ST QUARTER COMMUNITY SERVICE PARTNER:** Our first quarter CSPs are GO Pantry and New Perceptions. To volunteer with Go Pantry, email roger@masterprovisions.org or sign up at gopantry.org to help at one of their 1Q pack events: March 4/5 (Wed or Thurs) March 8 (Sun). See [Shawn Carroll](#) for volunteer opportunities at New Perceptions. Up to \$500 in donations from Rotary members this quarter will be matched and split equally between GO Pantry and New Perceptions. Donations may be made payable to Florence Rotary Foundation and given to [Billy Santos](#) or [Greg Palmer](#).
- * **3/14 NKY INT. FESTIVAL N.K. CONVENTION CENTER 1 W Rivercenter Blvd, Covington, KY. To raise \$200k we need SPONSORS: \$50k; \$30k; \$15k; \$10k; \$7.5k; \$5k; \$1k; \$500**
 - Website: www.nkyinternationalfestival.com
 - Twitter: <https://twitter.com/NKYIntlFest>
 - Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/nkyintlifest/>
 - Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/nkyintlifest/>
- * **3/23-27 COOPER HIGH SCHOOL EXIT INTERVIEWS.** Please use this [link \(t.ly/7J8rW\)](https://t.ly/7J8rW) to serve our local high school (Jim Ferguson).
- * **4/20 TEACHER OF THE YEAR.** March 6, 2020 is [nomination](#) deadline ([Barb Keeling](#)).
- * **4 PRESIDENTIAL INITIATIVES:** GROW +20; RAISE 20K; DEV. 20K; DIVERSITY
- * **MEAL AD \$100/quarter & runs weekly. PATRON AD** is \$100/year runs every 3rd week.
- * **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.
- * **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](#).
- * **COVINGTON ROTARY TURNS 100:** February 27 at 5:30 at the Radisson in Covington. The \$20 [tickets](#) are for 2.
- * **TRISTATE TRAUMA NETWORK'S MYSTERY DINNER: "It's a Mystery".** Help us solve the 'Mystery' as the Tristate becomes Inspector Trauma's Network of assistants. Date: March 12, 2020. Time: 6 pm – 9 pm. Location: Devou Golf & Event Center. 1201 Park Drive, Covington Kentucky. An evening of Fun, Clues and Food presented by TTN! Tickets per person - [Price \\$75](#) (t.ly/NZ5By), goes to supporting Trauma Care in our area.



| | |
|-------------------|--------|
| Booth, Herb | 1-Feb |
| Hodges, Jerry | 12-Feb |
| Monohan, Ed | 12-Feb |
| Addington, Ian | 12-Feb |
| Moynahan, Patrick | 16-Feb |
| Murphy, Murph | 20-Feb |
| Shipe, Brad | 24-Feb |
| Wiehe, Todd | 27-Feb |
| Lynch, Mike | 28-Feb |
| Siefert, Hannah | 29-Feb |



Frank Schneider
Meal Sponsor
GATEWAY REHABILITATION HOSPITAL
513-781-8940

Jim Ferguson
Meal Sponsor
APEX REALTY GROUP
859-907-5466

Fundraiser
Gary Stewart
Concert Emcee

John Schickel
KENTUCKY STATE
Senator
859.384.7506

Gary Griesser
859.586.6225

Jim Ferguson
APEX REALTY GROUP
859.907.5466

Greg Palmer
PALMER CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, INC.
859.282.1220

John & Connie
ENDPOLIONOW
Salyers

Jacob Brooks
the R.C. DURR YMCA
859.534.5700

Jerry & Joy
Be a gift to the world
Hodges

Advertise with us

Jerry Meyer
schwaab, inc
ESTABLISHED 1987
Great Impressions That Last
800.935.9877

Cauthen Reflects on Thoroughbred Racing Career

Written By: Patrick Moynahan, on February 7, 2020

Steve Cauthen feels like Affirmed picked him to guide him through the storied Triple Crown campaign battles with Alydar in 1978.

Affirmed beat Alydar in the Kentucky Derby by 1½ lengths, in the Preakness Stakes by a neck and the Belmont Stakes by a nose in one of the most scintillating rivalries in thoroughbred racing history. Cauthen, at age 18, became the youngest jockey to win the Triple Crown.

“We had a really amazing connection,” Cauthen said. “When I was on his back ... we had an understanding and a trust between each other in a race.”

“I think he trusted that I knew what I was doing.”

Cauthen, a Northern Kentucky native who now operates a thoroughbred farm in Walton, reflected on his Hall of Fame career as a jockey at a recent meeting of the Rotary Club of Florence. The son of a farrier, he grew up around horses and thoroughbred racing and was mucking out stalls by the time he was 5.

However, he dreamed of gaining fame with a different kind of colts. A Johnny Unitas fan, Cauthen dreamed of quarterbacking the Baltimore Colts in the NFL. After a summer of pee-wee football following the seventh grade, he decided he needed to look for a different option. A book by famed jockey Eddie Arcaro, “I Ride to Win!” lit a fire in his mind.

“After reading that book, all of a sudden I could imagine myself being a jockey,” Cauthen said. “I had been around horses

all my life. I was kinda small. I thought, “Why can’t I do that?”

Cauthen dreamed of nothing else from the time he was 12 until he was 16 and old enough to get a jockey’s license. He broke horses for a couple of years at Liberty Farm, galloped horses at River Downs and got his license at Churchill Downs. He rode his first race 12 days after he turned 16 in 1976 and rode his first winner at River Downs a week later.

“I would have been happy (then) to be the leading rider at River Downs,” Cauthen said. “I was trying to be realistic.”

He was the leading rider at River Downs within a couple of months, then headed to New York. Fourteen months after his first race, he got his first ride on Affirmed in his 2-year-old season, a year in which Cauthen won 487 races to become the nation’s leading rider.

Struggling to make weight in America after his Triple Crown success, he rode race horses all over Europe as well as Japan, China, Australia and South Korea. He is the only jockey to have won both the Kentucky Derby in America and the Epsom Derby in England. He retired after 14 years in Europe with a total of 2,794 wins. He and wife Amy returned to Walton and bought a farm.

“In the end, (weight) was why I retired,” Cauthen said. “That was really the only thing I hated about racing.”

He counts himself lucky to have ridden “one of the greatest horses that ever lived” and to have won the greatest race in his home state, the Kentucky Derby. Although Aly-

dar was a bigger horse than Affirmed and arguably had a better pedigree, Cauthen said Affirmed was more versatile.

Cauthen always felt he had the advantage in the matchup because Affirmed had speed, rated well and responded well to Cauthen’s positioning. He also had intangibles beyond his pedigree.

“I knew his guts and heart,” Cauthen said. “Any time I hooked up with Alydar, I was pretty confident that I had a chance to beat him if my horse had a chance to look him in the eye.”

Affirmed and Alydar locked up eye to eye for more than half the race in the 1½-mile Belmont, the final leg of the Triple Crown. Cauthen tapped him with his left hand for the first time ever down the stretch and Affirmed got his nose just in front at the finish.

Affirmed won 22 of 29 races in his career and only finished out of the money once. Four other jockeys rode him, including Hall of Famer Laffit Pincay, Jr., and Angel Cordero, Jr., according to Cauthen.

“But I got the good ones on him,” Cauthen said, smiling.

