

ROTARY CLUB OF FLORENCE

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TODAY'S SCHEDULE, MARCH 02ND, 2020

- 11:45 Buffet Opens (\$15 for Buffet, Coffee, Tea, & Dessert)
- 12:15 President [Frank Schneider](#) Presiding
Team 7 Greeting, Prayer, Pledge and 4Way Test
- 12:30 Conservation Education Specialist Susan Brown (Froelicher)
- 1:00 Meeting Adjourned

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Date	Program	Presenter	T
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
27	Offsite meeting	Ignite (Pile)	6

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](http://t.ly/P33Pe) then click [here t.ly/y55d0](http://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](#).



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- * **3/23-27 COOPER HIGH SCHOOL EXIT INTERVIEWS.** Please use this [link \(t.ly/7J8rW\)](http://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](#).
- * **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.

	Dieter, Beth	20-Mar	
	Webster, Matt	20-Mar	
	Volland, Don	24-Mar	
	Schickel, John	29-Mar	

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Taft House Brings Former President to Life

Written By: Patrick Moynahan, on Feb-16, 2020

Who started the seventh-inning stretch at major league baseball games?

William Howard Taft, the only U.S. president born in Cincinnati.

“He was hefty fellow and his knees started to cramp in the box, so he stood up to stretch,” said Reggie Murray, the volunteer coordinator at the William Howard Taft National Historic Site.

“Everybody saw the president stand up, so everybody else stood up.”

Taft’s contribution to baseball fandom was among the historical tidbits Murray shared to bring to life the eight presidents from Ohio in a program commemorating President’s Day at the Rotary Club of Florence. He also explained changes underway to bring history to life at Taft’s boyhood home in Cincinnati.

Eight of the 44 presidents of the United States came from Ohio, earning the Buckeye state the nickname of “Mother of Presidents.” The list includes William Henry Harrison (1841), Ulysses S. Grant (1869-1877), Rutherford B. Hayes (1887-1891), James A. Garfield (1881), Benjamin Harrison (1889-1903), William McKinley (1897-1901), Taft (1909-1913), and Warren G. Harding (1921-1923).

No other state has produced more presidents, Murray said, although that claim is

in dispute. William Henry Harrison was born in Virginia when it was a British colony, and Virginia counts him as one of eight “native sons” to serve as president.

“He was the last president elected who could be considered born under foreign rule,” Murray countered. “He lived in Ohio when he was elected president.”

Two of the Ohio presidents were assassinated (Garfield and McKinley), two others died in office (William Henry Harrison and Harding) and two are memorialized on U.S. currency. Grant is on the \$50 bill and McKinley on the \$500 bill. Harrison gave a two-hour inauguration speech on a cold and wet day, contracted pneumonia and died 30 days later.

Taft was born and lived 17 years in a two-story Greek Revival home known as the “house on the hill” on Auburn Avenue in Cincinnati, across the street from Christ Hospital. The National Park Service took over operations in 1969 and restored it to look as it did when Taft was growing up.

A National Park Service ranger, Murray said the site attracts 25,000 visitors a year, including students in school programs. The park service plans to increase programs that re-enact activities in the early 1900s such as what the cook was doing downstairs in the kitchen and what the nanny was doing with the children, he noted.

“We are trying to bring the park alive for visitors so it’s not just go through the rooms and tell them this room was for that and this is what happened there,” Murray said.

Taft did not want to be president but his wife, Louise, wanted to be first lady, according to Murray. She became his most trusted advisor. When she suffered a stroke in the White House, he withdrew and didn’t want to run for a second term. He lost that election to Woodrow Wilson.

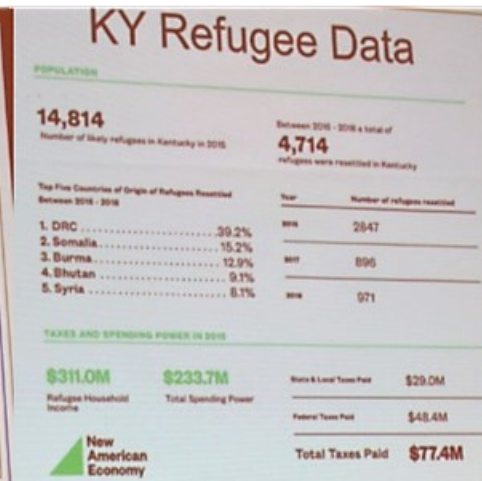
Taft served as Secretary of War before his election and Chief Justice of the United States after his defeat for a second term. As president, he filed more than 70 anti-trust lawsuits against some of the largest companies in the United States and established links with African-Americans at home and Filipinos abroad, according to Murray.

As chief justice, he streamlined the Supreme Court by pushing legislation that limited the docket to cases involving constitutional issues. Emphasis shifted to cases important to the public, not just the privileged class, Murray said.

“William Howard Taft was for the little man,” he noted. “He respected everyone.”

Asked about the dispute between Kentucky (where Abraham Lincoln was born) and Illinois (where he lived when he was elected president), Murray demurred.

“I’m staying out of that,” he said, chuckling.



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