

Rotary Club of Florence

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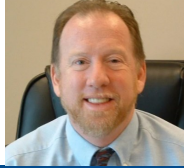


Rotary Opens Opportunities



Today's virtual schedule, February 1st, 2021

11:45 Home Buffett (\$0)
 12:00 Pres. Peter Weickgenannt Presiding
Team 6 Prayer, Pledge and 4Way Test
 12:15 Hidden History KY Political Scandals. Bob Schrage & John Schaaf (Duane)
 1:00 Meeting Adjourned



UPCOMING PROGRAMS

FEB-8	Boone Cty. Extn. Agent Horticulture Ed.	David Howard (Koester)
FEB-15	NO MEETING — PRESIDENT DAY	
FEB-22	NKY Chamber of Commerce.	Brent Cooper (Malekadel)
MAR-1	MeetNKY.	Julie Kirkpatrick (Malekadel)
MAR-8	Children's Home of NKY Behav. Health	CEO Rick Wurth (Duane)
MAR-15	OFFSITE Answer's in Genesis	Mark Looy (Duane)
MAR-22	IT Supply Solutions	Mike Franksman (Pile)
MAR-29	Free Radical Ranch	Jennifer Myka (Malekadel)

PEOPLE OF ACTION

- ⇒ **ZOOM** <https://zoom.us/j/95701689442?pwd=YTQqQUtqVm50czdxUy9FNzdxUmt1UT09>
- ⇒ **MEETINGS: VIRTUAL OR HYBRID? TODAY 2/1 HYBRID — TO REGISTER** click [here](#) (as of print 16 of 25 slots filled). 2/8 **VIRTUAL ONLY**; 2/15 **NO MEETING (President's day)**. We encourage all to continue to follow public health guidelines.
- ⇒ **GREAT PROGRAMS:** We have some really great programs. If you are unable to attend you can still view them. Please let [Carrie](#) know as this counts towards your attendance. Click here to "CATCH UP" <https://www.facebook.com/RotaryClubFlorenceKY/videos/>
- ⇒ **PETER'S PRESIDENTIAL GOALS:** Membership, 90; Service, 65; New Member Sponsor, 20; Leadership Dev. Ppt., 3; D. Conf. Attend, 2; D. Training Ppt., 2; Annual Fund Contrib., \$10,000; Polio Contr., \$2,500; Service Projects, 4; Interact Clubs, 1; Continue online; Socials, 3; Media stories, 1.
- ⇒ **OUR 1ST QUARTER CSP** (community service partners): [GO Pantry](#) and [New Perceptions](#). To volunteer with [Go Pantry](#), please contact Beth McIntire, beth@GOpantry.org, or sign up at gopantry.org to help at one of their 1Q pack events. See Shawn Carroll, or call the New Perceptions office at 859-344-9322, for volunteer opportunities there. The Rotary Club of Florence will match up to \$250 in donations each quarter. Donations to either organization can be made at: www.florencerotary.org.
- ⇒ **MEAL AD** \$100/quarter & runs weekly. **PATRON AD** is \$100/year runs every 3rd week.
- ⇒ **AMAZON SMILES:** Simply [Click](#) the 1st option — "Florence Rotary Club Foundation Inc". EIN 27-1752838. 15200 Porter Rd, Verona, KY 41092
- ⇒ **KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS SIGNUP:** [Click to your local Kroger Store and use "The Florence Rotary Foundation, Inc."](#) Won't affect Reward points.
- ⇒ **VOLUNTEER HOURS:** Please turn in to [Carrie Herrmann](#)
- ⇒ **PRESENTATIONS:** If you have something that you would like to speak to the club about, we may have speaker slots open ([Erin](#), Duane or Peter).
- ⇒ **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). **DACDB COORDINATOR SOUGHT.** [Carrie Herrmann](#)
- ⇒ **EVERY ROTARIAN EVERY YEAR:** To give \$100 per year to our Foundation is an effortless way to work towards becoming a Paul Harris Fellow. It is \$8.34/month.
- ⇒ **RULE OF 85:** Let [Peter](#) know if your "age" + "number of years" of membership is **85**. This helps with our clubs attendance numbers.
- ⇒ **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](#).
- ⇒ **Jun-20, 2021 RI CONVENTION** in [Taipei](#). Early [Registration](#) Open, \$315. Early registration has been extended through February 15
- ⇒ **PAGE 2 ARTICLE ON** Jone Middle School Meeting & screen grabs of last week's meeting.



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Teamwork Makes Positive Changes at Jones Middle School

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Florence, Kentucky – January 11, 2021 [The Rotary Club of Florence](#), Kentucky held a zoom meeting on January 11, 2021 with the [Jones Middle School Principal](#), Ryan Montgomery and his staff. They shared their journey of the school of lifting themselves out of the bottom 5% academic performing schools in Kentucky as well as how they managed to work through the limitations of the pandemic. The school scored in the bottom 5% academically in the Commonwealth prior to the pandemic. Mr. Montgomery explained that he and his staff are working hard to lift the school out of the bottom and make the school a rising start of the district. Jones Middle School is filled with great teachers and students with lots of potential. Mr. Montgomery shared that the tests are not a reflection of his staff or students.

Mr. Montgomery shared a video of a man who was on his way to work. The man was wiping all the snow off a car but then realized it was not his car. Mr. Montgomery said that the pandemic can often have us feeling the same way. Although, through the difficulties, he and his staff are focused on making positive changes in the school by creating a Positive Behavior Intervention System and a Teach and Learn System using JET SET curriculum and PLC protocol. He explained the Achievement Gap which is educational discrepancies between white students and students of color. Achievement Gaps typically affect racial and ethnic minorities, English Language Learners, those with disabilities, gender identity, and students that come from low- income families. Eighty-two percent of the student body at Jones Middle School receives Free and Reduced Lunch. 85% of the student body are two plus grades below grade level. Although very proudly despite these circumstances, 85% of students at Jones Middle School have had a .6 grade level gain in reading during the pandemic.

One in five students at Jones Middle School are English Language Learners. Jones currently has 24 different languages, most being Spanish. Many students are illiterate in their first language which can make it more difficult when learning English. Eleven members of the staff can speak more than one language which greatly helps with communication in such a diverse school. Jones is the 13th most diverse middle school out of 373 schools across the state and the 8th largest English Language Learner population.

Jones Middle School conducts a survey each year regarding social and emotional health. A large group of the student body did not have a strong bond with one or both of their parents when they were younger. The surveys also showed there was a high rate of trauma among the student body. Mr. Montgomery stressed that these may be some of the causes of the Achievement Gap. His staff focuses on building strong relationships with the students. The staff helps the students overcome social or academic delays due to trauma or a weak bond with their parents from a young age.

Another way Jones helps the kids through their trauma and emotional/social setbacks is through a partnership with [New Day Ranch](#) . New Day Ranch helps kids connect with a horse over a 12-week period. They teach the kids new coping skills, self-awareness and communication skills. Horses speak using body language so the end of the 12 weeks the kids are able to lead the horses through an obstacle course. During this time with the horses the kids grow a strong bond with the horses and learn to use their trauma and turn it into something positive.

It is great to see Jones Middle School change so much and inspire the hearts and minds of children. The staff is doing a wonderful job of mentoring the children that need it most. Since children are very impressionable, having positive leaders to guide them and show them how to stay positive is wonderful! Keep up the great work Jones!

[If you wish to get involved and volunteer at Jones Middle School, please take this survey. Some examples of help they need are Student men-](#)

WHAT WE DO

ACCESS TO CAPITAL	TOOLS & RESOURCES	EXPERTISE	WORKSHOPS & SEMINARS
SBA & COMMERCIAL LOAN ASSISTANCE			
LOAN PACKAGING SUPPORT			
LENDER INTRODUCTIONS			
EXPERTISE	\$9.1 MILLION	Capital Infusion	Start Smart
BUSINESS COACHING	25	New Businesses	Entrepreneurship Through Acquisition
FINANCIAL MODELING	715	Jobs Supported	QuickBooks Training
MARKETING STRATEGIES	398	Hours spent with Clients	Steps to Start a Business
CONNECTIVITY TO REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ECOSYSTEM	239	Clients Served	Google Workshops

