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# OWENSBORO'S ROTARY IMPETUS

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## Programs

**This Week's Program:**  
Impact 100

**Upcoming Programs:**

- Dec. 8 Kentucky Humanities Council
- Dec. 15 Jerry Morris – Southern Star

## Rotary dates to remember...



### Mark your calendar!

- **December 1:** Bourbon Ball Committee meeting after the club meeting, 1:00 p.m.
- **December 2:** Board meeting, 11:30 a.m. at the Campbell Club

### Also, don't forget...

- **Salvation Army Bell Ringing:** early December  
*The sign-up sheet will circulate soon. Plan to take your turn at the kettle!*
- **Annual Fundraiser:** aka "The Bourbon Ball" – Saturday, February 12, 2011  
*Silent Auction items needed!*

## Happy Birthday to...

David Fort – December 6



## Your President Speaks...

Dear Rotarians:

German born inventor Frederick Koenig said, "We tend to forget that happiness doesn't come as a result of getting something we don't have, but rather of recognizing and appreciating what we do have." I hope that all my Rotary friends were blessed greatly through the Thanksgiving holiday.

Our speaker last week, Bishop William Medley from the Diocese of Owensboro, reminded us that our forefathers believed in faith as a part of daily life. He spoke of Thomas Jefferson's letter to Danbury, Connecticut Baptists in which Jefferson writes of the "separation of church and state." The letter was written when Jefferson was president and is not part of the U.S. Constitution or Amendments. In this 1802 letter, he commits his support to the religious freedoms of the Baptists. The phrase "separation of church and state" has since become a well-known and widely accepted explanation of our First Amendment religious rights. Bishop Medley has a great grasp of history and left us with an understanding that one of our country's strengths is freedom of religion.

Barbara Poynter announced success in securing the popular "Jimmy Church Band" for the 2011 Bourbon Ball. She also made an appeal for Silent Auction items. Last year, the event raised \$18,000 for our foundation and support of Rotary missions. \$4,500 was donated to Haiti Relief and another \$4,500 to the local Community Dental Clinic.

There is a Bourbon Ball meeting this Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. Our Rotary Board meeting is set for Thursday from 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at the Campbell Club.

Rotarians do great work. I ended the meeting last week by reading an inspirational excerpt from the latest Rotarian Magazine regarding our impact eradicating Polio. It is within our reach. Don't slow down...don't let up.

Thanks for serving through Rotary.

Have a great holiday season, *President Dean*

## Kentucky Rotarians' Volunteer Efforts Featured on the RI Website

On Nov. 23, the Rotary International website featured an article (excerpt below) about our efforts at the World Equestrian Games

### Kentucky Rotarians raise \$142,000 for polio eradication

The 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games in Lexington, Kentucky, USA, in September marked the first time the games have been held in North America, and Kentucky Rotarians were there in force, spreading the news about Rotary's good works and raising money for polio eradication.

Rotarians from throughout the state, and some from other parts of the world, provided the main volunteer workforce for food and beverage stations throughout the Kentucky Horse Park, home of the 16-day competition considered the "Olympics" of the equestrian world...Eight percent of the concession proceeds went to Rotary, allowing volunteers to raise \$142,000 for Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge. Rotary volunteers worked a total of 2,829 eight-hour shifts, logging 22,632 volunteer hours...

Read the entire article at [rotary.org](http://rotary.org). Owensboro Rotarians who volunteered include **Ed Allen, Malcolm Bryant, Dean Ehrenheim, Pat McFarling, John Medley, Patty Ray, Gavin Roberts and Tom Smith.**



Kentucky Rotarians prepare to serve at one of the larger food stations

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2010/11  
Rotary International Theme

### *The 4-Way Test*

*Of the things we think, say or do:*

- *Is it the Truth?*
- *Is it fair to all concerned?*
- *Will it build good will and better friendships?*
- *Will it be beneficial to all concerned?*

### Rotary Reminders

- Don't forget to make up your missed meetings at Daviess County Rotary at Moonlite at 7 am on Tuesday.
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### Meeting Information

**Meeting Time:**

Every Wednesday at 12:00 noon

**Meeting Location:**

Owensboro Country Club  
400 E. Byers Avenue  
Owensboro, Kentucky 42303

### 2010/11 Club Officers

President: Dean Ehrenheim  
Vice President: David Silvert  
Past President: Patty Ray  
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