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## Programs

### This Week's Program:

Nick Brake, Scott Polikov – Downtown Development

### Upcoming Programs:

Sep. 17 House Race – David Boswell

Sep. 24 Mayoral Race – Ron Payne

**Patty Ray** still needs program chairs for several months. Please see her if you're willing to serve!

## The vote is in...

At Wednesday's meeting, President Tom Smith announced the three finalists for the club's Annual Signature Fund Raiser:

- 1) Men Who Cook
- 2) University of Kentucky exhibition basketball game
- 3) Halloween Ball and costume contest

By a show of hands, the club selected the **UK exhibition basketball game** as its first choice.

Now the fun begins! If you're interested in serving on the fund raiser committee, please let Tom know.

## Your President Speaks...

### WELCOME HOME to Sister Suzanne!

**District Governor Terry Shockley** reminded us today of the power and reach of Rotary International! To think that we are part of THE organization in the world that set out single-handedly to eradicate polio from the face of the earth... and to virtually accomplish it in ONLY 25 years! In his meeting with the Board, DG Terry questioned us intently about our projects and our giving. I assured him that we are stepping up to fulfill our role as one of the oldest and largest Rotary Clubs in our District. I told the man that we are going to be, not just a good club, but a GREAT CLUB!!

And the WINNER in our vote for the strategic Annual Fund Raiser was from **President-Elect Patty Ray**... The Owensboro Rotary UK Exhibition Basketball Game!! What a super idea. WE are going to pull all the stops to get this thing done and ALL of us need to be willing and able to lend a hand when the time comes. This is for our club, our community, and the money we can raise to do more good in the world! I am now seeking volunteers to serve on our Annual Fund Raiser Committee, so get in touch with me if interested, and if I call on you for help, please consider getting involved. What a kick it will be to put that event on and fill the Sports Center with rabid UK/KWC fans!! If we fill the place with 8,000 people and charge \$10 per ticket = \$80,000!! It's gonna get fun now!

Have you called the prospect that you told us about and invited them to a meeting yet? What are you waiting for? Congrats to our newest Rookie (7 day wait announced), **Ankur Gopal**, for bringing guests with him... even before he is an official member of the club. Now that is Rotary spirit! Catch it and see what you can do!!

### THINK BIGGER!

See you next week,  
*President Tom*

## Meeting Notes from September 2, 2008

**PRAYER, PLEDGE & 4-WAY TEST:** Brian Jones

**ATTENDANCE & GUESTS:** There were 65 members and 9 guests present.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Sr. Suzanne Sims** thanked club members for their support and shared a bit about her adventures in Uganda. She will be giving a full report at the October 15 club meeting.

**PROGRAM: District Governor Terry R. Shockley**, accompanied by his wife, Jo, made his official visit to our club. DG Terry has been a member of the Frankfort Kentucky Rotary Club since 1980. He is a past president and has 27 years of perfect attendance. Both he and his wife are Paul Harris Fellows. DG Terry reported that clubs in our district range in size from 10 to 500 members, but each does a huge work in their respective communities. He asked the question

"What if there were no Rotary?" The answer is there would be 1,000 new cases of polio, no 37,000 ambassador scholars, no 24,000 matching grants in 170 countries and no local club projects (like the PlayZeum). Our district, 6710, has 3,400 Rotarians in 59 clubs. There are 11 areas within the district and each area has an assistant governor. Our assistant governor is our own **Pat McFarling**. DG Terry reminded the club of Rotary's number one priority -- to eradicate polio worldwide. He encouraged our club to increase membership and embrace district and national goals.



L to R: President Tom Smith, Jo Shockley, DG Terry Shockley and Sr. Suzanne Sims

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***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 Moonlight at 7 am on Tuesday.
- If you have an email address and are not receiving the *Impetus* online, or you have changed your email address, please send an email to **[kim@mediaworksadvertising.com](mailto:kim@mediaworksadvertising.com)**. Kim will add you to the Rotary email list

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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

**2008/09 Club Officers**

President: Tom Smith  
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