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Monday:	Eminence-Henry County Public Library	12:00 noon
	Owenton-Smith House	12:10 p.m.
Tuesday:	Lexington Sunshine-LaFayette Club	7:00 a.m.
	Georgetown-G'town College Ldshp Trn Cnt.	12:00 noon
	Shelbyville-Centenary United Meth.....	12:00 noon
	Versailles- At the Hospital	12:00 noon
Thursday:	Lawrenceburg-Anderson Public Library.....	12:00 noon
	Lexington-Fasig Tipton.....	12:00 noon
	Louisville-Galt House	12:10 p.m.
Friday:	Capital Sunrise-Capital Plaza Hotel	7:00 a.m.

The Rotary Club of Frankfort Meets Every
Wednesday at the Capital Plaza Hotel
From 11:45 a.m. Until 1:00 p.m.

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Next Week's Program...

Justice Bill Cunningham was elected to the Supreme Court of Kentucky in November 2006 to serve the 1st Supreme Court District. Justice Cunningham served as a circuit court judge for 15 years. He was elected to the Circuit Court Bench in November 1991 to serve the 56th Judicial Circuit, which consists of Caldwell, Livingston, Lyon and Trigg counties. He was re-elected in 1999 and served as circuit judge until January 2007.

Justice Cunningham served the court system in several capacities before entering his judicial career. He was the Eddyville city attorney from 1974 to 1991, and public defender for the Kentucky State Penitentiary from 1974 to 1976. He served as commonwealth's attorney for the 56th Judicial District from 1976 to 1988. During his tenure in that position, he was voted the Outstanding Commonwealth Attorney of Kentucky by his peers. He also served as a hearing officer for the Kentucky Board of Claims from 1981 to 1985, and as a trial commissioner for Lyon County District Court from 1989 to 1992.

Justice Cunningham earned his bachelor's degree from Murray State University in 1962

and his juris doctor in 1969 from the University of Kentucky College of Law. He is a veteran of the U.S. Army, having served in Vietnam, Korea and Germany.

Justice Cunningham is a native of Lyon County and an author of six books about regional history, which chronicle the struggle for racial justice in western Kentucky since the Civil War. He and his wife, Paula, have five sons and four grandchildren.

Opening Exercise..... Ron Christopher Greeter Dan Egbers

Make-ups for July 30

Joshua Brand	Len Shirrell
Clay Hulette	Kent Whitworth
Phyllis Liebman	

Attendance Percentage: 77.00%

Make-ups Needed for Aug. 6

Ron Bryant	Marcie Jeffreys
David Cobb	Ann Maenza
Ted Collins	Tony Massey
Henry Curtis	Wayne Onkst
Ed Dance	Stewart Page
Charles Dickinson	Chip Peal
Sarah Gowins	Mary Poling
James Hale	Tim Rose
Martin Hall	Sherrill Smith
Holly Harris	John Sower
Ed Hatchett, Jr.	Katherine Walden
Charlie Hinds	William Webb

This Week's Speaker...

The speaker for the day was MacKenzie Victoria Royce, Esq. who spoke about the Bluegrass Conservancy and its role in promoting Farmland Protection Conservation Easements. Through its efforts, the Bluegrass Conservancy protects agricultural lands and thereby makes contributions to the state and local economies. It also helps businesses that are involved in the fields of equine and agri-

**Speaker
Mackenzie
Victoria
Royce and
program
chair Chris
Harrison.**



cultural endeavors. The costs of providing services to local residents are less when the population is not so spread out but is centralized. There is a sense of place in a community, and the trusts created by the Conservancy permit landowners to create permanent legacies to be passed down to the next generation. Protection also makes good tax sense. There is a high cost to be paid in the form of community services in the case of urban sprawl. Conservancies expertly help landowners preserve their land in perpetuity. The goal is to put together a critical mass of farmland and not to this in piecemeal fashion. A community-wide constituency is needed here. This is where land trusts and the Bluegrass Conservancy come into play. Easements started out in the Common Law as "Access Easements" and later easements included scenic lands and finally the protection of farmlands. Conservation easements are important in the areas of outdoor recreation, natural habitats, preservation of open spaces, and preserving lands in the areas of historical importance. Conservation easements consist of voluntary agreements to keep these lands available for particular uses like for agricultural purposes. A landowner can be said to be in possession of a bundle or rights such as the right to buy, rent, or sell as well as pass it on to heirs. All the easement does is take one stick away from that bundle of rights to protect the land in perpetuity. All other rights remain subject to the conservation easement. This is effective and offers tax savings to protect the land

and other resources. Conservation easements are appraised and farmers are able to deduct 100% of their income up to 16 years. There is an estate tax exclusion of up to one-half of a million dollars. The easement is the only way to protect your land and the result is to preserve a critical mass for agricultural development, protect the landscape as well as your legacy as a landowner.

Guests and Visitors

Steve Dooley's guest was Jason Middleton; Joe Johnson's guest was Jane Johnson (Joe's mother); Max Wall was visiting from Lexington Rotary.

Food Drive Thanks

A big thank you to fellow Rotarians Sarah Hall, Martin Hall, Don Dykman and Joe Johnson, who participated in the recent Community Food Drive.

Host Families Needed

The Frankfort/Franklin County Tourism Commission is looking for host families for the Japan/Kentucky Cultural Exchange to be held October 22-29. If you are interested in providing a room for one of these young people from Japan, please contact Joe Johnson at 695-4560 or the Tourism Commission at 875-8687.



**Henry Curtis
spoke at the
VFW make-up
meeting about
his career as a
lawyer.**