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**January 7, 2004**

***Next Week at Rotary...***

**AL CROSS, political writer and columnist,  
The Courier-Journal**

Al Cross has covered politics for The Courier-Journal for almost all of the nearly 26 years he has been with the statewide newspaper. He became full-time political writer in January 1989 and added the Sunday political column to his regular duties in 1999. His coverage ranges from presidential to local elections and includes the Kentucky General Assembly and the rest of state government.

Cross was the elected national president of the Society of Professional Journalists, the nations oldest, broadest and largest journalism organization, from October 2001 to September 2002. He was a charter member of this college SPJ chapter, president of the Louisville chapter, vice president of the Bluegrass Chapter, first chairman of the 1990 national convention in Louisville, chairman of an SPJ regional conference, and regional director for Kentucky, Indiana and Illinois on the national SPJ board in 1987-89. He was national chairman of Project Watchdog, an SPJ effort to explain the role of the news media in a democratic society. He is chairman of the SPJ Resolutions

Committee and a member of the group's International Journalism Committee.

Cross is the longest-running and most frequent panelist on KET's weekly "Comment on Kentucky," has appeared on C-SPAN and "Washington Week In Review" and been quoted in The Almanac of American Politics. He is the author of the Kentucky Encyclopedia article on Gov. Wallace Wilkinson and has written for national publications. One of his articles is part of Campaigns and Elections: Contemporary Case Studies published in 2002 by Congressional Quarterly. He worked on the 1988 bus-crash coverage that won The Courier-Journal staff a Pulitzer Prize, and was co-recipient of an honorable mention for environmental reporting in the Southern Journalism Awards for a 1987 series on strip mining. He has received awards for reporting and column writing from the Louisville Chapter of SPJ. He lectured at The Miller Center of Public Affairs at the University of Virginia in 2001 and a New York workshop on campaign finance sponsored by Brigham Young University in 2000, and helped teach a non-credit course on politics at Bellarmine College in 1992.

Cross was born April 24, 1954 in Knoxville, Tenn., and grew up in Albany, KY., nestled between Lake Cumberland, Dale Hollow Lake, the western front of the Appalachians and the Tennessee border. His father, Perry Cross, was a politically active businessman who was state representative for Clinton and Cumberland counties in 1948-49. His mother, Winnie Miller Cross, is a Tennessee native and Berea College graduate. His brother David is an attorney in Albany. Cross is married to Patti Hodges Cross, a Grayson County native and an independent designer/editor of publications. They live in Frankfort, where he is based in the newspaper's State Capital Bureau. A former Lion, Kiwanian and Rotarian, he enjoys reading, touring, boating, photography, his West Highland White Terriers and helping his wife restore their 97-year-old home in historic South Frankfort, near the state Capitol.

Opening Exercise ..... Tom Fugate Greeter ..... Alan Hamilton

## These Need Make-Ups for Jan. 7

Ron Bryant	Arthur Kelly
Preston Cecil	E. Terry Magel
Frank Dailey	Robert Roach
Steve Dooley	Joe Rudder
William Elam	Perry Ryan
Steven Gale	James Shepherd
Robert Goodwin	Phillip Shepherd
Sarah Gowins	Grover Shropshire
Mark Hampton	Richard Taylor
Christina Harrison	Steven Vincent
Raymond Holbrook	William Webb
Beth Johnson	Sheila White
David Keller	John Williams
Bill Wingfield	

## This Week's Speaker...

The speaker for the day was Dave Shuffett of Kentucky Life, who introduced his cohort and co-host Sadie, whom he has had about four years and replaced his golden retriever. He acquired Sadie, who is known in five states and is with him 50% of the time, from the Franklin County animal shelter. Dave is from Greensburg, where his father was a County Judge. He stated that he does not *work* for a living because he loves his job on Kentucky Life, and his goal is to educate Kentuckians about the state they live in and takes a positive look at Kentucky. He used to be on Kentucky Afield and had his own show for a while. He took over Kentucky Life from Byron Crawford about five years ago. Dave has been fly-fishing with Hub Perdew and will go fishing with him again on Hub's 100th birthday. A special will be aired on Kentucky Life on March 6 which will highlight Kentucky's last great places. It will be all about wilderness from the Cumberland Gap to the Mississippi River. Kentucky Life is aired on Saturday at 8 PM and again on Sunday at 4 PM. He had praise for Frankfort as a nice place to live, which is capitalizing on its history and antiques. Kentucky is the best state to find

marine fossils because Kentucky has been under the tropical seas several times. In responding to questions from the audience, he stated that subjects for his program are submitted by viewers. He has done a story on Nathan Stubblefield who really invented the radio down in Murray and broadcast the first wireless message although Marconi got the first patent. Thank you Dave for a very interesting program and Dennis Van Horn for introducing it.

## Board Action

The board approved new member Fred Snyder contingent upon no negative response from membership after publication in the newsletter.

## Don't Forget Your Lapel Pin!

In case you missed the notes of the October 20, 2003 board minutes, starting January 7th meeting a voluntary fine of \$1 for those Rotarians not wearing their Rotary pins the day of the meeting will take effect.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

...to Jose Bollar, Bob Bullock, John Chenault, Mark Hampton, Barry Holder, Bob Johnston, David Keller, John Loyd, Carol Palmore, Lee Troutwine, and Bill Wingfield, who celebrate their birthday in January.

## Cell Phones

Members and guests are reminded to turn off cell phones during our meetings to avoid disturbing our Guest Speakers and other members.

## Calendar of Important Events

Board of Directors meeting January 19 at 5:15 p.m., RB Brown building on Louisville Rd.

World Community Service Committee will meet on January 12, 2004 at RB Brown building on Louisville Rd.

Rotary International Dinner will be February 26, 2004.

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January 14, 2004

*Next Week at Rotary...*

**Dr. Richard Taylor**

**“The Code Duello in Antebellum Kentucky”**



Richard Taylor is a professor of English at Kentucky State University in Frankfort. Having grown up in Louisville, he holds a Ph.D. in English from the University of Kentucky and a J.D. from the University of Louisville. He has published a novel (Girty, Gnomon Press), four collections of poems (Bluegrass and Earthbones, The Country of Morning Calm, and Stone Eye with Larkspur Press and Gnomon), and Three Kentucky Tragedies, as part of the New Readers series published by the University Press of Kentucky. Other titles include The Palisades of the Kentucky River, a collection of photographs published by the Kentucky Nature Conservancy for which he wrote the accompanying text; The Great Crossing: A Historic Journey to Buffalo Trace Distillery (fall, 2002); and Virginia's Western War (a history of the American Revolution in Kentucky (co-authored with Neal

L. Hammon), Stackpole Books (fall 2002). He has won two creative writing fellowships in Creative Writing from the Kentucky Arts Council. A former dean and teacher in the Governor's Scholars Program, he received the Distinguished Professor Award at K.S.U. in 1992. He and his wife live near Frankfort with their two children and own Poor Richard's Books in historic downtown Frankfort. He served as Kentucky's poet Laureate (1999-2001).

Opening Exercise ..... Steve Dooley  
Greeter ..... Sarah Gowins

**Make-ups for Jan. 7**

Steve Dooley Grover Shropshire

Attendance Percentage: 76.64%

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Bobbye Brown	Tim Rose
RB Brown	Joe Rudder
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Nancy Edwards	James Shepherd
William Elam	Sherrill Smith
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Larry Luebbers	Bill Wingfield

**This Week's Speaker...**

The speaker for the day was Al Cross, reporter with the Courier-Journal. He spoke about the new political landscape in Kentucky and the changes that have taken place in the last decade. For example, in the early nineties, the Democrats were in complete control of the congressional delegation except for two seats and had control of the state House and Senate. A decade later, the Republicans are in control of the political system.

Republicans have had a combination of good leadership and good luck. The Democratic Congress and Clinton policies did not serve the Kentucky Democratic Party well. Examples include issues of assault weapons, health care issues, abortion and issues that go to values. The electorate is more suburban and is less dependent on government help and has money in the stock market. Kentucky has conservative social values, which is stronger than economic values. Things that have hurt the Democrats have included tobacco regulation with 18% of the population having some ties to tobacco and issues surrounding the Governor himself and President Clinton. He credits Mitch McConnell for providing good leadership and two Democratic Senators who turned Republican. When people get used to voting Republican, they are more likely to vote Republican and think of themselves as Republican. Concerning the State of the Commonwealth speech, the emphasis seemed to be on tax reform, and lawmakers may realize it is finally time to raise the cigarette tax. The idea seemed to be to make the tax code more business friendly and to emphasize dynamic scoring by which we anticipate revenue growth in tax policy. In responding to questions from the audience, he stated that the party out of power is always unfocused and there is no one person speaking for the party. The Kentucky Democratic Party needs a forceful and respected leader to raise much needed money. The Party may need a part-time chairman with a full-time executive director. As to whether Alice Forgy Kerr or Ben Chandler will win the congressional seat, at first he thought Kerr would have the edge but now it appears that Bush is not coming here to campaign for her. Chandler has a sympathy vote and his prediction is Chandler will win the special election but this is no guarantee he will win in November. Concerning the state Senate race, we have the brother of the governor running against an ex-governor. It all depends on where Governor Fletcher stands with the electorate. Thank you Al

Cross for an interesting program and Judge Palmore for introducing it.

**Board of Directors Meeting**

There will be a board meeting Monday, January 19, 2004 at 5:15 p. m., RB Brown building, Louisville Rd.

**Rotary “On Cable 10”**

Frankfort's Global Connection will air Dean Sorg & Nikki Key talking about the Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholarship on Tuesday, Jan. 20 at 7 p.m., then again on Wednesday, Jan. 21 at 9 a. m. on Cable 10.

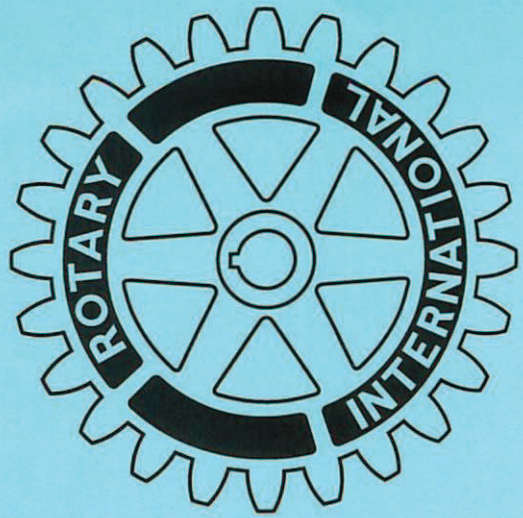
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**Next Week at Rotary...**

**Dr. F. King Alexander  
President, Murray State University**



Dr. Alexander was named as the 10th President of Murray State University on September 7, 2001. Dr. Alexander, a native Kentuckian, received a Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in higher education finance and economics; a Master of Science from Oxford University (England) in Comparative Education Policy; and a B.A. from St. Lawrence University in political science.

Prior to accepting the presidency at Murray State, Dr. Alexander was a faculty member and administrator at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. His responsibilities at the University of Illinois (1997-2001) included directing and managing the graduate education program in higher education leadership and policy development. He also served as a faculty member at the UI's Institute of Government and Public Affairs, which is an interdisciplinary pub-

lic policy "think-tank" consisting of faculty from all University of Illinois campuses.

Dr. Alexander's career has encompassed positions at two research and one doctoral university, faculty membership in a governmental institute, a fundraising directorship, and management in a 28-branch retail/commercial banking operation. His research in domestic and international higher education economics and finance has appeared in leading professional journals and has been featured in *The Economist* (2000), *The Australian* (2002), *The Chronicle of Higher Education* (2001), *The Christian Science Monitor* (2001), and *Prism* (2001).

Dr. Alexander's academic publications in the field of higher education economics and finance include edited books, book chapters, refereed articles, applied research studies, monographs, book reviews and reports. As an expert in domestic and international higher education finance and policy, Dr. Alexander has recently addressed audiences at Cornell University, Vanderbilt University, Oxford University, and the University of Wisconsin-Madison where he was awarded the School of Education's "Distinguished Alumni Award." In the fall of 2002, Dr. Alexander was invited to work with Australian policy makers to determine the effectiveness and future directions of higher education reforms in Australia. More recently, Dr. Alexander was invited to prepare and present his testimony to the U.S. Congress on "College Costs and Tuition" which was broadcasted nationally on CSPAN 2 and highlighted in The New York Times (November, 2003) and The Boston Globe (November, 2003).

In 2001 Dr. Alexander was appointed to the advisory committee of the American Council on Education (ACE) Center for Policy Analysis in Washington, D.C. ACE's Center for Policy Analysis includes 18 committee members from such prominent institutions as Harvard, the University of Michigan and UCLA.

Dr. Alexander has two daughters, Savannah age 6 and Madison age 3.

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Sherrill Smith

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**Board Action Jan. 19, 2004**

- \* Approved: Minutes of the December 15, 2003 meeting with corrections.
- \* Approved: Treasurer's report presented by Pete Walsh.
- \* Announced Cincinnati Reds vs Houston on July 30, 2004.
- \* Received thank you letters from the American Red Cross and from the Reach Out and Read Program for recent contributions.
- \* Approved \$800 for Sherrill Smith and the Frankfort H.S. Interact Club officers to attend the Presidential Celebration for Interact/Youth Exchange in Pigeon Forge on March 12 & 13.
- \* Approved \$100 for a lap sponsor for the American Cancer Society "Relay for Life".

\* Announced that the Frankfort Rotary Club will not sponsor a speech contest this year due to having no applicants this year.

\* Approved make-ups for attending the new Frankfort AM Rotary Club meetings.

\* Approved new format for the weekly newsletter: Approved new policy regarding expenditures not approved in a current year budget. Motion - The Board of Directors adopts the following procedural policy regarding expenditure of club funds not approved in a current year budget: All motions receiving a second to allocate club financial resources for new, recurring expenses or for the expenditure of five percent (5%) or more of the club's reserves shall be given a second reading at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting. The Board's consideration of such motions shall be published in the club's newsletter for two consecutive weeks between the first and second readings and comment to the Board solicited from the club membership. Board decisions on such motions shall not be made until the time of the second reading and shall not be made outside this procedure except by a 3/4 affirmative vote of all present and non-present current board members.

\* Approved leave-of-absence for Ron Tyrer from 1/14/04 to 4/30/04.

\* Acknowledged letter of resignation with regrets from Perry Ryan.

\* Scheduled next board meeting for February 16, 2004.

**Club Membership Approved**

Today the club membership approved sponsoring the new Frankfort Rotary Breakfast Club.

**Attendance Pins Awarded**

Congratulations to the following Rotarians who received their Perfect Attendance Pins in January 2004: Bill Miller, 23 years; Gus Ridgel, 18 years; Ed Speer, 18 years; Lee Troutwine, 18 years; Bob Bullock, 17 years; and Grover Shropshire, two years.

## Club Memorabilia Solicited

The Frankfort Rotary Club has the honor in hosting the District Conference in Frankfort on April 16-18, 2004. We will have a room set aside that will showcase the achievements of the Frankfort Rotary Club.

Thereby, the Frankfort Rotary Club is beginning an aggressive campaign for the collection of Club memorabilia for display at the District Conference. All banners, plaques, certificates, trophy items, and memorabilia that might be of significant meaning to the development of the Frankfort Rotary Club are being solicited.

As an adjunct of this project, all of this material will be catalogued, electronically photographed or electronically scanned to a digital storage media. It will then be made available for electronic retrieval from some appropriate and readily available location such as a web site.

As soon as you find convenient, Rotarians are encouraged to bring anything related to the club's history to any Wednesday meeting. You may leave the materials at the sign in desk, but specifically identify in writing if you wish any materials to be returned to you. If you consider the material too valuable to leave unattended, then contact Bob Johnston to arrange for it to be better secured.

For more information, contact Bob Johnston: [bob.johnston@mail.aikcu.org](mailto:bob.johnston@mail.aikcu.org) or [bjohnston@fewpb.net](mailto:bjohnston@fewpb.net)

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**Ron Crouch, Director  
Kentucky State Data Center**

Ron Crouch is the Director of the Kentucky State Data Center located at the University of Louisville. The Kentucky State Data Center is the official clearinghouse for census data for the state of Kentucky. KSDC provides data on population, housing, education, employment and other social indicators. Historical data, current data, and projections are provided to help understand trends and issues facing Kentucky.

Kentucky, as well as the rest of the United States, is undergoing a major "demographic and economic revolution." Our population is aging. Our economy is moving from a manufacturing to a knowledge economy. We are growing more diverse. There are major differences across Kentucky.

Ron's background is in analyzing data and developing information in ways that enhance understanding and utilization. Ron's vocation is that of "knowledge dissemination." He averages over 200 presentations per year around Kentucky and the United States.

He is a graduate of the University of Louisville with a major in Sociology, and minors in Political Science and in Economics. He holds Masters degrees in Sociology and Social Work from the University of Louisville, and a Master in Business Administration from Bellarmine University.

Opening Exercise . . . . . Gary Crumbaugh  
Greeter . . . . . Chuck Ellestad

**Make-ups for Jan. 21**

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|--------------|----------------|
| Bobbye Brown | Sallie Lanham  |
| RB Brown     | Larry Luebbers |
| Bob Bullock  | John Loyd      |
| William Elam | Sherrill Smith |
| Polly Green  | Frank Sower    |
| Joe Johnson  | David Weller   |
| Stacey Lamb  |                |

**Attendance Percentage: 81.30%**

**These Need Make-ups for Jan. 28**

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|--------------------|------------------|
| Thomas Adkins      | Joe Rudder       |
| Terry Barnes       | James Shepherd   |
| Preston Cecil      | Phillip Shepherd |
| Charles Dickinson  | Terry Shockley   |
| Chuck Ellestad     | Nancy Simon      |
| Jim Graves         | Jim Smith        |
| Alan Hamilton      | Sherrill Smith   |
| Christina Harrison | Frank Sower      |
| Ed Hatchett, Jr.   | John Sower       |
| Raymond Holbrook   | Steven Vincent   |
| Wallace Kent       | Pete Walsh       |
| John Loyd          | David Weller     |
| Larry Luebbers     | Sheila White     |
| Christina Richard  | Bill Wingfield   |
| Kim Richardson     |                  |

**This Week's Speaker...**

The speaker for the day was Dr. F. King Alexander, president of Murray State University. He spoke about outcomes and performance measures at Murray State, which has made great strides, and is producing a generation of students

who are the best ever. Kentucky invests \$120,000 in each student between kindergarten and college. Colleges are a great economic asset, and Murray State's enrollment is now over 10,000 with extended campuses in nearby cities. College graduates make far better wages and there is not much difference between the earnings of a high school graduate and a college drop-out. The economic benefits accrue on graduation. Regional colleges are an asset to keep young people in the area, and this is an important and viable economic asset to the state. However, we do not have the labor force now in Kentucky to the degree the nation is expecting. We need to keep students in this state, and reach into other states and steal their economic benefits like Kentucky was robbed in the '60s, '70s and '80s. The '90s saw the "brain drain" turned around. We need to build Kentucky's economy with other states' investments. We are on the right track to meeting economic challenges. Might and influence go with wealth. For example, of the 500 largest global companies, 247 are in the United States, with Japan second at 50. Of the top 50 companies, 37 are located in the United States. While the United States is perceived as wealthy, there are many challenges. 50 million persons in this country have no health insurance, and one in four children live in poverty. We should not feel comfortable that we have a great disparity in income between the top 20% and the lowest 20% in our population. However, on the bright side, students in higher education are doing better than ever, with triple majors becoming more common. While issues involving aging are increasing as the population ages and other social issues, we must not forget our students and our children. Higher education is necessary for all students if they are to receive the economic benefits they have invested in. 80% of the world's business leaders are products of the American educational system. Our influence in the world today is the result of our education system. This country will have no future in the global society without higher education. Thank you Judge and Carol Palmore for a

most interesting program as well as a month of outstanding programs in January.

**Thoughts And Prayers**

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Asa Tipton's family in the passing of one of our own fellow Rotarians. Asa had 50 years of perfect attendance with Rotary.

Our thoughts and prayers also go out to fellow Rotarians Tom Braun and Lee Troutwine in the passing of Tom's wife and Lee's mother Lorraine.

**Club Memorabilia Solicited**

The Frankfort Rotary Club has the honor in hosting the District Conference in Frankfort on April 16-18, 2004. We will have a room set aside that will showcase the achievements of the Frankfort Rotary Club.

Thereby, the Frankfort Rotary Club is beginning an aggressive campaign for the collection of Club memorabilia for display at the District Conference. All banners, plaques, certificates, trophy items, and memorabilia that might be of significant meaning to the development of the Frankfort Rotary Club are being solicited.

As an adjunct of this project, all of this material will be catalogued, electronically photographed or electronically scanned to a digital storage media. It will then be made available for electronic retrieval from some appropriate and readily available location such as a web site.

As soon as you find convenient, Rotarians are encouraged to bring anything related to the club's history to any Wednesday meeting. You may leave the materials at the sign in desk, but specifically identify in writing if you wish any materials to be returned to you. If you consider the material too valuable to leave unattended, then contact Bob Johnston to arrange for it to be better secured.

For more information, contact Bob Johnston: [bob.johnston@mail.aikcu.org](mailto:bob.johnston@mail.aikcu.org) or [bjohnston@fewpb.net](mailto:bjohnston@fewpb.net)

## Calendar of Important Events

*(Committee Chairs should notify Paula Rarden of upcoming meetings)*

The Scholarship Committee (and anyone else who'd like to help) will meet at 7:00 p.m., Monday, Feb. 2 at the Franklin County Extension Office at 101 Lakeview Ct.

Monthly "Make-up" meeting will be at the VFW at 11:45 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 2

Shawdowing Day - Wednesday, Feb. 4.

New Member Orientation will be 12:00 noon on Friday, Feb. 13, at the RB Brown Building.

Board of Directors meeting Feb. 16, 2004 at 5:15 p.m., RB Brown building on Louisville Rd.

Rotary International Dinner will be Feb. 26, 2004.

## Rotary Honored

Members of the Frankfort Rotary Club represented the District and Rotary International to receive Legislative Citations from both the Kentucky State Senate and the House of Representatives. The legislative bodies honored Rotary, in coordination with the United Nations World Health Organization, UN Children's Fund (UNICEF), and the US Centers for Disease Control (CDC), for their efforts to eradicate polio. Pictured below, left to right, are Clay Hulette, Barry Holder, Bob Johnston, Dean Sorg, Terry Shockley, Rep. Derrick Graham, Bill Miller, Joe Johnson, Gus Ridgel, Ed Dance, David Whitcomb.



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