

Upcoming Speakers

4/20 - NO MEETING, Rotary Antique Quilt Show
4/27 - Scott Darnell, CEO, Paducah Economic Development
5/4 - Rayla Bridges, St. Nicholas Foundation

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Birthdays

William E. Hay

April 17

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April 17

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April 20

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April 21

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April 21

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April 21

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April 21

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April 22

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April 26

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May 01

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May 03



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Baptist Health Paducah Making New Strides Against Cancer

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Paducah's newest neurosurgeon, Dr. Thomas Gruber, praised Baptist Health Paducah for its commitment to fighting cancer with the latest technology, including a way to deliver radiation to a precise location without harming normal tissue. "This is can cut radiation treatments from weeks to days," he said. In some cases this non-invasive approach can be accomplished in only 20 minutes.

As a neurosurgeon, Dr. Gruber can also utilize a Function MRI (fMRI) that tracks the blood flow of the brain while a patient is completing cognitive and language skill tests. "This guides the surgeon to avoid harming brain tissue," he said. The Paducah hospital is home to one of only

three of fMRI's in Kentucky.

Dr. Peter Locken, a radiation oncologist, spoke of Baptist Health's long time commitment to bringing quality treatment to the region, but said a new focus is being placed on prevention. "We need to eat less, drink, less, smoke less, and exercise more," he said. The hospital is one of only 2,000 accredited Cancer Treatment Centers in the nation, and is ranked in the top 3%.



Dr. Locken said a new \$18.3 million Regional Cancer Treatment Center is under construction on Broadway scheduled for competition in 2017. "It will be there first of its kind," he said. The new facility will serve 1,200 patients a year, 110 outpatients for chemo and radiation a day, along with 20 inpatient beds. It will be staffed by six oncologists and twenty-seven RN's.

Although lung cancer remains the deadliest killer for Kentuckians, the overall rates of lung, breast, prostate, colon and kidney track along with the national average. "We cure when possible. Two of three patients can be cured and we manage it like we can other chronic

diseases," said Locken.

To learn more visit <https://www.baptisthealthkentucky.com/paducah/services/cancer-care> .

Announcements

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Rotarians are still needed for next week's Rotary Antique Quilt Show, the largest fund raiser of the year that supports the Community Scholarship Program and other REAP Scholarships. Please contact Denise if you can take a shift. The Club has a goal of \$40,000, and has so far \$4,000 has been raised by corporate sponsorships. "The rest is all about the ticket sales, said Melanie McNeil.

Speaking of those tickets, please watch your mailbox for your Rotary Club dues invoice, which also contains five tickets to the Antique Quilt Show.

What Does Rotary Mean to You?

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We all have different reasons for being in Rotary and get different outcomes from being here. Some of us enjoy the comradery of weekly lunches, some of us use Rotary to network with other active businesses in our community, some of us volunteer for everything and get great enjoyment out of helping others, and on and on.

In an effort to understand what Rotary means to us and ultimately to help spread around the community all that Rotary means and does for each of us individually, we are going to test a campaign and have Rotarians tell "what Rotary means to me".

Every other week we would like for a Rotarian to stand at lunch and tell what Rotary means to them in hopefully a 2-3 minute "elevator speech". We will start with some of our past presidents to get the momentum rolling and then hopefully have enough volunteers to fill-in from there.

If you are willing to participate, please contact Denise, Mike Muscarella or John to get on the calendar.

Guests

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Aimee Gruber – guest of Steve Bright;

Brad Clark – guest of Dee Dee Whittaker

Dona Rains and Catherine Sivills – guests of Dr. Pat Withrow;

Gary Lightfoot – guest of John Williams, Sr.;

Courtney Ford – guest of Melanie McNeill;

Martha Layne Collins, Lara Croley, Taylor Rains, Dodie Stagner – guests of Roy Lowdenback;

Morgan McCully, Rachel Smith and Kaitlyn Hargett – guests of Mike Muscarella

Diane Davis – guest of Suzanne Farmer;

Raffaele Ponti – guest of Clay Howerton;

Lucie Tyrell and Reese Butler – student guests from Paducah Tilghman;

Millie Wade and Hannah Woodruff – student guests from Community Christian Academy;

Madelyn Kauffman and Elizabeth Brown – student guests from McCracken County High