

## Upcoming Speakers

12/13 - **Club Annual Meeting and Holiday Music** by the Paducah Symphony Orchestra's Children's Chorus

12/20 - **Shelly Morris**, Western Kentucky Project Director - The Nature Conservancy

12/27 - **NO MEETING BETWEEN CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR**

## Club Leaders



**Melanie W. McNeill**  
President



**Dee Dee Whittaker**  
President-Elect



**Shawn Turner**  
Secretary



**Randy Bridges**  
Vice President



**Thomas Scott Taylor**  
Treasurer



**John A. Williams Sr.**  
Rotary Foundation Chair



**Joe Framptom**  
Membership Chair



**Don Barger**  
Sergeant-at-Arms



**Glen Anderson**  
iPast President



**Denise A Chapman**  
Club Executive Secretary

## Board of Directors Currently Serving

Barry Smith

Bruce Akin

Clay Howerton

Emerson Goodwin

Laurie Latham

Glen Anderson

Brad Clark

Zach Hosman

David Hutcheson

Maurie McGarvey

Terry Reeves

Dee Dee Whitaker

Randy Bridges

Scott Taylor

Shawn Turner

# GearTeeth

## The Rotary Club of Paducah



**December 6, 2017 Issue 79, Number 22**

**Website:** [www.paducahrotary.org](http://www.paducahrotary.org) **Instagram:** <https://www.instagram.com/rotaryclubofpaducah>

**Twitter:** <https://twitter.com/RotaryOfPaducah> **Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/rotaryclubofpaducah](http://www.facebook.com/rotaryclubofpaducah)

*Gearteeth is published weekly except New Year's, Easter, Quilt Week, 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.*

## Land Between the Lakes Association Activities

December 6, 2017

**Speaker: Dr. James Gould, Land Between the Lakes Association** (Friends of LBL). Dr. Gould was introduced by Rotarian Dan Key.



**Topic:** Activities of the Land Between the Lakes Association

### Top Ten Takeaways for Rotarians:

-At a time in the 1940's when the US was plagued by such calamities as the Dust Bowl drought and poverty in the Plains States, President Roosevelt's administration created the Tennessee Valley Authority. The TVA was generally to address poverty, flooding and disease in the Tennessee Valley Region by using its waterways to develop a hydroelectric power system. The Tennessee River was impounded in the late 40's to form Kentucky Lake. After the Cumberland River was impounded in the early 1960's to form Lake Barkley, President Kennedy designated the area a national recreation area, and became known as Land Between the Lakes.

-Control of the LBL went from the TVA to the USDA Forest Service in 1999. After forming in 1983, the Land Between the Lakes Association, Inc., aka "Friends of LBL", the group continued its relationship with the Forest Service for continued, and expanded, services.

-Oversight of the LBLA is under the auspices of a 13-member Board of Trustees, plus an Advisory Board. The LBLA is a non-profit organization.

-LBLA Staff and Volunteers staff five facilities within the Land Between the Lakes. The LBLA hires 52 full and part-time staff.

-In 2017, more than 316,000 people visited the five LBLA-run facilities: 1850's Homeplace (39,587); Woodlands Nature Center (47,884); Golden Pond Visitor Center (97,335); Golden Pond Planetarium (28,059); and, Elk & Bison Prairies (103,550). Overall, 1.7 million people visited the Land Between the Lakes in 2017.

-Special programs are offered throughout the year by the LBLA. Various animal programs are featured at the Woodlands Nature Station. The Homeplace is an actual working farm and offers programs featuring music, 1850's-style food preparation, a trader's fair, etc. Indoor programs and outdoor astronomy programs are offered at the Planetarium. Eagle Tours and various hikes are also offered seasonally.

## Birthdays

**James A. Sigler**

December 08

**Kevin Shannon**

December 10

**Ronald Jackson**

December 10

**Keith Wilke**

December 12

**Royce N. English**

December 12

**Timus G. Taylor**

December 16

**Joni Hogancamp**

December 19

**Mary E. Hammond**

December 23

**Michael P. Resnick**

December 24

**Chris McNeill**

December 25

**Scott Garrett**

December 25

**Susan Guess**

December 26

**David R. Clark**

December 29

**Mary Foley**

December 29

**George G Sirk Jr.**

January 06

-Over the past 11 years, more than 25,000 students have toured LBL thanks to School Field Trip Grants. LBL hosts approximately 25 school field trips each year totaling some 2,300 students.

- The Planetarium is the focus of a three-year, \$200,000 campaign to raise money for a dome renovation, and, projector and software upgrades. The Planetarium was constructed in 1979, closed because of TVA budget cuts in 1986, reopened in 1990, and upgraded in 1999 with various additions made since then.

- The Planetarium & Observatory hosted hundreds of visitors during the Great Eclipse of 2017 as a "Designated Dark Sky Area." Today, it meets curriculum requirements for students in both Kentucky and Tennessee and is an official NASA Educator Resource Center. Attendance in 2017 totaled 28,000 including 7,000 school students. Regarding the fundraising campaign, and ongoing operations, the LBLA is appealing to corporations and individuals for sponsorship dollars, including the opportunity for naming rights.

-For more information, visit [www.friendsofbl.org](http://www.friendsofbl.org)

## Announcements

December 6, 2017

-Join your fellow Rotarian Revelers for a night of Christmas Caroling Tuesday December 12th!!! Rotarian Zach Hosman has put together a night of song and fellowship at four different Assisted Living facilities in the Paducah area. Ricky Turner, Rotarian Shawn Turner's husband, will accompany our voices for a selection of holiday tunes. The group will start at The Lakes of Paducah, 2265 Olivet Church Road, at 5:15pm then journey to Brookdale Senior Living, Jackson Oaks Senior Living, and Morningside Assisted Living. The schedule is informal so feel free to join in at one location or all of them!

-The club very much appreciates everyone who participated in bell ringing at the Salvation Army Kettle Drive Campaign last Wednesday. Rotarians Joni Goodman and Bruce Akin organized and mobilized us well!

## Guests

December 6, 2017

Linda Gould – guest of Mike Muscarella

Keith Akin – visiting Rotarian from the Rotary Club of Clinton

Anna Grace McGee and James Luke McGee – student guests from Paducah Tilghman

Ellie Neckel, Cameron Durbin and Ben Kitchen – student guests from McCracken County

Clare McGregor – student guest from St. Mary

Jonathan Rogers– student guest from Community Christian Academy