

## Upcoming Speakers

2/21 - **Dr. Wayne D. Lewis, Jr.** - Executive Director, Education & Policy Programs - Kentucky Education & Workforce Development Cabinet

2/28 - **Dr. Jeffrey R. Seay** - Associate Professor, Department of Chemical and Materials Engineering, UK College of Engineering - Paducah Extended Campus

3/7 - **Dr. Ross Jones**, Gastroenterologist and **Dr. Shane Hendon**, Gastroenterologist - Lourdes Hospitas

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## The Rotary Club of Paducah



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## Polio Plus Dessert Auction ... A Valentine's Success!

February 14, 2018

**Program: Rotary Club of Paducah's Annual Polio Plus Dessert Auction.** Rotarian Susan Carr served as Chair of the event.

### Takeaways for Rotarians:

-The Polio Plus Dessert Auction is a yearly fundraiser by the Paducah club to raise funds for the Rotary Foundation's polio eradication efforts.

-More information on Polio Plus may be found at <https://www.endp.org>  
<https://www.endpolio.org>

-Paducah Rotarians donated 23 cakes, 4 pies, 3 cheesecakes, 2 trays of brownies, 1 tray of Bread Pudding, 1 box of Valentine's candy, and 1 very large box of Hostess Twinkies & Ding Dongs!

-Fellow Rotarian Robert Alexander of R.A.R.E Auction Group in Paducah, and his Spotter Rotarian Jamie Futrell conducted the auction.

-An anonymous donor is matching the club's donation up to \$10,000!

-As of today, we stand at a total of \$9,165.00 generated from the auction and individual donations to Polio Plus. We don't want to leave \$835 "on the table", so please consider a donation.



## Announcements

February 14, 2018

-Rotary Speech Contest Chair Laura Duff reminded the club the local speech contest is Thursday, February 22. This year's contest will be in Room 111 of Rosenthal Hall on the campus of WKCTC. All Rotarians are invited to attend and support the club and the contest participants. As we've mentioned before, it's quite uplifting to hear our young people speak so eloquently about Rotary and how the organization Makes a Difference around the world!

-Only a handful of slots remain to be filled for our World Rotary Day of Service Friday, February 23rd. On that day, all 55 clubs in District 6710 will join to support literacy in our communities by reading to elementary school students for the District Service Project. The project commemorates the 113th anniversary of the founding of Rotary. Three Rotarians will be assigned to each participating school to read a book to an entire class or grade. Volunteers can either bring their own (age-appropriate) book or get one in the library when you arrive. For questions, contact Denise or your World Rotary Day District Service Project Co-Chairs, Susan Baier or Betsy Burkeen (270-559-4545). You can sign-up at our club meetings this week or next, or go online at [www.rotary.org/signup.com/go/WWsEZfE](http://www.rotary.org/signup.com/go/WWsEZfE).

**Randy Bridges**

**Scott Taylor**

**Shawn Turner**

### Birthdays

**Robert P. Meriwether**

February 20

**Vicki Anderson**

February 21

**Thomas Scott Taylor**

February 25

**Basil Drossos**

February 25

**James R. Brown**

February 27

**Jan R. Keen**

March 03

**David W. Jones**

March 05

**Wendy Kester**

March 08

**Troy Courtney**

March 08

**Geraldine B. Montgomery**

March 11

**Phyllis B. Russell**

March 12

**Lewis Carr**

March 14

-Charitable donations from the club were presented to Janie Criner representing the Child Watch Advocacy Center, and to fellow Rotarian Betsy Burkeen on behalf of the United Way Reading Pals program

-The Rotary Club of Paducah extends its sincere condolences to fellow Rotarian Ken Wheeler and family on the passing of Ken's wife Jean.

## Guests

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Marj Heyduck – guest of Chuck Heyduck

Melanie Patel – guest of Steve Bright

Melinda Winchester – guest of Barry Smith

Stephanie Ludovissie – guest of Brad Clark

Lynda Peters-Jones, Chuck Tate and Tim Knipp – guests of Mary Hammond

Nick Kosewski – guest of Megan Thomason

Ricky Turner – guest of Shawn Turner

Cara Sims and Ben Brazzell – guests of Chris Sims

Erin Lander, Meagan Murray, Abby Smith, Megan Koch, Jack McHenry, and Lucas Nare – guests of Mike Muscarella

Peyton Patel and Maurice Cooper – student guests from Paducah Tilghman

Bailey Arnett – student guest from Community Christian Academy

Emily Hodges – student guest from St. Mary

Addison Dumes, Sarah Englert and Bridget Huber - student guests from McCracken County