

Upcoming Speakers

June 2015

06/17 - Gary Zheng, Paducah Power
06/24 - PRESIDENT'S DAY

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June 13

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June 20

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June 24

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June 25

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June 29

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June 30

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July 04

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July 05

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July 06

Dia Mitchell Canter

July 07

David Morse

July 08

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July 08

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July 11

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More than Just a Scholarship

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Ashley Wright, Vice President of Institutional Advancement at West Kentucky Community and Technical College, said the highly successful Community Scholarship Program is absolutely changing lives in many ways beyond just free tuition. The CSP, launched by the Paducah Rotary Club with assistance from local government and private donations, will celebrate its first graduates next spring.

Since enrolling the first 8th graders in the program in 2010 Wright said, "We have learned, grown and adapted but with steadfast focus on the original goals of increasing the number of high school graduates and post-secondary

enrollment."

Students who attend schools within McCracken County who maintain a 2.5 GPA, a 95% attendance rate and no major disciplinary problems are awarded two years free at WKCTC. The program enrolled 279 students at the college in the fall of 2014. Those numbers are expected to increase as more young students enroll in middle school. For example, 654 students are currently on track to transition to WKCTC this fall and 716 in 2016.



Lisa Stephenson, who heads the program at the college, said there have been challenges, but the staff's hands on approach with the students are paying off. The staff reaches out to the students in their current classrooms, as well as providing financial aid events, face to face meetings with students, early registration and a Success Coach. Stephenson said they also have a Summer Bridge Program for incoming freshmen who have difficulty meeting the benchmarks in Reading and Math.

Rotary REAP Chair, Steve Bright, said in addition to the support for the CSP, the Rotary Education Assistance

Program gave out more than \$11,000 to organizations providing educational services and \$6,000 in traditional scholarships this past year.

For more information on the program visit

<http://www.westkentucky.kctcs.edu/en/Academics/K12/CSP.aspx>

Announcements

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The end of the Fiscal Year is rapidly approaching so all outstanding dues invoices should be paid by June 30th

Rotarians mourn the loss the long time friend and fellow member, Tommy Nuckolls. President Jamie asked the Club to observe a moment of silence in his honor.

He also praised the work of Rotarian and City Commissioner Allan Rhodes for his work in repainting the historic train located at the flood wall.

Julie Harris accepted a check from the Club on behalf of the River Discovery Center.

Guests

June 10th, 2015

Justin Hill - Ashley Wright

Sherry Anderson, Barbara Maxey - Dr. Barbara Veazey

Jackson Futrell - Jamie Futrell

Stan Eckenberg - Missy Eckenberg

David Silverstein, Tina Hayes - Ken Wheeler

Heather Thomas, Lorelei Gunn, Alicia Hargrove, Rachel Smith, Erin Sieberkrop - Mike Muscarella

Melissa Yates - Dave Denton

Will Hutson - Laura Latham

Mayor Gayle Kaler, Julie Harris - Club Guest