

Upcoming Speakers

3/9 - Fletcher Schrock, Boy Scouting in the Four Rivers District
3/16 - Nickki Jackson, VP and Regional Executive, "The Fed: Who We Are and What We Do"
3/23 - Colonel Kimberly J. Daub, 101st Sustainment Brigade, US Army 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, KY
3/30 - John Hodges, Executive Director, Paducah-McCracken County Joint Sewer Agency (JSA)

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Birthdays

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March 05

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March 11

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March 12

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March 14

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March 18

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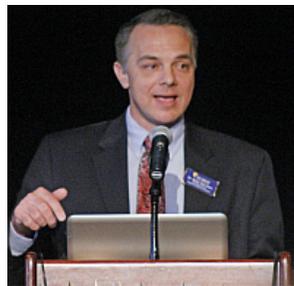
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Murray State's Paducah Campus Exceeds Expectations

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Brian Van Horn, Associate Provost for Regional Academic Outreach for Murray State University, the Paducah campus, which opened in 2014, is "life changing to many people," he said. The new campus, which replaced the Crisp Center on the Southside of town, was funded by jointly by the City, the County and MSU. The 43,000 square foot contains 19 classrooms, 2 computer labs, plus student lounges, all equipped with the state of the art technology.

Van Horn said the Paducah campus outperforms similar facilities in the state notching an 8.75% increase in fall enrollments each year. He said the campus works very closely with West Kentucky Community and Technical School, which transferred 149 students to the campus in the fall of 2015.

Van Horn said the Paducah Campus offers 15 undergraduate and graduate programs, including studies in Business Administration, Public Administration, Education, Social Work, and most recently, Logistics Supply Chain Management. He firmly believes the Logistics area will become a strategic economic development tool due to Paducah's importance as a transportation hub linking commerce traversing interstates, rivers and railways.

In addition, The Paducah Campus offers an Accelerate MBA program with classes on Friday evenings and on Saturday. Adults can also take advantage of the Integrated Studies program, which allows them to get 3 to 9 hours credit for work related experience. Van horn said nearly all the students enrolled are 24 years of age or older. The newest course of study will a B.S. in Public and Community Health with 3 tracks of studies.

"We make it easier for for adults to earn a degree, which helps them stay in the area and work," he said.

Van horn said the greatest need is for scholarship assistance for adults since most scholarships target the young high school graduate. He, as well as others in the community, are also concerned about the current proposed Kentucky Budget, which follows up last year's cuts to Higher Education with an recurring 9% a year cut in funding. Governor Bevin's budget proposes funds will then be allocated via "Performance Funding," but the metrics of how those funds were be allocated are unknown.

"We have a great working relationship with WKCTC, for example. I would hate to see a situation where our institutions were put into a competitive environment for funding," Van

Horn said.

For more information on the MSU Paducah Campus visit <https://www.murraystate.edu/academics/re>
<https://www.murraystate.edu/academics/regionalAcademicOutreach/RegionalCampus/paducah> .

Announcements

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President John announced the Rotary Grants Seminar will be held April 14th from 5-7pm at the McCracken County Library. Rotary requires some members to attend to remain eligible to receive Rotary District Grants. The Paducah Club has received 5 District Grants to fund the new Playground project. This is the most ever received.

The Rotoract Club is looking for potential new members and asks Rotary members to nominate someone they know to participate.

Carolyn Roberts says literally hundreds of volunteers are needed to cover 3 shifts for about one week beginning June 6th to build the Children's Playground at the City's new Health Park. If you can put together a company team, church group, or group of other friends, please call the volunteer project phone at 270-564-5746, Carolyn's personal mobile at 270-519-3495, or email volunteerpaducah@gmail.com .

Community Donation - Frank Bennett accepted a check from the Club on behalf of the Museum of the American Quilters Society

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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Dan Lavit – guest of John Williams, Sr.

Conner Framptom – guest of Zach Hosman

Gina Winchester – guest of Laurie Latham

Lee Emmons – guest of Hutch Smith

Daina Smith– guest of Emerson Goodwin

Rachel Smith– guest of Mike Muscarella



Amanda Ball and Terrance Adams– Rotaract guests

Alex Dunbar – student guest from Paducah Tilghman

Emily Perry, Mesa Trimm and Gavin Henshaw – student guests from McCracken County

Abigail Parker – student guest from Commonwealth Middle College

Laiken Vaughn – student guest from Community Christian Academy