

Upcoming Speakers

5/24 - **Steven Curtis Chapman**,
Singer/Songwriter, Record Producer, Actor,
Author, and Social Activist

5/31 - **Betsy Burkeen**, Resource Development
Manager, United Way of Paducah-McCracken
County

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Freedom From Addiction Through Faith

May 17, 2017



Speaker: Terrye Peeler, Executive Director of Paducah Lifeline Ministries and Ladies Living Free.
Peeler was introduced by Rotarian Monique Zuber.

Topic: An overview of the organization, including client participation, funding, and program descriptions.

Top Ten Takeaways for Rotarians:

-Paducah Lifeline Ministries and Ladies Living Free offer Christ-centered recovery programs to help men and women overcome life-controlling problems, particularly drug and alcohol abuse. The programs are primarily residential treatment services.

-Over the past three years, 1,098 men have applied for treatment through PLM. Due to space and program constraints, only 266 were accepted. Over the same period, 696 women applied for treatment through Ladies Living Free. 163 were accepted.

-Among the criteria for being accepted into the program, counselors look for those who present a sincere desire to rehabilitate. "We select those who really want

positive change in their lives," Peeler said, "we won't select those just wanting to get out of jail or attending just because their family wants them to."

-Peeler said long-range plans for the ministry include a new facility allowing them to double their treatment capacity.

-Phase One of the treatment program consists of 12 mandatory classes over a three-month period. The first phase focuses on "How to Change" through group attendance and participation, counseling, community events and church services.

-Phase Two covers how to avoid temptations, self-discipline, and the opportunity to leave the treatment facility during the day to employment. They are also allowed to use their cell phone and personal vehicle during this phase.

-During Phase Three, men in the program can choose to live independently, but must continue to fulfill program requirements. Participants must continue to attend classes, church, group sessions, and one-to-one mentoring.

-Peeler said the programs have achieved a 62% success rate over the past three years.

Paducah Lifeline Ministries and Ladies Living Free are funded by various foundation

June 13

Joe Framptom

June 14

Jill T. Chambers

June 16

Dee Dee Whittaker

June 19

Steve Shrewsbury

June 20

-Paducah Lifeline Ministries and Ladies Living Free are funded by various foundation grants, area churches, and donations from businesses and individuals. The cost of the program is \$1,800 per person. Half of the cost is paid up front by the participant, and the remainder in installments.

-For more information, visit paducahlifelineministries.com

Announcements

May 17, 2017

-Make your plans to attend Rotary Night with the Paducah Chiefs Baseball Team! Saturday June 17, Paducah Rotarians and their guests will get free admission to the game, plus be involved in several special activities throughout the night. See Rotarian Zach Hosman for more information.

-A Charitable Donation was presented to Lifeline Ministries of Paducah. Terrye Peeler accepted the check on their behalf.

-A special note about next week's guest speaker, Grammy Award-winning artist Steven Curtis Chapman. In anticipation of more guests than usual, if you plan to bring a guest, please notify Denise at the Rotary Office no later than Monday (May 22).

Guests

May 17, 2017

Rev. Lora Jean Gowan – guest of Bob Johnston