

Upcoming Speakers

5/11 - Kurt Barber, Former NFL Linebacker & PTHS Head Football Coach

5/18 - Dale Suttles, CEO, Sunrise Children's Services

5/25 - Ashley Wright, Vice President of Institutional Advancement, WKCTC

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St. Nicholas Clinic Evolving with Changes in Health Care

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The St. Nicholas Clinic began in Paducah as a free clinic for the working poor in 1994, but due to the evolving nature of the health care industry St. Nicholas has modified its business model. Executive Director Rayla Bridges said St. Nicholas has gone from running a clinic themselves to managing it, and running a payment assistance program.

St. Nicholas provides payment assistance for uninsured and the underinsured working poor covering doctor visits, prescriptions, dental care, vision and hearing aids.

Patients are 18 and over who are at 225% of the Federal Poverty Guideline. Bridges said the service area includes McCracken, Ballard, Carlisle, Fulton, Hickman, Livingston counties, along with Metropolis, IL. The majority of the

clients are in their 50's and 54% have a full time job. "They are embarrassed to ask for help for the first time in their lives," said Bridges.

The Dental program has been a godsend for many, she said. From last July through April of this year there were 627 units of service ranging from appointments to fillings and surgery. "Kentucky has some of the worst road health in the nation," said Bridges.

Some 21% of McCracken Countians ages 18 to 65 have had 6 or more teeth removed. "Poor or "Poor oral health is related to a growing number health issues," she said.

Bridges said all St. Nicholas patients are extremely grateful for the services provided. "We get a lot of 'thank you's,'" she said.

For more information about services, or how to assist St. Nicholas in its mission, visit <http://stnickfoundation.org/about/>

Announcements

May 4th, 2016

Volunteers are needed for the Club's Playground project, which is a part of Paducah's new Health Park. Volunteers are needed for shifts from June 20th through June 26th. For more information on the project, and how to volunteer online visit <http://www.paducahrotaryplayground.com>

Community Donation - Sarah Dawson of the Girl Scouts of Kentuckiana, along with Aida Vega and Derek Waddell of Hope Unlimited Family Care Center accepted donations from the Club on behalf of their organizations.

What Does Rotary Mean to You?

May 4th, 2016

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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Catherine Sivills – guest of Laura Duff;

Kelly Davis – guest of Sandra Wilson;

Rebekah Schnuck – guest of Laurie Latham;

Doug Truitt – guest of Lewis Carr;

Kaitlyn Hargett, Brittany Ford, Heath Crist, Drew Tierney, Morgan McCully and Tiffany Roberts – guests of Mike Muscarella;

Kelly Stewart – student guest from St. Mary High;

Thai Daniels and Grant Hutcheson – student guests from Paducah Tilghman High;

Hannah Newberry – student guest from McCracken County High