

Upcoming Speakers

11/25 - Julie Hart, Paducah McCracken County Library

12/02 - Ogie Shaw, Executive Director, Community Fitness Leaders

12/09 - Paducah Symphony Orchestra, Christmas Celebration

12/16 - Peter McNally, Jackson Purchase Medical Associates, Community Healthcare

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Birthdays

Angela D. Everette
November 22

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November 25

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November 27

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December 08

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December 10

Ronald Jackson
December 10

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December 12

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December 12

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December 16

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December 19



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Technology and Postsecondary Education

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Glenn Denton, the Chairman of Kentucky's Council on Postsecondary Education, illustrated how technology is changing the face of what many of us think of as "college." All Rotarians held up their hands when he asked if the audience knew what a "card catalogue" was, yet none of the high school student guests held up their hands. Denton said this is because they all own connected cell phones. "They have the world in their pockets," he said.

While praising the quality educational opportunities available to the region through Murray State University and West Kentucky Community and Technical

College, he acknowledged it is less of a question if a student continues higher education, but "where and how." There are some 4 million students continuing their education online. "Siri is the greatest professor of all time, but she doesn't understand sarcasm," he said.

Denton said there a lot of things going right in postsecondary education no matter how it is delivered. Higher levels of education are associated with better economic outcomes like higher wages and lower unemployment, as well as better health and lower public assistance. Eighty years ago, Kentucky's per capita personal income was just over 50% of the U.S. average; today it is just 80%. "It just takes time," he said.

Denton also complimented the Club on taking the initiative in creating the Community Scholarship Program at WKCTC. "This should be emulated all across Kentucky," he said.

For information on the mission and responsibilities of the Council on Postsecondary Education visit <http://cpe.ky.gov>

Announcements

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Rotarians were delighted with a couple of musical numbers from this weekend's performance of Shrek the Musical at Paducah Tilghman, which included Will Denton, son of today's speaker and grandson of Rotarian David Denton. For tickets to any of the threepresentations visit <http://www.showtix4u.com>

Becky Straley shared "What Rotary Means to Me" by highlighting the connectivity, friendship and volunteer opportunities available through

Rotary.

Remember December 2nd is the day for ringing the bell for the Salvation Army! There are

still many volunteer slots to be filled so sign up at next week's meeting, or call Denise at the Rotary Office.



Heidi Suhrheinrich accepted a check from the Club on behalf of Paducah Cooperative Ministries.

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, Todd or John to get on the calendar.

Guests

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Heather Denton – guest of Teresa Grubbs;

Ann Denton – guest of Dave Denton;

Dr. Holly Payne and Diane Evans – guests of Suzanne Farmer;

Betty Schuppert – guest of Ken Schuppert;

David Silverstein – guest of Ken Wheeler;

Keith Travis – guest of Laurie Latham;

Nyla Blue – student guest from Paducah Tilghman;

Ashley Dunn – student guest from St. Mary;

Lakin Greene – student guest from Community Christian Academy;

Maanasa Manchikanti, Tristan Alexander and Gavin Posey – student guests from McCracken County High.