

## Upcoming Speakers

Allen Treece, Oscar Cross Boys/Girls Club

September 25

Shannah Poindexter - Lourdes

Hospice and Homecare

October 02

District Governor Ed Kalmey Visit

October 09

Mary Nita Bondurant, Discovery Park, Union City, TN

October 16

## Club Leaders

**Chris McNeill**

President

**Jamie Futrell**

President-Elect, Vice President

**Phyllis B. Russell**

Secretary

**John A Williams Jr.**

Vice President

**Thomas Scott Taylor**

Treasurer

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iPast President

**Michael A. Muscarella**

Membership Chair, Past President

**Debbie DeWeese**

Club Executive Secretary

## Birthdays

**Gary Dyer**

September 19

**Jessica Toren**

September 20

**Mark Hequembourg**

September 25

**James Dennis Johnston**

September 29

**Lydia May**

October 02

**John A Williams Jr.**

October 03

**Allan Rhodes**

October 04

**Hutchinson Smith**

October 05

**Hardy L Roberts**

October 06

**Jody W Stivers**

October 08

**Barry Smith**

October 12

**Roger Truitt**

October 15

**Shawn Turner**

October 16

**Tammy Potter**

October 16

**Deborah Simon**

October 19

**Brenda Allcock**

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## Possible Expansion in the Works for Calvert City's Wacker Polymers

September 18th, 2013



Wacker Polymers, a German-owned facility in the Calvert City Chemical Complex is eyeing plans to expand its capability to produce more vinyl acetate ethylene, which is used to make a variety of products, including ceramic tile adhesives, paints and even paper towels. Mary Beth Hudson, Vice President of North American Operations says the process uses natural gas, which is cleaner than other processes that use crude oil as a base. "These are environmentally friendly products," she said.

Wacker, a 100-year-old company, is one of 15 located in the chemical complex that accounts for 1,500 direct employees with 6,000 support jobs serving the industry. The mostly family-owned company employs 120 in Calvert City and 16,000 worldwide. Hudson said Wacker had a presence on every major continent.

Wacker's polymers are shipped to every state in the U.S., Asia, Central and South America. Hudson said the manufactures here rather than its Asian facilities due to Intellectual Property concerns. She said there is a also a possibility Wacker would add an additional Powder Tower at Calvert City if logistical issues could be resolved.

## Announcements

September 18th, 2013

Suzanne Farmer showed another short video about the statewide Rotary effort to buy shoes for orphans, named Shoes for Orphan Souls. Rotarians are asked to buy 3 new pairs of any type athletic shoe to be collected and distributed to children around the world. The statewide goal is 10,000 pairs of shoes in sizes children's 4 to adult 9 or to donate cash to purchase shoes. The Club donated \$462 last week and buckets were passed again this week. Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> is the final day for shoe donations or cash donations.

Rotary welcomes two new members! Patrick Mobley of Mobley Properties, who was sponsored by Richard Granna, and Tammy Potter of WKCTC, who was sponsored by Robyn Shapiro. Welcome

President Chris asked for volunteers to help label the 800 dictionaries scheduled fro distribution to every 3<sup>d</sup> grader in McCracken County. Please contact Debbie at the Rotary Office to take a 30-minute shift.


Independence Bank invites Rotarians to tour for the new Jefferson Center location on Thursday, Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 7 pm. There is a public event scheduled for Sunday from 1 to 4 pm.

The Rotary Board approved Bill Robertson, proposed member, for our club.

### Rotary Foundation Status:

Every Rotarian Every Year - 98% of Club

Paul Harris Fellows - 73 members, 41% of Club



Paul Harris Society - 31 members, 17% of Club

## Guests

September 18th, 2013

Student Guests – Jon Darnell, St. Mary; Miranda Meier, Sarah Stigall, and Noah Wilkins, McCracken County; Yasmine Martinez, Paducah Tilghman; Megan Gibson, Commonwealth Middle College; and Carson Brown, Community Christian Academy

Lekeila Bedeau – guest of club

David Jones – guest of Debbie Wattier

David Silverstein – guest of Basil Drossos

Larry Anderson – guest of Chuck Heyduck

Jane Simmons – guest of Danny Evitts

Chuck Folsom – guest of Daniel Sene

Whitney Denson – guest of Sandra Wilson

Heather Dublin, Haley Rinella, Courtney Ahlers, Nathan Copeland, Lindsey Lehr, guests of Mike Muscarella