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54th Annual Dinner Meeting

Connecting the Pennyriple was the theme of the night at the Pennyriple Area Development District's (PeADD) 54th Annual Dinner Meeting held June 12, 2023, at The Bruce Convention Center in Hopkinsville, KY. The evening was sponsored by Planters Banks Hopkinsville and under the chairmanship of Ms. Crissy Carter, PeADD Board Chair and Citizen Member representing Livingston County. A crowd of over 400 state and local officials, legislators, business and civic leaders, and others from throughout the Pennyriple filled the room to celebrate the accomplishments in the region from the past year and to honor the late John Walton with the John C. Mahre Regionalism Award.

The PeADD Board Nominating Committee brought before the board three new appointments with Squire Brad Hunter, District 3 Magistrate representing Livingston County, and Mayor Jenny Sewell, of Dawson Springs representing Hopkins County and Mr. Wade White representing Lyon County. Five reappointments were nominated including Mr. Bart Frazer representing Crittenden County, Mr. Lee Wilson representing Lyon County, and Ms. Beth Sumner and Mr. Todd Wallace both representing Trigg County. The appointments were unanimously decided.



Judge-Executive and PeADD Board Treasurer, Todd Mansfield, gave a heartfelt presentation while introducing the winner of the 2023 John C. Mahre Regionalism Award, which was presented to the family of Mr. John Walton.

Videos from Governor Andy Beshear and Senior Advisor to the Governor, Rocky Adkins, were displayed to send their condolences. Due to Mr. Walton's sudden and unexpected passing, the Walton family graciously accepted the award on his behalf which was presented by PeADD Board Members Ms. Crissy Carter, Mr. Scott Marshall, and Judge-Executive Todd Mansfield.

Mr. Jason Vincent, PeADD Executive Director, cited the theme of the night, "Making Connections," declaring how PeADD does just that. He thanked everyone for helping the organization to do so. Mr. Vincent offered his condolences to the family of Mr. John Walton, stating that his dear friend, whose fingerprint was left on numerous projects and initiatives in the region, would be greatly missed. He mentioned the Annual Report just before directing everyone to the screens for a video recap of the past year. He concluded his dialogue stating, "Let's keep making connections!"

Guest speaker, Lisa Marie Platske, spoke on the importance of connections, providing insight on how making connections in her own life was detrimental, considering she had to make them with her previous federal police officer colleagues to gain their trust and acceptance. She provided seven keys for connection and asked the crowd to participate in engagement activities to form connections within the room.



Outgoing PeADD Board Members were presented with a plaque including Me. Deb Domke, Lyon County Representative (not present) and Mr. Terry Stringer, Livingston County Representative.

A PeADD Board Service Award was given to Judge-Executive Todd Mansfield of Todd County for five years of service as a member of the board.



Staff Service Awards were presented to Ms. Miranda White (5 years), Ms. Cindy Cummings (20 years), and Ms. Karen Corbett-Wallace (30 years) for their respective years of employment with PeADD.



Area Agency on Aging & Independent Living

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

June 15, WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY, celebrated every year, was a huge success here in the Pennyryle District. Every Home Delivered Meal in the Pennyryle District contained a flyer on "Building Community Supports to prevent Elder Abuse." Yard signs promoting WEAAD were displayed throughout the community. Some agencies supporting WEAAD are the Christian County Justice Center, Hopkinsville Police Department, Christian County Sheriff's Office, The Bank of Cadiz, PADD and others. The Proclamation by Governor Andy Beshear, declaring June as Elder Abuse and Exploitation Awareness Month, was read at Christian County Senior Center by District Ombudsman Cindy Tabor. Staff at the PADD showed their support by wearing purple and a booth was set up at the Senior Center for information and giveaways.



Supporting Caregivers

Are you caring for an individual with dementia? Over 11 million Americans are currently providing unpaid care for people with Alzheimer's or another related dementia.

The National Family Caregiver Support Program exists to provide support to caregivers and to help alleviate caregiver stress. NFCSP offers a monthly Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group the second Tuesday of each month at 10am. The support group is offered in person at the PeADD office or virtually through Zoom. These sessions provide valuable information, community resources, and an opportunity to share and be heard. Caregivers are less likely to feel overburdened and therefore will be able to care for their loved one for a longer period of time if they believe they have information and support services to help them.



If you are interested in any services through the National Family Caregiver Program, please contact Miranda White, Family Caregiver Coordinator at the Pennyryle Area Development District at 270-886-9484 or by email at Miranda.white@ky.gov.

Meals, Meals, and more Meals



During fiscal year 2023, the Senior Centers provided over 182,000 hot meals (congregate, curbside & home delivered meals combined) to over 1,800 clients across the Pennyryle Region. Additional funding received in FY23 for the implementation of the Expanded Senior Meal Program (ESMP) allowed this progression along with a substantial reduction of the region-wide waiting list.

If you know of someone who would benefit from meals, please contact the Pennyryle Aging & Disability Resource Center at 1-866-844-4396 for more information.

Call Today for Medicare Assistance

Kentucky Medicaid provides partial financial assistance with Medicare premiums, deductibles, or coinsurance - through the Medicare Savings Program (i.e., Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries, Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiaries, and Qualifying Individuals) - to certain low income Medicare beneficiaries who are not entitled to the full Medicaid benefit package.

If you are currently are having \$164.90 taken out of your Social Security check each month for your Part B monthly premium, and you are low income, there is a program that may be able to assist you with that premium cost! If your income is under \$1,660/single or \$2,239/married and your resources/assets are under \$9,090/single or \$13,630/married then you may qualify to receive assistance through the state through one of the Medicare Savings Programs.

These programs may help pay for your Part B premiums and potentially assist in also paying for Part A premiums, deductibles, coinsurance, and copayments, depending on your income level. To see if you are eligible and apply for these programs, contact Ali Jones with the Pennyryle Area Development District in Hopkinsville, KY at (866) 844-4396 or (270) 886-9484.



West Kentucky Workforce



Attention Area Employers

Did you know.....Hopkinsville, Paducah and Fort Campbell Transition Assistance Program Centers conduct weekly job fairs?

Hopkinsville Career Center

Every Wednesday 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Paducah Career Center

Every Tuesday 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Fort Campbell Transition Assistance Program Center

Every Wednesday/Thursday 9:30 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.

If you are looking for workers and would like to participate in any of the weekly events, please contact West Kentucky Workforce Liaisons Mary Anne Medlock (maryanne.medlock@ky.gov), Tom Sholar (tom.sholar@ky.gov), or Derek Poor (derek.poor@ky.gov), or call 270-886-9484.

WKWB FY 24 Youth Programs Funded

The West Kentucky Workforce Board has approved funding for youth programs for 2023-2024. The programs anticipate serving 85 new participants in the 17 counties of West Kentucky. The programs are currently enrolling for the upcoming year. For information on the programs or to make referrals, contact the program or call (270) 886-9484.

Agency Name	Funding Approved	Proposal Type	Age Group	Counties to be served	Program Contact
Christian County Board of Education	\$73,075.75	In School	16-21	Christian	Kelly Gates kelly.gates@christian.kyschools.us 270-887-7030 or 270-889-7832
KCTCS-Hopkinsville Community College	\$63,555.28	Out of School	18-24	Caldwell, Christian, Crittenden, Muhlenberg, Todd, Trigg	Vicki Bailey Vicki.bailey@kctcs.edu 270-707-3744
KCTCS-Madisonville Community College	\$119,204.18	Out of School	18-24	Caldwell, Christian, Crittenden, Hopkins, Livingston, Lyon, Muhlenberg, Todd	Tammy Hardy tammy.hardy@kctcs.edu (270) 824-1761
KCTCS-West KY Community & Technical College	\$99,592.83	Out of School	18-24	Ballard, Calloway, Carlisle, Fulton, Graves, Hickman, Livingston, Lyon, Marshall & McCracken	Cora Sims cora.sims@kctcs.edu 270-210-7206

2023 UPCOMING EVENTS

Event Name	Date	Time (CT)	Location
PeADD Board of Directors Meeting	July 10, 2023	12 noon	PeADD Office & Streamed on YouTube
Pennyrile West Park Board Meeting	July 10, 2023	1pm (or after PeADD Bd Mtg)	PeADD Office
Alzheimer's Support Group	July 11, 2023	10 am	PeADD Office & Zoom
Pennyrile Grandparent Support Group	July 19, 2023	10 am	PeADD Office & Zoom
Tri-County Elder Abuse Council Meeting	July 12, 2023	12 pm	PeADD Office & Zoom
Pennyrile Elder Abuse Board of Director's Meeting	July 12, 2023	1 pm	PeADD Office & Zoom
KACo 2023 Listening Tour	July 17, 2023	1 pm	PeADD Office
Regional Transportation Committee Meeting	July 26, 2023	10 am	PeADD Office



Welcome New Board Members

With the start of a new fiscal year, the PeADD Board and Staff would like to welcome our new board members. New to the board, Squire Brad Hunter is the citizen member representing Livingston county. Squire Hunter is a Livingston County Magistrate representing District 3. We would also like to welcome back Mr. Wade White and Mayor Jenny Sewell to the board. Mr. White is appointed as a citizen member for Lyon County and Mayor Sewell, of Dawson Springs, as a citizen member for Hopkins County. We look forward to working with each of you in this new and ongoing capacity.

PeADD BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CALDWELL COUNTY

Amanda Davenport, Citizen Representative
Jim Seibert, Mayor of Fredonia
Brock Thomas, Mayor of Princeton
Dakota Young, Judge/Executive

CHRISTIAN COUNTY

Nikki Durham, Citizen Representative
Jerry Gilliam, Judge/Executive
Lori Harper, Citizen Representative
J.R. Knight, Mayor of Hopkinsville
Verdell Smith, Citizen Representative

CRITTENDEN COUNTY

D'Anna Browning, Mayor of Marion
Bart Frazer, Citizen Representative
Perry Newcom, Judge/Executive
Roger Simpson, Citizen Representative

HOPKINS COUNTY

Kevin Cotton, Mayor of Madisonville
Chris Phelps, Mayor of Mortons Gap
Jenny Sewell, Citizen Representative
Jack Whitfield, Jr., Judge/Executive

LIVINGSTON COUNTY

Crissy Carter, Citizen Representative
Gary Damron, Mayor of Salem
Garrett Gruber, Judge/Executive
Bill Hesser, Mayor of Smithland
Brad Hunter, Citizen Representative

LYON COUNTY

Greg Greene, Mayor of Eddyville
Jaime Green-Smith, Judge/Executive
Wade White, Citizen Representative
Lee Wilson, Citizen Representative

MUHLENBERG COUNTY

Tony Armour, Mayor of Central City
Eddie DeArmond, Mayor of Greenville
Rajiv Johar, Citizen Representative
Mack McGehee, Judge/Executive
Karen Robinson, Citizen Representative

TODD COUNTY

Arthur Green, Mayor of Elkton
Todd Mansfield, Judge/Executive
Scott Marshall, Citizen Representative
Martha Jo Ray, Mayor of Trenton

TRIGG COUNTY

Connie Allen, (Cadiz) Mayor's Designee
Stan Humphries, Judge/Executive
Todd Wallace, Citizen Representative
Beth Sumner, Citizen Representative



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