

Rotary



Clarksville  
Rotary Club

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# APSU New Head Coach

*Mark Hudspeth brings experience, energy*

Mark Hudspeth was announced as the 20th head football coach in the Austin Peay State University program history on Dec. 11, 2018.

Hudspeth comes to Austin Peay after spending the 2018 season as the associate head coach and tight ends coach at Mississippi State. The Bulldogs finished the regular season 8-4 and ranked No. 18 in the College Football Playoff poll.

Hudspeth has 16 years of head coaching experience at the FBS, NCAA Division II and high school levels, and his teams went a combined 142-60 with him at the helm.

Hudspeth earned a bachelor's degree in health and education from Delta State in 1992. A four-year letterwinner, he was a starting safety as a junior before moving to starting quarterback in his final season. He began his coaching career as a graduate assistant at Central Arkansas and earned a master's degree in secondary school administration from UCA in 1993.

Hudspeth is married to the former Tyla McConnell and is the father of four sons: Gunner, Captain, Major and Rocky; and one daughter, Carley.



## THE CLARKSVILLE ROTARY CLUB

Chartered May 17, 1917  
Meetings: Wednesday at Noon



### CLUB OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

2018-2019

- President.....Jane Ondocin
- President-Elect.....Kimberly Wiggins
- Secretary.....Cheryl Moss
- Treasurer.....Cheryl Lankford
- Sergeant-at-Arms.....Carter Briggs
- Membership Chair.....John Wallace & Chris Trawinski
- Program Chair....Melanie Thompson
- Service Chair.....Melissa Hogan
- PR Chair.....Elliott Herzlich
- Foundation Chair.....Betty Burchett
- iPPresident.....Jim Jay
- Assistant DG.....David Davenport

### Board of Directors:

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| <b>2017-2020</b> | <b>2019-2022</b> |
| Elliott Herzlich | Ron Struble      |
| <b>2018-2021</b> | Chris Buerck     |
| Kimberly Wiggins | Steve Springer   |
| Eric Lehman      | Betty Burchett   |
| <b>2018-2020</b> |                  |
| Melissa Hogan    |                  |
| Tad Bourne       |                  |

### Mission:

The mission of Rotary International is to provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through its fellowship of business, professional and community leaders.



**YOU'RE INVITED!**  
**Civitan Park  
Ribbon  
Cutting**  
Friday  
September 6, 2019  
5:00 PM

Join us as we cut the ribbon for the much anticipated 25-acre expansion at Civitan Park which features the Rotary Field of Dreams. This area will include an American With Disabilities Act Compliant family playground, both designed and equipped to support citizens with special needs.

## Welcome back Fiddlers' Championship

By Tony Centonze, *The Leaf Chronicle*

The Old Time Fiddlers' Championship returned to Clarksville this weekend, at a new venue and with a new host.

After a 2-year hiatus, Clarksville Rotary Club brought the popular, long-running event back, and presented it to an enthusiastic crowd at the Wilma Rudolph Event Center.

"We've been working on this for about five months," Co-Chair Pam Powell said. "Hilldale Civitan had hosted this event for many years, the last one in March of 2017. We wanted to bring it back to Clarksville."

Powell said that in spite of the shortened prep-time, response from the competitors was great.

"Competitive fiddlers are a tight-knit community," Powell said. "They let each other know about upcoming events



so we have people from West Virginia, Missouri, Kentucky and more here competing. And, we have visitors from as far away as California and Nevada here to watch."

Musicians in several categories competed throughout the day. Full Bluegrass Band, Dobro, Mandolin, Guitar, Banjo, Pee-Wee Fiddle (11 and under), and Open Fiddle all had competitors at Saturday's event.

Open Fiddle winners and past state champions were then allowed to compete in the Fiddle-Off.

Saturday's winner was crowned State of Tennessee Fiddle Champion, and is now eligible to compete in Nashville at the Grand Master Fiddler Championship, Aug. 31-Sept. 1.

Event Chairman, Tad Bourne took a quick break from his emcee duties to share his thoughts on the success of the Fiddler's Championship's return.

"It's going pretty well," Bourne said. "All in all, we have four Grand Masters Fiddlers' Champions here today. We also have a Smithville Fiddlers' Jamboree winner, and a North Alabama champion here. We definitely have some great talent with us today."

## Clarksville Rotary Well brings clean water to village in India

The Clarksville Rotary Club, under President Steve Kemmer in 2017-2018, worked with Mission Voice Network to fund a water well in India. For just \$2,500 the club was able to sponsor a new well in a village, changing lives in the name of Rotary. The project is complete and the organization sent the following update:

*"The water well is truly a blessing in this arid area. Clean drinking water is such a valuable commodity in India.*

*Please extend our gratitude for the kind and generous provision from our friends at Clarksville Rotary Club. This will provide safe drinking water for many hundreds of villagers for many years."*



Sept. 4 – Rotary Foundation and Grants program

Sept. 11 – AirMedcare Network

Please submit speaker ideas to Melanie Thompson at [Mthompson@gobbb.org](mailto:Mthompson@gobbb.org)

**MAKE UP MISSED MEETINGS:**

Sunrise Rotary Meetings:  
Thursdays 6:45 am  
APSU Morgan University Center  
Rm 305

Sunset Rotary Meetings:  
1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month  
The Looking Glass  
329 Warfield Blvd.