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Performing Arts Center, Kent State University at Tuscarawas

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SUMMIT



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Agenda

8:00AM	Welcome and Registration	
8:30AM	Introduction and Speakers 1-3	Andrew Wilsterman — Founder of The Good Neighbor Project Dr. Sankalp Sharma — Assistant Professor Randi Poladnik, Ph. D. — Retired Research Chemist
10:00AM	Session 1 (Lunch A)	Attend one of six workshops from the list below.
10:45AM	Session 2 (Lunch B)	Attend one of six workshops from the list below.
11:30AM	Session 3 (Lunch C)	Attend one of six workshops from the list below.
12:20PM	Scholarships and Speakers 4-6	Wilma Mullet — Executive Director of TAP Chad Conrad — Director of Advancement Orvis Campbell — Sheriff of Tuscarawas County

Workshop Choices

1. Understanding & Building Credit

Ryan Grosschmidt — Officer and Banking Center Manager, The Commercial & Savings Bank

2. It's Your Career. Own It!

Rick Arredondo — Founder, The Ezekiel Project and Rove Creative Co.

3. Leadership and Values: How Well Do You Know Yourself?

Lori Sigrist, Ph.D., RD, RYT, — Lieutenant Colonel (Retired), U.S. Army

4. Motivation: Do I Have It In Me?

Denise McEnroe-Petitte, Ph. D. — Associate Professor, Kent State University at Tuscarawas

5. Hey, You'ns: Storytelling, Language, and Writing Identity

Amanda Hayes, Ph. D. — Assistant Professor, Kent State University at Tuscarawas

6. Initiating Solar Energy Research in the Future

Roshinee Perera — Assistant Professor, Kent State University at Tuscarawas

Donald G. Gerbig, Jr., Ph. D. — Associate Professor, Kent State University at Tuscarawas

Heather Aubihl — Academic Laboratory Coordinator, Kent State University at Tuscarawas

Speakers 1-3



Andrew Wilsterman “The Good Neighbor in Chief: The Good Neighbor Project”

A 2010 Graduate of Kent State Tuscarawas and Army Veteran turned everyday community servant, Andrew Wilsterman is the founder of the “grass-roots” movement to engage Tuscarawas County in simple and sincere expressions of community care. Along with his wonderful wife, Kait, and the many others that step up to serve along the way, Andrew seeks to show how great things can be accomplished through something as simple as mowing some grass, raking some leaves, or moving snow for folks that need a hand. These great things always happen in the service of others.

Summary: The Good Neighbor Project plans, coordinates, and enacts community-based service initiatives. We actively serve in the communities where we are located and provide

opportunities for community members to step forward to serve while thoughtfully promoting these neighborhood expressions of care.



Dr. Sankalp Sharma “Motivation: Do I Have It In Me?”

Dr. Sankalp Sharma is the Assistant Professor of Agribusiness at Kent State - Tuscarawas. He completed his Ph.D. in agricultural economics from University of Nebraska - Lincoln, specializing in risk analysis and farm decision-making. He joined the Agribusiness program in the Fall of 2017 and has a joint teaching and research appointment. He previously taught at the Oklahoma Panhandle State University during the 2016-17 academic year. He has also consulted for the Food & Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations (UN) in Rome, Italy and worked as a performance analyst for the Nebraska Department of Agriculture.

He has published papers in peer-reviewed journals, has been invited as a panelist at Purdue’s Center for Food and Agribusiness and presented papers at the AAEA conference, the annual Land and Poverty conference held at the World Bank, and other applied economics conferences. He has also received several research grants.

He has taught courses in - Introduction to agricultural economics, agricultural finance, agricultural commodity marketing, farm management, agricultural and trade policy, agricultural environmental law, quantitative economics, money and banking, crop/forage production management.



Randi Poladnik, Ph. D. “Ordinary People Can Become Extraordinary Leaders”

Randi Pokladnik, Ph.D. is a retired research chemist. She works as a freelance writer and volunteers as a science consultant for the Ohio Valley Environmental Coalition. She also sits on the Board of Directors of Freshwater Accountability Project and Ohio River Citizens Alliance. She has received many awards for her activism and volunteer work, including the 2018 Fractivist of the Year Award and Outstanding Alumni for Eastern Gateway Community College for 2018. Her passions include preserving the woodland species of the Appalachian forests and educating the public about environmental issues.

Speakers 4&5



Wilma Mullet “The Challenge is the Opportunity”

Wilma K. Mullet (Levengood) received her B.A. in Art and Religious Studies and completed a minor in Entrepreneurship at the University of Mount Union, and a Master’s degree in Arts Administration from the University of Akron. Wilma became interested in pursuing Arts Administration after her internship with Arts in Stark the summer of 2014 where she coordinated the first downtown arts festival in Alliance, Ohio. While organizing the festival, Wilma observed how visibility of the arts positively impacted the downtown Alliance community. She has participated in the Art Bomb Brigade and completed a thesis study on public art as an economic development tool in revitalization efforts of Youngstown, Ohio and the Mahoning Valley communities. Today, as the Executive Director of the Tuscarawas

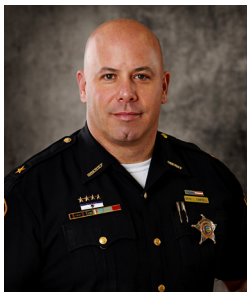
Arts Partnership (TAP), Wilma hopes that her studies and experiences will help promote and advance the arts further in Tuscarawas County.



Chad Conrad “To Serve, Or Not To Serve”

Chad Conrad is director of advancement at Kent State University at Tuscarawas. His responsibilities include fund development and alumni relations for the Tuscarawas campus. Prior to his appointment at Kent State Tuscarawas, Conrad was the executive director of the American Red Cross – Muskingum Lakes Chapter, a position he held for 16 years. Conrad is a member of community organizations, including the New Philadelphia Kiwanis, the Tuscarawas County Chamber of Commerce Business Retention and Expansion Committee, Cleveland Clinic Union Hospital Community Relations Committee, and Leadership Tuscarawas Alumni. Conrad earned a Master of Business Administration from Ashland University and a Bachelor of Science in Public Relations from Kent State

University. He and his wife, Janet, have three sons and reside in Bolivar.



Sheriff Orvis Campbell “True Leaders are Obligated to be Truthful”

Orvis Campbell is proudly serving his first term as sheriff of Tuscarawas County. Sheriff Campbell began his service to the County in 1990 as a probation officer for Tuscarawas County Juvenile Court Judge George J. Demis. In 1994, Campbell was hired as a Deputy Sheriff and was promoted to Detective in 1997, and then worked his way up through several ranks as an investigator before being elected Sheriff in November of 2016. He also is an instructor for the Ohio Peace Officers Training Academy and is a member of the International Homicide Investigators Association, and a graduate of the 256th session of the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia.

Campbell is active in the community as a member of the Tuscarawas County Anti-Drug Coalition and a board member for United Way of Tuscarawas County. Sheriff Campbell is a proud supporter and member of the Tuscarawas County Farm Bureau. He is a former board member for Harbor House, the county’s domestic violence shelter and substance abuse halfway house for women, and Personal and Family Counseling Services as well as the ADAMHS Board of Tuscarawas and Carroll Counties. Sheriff Campbell was proudly voted Ohio’s outstanding Law Enforcement Officer for 2018 by the Ohio Prosecuting Attorney’s Association. Campbell is a lifelong resident of Tuscarawas County, he and his wife Michelle have four children.

Workshop 1-3

“Understanding & Building Credit” Ryan Grosschmidt

A guide for teens to building credit, preparing for debt, and making the right decisions to reach their financial goals.

Ryan Grosschmidt is an Officer and Banking Center Manager at The Commercial & Savings Bank, where he manages the branch operations, while focusing on new business development and growing the Stark County market. In 2002, Ryan graduated from Kent State University, earning a Bachelor of Business Administration with a major in Business Management. He is a Tuscarawas Leadership Alumni and co-founder of the Plain Township Farmers Market. Ryan lives in North Canton and enjoys golfing, traveling, and spending time with his family.

“It’s Your Career. Own It!” Rick Arredondo

In this workshop learn how to be strategic and informed to be who you want to be and enjoy the career of your life.

Rick is an executive level manager with over 40 years of experience in retail and commercial banking. He has experience in managing diverse teams in terms of both complexity and size. His experience includes managing front, mid and back-office functions, with customer satisfaction being the ultimate measurement of success. He served as the president of two retail banks in California, the largest having \$18.5 Billion in assets. Rick is considered a cultural champion who developed strong teams that consistently delivered strong business results, by leveraging the talents of motivated team members. Rick is experienced in strategic planning and organization design. He has developed and mentored several strong leaders who continue to be successful, effective and influential contributors with their current organizations. Rick recently moved his family to New Philadelphia in July of 2017, and soon after he founded The Ezekiel Project, and most recently he launched Rove Creative Co, which is a full stacked creative company.

“Leadership and Values: How Well Do You Know Yourself?” Lori Sigrist, Ph.D., RD, RYT

In this interactive workshop, participants will explore the characteristics of effective leadership, identify their own personal values, and develop a personal code of ethics that can be used in any position of influence at work, school, home or in an organization.

Lori Sigrist is a retired Lieutenant Colonel who served 23 years in the U.S. Army as a Registered Dietitian. She obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in Dietetics from the University of Akron, a Masters in Health Administration from Chapman University, and a PhD in Nutrition from Colorado State University. As a military officer, Lori held a variety of leadership positions in dietetics, health promotion, food service management, and education and research. Currently, Lori is the founder and yoga teacher for Purple Swirl Yoga, is a health and wellness coach and a nutrition consultant.

Workshops 4-6

“Motivation: Do I Have It In Me?” Denise McEnroe-Petitte, Ph.D.

Come and learn how motivation can assist you with your goals and dreams for now and in the future.

Denise McEnroe-Petitte began her nursing journey in 1978 when she graduated from Akron City Hospital Idabelle Firestone School of Nursing, and then went on to get an AS and then BSN from Kent State University in 1982 and 1983 respectively. She obtained an MSN from the University of Akron in 1990, and then a PhD in Education with a specialization in Nursing Education in 2014.

She has worked as a nurse in many settings and at many levels. She has taught at Kent State University Tuscarawas for 23 years, where she works in an Associate Degree Nursing Program, teaching in the second year of the program and focusing on Medical-Surgical nursing content. In addition, she teaches an online course for the RN-BSN nursing program.

“Hey, You’ns: Storytelling, Language, and Writing Identity” Amanda Hayes, Ph.D.

This workshop will help you think through how stories shape our identities, and you will begin to put into writing some of the stories that have shaped you and could, potentially, shape others in your community.

Amanda Hayes teaches English at Kent State University-Tuscarawas. Her teaching, writing, and research focus on Appalachian culture, rhetoric, and literacy. She grew up in Eastern Ohio on a farm that’s been in her family for 150 years. A graduate of Ohio University, she recently published her first book, titled *The Politics of Appalachian Rhetoric*.

“Initiating Solar Energy Research in the Future” Roshinee Perera, Donald G. Gerbig, Jr., Ph.D. and Heather Aubhil

How to capture the energy in sunlight and use it to generate a chemical fuel.

Roshinee Perera works at Kent State University Tuscarawas as assistant professor of chemistry. She earned her B. Sc. in chemistry and mathematics from Sri Lanka, and completed a Ph.D. in chemistry from The University of Akron. She is a member of the American Chemical Society and the Division of Chemical Education. She loves teaching and researching chemistry because she can apply her knowledge to the real world to enhance our quality of life. She lives in Twinsburg with her husband, two children, and dog. In her spare time, she enjoys traveling with her family, reading, and cooking.

Dr. Gerbig is a co-coordinator of Community Engagement at the Tuscarawas campus, a member of Kent State’s Biosafety Committee, a member of the East High Corridor Trail Connections-- connecting Kent State Tuscarawas to the county wide trail system--a recent graduate of Leadership Tuscarawas, and a member of the TuscTalks Distinguished Lecture Series Task Force. Because of his experiences in Leadership Tuscarawas, the campus has been successful in launching two projects, TuscTalks, as Astronaut Scott Parazynski was our first speaker last year for the new Distinguished Lecture series, and convening a Tree Campus USA committee that worked to get our Campus awarded a Tree City USA Campus designation this year.

Ms. Aubhil is a current participant in the Leadership Tuscarawas program, a member of the advisory board for the Kent State Tuscarawas Alumni Association, a volunteer for Habitat for Humanity (former member of the family selection committee), a volunteer for the annual hog roast benefit for Community Hospice, and a member of the Kent State Tuscarawas JED project. The alumni association raises money for student scholarships through the annual golf outing and glow run. The JED project focuses on raising suicide awareness and overall wellness to students, faculty, and staff. She finds that every opportunity to volunteer has a significant impact on not only the organization itself, but also the community.


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