

AGENDA

8:30 - 9:00 a.m.

WELCOME

EXHIBIT HALL 2

Jeff Jobe, Chair, Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Center

9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

THE AGING OF THE INDUSTRIALIZED WORLD

Dr. Dan Crippen, former director, Congressional Budget Office

10:00 - 10:30 a.m.

BREAK

10:30 - 11:45 a.m.

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS

MEETING ROOMS 1 TO 8

AGING: Boomers Defying Conventional Wisdom Even in Tough Times

Dr. Graham Rowles, Graduate Center for Gerontology, University of Kentucky
Michal Smith-Mello, Senior Policy Analyst, Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Center

ENERGY-ENVIRONMENT: Fueling the Future in a Carbon-Averse Environment

Don Challman, Associate Director and General Manager, University of Kentucky, Center for Applied Energy Research
Susan Carson Lambert, R.E. Strategies, LLC
Mark Schirmer, Policy Analyst, Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Center

ECONOMY: Strategies for Energizing Kentucky's Lagging Economic Progress

John Chowning, Board Member, Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Center
Deborah Clayton, Commissioner, Department of Commercialization & Innovation, KY Cabinet for Economic Development
Dr. Kenneth Troske, Sturgill Endowed Professor of Economics, Director of the Center for Business and Economics Research, University of Kentucky

EDUCATION: Education Stakes Rising with Emerging Global Workforce

Dr. Richard Crofts, Interim President, Council on Postsecondary Education
Dr. Betty Griffin, Board Member, Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Center
Dr. Joe McCormick, Executive Director, Kentucky College Access Network
Frank Rasche, Policy Advisor & Legislative Liaison, Kentucky Department of Education

FISCAL CHALLENGES: Responding to Tough Times at the State and Local Level

Representative Adam Koenig, Kentucky General Assembly and Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Center Board Member
Greg Harkenrider, Deputy Executive Director for Financial Analysis, Office of State Budget Director
Temple Juett, General Counsel, Kentucky League of Cities
Dr. David Wildasin, Endowed Professor of Public Finance and Professor of Economics, University of Kentucky

HEALTH CARE: Getting Healthy or Paying for the Consequences

Dr. Forrest Calico, Senior Advisor for Quality, National Rural Health Association
Dr. Shawn D. Glisson, Founder and CEO, American Cancer Repository, Inc.
David Hoke, Former Principal, The Good Health Company
Dr. Emery A. Wilson, Dean Emeritus of the U of KY College of Medicine

MIDDLE CLASS SQUEEZE: American Dream Becoming More Elusive

Dr. Terry Brooks, Executive Director, Kentucky Youth Advocates
Ron Crouch, Kentucky State Data Center, University of Louisville
Representative Reginald Meeks, Kentucky General Assembly and Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Board Member

TRANSPORTATION: Rethinking Old Assumptions to Build a Sustainable Future

Ted Grossardt, Policy and Planning, Kentucky Transportation Center, University of Kentucky
Don Hartman, Administration, Kentucky Transportation Center, University of Kentucky
Dr. Lenahan O'Connell, Kentucky Transportation Center, University of Kentucky

Noon - 1:15 p.m.

**LUNCH AND PRESENTATION OF THE 2008 HELLARD AWARD
BALLROOM 2**

Al Smith, "The Legacy of Vic Hellard" and award presentation to Sally Brown

1:15 - 1:30 p.m.

BREAK

1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

BIG IDEAS FOR KENTUCKY'S FUTURE

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A number of trends and forces, both positive and negative, are affecting Kentucky's future. They require prompt and highly ambitious responses. On September 24, 2008, over 200 citizens and policymakers met at the Ali Center in Louisville to discuss transformational ideas for moving Kentucky forward. KET's *Bill Goodman* moderates a panel that will suggest and evaluate a range of big ideas for catapulting Kentucky forward. Panelists are as follows:

Lynn Allen, founder of Capital Innovations, Inc., helps clients with the technology, know-how, and human capital to nurture new businesses and commercialize technologies to leverage their networks and relationships into new assets and capital growth. She is a highly-accomplished capital builder who has represented organizations on both the buy- and sell-sides of institutional investing and large-scale partnerships. She has built markets and raised capital for the private, public, and nonprofit sectors and knows how these sectors think, what motivates them, and how they approach strategic relationships and capital investments.

Bill Bishop, currently living in Austin, Texas, coauthored *The Big Sort*, a critical look at how "Americans have sorted themselves geographically, economically, and politically into like-minded communities over the last three decades" and the implications for American culture and politics. Bishop and his wife, Julie Ardery, co-edit *The Daily Yonder*, a web-based publication (dailyyonder.com) covering rural America.

Dr. Melissa Fry Konty is a Program Associate for Research and Policy at the Mountain Association for Community Economic Development (MACED) in Berea. Joining MACED in August 2007, she uses policy research for achieving social justice. Her work has focused on public policy issues ranging from childcare to education as well as mental health to race relations.

Dr. Ricky Jones is the chair of pan-African studies at the University of Louisville and author of *What's Wrong with Obamamania? Black America, Black Leadership and the Death of Political Imagination*. His book takes a critical look at the rise of Barack Obama and what it means or doesn't mean for black leadership in post-civil rights America.

Kris Kimmel is President and a founder of the Kentucky Science and Technology Corporation, a nonprofit company with an international reputation for designing and implementing innovative and broad-scale initiatives and programs, as well as the founder of the international IdeaFestival.

Jeffrey Manber is a successful international entrepreneur in the technology and space arenas. He is the former CEO of Mir Corporation, the Dutch-based company that leased the Mir Space Station, which negotiated the first tourist in space. Manber also helped lead the creation of the first venture fund focused on space. He is currently active in global technology initiatives, principally in the U.S., China, the United Kingdom, and Russia. Manber, a frequent contributor on trade and policy issues to international publications, works out of Washington, DC.

Russ Meredith is a graduating senior from the University of Louisville, College of Business, majoring in Management with minors in Entrepreneurship and Sports Administration. In the spring of 2008 he participated in Kentucky's Idea State U, the first-ever business plan competition. His team took first place over all other state schools for business concept plan. Prior to enrolling at the university, he served honorably for four years in the United States Marine Corps as a Military Police Corrections Specialist. He is currently serving as president of an organization he founded, the Louisville Farmers' Market Association and looks forward to continuing his career as a social entrepreneur.

Dr. Melissa Walton-Shirley is a cardiologist at T.J. Samson Community Hospital in Glasgow, Kentucky, and was trained at the University of Louisville Medical School. Serving on the frontlines of Kentucky's battle with chronic disease, she strives to improve quality of life for her patients through effective public policy and responsible individual behaviors.

3:00 — 3:15

WRAP-UP