

DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER SERIES

The College of Business and Technology has joined in partnership with the Richmond Chamber of Commerce and the Richmond Rotary Club to provide a Distinguished Speaker for Eastern Kentucky University this fall. The mission of the College's Distinguished Speaker Series is to bring leaders of business, industry, and government to the EKU campus to address students, faculty, and members of the Richmond community and surrounding areas on current topics and issues.



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WELCOME

“As part of the Distinguished Speaker Series, the College of Business and Technology invites prominent leaders to our campus to discuss current topics and issues related to their expertise. The guest speaker has an opportunity to interact with students, faculty, and other interested participants during a public address, round table discussion, and luncheon. We are pleased to have the Richmond Chamber of Commerce and Richmond Rotary Club join with us in providing this enrichment opportunity.

We are honored to have Mr. E. Ray Walker, an Eastern alumnus, as this year's Distinguished Speaker. Mr. Walker has distinguished himself in the field of journalism and is the Special Projects and Content Editor for *Knight-Ridder/Tribune News Service* in Washington, D.C. He has reported on five Olympics and two political conventions and has edited *The Eyes of History*, the annual awards book of the White House News Photographers' Association, for the last three years. Mr. Walker was selected as the EKU Department of Communication Outstanding Alumnus for 1996 and was also inducted into the EKU Hall of Distinguished Alumni.

We welcome Mr. Walker to campus and cordially invite all interested persons to attend the public address.”

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MR. E. RAY WALKER

Distinguished Speaker

*College of Business and Technology
Eastern Kentucky University*

Mr. Walker is a 1979 ECU Journalism graduate and is the Special Projects and Content Editor for *Knight-Ridder/Tribune News Service* in Washington, D.C. After graduating from Millard High School in Pikeville, Kentucky, he began his journalism career in 1972 as a copy editor for the *Lexington Herald-Leader*. After earning his Bachelor's Degree in Journalism from ECU, Mr. Walker went on to work as News Editor for *The Virginian-Pilot* in Norfolk, Virginia. In 1984, he returned to the *Lexington Herald-Leader* as Copy Desk Chief until joining Knight Ridder/Tribune News Service in 1988.

While at Knight Ridder/Tribune, Mr. Walker has served as Assistant News Editor, Sports Editor, News Editor, Project/Content Editor, and now as Deputy Editor. At KRT, he oversees the weekday op-ed report, which involves daily contacts with opinion-page editors, columnists, academics, think tanks, advocacy groups, trade associations, and others. He also supervises KRT University, a college internship program that he initiated in 1998 and for which he received the Knight Ridder Excellence Nomination in 2000.

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In addition to the many awards for excellence received at KRT, Mr. Walker has received the ECU Department of Mass Communication Distinguished Service Award in 1991, was selected as the ECU Department of Mass Communication Outstanding Alumnus for 1996, and was inducted into the ECU Hall of Distinguished Alumni in 1998. He has also served as a member of the professional advisory board for *The Eastern Progress*, ECU's award-winning student newspaper.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2003

8:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.

BREAKFAST ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION with
Mr. Walker for Faculty and Staff
*Faculty Lounge, Keen Johnson Building
EKU Campus, Richmond, Kentucky*

9:30 A.M. - 10:45 A.M.

PUBLIC ADDRESS by Mr. Walker, Deputy Editor,
Knight Ridder/Tribune News Service, Washington, D.C.
*Student Services Auditorium
EKU Campus, Richmond, Kentucky*

11:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

LUNCHEON with Mr. Walker for Business Community
and University Administration
*Arlington House
Richmond, Kentucky*

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