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“Penny for Your Thoughts” with Van Dukeman

WDWS Host Jim Turpin interviews Busey’s President & CEO

Van Dukeman, President & CEO of First Busey Corporation, appeared on a *Penny for Your Thoughts* on WDWS NewsTalk 1400 in Champaign.

In the one-on-one [interview](#) with [Host Jim Turpin](#), Van explores his community roots as an Arthur native, his family history in banking and how he got his start at Busey while attending the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

“I worked in the computer center on the night crew at Busey,” says Van. “You might recall our very own Ed Scharlau did as well when he was a student.”

After earning a degree from the U of I, Van worked for a regional banking organization in Houston, Texas—later joining Busey in 1994.

In addition to discussing the changing landscape of the banking industry in the interview, Van explores how we’re **growing**

forward with Pulaski Bank in greater St. Louis, First Community Financial Bank in Chicagoland and South Side Trust & Savings Bank (pending approval) in greater Peoria—all while remaining a true community-minded organization.

“We mirror the communities we operate in—giving back and bridging needs for our neighbors,” says Van. “As we invest in our most valuable asset, our associates, we’re proud to support the charities and endeavors that fuel their passion for helping others.”

In addition to answering questions from listeners, Van explores the impact of mobile and online banking, our exciting plans for Busey’s sesquicentennial—fulfilling dreams since 1868—and his passion for German Shepherds.

We thank Van for his service excellence in everything he does for our pillars!



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