

Rotary



Club of Springfield Metro

Speakers

September 1st

[Armando Johnson, World Language Instructor \(Spanish\)/Equity & Diversity Champion](#)

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[Abby Glenn](#)

Habitat for Humanity's education component

September 8th

[Amy Jardell, Executive Director](#)

September 22nd

[Rachel Heinz, Director of Bear POWER](#)

Missouri State University

Club Meeting

Springfield Metro
Meets at 425 Downtown
425 West Walnut
Springfield, MO 65802
Time: Tuesday at 5:00 PM

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It's Education and Literacy Month!

By Lori Fan on Monday, August 24, 2020



Armando Johnson, Central High School Spanish teacher and Equity Champion, is Springfield Public Schools' 2020-2021 Teacher of the Year.

Johnson's desire for teaching was ignited while working as a drill sergeant at a boot camp prison where he taught a job acquisition resume skills course. Since earning his education degree, he has taught Spanish for 22 years. Before joining SPS in 2011, he was the head men's basketball coach at Labette Community College. He retired from coaching in 2019 to concentrate on the classroom and to ensure that underrepresented youth can see someone who looks like them and shares a similar background. Johnson is dedicated to being the person for his students that he needed when he was growing up.

Incorporating American Sign Language into teaching Spanish, to reach his kinesthetic learners, is just one way he differentiates instruction for his students. Whether he is in his classroom or on a court working with students from CHS' feeder schools, offering free basketball training, Johnson is teaching the students he encounters to be positive, productive students, citizens, and family members. A firm believer in giving students grace, Johnson helps connect students to the world outside of the classroom by providing them with a vast array of cultural knowledge of Latin American identity and history.

Johnson was selected as Teacher of the Year from five finalists who were selected from over 220 nominees. He will go on to compete for Regional Teacher of the Year, sponsored by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

Learn about Bear POWER at our September Rotary on the Road!

By Lori Fan on Monday, August 17, 2020

On September 22, MSU Executive Director of Alumni Relations Lori Fan invites you to visit the Meyer Alumni Center to meet Rachel Heinz, director of Missouri State University's Bear POWER (Promoting Opportunities for Work, Education and Resilience). We'll learn about this inclusive college program for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities that launched in Spring 2019. Rachel oversees the Bear POWER Program, raises awareness for inclusion within educational settings, the community and the workplace, and provides leadership on a local, regional and national level as the spokesperson for Bear POWER.



When her 8 year-old son, Hudson, was diagnosed with Down syndrome at birth, she started on a path of advocating for people with disabilities to educate about inclusion, increase opportunities and raise expectations. She is currently Vice Chair of Membership and Communication with the Midwest Inclusive Post-Secondary Alliance (MIPSA). In addition, Rachel has worked with other inclusive post-



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Birthdays

Andrea Compton Brady
September 1st

Wedding Anniversaries

Sarah DeGuire
September 18th

Richard L. Horton
September 20th

Kris Wolford
September 24th

secondary programs by providing mentorship to parents, educators and advocates across the United States.

Snacks and beverages provided!

5th Tuesday Project at Help Give Hope

By Lori Fan on Friday, August 21, 2020



Join us on September 29 to do what we do best...Serve! Come along to hear why our own Michael Brady has such a passion for the mission on this organization that he left "corporate America" for an amazing job at Help Give Hope.

We will be taking down tables that have been used for garage sales. The tables legs will be folded up and the tables placed on pallets. The pallets will then be moved with a forklift to other areas of the warehouse. No special clothing needed. There will be some choices of adult beverages and water available to all attendees. This project should not take very long. We can remain at Help Give Hope and enjoy beverages.

Help Give Hope was established in 1981 to assist needy children and families in Southwest Missouri. Originally designed to only provide Christmas assistance, the charity now has a robust year-round mission and has become one of Southwest Missouri's largest children's charities. They serve Greene, Northern Christian and Western Webster counties.

HGH assists families with utilities, rent, gas vouchers and educational help throughout the year. Since 2006 they have assisted almost 2,600 families and over 9,000 children with a Merrier Christmas. They also offer a used car program that has become one of the largest in the Midwest, with over 130 vehicles donated to families in need since the program's inception.

[Read More](#)

The State of Literacy in the Ozarks

By Lori Fan on Monday, August 24, 2020

On September 8, Amy Jardell, executive director of the Ozarks Literacy Council will join us to talk about literacy in the Ozarks. She is a graduate of Drury University's Master of Nonprofit and Civic Leadership Program, and a former volunteer coordinator and development associate with the Child Advocacy Center. She is responsible for grant management, promotion, business/office management, event coordination and donor relations. Amy is a preschool reading volunteer.



The Ozarks Literacy Council promotes literacy awareness by strategically placing books in the hands of children who need them most and by engaging the community at local events. Making the OLC's presence known throughout the Ozarks emphasizes the importance of literacy not just for children but for everyone. Whether it's simply reading books to children at a community event or being an active participant in the united way's day of caring, the OLC strives to make every person a reader.

Enter Your Makeup on DACdb - It's EASY!

By Sarah M. Watson on Friday, October 18, 2019



Have you visited another Rotary club or attended a committee meeting? You can easily enter your makeup on DACdb!! All you have to do is go to the 'My Data' tab, click on 'Enter MakeUp', enter the needed information, and you are done! It's easy!

Need a Makeup

Friday, August 30, 2019

Perfect attendance is easy to achieve! If you have to miss a meeting and need a makeup, it's not a problem! Attend a meeting at one of our fellow Rotary Clubs, Rotaract, or you can do an online makeup.

Springfield Rotary and Rotaract Meeting Times:

Springfield Downtown Springfield Southeast
Tuesday 12:00 PM Thursday 12:00 PM
Kentwood Hall Ocean Zen
700 E St Louis St 4117 S National Ave
Springfield, MO 65806 Springfield, MO 65807

Springfield North Springfield Sunrise
Tuesday 7:00 AM Wednesday 7:00 AM
Double Tree Twin Oaks Country Club
2431 N Glenstone Ave 1020 E Republic Rd
Springfield, MO 65803 Springfield, MO 65807

Rotaract Club of Springfield
2nd and 4th Wednesday 12:00 PM
425 Downtown
425 W Walnut St
Springfield, MO 65809

Online Makes can be made at the following link <https://www.rotaryclubone.org/makeups/articles/>

Make sure to enter your makeup in DACdb!

Events

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