



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

Club Meeting

Batesville
Meets at Tavolo
Italian Ristorante
Zoom option available
Tavolo Italian
Ristorante 3000
Jennings Lane
Batesville, AR 72501
Time: Monday at
12:00 PM

Club Leaders



Dustin Dayberry
President



Emily L. Smith
President - Elect



Donna Gail Cole
Secretary
Club Executive
Secretary
Past President



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Club Director



Cassandra Skellon
Club Director



Amanda Dickey
Club Admin Chair



J. Stevadson Massey
Sergeant-at-Arms



Barrett Moore
Rotary Foundation Chair



Kimberly Tucker
Club Service Chair
Service Projects Chair
Community Service Chair



Donna Gail Cole
Assistant Governor

Birthdays



J. Stevadson Massey
September 16th

Wedding Anniversaries



Dale Cole
September 6th

Member Anniversaries

No Years Of Service Found

Rotary For Monday 8/30/21

By Amanda Dickey on Friday, September 10, 2021

Rotary for Monday: September 13, 2021 - Tavolo's Restaurant or Online Zoom Meeting

Please join us in person, 12:00 at Tavolo's or by Zoom. You may call in or vedio in.

Join Zoom Meeting [https://ismyrotaryclub.com/Click/?uid=\(%UserID%}&_ctid=1599084&redirect=https://urldefense.com/v3/_https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84779395875_...!!laAMF8jXIU_FOT1qrMlwzyr7hv_OMgmOc26Dr0hTJMIF2cSkrD2mH_AhPxtYIiIDPyBEJfJdBvviS](https://ismyrotaryclub.com/Click/?uid=(%UserID%}&_ctid=1599084&redirect=https://urldefense.com/v3/_https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84779395875_...!!laAMF8jXIU_FOT1qrMlwzyr7hv_OMgmOc26Dr0hTJMIF2cSkrD2mH_AhPxtYIiIDPyBEJfJdBvviS)

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Remember to Check out our FaceBook page and our new website: <http://www.batesvillerotary.org>



Speaker for Monday 9/13/2021

Mandi Curtwright
Executive Director
Main Street Batesville



Mandi Curtwright is the Executive Director of Main Street Batesville and a co-owner of the historic Melba Theater. Prior to becoming a full-time director, Mandi served on the Main Street Batesville board of directors for 5 years, during the revitalization process.

Mandi specializes in helping small businesses thrive within the historic district. She also promotes Main Street Batesville as a place for tourists to come visit.

Mandi graduated from college in Batesville. She is inspired daily by her husband and their three children. In her free time, Mandi enjoys playing piano and planning trips to Walt Disney World.

District Leaders



James Arbuckle Sr. District Governor



David F. Menz DG-Elect



Sydney O'Quin Gilbert DG-Nominee



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

Serving Others

By Amanda Dickey on Friday, January 22, 2021

Batesville Help & Hope has reached out to us for help. They are needing volunteers to help them out during this trying time. Most of their usual volunteers are older and are staying home due to being high risk. They want to be able to stay open to continue to provide food, but are needing volunteers to help operate when they are open.

They are working to make it as safe as possible for volunteers. They have changed it so that people have to stay in their vehicles and do not come inside. They also have gloves and masks for people.

Tracy Smith is the director. They are currently open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8 am to Noon each week. If you can help or if you know of anyone who can help, please give Tracy a call at 870-834-6274.



Family Violence Prevention: Needing help. Please see below if you are available:

Fern Morningside- Volunteer Coordinator

(870) 283- 1625

Morningsidefern39@gmail.com

She is the coordinator for the call center and the houses. Anyone wanting to volunteer at the resale shop should stop by the resale shop to inquire about it.

From the Governor

By James Arbuckle Jr



The focus for September is Basic Education and Literacy. This is one of Rotary's Seven Areas of Focus. Our goal is to strengthen the capacity of communities to support basic education and literacy, reduce gender disparity in education, and increase adult literacy. We support education for all children and literacy for children and adults. This is especially true in Arkansas.

This past week I had the opportunity to meet with the Searcy and Clinton, Arkansas clubs marking the 15th and 16th clubs I've visited. I'm not far away from reaching the halfway point of club visits and it's been a blast so far. I've gained such an appreciation for Rotary Clubs in the more rural areas. I've been impressed with the impact these smaller clubs have on their local communities and the deep relationships they have with each other. These clubs may not be large in numbers, but they're large in heart. One of the consistent activities these clubs have in common is their desire to provide educational opportunities for students through the offering of scholarships to high school students based on need.

This past fall I had the opportunity to read the book, *I Like Me*, to a kindergarten class at McDermott elementary in Little Rock, AR, as our local club (West Little Rock) partnered with this school and others to provide these books to children in order to promote reading and build self-esteem. If you're not familiar with these books they include the name of the student and friends. I wish you could see these children's eyes light up when they hear their name and the name of their friends in a book. What a way to increase the appetite among our children to want to read.

I'm excited about what our clubs are doing and ask that you keep a focus on education and literacy. Please see the following article that PDG Nancy Leonhardt penned. It has valuable tips that we can employ.

Education is a social process. Education is growth. Education is not a preparation for life; education is life itself.
John Dewey



Empowering People Through Education

By Nancy Leonhardt



Education can open so many doors of opportunity. It is essential for reducing poverty, improving health, encouraging community and economic development, and promoting peace. In 1985, Rotary declared basic literacy to be a pre-condition to the development of peace.

In 2020, as the COVID-19 pandemic spread across the world, most schools closed, affecting more than 1.6 billion children. The pandemic reversed years of progress in education.

As a board member of the Basic Education and Literacy Rotarian Action Group (BELRAG), I have the opportunity to hear what is happening in education and literacy across the globe. The good news is amazing things are happening! Rotary clubs all over the world are taking action to improve basic education and literacy in their communities.

Teacher in a Box: In rural villages in developing countries where there is no internet, this project uses re-purposed laptops to provide offline access to educational and vocational videos stored in the system.

- **Butterfly Storybook:** An annual story-writing contest open to all children age 7-11 living in the Caribbean. The project promotes literacy development (writing skills), shares the culture of the Caribbean, and provides literacy resources to schools in need. Each year, the selected stories are published in a book (versions in English, French, Creole, and Spanish) that is provided to local schools and libraries. A key goal of this project, which involves students and Rotarians in 10 countries of the Northern Caribbean, is promoting international and cultural understanding.
- **Dolly Parton's Imagination Library (DPIL):** Since 2009, Rotary has been working with DPIL to promote early childhood reading by sending a child an age-appropriate book each month until age five. [Click here](#) to find a local Arkansas affiliate near your club.
- **The Free Reading Program:** is an online reading program for students from K to grade 6. The program was provided as an after school support for disadvantaged children struggling with academics. It is supported by a charitable arm so that access to the site can be offered to families to supplement children's learning. Access to individualized tracking of progress can be offered to teachers or

schools at a reasonable cost. This program is being used by over 304,000 learners in over 185 countries. Scarborough Rotary (Canada) provides this resource as part of an after-school program to support struggling students.

Literacy is one of the greatest gifts a person could receive. As *People of Action*, below are some simple ways you can make a difference in someone's life through literacy.

Ten Ways You Can Support Literacy in Arkansas

1. Volunteer to be a tutor for a child or adult.
2. Read to children at schools, libraries, and other community locations.
3. Read to seniors who may be alone or have vision loss.
4. Read to your children or grandchildren. Ask them to read to you.
5. Dedicate one-hour (or \diamond hour) every day to reading.
6. Create incentives for older siblings to read to younger siblings.
7. Donate to a literacy program.
8. Build a Little Free Library in your community or commit to restocking an existing one.
9. Donate new or like-new books for children in low-income communities.
10. Create Literacy Bags for foster children with books, coloring books, journals, crayons and pens.

As a *Club of Action*, look into some of the literacy projects that are happening around the globe (examples can be found at [Rotary Showcase](#)) and find one that you can support.

In the words of poet Maya Angelou: \diamond Elimination of illiteracy is as serious an issue to our history as the abolition of slavery \diamond .

Anywhere in the World Fundraiser

By James Arbuckle Jr

HOW IT WORKS: The District will sell a limited number of tickets (not to exceed 500) at \$25.00 per ticket. A winner will be selected on October 15, 2021, by a random drawing from all tickets sold. The winner is entitled to

- two (2) roundtrip airline tickets \diamond economy fare \diamond to anywhere in the world they want to go
- dinner for two (2) at the destination chosen by the winner

PURCHASE TICKETS

RULES: The maximum value to be awarded is \$5,000.00 and may be used for only airfare and the dinner. Any upgrades in airline seating, lodging at the chosen destination, ground transportation or other related expenses are solely at the expense of the winner. The trip will be arranged by a travel agent chosen by the District and must be taken within 9 months from the time the winner is announced. Failure of the winner to take the trip within the 9 months following the selection of the winner will result in the winner being awarded a cash prize of not more than 50% of the maximum value of the award, said amount not to exceed \$2,500.00. Any tax liability resulting from the award of the prize will be the sole responsibility of the winner.

There is an opportunity for clubs to gain points towards the Governor's Banner. Tickets will be allocated to clubs based on club size and points awarded according to the criteria in the table below..

CLUB OF THE YEAR CRITERIA - FUNDRAISING POINTS				
Yes / No	Date completed:	Criteria	PFS available	Points Awarded
		Sponsored a team in the District Golf Tournament or other District Fundraiser (8 pts)	8	10
		Sponsorship in the District Golf Tournament or other District Fundraiser (10 points)	10	10
		District Raffle (2021) - Most total \$'s raised in 2021 (12 points) (Determined at AG's meeting)	12	12
		District Raffle (2021) - Most \$'s raised per capita per member (10 points) (Determined at AG's meeting)	10	10
		District Raffle (2021) - Small Clubs (<20) - sold minimum of 5 tickets	5	5
		- Mid-Size Clubs (21-50) - sold minimum of 15 tickets	15	15
		- Large Clubs (>50) sold minimum of 20 tickets	20	20
		(Points not given if club is recognized in categories above)		
		Fundraising Points:	48	0



Haiti Water Filters/ Tarps Update

By James Arbuckle



As most of you know, Haiti holds a special place in my heart from having traveled there over a 10-year period. As we all know from recent headlines, the people in Haiti, especially those in Les Cayes and Jeremie, are in a tragic situation with the earthquake; the ongoing political struggles; COVID; and the recent tropical storms.

I recently reached out to club presidents asking for assistance in providing Sawyer Membrane filters to these impacted areas at a cost of approximately \$16 each. These units weigh approximately 8 ounces each and can be connected to a five-gallon bucket to purify water. The filtration rate is slow at approximately one gallon per 5 min. of high-quality water. Tarps are also needed at a cost of between \$40 and \$50 each. Special arrangements have been made to fly these items to Haiti at no additional cost. So far we've had a good response from clubs and have received approximately \$6900 in commitments are asking other clubs to have a conversation and help in any way you can. We are planning to purchase filters in two waves so that we can use funds we have currently received to meet urgent needs and follow up with more when clubs have had the chance to decide. For additional information feel free to reach out to Phil Shupe at cell number 870-672-1660 (Phil@Shupeandassoc.com) with North Little Rock Rotary or reach out to me for questions. Your attention to this urgent need and timely response is appreciated. Please mail your contributions to Rotary District 6150, PO Box 242282, Little Rock, AR 72223.

I realize that the timing of this request coincides with the needs for hurricane victims in Louisiana and Mississippi (and other states for that matter) and the needs associated with the fires out west. The Rotary Foundation supports disaster relief and recovery efforts through grants from the Rotary Disaster Response Fund. Districts that have been affected by natural disasters can use Rotary disaster response grants to launch their own projects or work with established relief organizations to help their communities recover. Grant funds can be used to provide basic items such as water, food, medicine, and clothing. Don't forget that we as Rotarians have the ability to contribute to the Rotary Foundation to support these efforts



September Admin Corner

By Sydney O'Quin Gilbert



New Member Form

Did you know that you can customize the New Member Form in DACdb? How about sending the link or email to a prospective member. This option lets you ditch your paper applications. For a great tutorial, watch [THIS VIDEO!](#)

RI Compare

I've been contacted by multiple club officers who don't have access to areas on Rotary.org that they should. This is probably because RI doesn't have a complete list of Club Officers. Here's how to fix this:

1. Make sure your Club Officers are listed in DACdb. (I've noticed a number of clubs without Presidents or Secretaries.) [HOW TO GUIDE & VIDEO](#)
2. Run RI Compare of Club Officers in DACdb. This compares what DACdb has on record to what RI has. [HOW TO GUIDE & VIDEO](#)



RI Compare



Hey Presidents...

We are in the 3rd Month of the Rotary Year. Presidents, this is a great time to look at the requirements for [Club Recognition](#) & [The Presidential Citation](#). Make plans now on how you will achieve these best practices and goals. You might want to give a portion of the Citation to club members for them to monitor and report back to the Board on progress. This Rotarian could be a Club Committee Chair or a New Member. The more involved in making your Rotary Club's year successful, the better!

Rotarians - Taking action against COVID-19

Building on decades of experience in bringing polio to the brink of eradication, Rotary members worldwide are helping health authorities communicate lifesaving information about COVID-19 and vaccinations, combating misinformation, supporting fair and equal access to vaccines, and curbing the spread of the virus by donating protective gear and other supplies to clinics and hospitals that are under strain. Learn what your club can do to help by visiting our [COVID-19 information page](#) on My Rotary. There you can learn more about why vaccinations matter, find tips on how to talk to someone who is vaccine-hesitant, and discover how to take action to support India as it has fought a surge in cases.

ShelterBox - Part of your disaster response



Rotary and ShelterBox have worked together for more than 20 years, offering support to millions of families worldwide that have been devastated by disaster and conflict. Since becoming project partners in 2012, ShelterBox has been instrumental to Rotary's disaster response strategy. Now more than ever, the partnership is fundamental to helping save lives and provide homes and hope after disasters. As your partner, ShelterBox can help you support communities in their most difficult moments while inspiring others in your own community through our shared impact around the world. Want more

information? Visit the [ShelterBox Action Toolkit](#).



World Polio Day is October 24

One day. One focus: Ending Polio. How will your club celebrate? Visit the [World Polio Day website](#) to view more info & download the WPD Toolkit. In the Toolkit you'll find graphics, invites, sample social media posts, and even a sample proclamation. Please send [Sydney](#) pics and info about your event or how your club celebrated World Polio Day.

