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This Week's Program - October 5, 2021

Update on Covid and the Delta Variant

Dr. Kacey Holder presents our program this week. She is the director of medical education at St. Bernard's, overseeing all the medical education at the hospital, which has 300 doctors. Today she is going to give us an update on COVID and the Delta Variant.

Dr. Holder grew up in Paragould and holds a bachelor's degree from Arkansas State University and a Medical Degree from the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences. After completing a family medicine residency at the UAMS Area Health Education Center- Northeast in Jonesboro, she served on the AHEC faculty and more recently as the director of the hospitalist program at St. Bernard's. She also has served as chief of family medicine at St. Bernard's. As Vice President of Medical Affairs, she serves as a physician representative for the medical staff. In 2017 she was named in 40 Under 40 by *Arkansas Business*.



Challenge Accepted

When COVID-19 gripped the world, Rotary members took action. Now we're looking ahead.

Eighteen months ago, the world ground to a halt, and for one brief moment, Rotary paused along with it. In March 2020, the magazine stopped the presses on its May issue in order to include a newly written message from 2019-20 RI President Mark Maloney.

◆ Throughout early March, the news about COVID-19 became increasingly serious throughout the world, ◆ he explained. ◆ We asked all Rotary districts and clubs to curb face-to-face meetings until further notice and to hold virtual meetings instead. ◆ Then Maloney kicked things back into gear: ◆ The world is changing rapidly, ◆ he wrote, ◆ and so must Rotary. Our adaptability and strength will help us navigate this experience. ◆

Rotarians everywhere responded to Maloney's call to action. In some cases, they had even anticipated it. By the time that May issue landed in mailboxes, many clubs had already shifted to virtual meetings, and members worldwide were providing on-the-ground support for health care workers, communities in need, and the people most susceptible to the pandemic's reach.

In June 2020, we published our first roundup of COVID-related projects, and in July, 2020-21 RI President Holger Knaack noted in his first magazine message that ◆ every great challenge is an opportunity for renewal and growth. ◆ In that same issue, we showed how Rotary and its partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative had been drawing on their experience to respond to the pandemic, and in August, we told personal stories from 10 frontline workers around the world ◆ nine Rotarians and one Rotaractor who, despite the grave risk to their own health, stepped forward to offer assistance, comfort, and inspiration.

Since then, we've continued to cover the nimble and creative ways clubs have found to respond to the pandemic, much of that work funded through grants from The Rotary Foundation: As of June, more than \$27 million in global grant funding had gone directly to Rotary's COVID-19 response, on top of nearly \$8 million in disaster response funding.

Rotary has adapted, just as Maloney and Knaack assured us we could. And despite the pandemic, Rotarians and Rotaractors have continued to make a difference: We celebrated the end of wild poliovirus in Africa. We adopted a new area of focus, the environment. And earlier this year, we welcomed the inaugural cohort of peace fellows to the first Rotary Peace Center in Africa.



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Events

In the past year, because of everything we've been through together, each of us has changed, taking on new challenges and learning new skills. Rotary has changed as well, and more change is surely coming. But as RI President Shekhar Mehta reminded us two months ago in his first Rotary message to members: "No challenge is too big for Rotarians."

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Good News, September 28, 2021

Bill Burnett carried the mic for Good News.

Wes Eddington was glad to have his grandson visit Rotary with him.

Kraig Pomrenke was happy to have the convention center sold out.

September 28, 2021 Mike Balado, A-State Men's Head Basketball Coach

Our September 28, 2021 program was presented by Mike Balado, A-State Men's Basketball Coach

Hey, basketball fans! This week's program is A-state men's basketball Coach Mike Balado sharing his vision and goals for the current and future basketball program at Arkansas State University. He is the 16th head coach in Arkansas State University program history. He demonstrates an array of coaching knowledge and exceptional recruiting abilities. Most of all, he cares deeply about his players and their development as people. He truly wants to help them accomplish their goals both on and off the court.

You can view the meeting by clicking below:



Photos from the September 28, 2021 Meeting



Report Card - September 28, 2021

Membership
Total Active Members - 127
Active members - 47

Meetings are online and in person.

October 5 -- Weekly meeting. Dr. Kasey Holder, SBRMC. Update on COVID-19 and Delta Variant.

October 12 -- Weekly meeting. Matt Knight, FUMC. Mental Health Issues.

October 19 -- No meeting.

October 26 -- Weekly meeting. Dr. Bob Warner. Polio and Foundation Presentation. No Events found

Birthdays



[Blake A. Guinn](#)
October 4th



[Berl A. Smith](#)
October 5th



[Courtney Sears](#)
October 8th



[John P. Miles II](#)
October 10th



[Kenna S. Harrelson](#)
October 18th

Active-Service - 43
Active-Partner - 5
Active-Modern - 6
Active-LOA - 0
Active Rule of 85 members - 23
Honorary members - 6

Total Attendance - 37
Active Members - 32
Honorary members - 0
Proposed - 0
Guests - 5
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