



The Bath Tub

Hot Springs National Park Newsletter



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Week of March 1, 2021

Upcoming Programs:

March 3, 2021

Congressman Bruce Westerman Link:
<https://zoom.us/j/93806881624>

March 10, 2021

City Manager and Rotarian Bill Burrough
State of the City

Hot Springs National Park 100th Anniversary



President Elect Tiffany Tucker introduced speaker **Hot Springs National Park Superintendent Laura Miller**, who proudly spoke about the upcoming 100th Anniversary of the National Park. Initially our park was established as a federal reservation in 1832 to protect the unique geothermal spring water and associated lands for public health, wellness, and enjoyment. In 1921, the area became a national park with the same mission; preservation of the 47 hot springs that come out of the Hot Springs Mountain and the historic resources built for visitor enjoyment of the hot



springs.

Miller introduced **Park Ranger Ashley Waymouth**, who is the event coordinator for the 100th Anniversary celebration. Already underway are the Iron Ranger Challenge and monthly photo contests. Below are more upcoming events:

March 4 at 11:00 am in front of the Fordyce Bath House, there will be an official birthday celebration complete with refreshments. Everyone is invited and since it will be outside, social distancing should be fairly easy.

March 6 from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm at Mid-America Science Museum (500 Mid America Blvd) - you can celebrate the big birthday by creating your own iconic Bathhouse out of cardboard! Supplies will be provided in the Tinkering Studio.

April 20 - which is Hot Springs Reservation Day, there will be guided hikes and specialty tours of the park offered to celebrate the 189th anniversary as a federal reservation.

May 1 - will feature a BioBlitz - a day of exploration and learning. Participants can explore the park and document the flora and fauna, which will give us a greater understanding of the biological diversity of the park during this time of year. Participants will receive t-shirts and training.

June 12 - will feature of 1921 Block Party! Dressing up in the Roaring 20's attire, there will be costume contests and themed workshops.

July 3 is BARK Ranger Day - This will be a dog-lovers weekend. There will be demos and workshops for dog owners (and dogs), BARK Ranger swearing-in ceremonies and will end with a BARK Ranger Parade down the Grand Promenade.

August 7th will be Junior Ranger Day - These are the next generation of stewards for our National Parks. This will be a family-focused day full of hands on activities including workshops, guided hikes and collaborations with surrounding agencies and parks. Junior Rangers of all ages will have the opportunity to earn a commemorative centennial junior ranger badge throughout 2021.

September 18 is the Thermal Springs Festival - More demonstrations, tours, booths and activities that could be the beginning of a new tradition in Hot Springs.

Club Leaders



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 Club Director
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October 16 - History's Mysteries: Dig into Archeology - There will be archeological displays, opportunities to get dirty, hands-on workshops and games to solve some of the park's mysteries.
November 13 - Park Rx Weekend - in conjunction with the Spa City Running Festival and the Gudrun Mountain Bike Festival, HSNP will host a public health fair.
December will be the final month to log 100 miles on Arkansas public lands for the Iron Ranger Challenge and the last opportunity to enter the centennial photo contest.
 For more information about the park's centennial visit www.nps.gov/hsnp/getinvolved/centennial.htm



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The 4-Way Test



Invocation - **Sgt. Bradley Hargis**

Pledge ♦ **Larry Levi**

The 4 Way Test ♦ **Chuck Launius**



Birthdays

Michael Raub
February 28th

Scott Green
March 1st

Carol Hollingshead
March 2nd

Billy J Burrough Jr.
March 11th

Jean E. Wallace
March 15th

John S Stobaugh
March 16th

Justin Nicklas
March 21st

Brenda Brooks
March 22nd

E. Brad Hudgens
March 25th

S. Robert Zunick
March 30th

Guests

Rotarian Ernie Hinz introduced his guest, Danny Bradley, owner of the Crystal Ridge Distillery for his second visit.

Satellite Club News



The HSNP Rotary After Hours Satellite Club Members **Dr. Samantha Christian** and **Nannette Crane-Post** spent some time volunteering for Habitat for Humanity this week. Thank you, Rotarians!

Celebrate these Rotarians



Rotarian and HSPD Chief Chris Chapmond hit the front page of the Sentinel Record along with Pastor Greg Bearss as they recorded a virtual story time for children at the Garland County Library. Great example of serving our community, Chief!

Announcements

President **Chuck** announced that DACdb has updated the credit card payment gateway for accepting Rotary dues. You can log into your account on DACdb and go to "My Data" and "My Finance" to make credit card payments. If you have questions or issues, you can reach out to Donna K for assistance. There is a 3% upcharge to utilize this service to offset some of the charges to the Club.

Next week (March 3), the Technology Committee will meet via Zoom immediately following our Club meeting. TI Committee members should remain on the Zoom meeting to participate.

Our **student guest program** is going great! But we need your help to schedule more students! If you have a relationship with, or know of a high school senior who would like to participate in our student guest program, please reach out to our Student Guest Committee Chair, **Linda Ragsdale** (lindarags6032@gmail.com). Linda is working with school counselors to get these arranged. Due to the Covid changes in our meetings, students will join us once via Zoom to observe our meeting and speak to us on their second virtual visit.

Board Notes

The next Board meeting will be held **via Zoom** on **Tuesday, March 9 at noon**. All membership is invited to join us, especially new members who are trying to earn that coveted Blue Badge!

Please let President Launius or Donna K know that you are interested in joining us so we can send you the appropriate meeting link.

President Chuck Launius



As we complete the third quarter of our 2020-2021 Rotary year with an historic snow storm, I am excited as we approach March and the beginning of the last quarter for this Rotary year.

I want to encourage every member to stay engaged with fellow members as well as attending our zoom meetings. We will return to live meetings soon, as I have said in recent remarks. The planning stages are taking place when our club can return to normal. Meanwhile, stay in touch with fellow Rotarians and certainly reach out to me directly with any questions or comments you might have regarding our Rotary Club.

I look forward to seeing you next Wednesday via zoom and until then,
Service above Self!

Links to view previous Rotary Zoom Meetings

To view this week's presentation:

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the February 24, 2021 presentation by **Hot Springs National Park Superintendent Laura Miller and Ashley Waymouth, the 100th Anniversary Celebration Coordinator.**

For these previous recordings:

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the January 27, 2021 presentation by **Ted Thompson with Project HOPE Food Bank.**

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the February 3, 2021 presentation by **Dushun Scarbrough, Executive Director of the Arkansas MLK Commission.**

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the February 10, 2021 presentation by **Dr. David Rankin**, President Emeritus of Southern Arkansas University who spoke about **Economics in the midst of Covid.**

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the February 17, 2021 presentation by **Arkansas' Lt. Governor, Tim Griffin.**

Thought for the Week

*"Service is the rent we pay for being.
It is the very purpose of life and
not something you do in your spare time."
~Marion Wright Edelman*
