

The Bath Tub

Hot Springs National Park Newsletter



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Club Leaders

Week of May 10, 2021

Upcoming Programs:

May 12, 2021

Steve Arrison, Visit Hot Springs

Penny Beed,

Imagination Library

May 19, 2021



Tiffany Tucker President-Elect Club Programs Chair

Chuck E.

Launius President



Neal C. Gladner President-Nominee **Vice President** Membership

Chair

Gary McKuin Secretary

Courtney W. Moore Treasurer



Rollin Caristianos **Club Director** - Community Services



<u>Harmony</u> <u>Hurst</u> Morrissey **Club Director** - Meetings & **Activities**



Justin Nicklas Club Director Administration

Tiffany B. **Rogers Club Director** Youth Services Chair Arthur D. **Floyd**

Bryan Malinowski, Clinton National Airport



Vice President Neal Gladner introduced Bryan Malinowski, who is the Executive Director at the Clinton National Airport, or LIT, which serves the entire state of Arkansas and parts of Tennessee and Texas. The airport is actually a marketplace with tenants (car rental, food vendors, etc.) and before Covid struck, over 2.4 million passengers came through LIT annually with 6 airlines and 15 non-stop destinations. The economic impact of the pandemic was strong - but fortunately, LIT is one of 9 airports in the country that is debt-free. This enabled them to advance project funding during this critical time. LIT

was the recipient of 2 grants totally just shy of \$30 million and they are set to receive one more. In addition to remodeling the entry into the airport, they will soon be testing new flights, such as non-stops to Miami and St. Petersberg.

Malinowski estimates that they are around 60% of pre-Covid numbers and they are increasing monthly. He expects summer to be better as so many are suffering with "cabin fever".

He encouraged our club members to reach out to them if we are going to be in the Little Rock area, as they are happy to provide tours after Covid restrictions are all lifted.



REUNITED!

What a fantastic turnout for our return to in person meetings. Thanks to all of you; it is GREAT to be **TOGETHER AGAIN!**



The 4-Way Test





Invocation - Justin Nicklas Pledge **Alan Spraggins** The 4 Way Test **Ashley Thompson** Special Music Guest Presentation - Jacob Florez







Sergeant-at-Arms Donna K



Smith Club Executive Secretary



Stephanie Alderdice Webmaster



Ratcliff iPast President



Young Assistant Governor

Guests

Rotarian Brad Hudgens treated us to his trademark puns before introducing our auests:

Renee Bartholomae hosted Abril Reyes; Robert Zunick hosted Tom and Michelle Roberts; Alan Spraggins hosted Jon and Svetlana Simmons; John Hoefl hosted Andy Meyers; Michelle Ratcliff introduced Diana Strong; Maria Woodward hosted her husband, Dr. Philip Woodward; Neal Gladner hosted Glen Barentine and President-Elect Tiffany Tucker introduced the speaker's guest, Shane Carter.



New Members

To catch us up on the "in person" introductions, we welcomed two members into our club who had been introduced via Zoom earlier:

Dr. Danny Bradley

Email: danny@crystalridgedistillery.com PH: 501-627-0722 Position: Owner and CEO of Crystal Ridge Distillery

Danny was sponsored by Ernie Hinz

Jay Bradford

Email: jaybradford63@gmail.com PH: 870-489-4528 Position: Retired Insurance, State Representative and State Senator

Jay was introduced by Neal Gladner



H. Mark Fleischner May 14th Courtney W. Moore May 15th Scott A. Smith May 15th Patrick G. McCabe May 16th Nick Dodd May 18th Scott Lauck May 19th Daron C. Praetzel May 21st **Bradley Kurt Hargis** May 23rd Harmony Hurst Morrissey May 26th Mary E Zunick May 29th Elizabeth L. Robbins May 29th Michael J. Lipton May 30th Bill G. Creason May 31st **Rafael Martinez** June 1st William T Harris IV June 2nd Darla Thurber

Birthdays

Ira M. Kleinman May 13th



Welcome to HSNP Rotary, Danny and Jay!

Red to Blue Badge

June 5th Tiffany Tucker June 8th H. W. Davenport June 11th James R. Mazzanti June 13th Lance B. Garner June 13th



Congratulations to Rotarians **Michael White and Alex Mouton**, who were presented their coveted blue badges from Past President **Michelle Ratcliff**.

For our newer members of the club, the list of requirements to move from a red badge to a blue badge are as follows:

- 1. Photo
- 2. Meet with Sgt. At Arms after the first meeting
- 3. Greet at the door 4 times
- 4. Lead the flag pledge
- 5. Sit at the head table one time
- 6. Visit G.C.H.S. at 328 Quapaw
- 7. Review Rotary New Member Kit
- 8. Make-up at another club
- 9. Attend a board meeting
- 10. Lead the Four Way Test
- 11. Attend a Rotary information meeting

Celebrate these Rotarians



Congratulations to our HSNP Rotary Club After Hours Satellite Club Chair, Romeo Lopez, for being named the 2020-2021 DISTRICT 6170 ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR!

Congratulations to the HSNP Rotary Club winners at the annual Greater Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce 2020 Community Service Awards Banquet

Bill Burrough - Man of the Year Kim Carter - Woman of the Year

Congratulations, Rotarians! We are so proud of you!





Upcoming Events



Reunited and it feels so good! We are now officially back together for our meetings at the Arlington's Crystal Ballroom! We will need to provide the Arlington good numbers for preparing our plated lunches throughout the month of May (hopefully not after that). Please RSVP to Donna K by 5:00 each
Thursday remaining in May. We will return to our buffets as soon as the CDC and Arlington's safety guidelines allow. Masks will be required by the Arlington to enter and exit.
Please note that our monthly dues will return to \$72/month effective May 1; guest meals will be \$20 each and valet charges at the Arlington will be \$5

Tuesday, June 22 at 6:00 pm - The HSNP Rotary Club's Annual Installation Banquet will be held at the Hot Springs Country Club. Drinks will begin at 6:00 with the program beginning at 6:30. All members and a guest are invited to attend. We'll have more information coming soon.

Economic Minute



Past President **Gary Troutman** updated us on this month's current community events:

* Gary began his presentation with appreciation and compliments on the extraordinary leadership of our **President Chuck Launius** during the trying time of the pandemic induced Zoom Rotary meetings. The crowd agreed with a standing ovation for our leader!

* Economic Development (led by **Rotarian Michelle Ratcliff**) has two new projects working

* Oaklawn opened the new event center and hotel

* Hot Springs Country Club hosted a Ladies Professional Golf Tournament

Interest continues on the ACTI building; a prospect has toured the building within the last week

* The Chamber hosted the 2021 Academic Excellence Event honoring 63 of the counties top academic achievers

* The Arkansas Derby drew 17,000 fans to Oaklawn and the Kentucky Derby drew 23,000....during Covid restrictions.

* Oaklawn hosted the first public event at the fabulous new event center on May 6, where some of our members were honored (see "Celebrate These Rotarians" for more info).

- * This time last year, our unemployment rate was over 10%; this week it is 4.4%
- * The Chamber has hired a new Vice President and it is our own Rotarian Ashley Thompson

Thank you again, Gary, for keeping us updated!

Rotary Scholarship Day

Our Covid-enhanced evening Rotary Scholarship Day was a success! Many of the parents and family of the scholarship recipients were able to attend and there was an air of celebration and excitement. A big thank you to Scholarship Chair **Roxanne Butterfield**, **Sara Brown** and the **Scholarship Committee** for putting the program together and their hard work choosing qualified recipients. The applicants were evaluated on leadership, community service, and the impact the scholarship would have on the student. The monies from these scholarships are from the Hot Springs National Park Rotary Scholarship Foundation Trust, the Hot Springs National Park Rotary Club Joe F. Fish Scholarship Endowment Fund and additional donations from our membership. The presentation of these scholarships to 18 worthy recipients is just another way HSNP Rotary Club shows the value that our members place on education.







Amberly Goslee was presented the Warren Theis Memorial Endowment Scholarship by Rotarian Sara Brown



Autumn Tillery was presented the Bill and Judy Creason Scholarship by Rotarian Christi Nation



Hadley Bennett was presented the Jefferson D. Farris Family Scholarship by Rotarian Richard Herrington, Jr.



Callie Pedersen was presented the HSNP Rotary Scholarship by Rotarian Jeremy Brown



Jeffrey Estright was selected to receive the Jordan, Woosley, Crone, & Keaton Scholarship



was presented the HSNP Rotary Scholarship by Rotarian Sara Brown



Jovana Cetnik was presented the Miller-Dickson Family Scholarship by Rotarian Tiffany Rogers



Emily Hemund was presented the HSNP Rotary Scholarship by Rotarian Christi Nation



Camilla Holden was presented the Joe and Betsy Smith Scholarship by Rotarian Cheryl Stafford



Lilly Saettele was presented the HSNP Rotary Scholarship by Rotarian Tiffany Rogers

Jordan Foshee was presented the Lawrence H. Averill/Richard W. Averill Family Scholarship by Rotarian John Hoefl

Shaunte' Betts was presented the Larry Meyers Memorial Scholarship by Rotarian Jeremy Brown







Gabriella Gancarczyk was selected to receive the Cecil W. Cupp Jr. Scholarship



Kristin Willett was presented the Joe Fish Rotary Scholarship by Rotarian Roxanne Butterfield

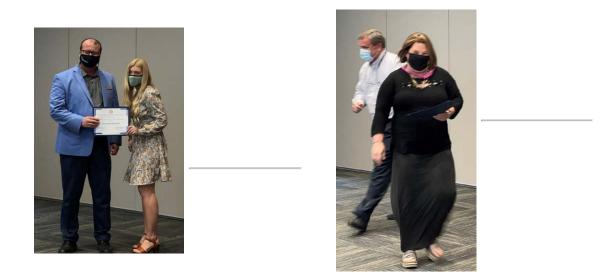


Christian Kirkley was presented the Lynn and Cheri Endicott Scholarship by Rotarian Roxanne Butterfield



Jacob Heffington was presented the Rotary Interact Scholarship by Rotarian Cheryl Stafford

Lauren Boston was presented the Arthur C. and Azalea C. Larson Family Scholarship by Rotarian Chuck Launius Alicia Weatherford was presented the Community First Trust Company Scholarship by Rotarian Bill Kerst



Fellowship Baseball Game



Thanks to the hard work of Director **Harmony Morrissey**, Chairman **Sissi Bennett** and her **Fellowship Committee**, several members of our club attended a National Park College NightHawks baseball game. It was perfect weather and the game was so exciting! We were all very impressed with the team that NPC has developed in such a short period of time, as well as the baseball complex at Hot Springs High School. While the outcome of the game wasn't what we were cheering for, a great time was had by all.



We'd like to thank National Park College for giving us the "two for one" coupons and also First Security Bank for providing Chick-fil-A lunches that we purchased to help raise funds for the NPC baseball program.

And check out **President Chuck's** form on throwing out that first pitch! Way to go, Chuck! You made us proud!



Satellite Club News

The HSNP Rotary After Hours Satellite Club is selling their T-Shirts for a Club Fundraiser. To order a shirt, please reach out to Satellite Chair, Romeo Lopez at rlopez@garlandcountyhabitat.org



Board Notes

The next Board meeting will be held at the **Hot Springs Country Club** on **Tuesday**, **May 11 at 11:45.** All membership is invited to join us, especially new members who are trying to earn that coveted Blue Badge!

Announcements

President Chuck announced that we will need RSVPs for our Club meetings throughout the month of May. We are hopeful that beyond that time, we will be more confident in our lunch order numbers since we are unable to have a buffet. Thank you for understanding and getting your RSVP to Donna K by 5:00 PM on THURSDAYS for the following week's meeting.

Rotarian **Renee Bartholomae** announced a fundraiser for Mental Health Awareness month. Ouachita Behavioral and Wellness is raising money to purchase playground equipment for their CLIMB kids by selling a Dominoes Pizza "Slice the Price" Card (see flier below) The cards can be purchased for the next week and are good through December 31, 2021. Reach out to Renee for more information at rmagbar@mac.com



President Chuck Launius



We had over 90 people rsvp for this week s meeting. Wow! I am so proud as a Hot Springs National Park Rotarian to be a member of this wonderful club. I enjoyed seeing all of you this week as we returned to our traditional meetings.

We certainly have some kinks to work out and I promise we will do so in the upcoming weeks as we near the end of the Rotary year. If you have any suggestions or issues with our current meetings then please feel free to reach out to me so I might address your concerns. I hope everyone has a wonderful week and until next Wednesday......

Service Above Self

Absence

| We missed you! | | | Active R85 |
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| Allison, Ronnie G. Jr. Britton, Beau Brown, Daniel Brown, Jeremy W Couch, Mary Anne Dante, Charles H. Jr. Davin, Peter Dews, John Scott Disney, Daniel E. Dodd, Nick Fleming, David M. Garner, Lance B. | Graham, Joseph P. Hollingshead, Carol Johnson, Paulette S. Kelly, Judith Heikes Kerst, William L. LaFollette, Diane Lipton, Michael J. Martinez, Rafael Matone, Chad Moore, Courtney W. Naramore, Wade Northern, Martin Patel, Parth Pitard, Toddy Porter, Lance A. | Raub, Michael Rogers, Tiffany B. Ross, Doug Selig, John D. Sellman, Kathleen A Stafford, Cheryl Lynn Stobaugh, John S Switzer, Meredith | Aldridge, Susan G. Brunner, John H. Bush, David M. Craft, Joyce L. Davenport, H. W. Endicott, Lynn E. Fleischner, H. Mark Fleischner, Stuart Allen Mazzanti, James R. McKuin, Gary Smith, Dennis C. Smith, Scott A. Woosley, Joseph L. |

Thought for the Week

If you cannot do great things, do small things in a great way. ~Napoleon Hill