



# The Bath Tub

## Hot Springs National Park Newsletter



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### Week of July 12, 2021

### Upcoming Programs:

July 21, 2021

*Myron Means, Arkansas Game & Fish Commission  
Bears in Arkansas  
(At the Arlington Hotel)*

July 21, 2021

*Kat Robinson,  
Food Writer  
(Final meeting at the Arlington Hotel)*

July 28, 2021

*Hunter Yurachek  
University of Arkansas Athletic Director  
(First meeting at the DoubleTree)*

### Barry Brandt, KATV Meteorologist



**President-Elect Neal Gladner** introduced KATV Channel 7's meteorologist, Barry Brandt, who says he loves Hot Springs and was very excited to be here. Brandt's theme was technology and its impact on weather forecasting, as well as television in general. During the Covid restrictions, when newscasters and meteorologists had to broadcast from home, they were able to do so with basically the technology from their phones! And due to our requirement to stay home as much as possible, television viewership increased about 30%. If this situation had happened a decade or two ago, that simply would not have



been the case.

Technology has also improved the entertainment value of the weather reporting, as Brandt showed us two different examples of how they could insert entertaining graphics during their segments. One had a swimming pool in the foreground with the KATV team's heads bobbing in the water and another had Brandt's co-worker, Todd Yakoubian, broadcasting with (what appeared to be) a tornado right beside him.

But technology hasn't just assisted in the entertainment value of his job, it continues to increase the ability to forecast the weather earlier and more effectively. Twice a day, the National Weather Service sends up a weather balloon from Little Rock to sample the atmosphere and send data back within 4 hours (during severe weather, an additional balloon may be used). Using that data, as well as using 5-6 different world-wide models, weather forecasting is incredibly advanced and just keeps getting better thanks to the technology available today. Brandt says that weather forecasting is only limited by how fast computers are. And the best part of his job is that he only has to wear his coat and tie for the duration of the newscast!

### Club Leaders



[Tiffany Tucker](#)  
President



[Neal C. Gladner](#)  
President-Elect  
Club Programs Chair



[Harmony Hurst](#)  
[Morrissey](#)  
Vice President  
Membership Chair



[Gary McQuin](#)  
Secretary



[Courtney W. Moore](#)  
Treasurer



[Tim Metcalf](#)  
Club Director  
ADM



[Justin Nicklas](#)  
Club Director  
Youth Services Chair



[Tiffany B. Rogers](#)  
Club Director  
Community Service Chair  
[William Solleder](#)  
Club

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## The 4-Way Test



Invocation - **Chris Chapmond**

Pledge ♦ **Don Floyd**

The 4 Way Test ♦ **Roger Giddings**

Music - **David Fleming**



Director  
Meetings &  
Activities



[Arthur D. Floyd](#)  
Sergeant-  
at-Arms



[Chuck E. Launius](#)  
iPast  
President



[Donna K. Smith](#)  
Club  
Executive  
Secretary

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## Birthdays

Sara Brown  
July 15th  
Kathleen A. Sellman  
July 16th  
William L. Kerst  
July 18th  
John A. Hogan  
July 18th  
John A. Pratt  
July 19th  
John Scott Dews  
July 25th  
Patrick J. McGuire  
July 30th  
Corey Alderdice  
August 2nd  
Cheryl Lynn Stafford  
August 4th  
Lloyd (Don) Gooch  
August 6th  
Neal C. Gladner  
August 8th

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## Prospective Members

The Board and the Membership Committee have approved the following prospective member. If there are no written objections sent to the secretary within 3 days of this second publication, she will become a member at our July 14 meeting.

### **Kirstie Kendall**

Owner, "A Narrow Escape"  
Sponsored by Michelle Ratcliff

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## Guests

**Past President Richard Payton** introduced guests:

**Michelle Ratcliff** hosted proposed member Kirstie Kendall.



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## Economic Minute



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

- \* Senator Boozeman visited the Chamber office
- \* **Troutman** met with the Education Council
- \* Attended the Aerospace Summit held in Ft. Smith along with representatives from Alliance Rubber Co and the five aerospace manufacturers here in our area
- \* **Rotarians Dr. Jack Porter, Michael White and Senator Bill Sample** will participate in the DC flyin where they will work with our elected officials and discuss the fate of the ACTI building after ownership transfers from the state government to the federal government.
- \* **Michelle Ratcliff and Troutman** met with National Park College's VP of

Workforce, Bill Allison.

\* Armor Bank had a groundbreaking for their new Hot Springs building. **Rotarian David Trice** is the Hot Springs Market President.

\* **Ratcliff** represented Hot Springs at the Arkansas Business's 40 under 40 banquet in Little Rock where Rory Herndon, President of Express Boats, was honored.

\* Oaklawn has extended the racing season to 66 days beginning in early December and increased the purse of the Arkansas Derby to \$1.25 million.

\* And lastly, Arkansas ended the \$300 weekly extra unemployment payments on June 26 so hopefully hiring will increase in our area businesses!

Thank you, again, Gary for keeping us informed!

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## Board Notes

The next Board meeting will be held at the **Hot Springs Country Club** on **Tuesday, July 13 at 11:45**. As always, all membership is invited to join us, especially new members who are trying to earn that coveted Blue Badge! Please let Donna K know if you are planning to attend.

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## Announcements

Reminder that beginning with our **July 28** meeting, the **7th Floor Lake Hamilton Ballroom at the DoubleTree Hotel** will be our new home!

Reminder to our Rotary Directors and Committee Chairs: **July 23 is the deadline** for your initial committee reports and goals to be turned in. Please email to Donna K at [hsnprotaryclub@gmail.com](mailto:hsnprotaryclub@gmail.com)

[CLICK HERE](#) to register for any of these 2021 Virtual Summer Leadership Series

 <p>Heart of America Rotary Zones 30 &amp; 31</p> <p>Summer Leadership Seminars</p> <p><b>SILVER LININGS</b></p> <p><i>New Opportunities for Doing Rotary</i></p> <p><b>WED JULY 28</b> 6 PM CT / 7 PM ET</p> <p>ZOOM REGISTRATION COMING SOON!</p>	<p><b>Session 1 - Wednesday, July 28, 2021</b> <b>6:00 PM CT/7:00 PM ET</b></p> <p><i>Silver Linings: New Opportunities for Doing Rotary:</i> Projects, fundraisers, and new meeting formats that Rotarians developed during the pandemic that can be used in the future to expand our reach and increase our impact.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Project and Fundraiser ideas</li><li>• Leveraging virtual &amp; in person formats to enhance engagement</li><li>• Enhancing community reach</li></ul>
 <p>Heart of America Rotary Zones 30 &amp; 31</p> <p>Summer Leadership Seminars</p> <p><b>SHARING MIRACLES</b></p> <p><b>SAT JULY 31</b> 9 AM CT / 10 AM ET</p> <p>ZOOM REGISTRATION COMING SOON!</p>	<p><b>Session 2 - Saturday, July 31, 2021</b> <b>9:00 AM CT/10:00 AM ET</b></p> <p><i>Sharing Miracles:</i> How sharing the stories of the impact of our projects in a media campaign can foster both giving to the Foundation and attracting new members to expand our reach.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Identifying partnerships</li><li>• Expanding community projects</li><li>• Leveraging media</li></ul>
	<p><b>Session 3 - Wednesday, August 4, 2021</b> <b>6:00 PM CT/7:00 PM ET</b></p> <p><i>Enhancing Member's Experience:</i> Creating experiences and fostering environments in which members and prospective</p>

members feel welcomed and engaged to enhance participant engagement.

- Valuing members
- Impact of mentoring
- Creating pride of membership

**Session 4 - Saturday, August 7, 2021  
9:00 AM CT/10:00 AM ET**

*Innovative New Club Fair:* A networking opportunity to share district and club successes of innovative new club models to expand our reach and enhance participant engagement.

- Successful clubs using Innovative club models
- Integrating Foundation and Public Image teams to grow Rotary
- Innovation in action

**President Tiffany Tucker**



While the Fourth of July holiday brings lots of fireworks, cookouts, and time with family and friends on our beautiful lakes, I like to always remember what we are celebrating ♦ the Declaration of Independence was signed on July 4, 1776 by the Continental Congress ♦ declaring our independence from Great Britain. In Melinda Gassaway ♦s ♦thumbs up♦ column in the July 7 Sentinel Record, she celebrates the patriotism of many in our community and I would like to congratulate them as well.

- National Park Medical Center hosted a Military Ball honoring NPMC-employed veterans and active military members
- Hot Springs Child Care held its 13<sup>th</sup> annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade, which teaches their children about the holiday ♦s meaning.
- The Elk Lodge presented a new American flag to Langston Magnet School.

Thank you to all of our past and present members of the military who have helped defend and protect our great country.

Let us remember that *we are serving together to change lives*. Be a change maker TODAY!  
I ♦ll leave you with a quote from Martin Luther King, Jr.: ♦from every mountain side, let freedom ring.♦

**Absence**

We missed you!			Active R85
Alderdice, Corey Alderdice, Stephanie Allison, Ronnie G. Jr. Bradford, Jay Britton, Beau Brooks, Brenda Brown, Daniel Brown, Jeremy W Brown, Sara	Hogan, John A. Hollingshead, Carol Johnson, Paulette S. Kelly, Judith Heikes Kerst, William L. Lanius, Chuck E. Martinez, Rafael Matone, Chad	Pratt, John A. Quinney, Greg Raub, Michael Robbins, Elizabeth L. Roberts, Thomas W Ross, Doug Smith, Janet E. Stobaugh, John S	Brunner, John H. Bush, David M. Craft, Joyce L.

Carter, Kim	McGrew, Richard W.	Switzer, Meredith Blaise	Creason, Bill G.
Couch, Mary Anne	Metcalf, Tim	Taylor, Kathy H.	Cupp III, Cecil W.
Dante, Charles H. Jr.	Mouton, Alex	Thompson, Ashley	Davenport, H. W.
Davin, Peter	Naramore, Wade	Tuohey, James Michael	Fleischner, H. Mark
Dews, John Scott	Nation, Christina Lynn	Wagstaff, Cindy	Fleischner, Stuart Allen
Disney, Daniel E.	Nehus, Stephanie M	Wallace, Jean E.	Mazzanti, James R.
Dodd, Nick	Northern, Martin	Whitfield, Joyce Parker	Smith, Dennis C.
Graham, Joseph P.	Pate, Jimmy M.	Williams, Valerie	Smith, Scott A.
Green, Scott	Patel, Parth	Woodward, Maria	Woosley, Joseph L.
Hall, Kevin R.	Patrico, Joe K.	Wright, Raymond	
Harris, William T IV	Phillips-Jolly, Jane	Zeiser, Jared	
Helm, Michael D.	Pitard, Toddy	Zunick, Mary E	
Herrington, Richard Jr.	Porter, Lance A.	Zunick, S. Robert	

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## Thought for the Week

**"Don't wait for things to get easier, simpler, or better.  
 Life will always be complicated.  
 Learn to be happy right now.  
 Otherwise, you'll run out of time."  
 ~Author unknown**

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