



# The Bath Tub

## Hot Springs National Park Newsletter



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### Week of August 23, 2021

### Upcoming Programs:

August 25, 2021



*Gwen Moritz, Arkansas Business News Source Online Presentation Update*

\*\*\*TRIFECTA BALLROOM DOWNSTAIRS\*\*\*

September 1, 2021

*Christopher Crane, Arkansas Film Commission Getting Movies/TV to film in Arkansas*

September 8, 2021

*Lori Tudor, ARDOT Arkansas Highways*

### Club Leaders



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## Dr. Sam Taggart, Country Doctors in Arkansas



**President Elect Neal Gladner** introduced the speaker, Dr. Sam Taggart, who has written a book about country doctors in Arkansas.

Dr. Taggart mentioned that common characteristics of a country doctor were trust and wisdom, also they were quiet with a soft touch. What is the future for country doctors? Taggart says as long as we have people living in the country, we will have country doctors.

The book begins its journey with a look at rural health in

Arkansas for its first 150 years. For most of that time, the physicians were primarily white European males. As late as the 1950s in the United States, less than 3% were African-American and 6% were women. The numbers were even lower for women in a rural setting, but those numbers began to change in the 1960s and 1970s. It has been a slow process, but women, African Americans and other minorities are beginning to find their place in the mainstream of rural medicine. Those mentioned were Ella Dunn, classic urban doctor, Disy Bransam, midwife and Caroline Dye ♦ voodoo, herbal medicine and midwife. Caroline would help people who did not have anyone other means of help.

Dr. Frank Thibault has the distinction of having the longest direct family lineage of physicians practicing in the state. When asked, Frank replies: ♦ There was a doctor in my family practicing in Arkansas before there was a state of Arkansas. ♦ Frank can trace his roots as a physician back to Dr. Lorenzo Gibson who arrived in Central Arkansas in 1833.

Want to grab a copy of Dr. Taggart's book? Copies of ♦ Country Doctors of Arkansas ♦ will be available at The Historical Society.



What Dr. Taggart requested from our Rotary: Send him your stories!! He would like you to record your story for him, he will make sure it goes in the archives.

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## The 4-Way Test



Invocation - **Janet Smith**

Pledge ♦ **Bill Creason**

The 4 Way Test ♦ **Scott Dews**



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Governor

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## Birthdays

Stephanie M Nehus  
August 22nd

Courtney C. Crouch  
Jr.  
August 24th

Chris Chapmond  
August 25th

Christina Lynn Nation  
August 31st

Chuck E. Launius  
August 31st

Richard Gladden  
September 2nd

Jay Edwin Sanders  
September 4th

Ray Owen Jr.  
September 5th

James A Carney  
September 6th

Danny Bradley  
September 7th

Nicole Herndon  
September 10th

Richard W. McGrew  
September 12th

Joseph P. Graham  
September 13th

Douglas A. Arnold  
September 14th

Meredith Blaise  
Switzer

September 18th

Joseph L. Woosley

## Red to Blue Badge



Congratulations to Rotarian **Ashley Thompson**, who was presented her coveted blue badge from Rotarian **Linda Ragsdale**

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 (if available)
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## Prospective Members

All four of the following prospective members will be introduced as members at next week's meeting (if everyone can attend!). We're looking forward to welcoming these fine people into our club!

### **Diana Strong**

Owner - Diana Strong Empowers  
Sponsored by **Tim Metcalf**

**Mary Metcalf**  
Owner/Publisher - Lakeside District Living  
Sponsored by **Tim Metcalf**

**James Frierson**  
Safety Specialist with CenterPoint Energy  
Sponsored by **John Hoefl**

**Svetlana Simmons**  
Managing Broker with McGraw Realtors  
Sponsored by **Alan Spraggins**

September 20th  
Steven D. Oliver  
September 20th  
Rollin Caristianos  
September 21st  
Daniel Brown  
September 24th

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## Covid reminder and update

The CDC updated their recommendations on Tuesday, July 27 that **even vaccinated people should wear masks in indoor, public settings** if they are in parts of the U.S. with substantial to high transmission. Unfortunately, Arkansas fits that criteria at this time because of the surge of the Delta variant. Here is what we are doing to help keep our members safe:

- A sanitizing station is set up prior to entering the ballroom and picking up your badges
- We request that you wear a mask while not eating or drinking during our meetings.
- Masks are available at Donna K's table
- Our tables are set for 5 people (instead of 8)
- The buffet has gloves available for each member

Our board will continue to monitor the CDC and State of Arkansas guidelines regarding COVID protocols during our meetings and activities. Please reach out to **President Tiffany** or any of our board members if you have any concerns or suggestions for us. Thank you.

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## Announcements

### Upcoming Meeting Announcement

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**Next week's meeting will be held downstairs in the Trifecta Ballroom at the DoubleTree.**

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HOT SPRINGS NATIONAL PARK ROTARY CLUB

## Rotary PR Fundraiser

National Park Rotary PR Committee is hosting a fundraiser. If you would like to take advantage of this advertising opportunity for your business, please give Donna Kay cash/check with a note stating PR-shirts. You may send a vector file of your logo to [Rmagbar@mac.com](mailto:Rmagbar@mac.com) or [ReneeB@obhaw.org](mailto:ReneeB@obhaw.org). Please contact Renee at the email address above if you have any questions.

National Park Rotary PR Committee will use funds for:

- Update marketing materials, ie. brochures, invitation cards
- Place ads in newspaper to increase membership
- Pay Business Expo fees
- Boost social media posts to increase membership

What do YOU get for your donation/sponsorship?

- Promote your business to the community in the form of walking billboards
- Support your National Park Rotary
- Help increase our membership by updating and promoting our marketing materials



The Public Relations Committee is offering sponsorships for these Rotary T-Shirts as a fundraiser for our Club! Sponsorship levels start at \$100 and go up to \$500. Please notify Donna K if you or your business would like to have your name/logo on the back of these great shirts. Once sponsorships have been sold, we will begin taking orders for purchase.

**Rotarian Liz Robbins** invited everyone to the Garland County Historical Society's 2021 Hidden Hot Springs Home Tour on Sunday, September 26 from 2pm until 4pm. Two fascinating homes will be available to tour: Hilltop Manor at 2009 Park Ave. and the Peter Dierks Joers House at 2111 Park Ave. Tickets are \$75 per person and all proceeds benefit GCHS.

Go to: <http://garlandcountyhistoricalsociety.com/2021-hidden-hot-springs> or call 501-321-2159

**Rotarian Ernie Hinz** invited everyone to the "Crowns and Boots Bash" benefitting the Faces Foundation. There is limited seating available for the event on September 9 from 6pm until 10pm at Crystal Ridge Distillery. For more information visit: [www.Fixfaces.org](http://www.Fixfaces.org)

## Satellite Club News

### August Service Project: Jackson House Toiletry Drive

Jackson House needs toiletries for families, kids, working adults, veterans, the homeless and ederly. Drop off locations at Habitat for Humanity and R&C Collectables.

### October Service Project: Suicide Prevention Walk

October 23rd is the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention "Out of the Darkness" walk. Registration is free. Our club will register under "Team Hope". Location is downtown Hot Springs from 2-4 pm. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information. Registration is now open. There is a minimum of 6 people per team. Members of HSNP Rotary Club are invited to join us, as well!

## Board Notes

The next Board meeting will be held at the **Hot Springs Country Club** on **Tuesday, September 14 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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## President Tiffany Tucker



Congratulations to Maxwell Blade on celebrating his 25<sup>th</sup> year of entertainment in Hot Springs. Congratulations to Don Munro for being inducted into the Arkansas Walk of Fame last Saturday for his leadership, philanthropy and economic development in Garland County.

Today we have heavy hearts as so many in our world are suffering. The Taliban has taken control of the capital city of Kabul in Afghanistan. There are up to 15,000 Americans in Afghanistan right now, with efforts being made to help them exit the country. The death toll approaches 2,000 in Haiti after the devastating earthquake.

The Delta variant of COVID-19 is running rampant, crippling our hospitals and healthcare systems. Twenty deaths have been reported in Garland County in August thus far, with 15 this past weekend alone.

How can we, as Rotarians, serve to change lives? Both in Hot Springs and globally? I don't have the answer for us today. But I hope as a club we can find a way to serve and help those around the globe who are suffering. Reach out to any board members or committee chairs if you have ideas.

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While we are certainly living in uncertain times, and our hearts are heavy for so many around us, remember to encourage those around you. Call a friend who is struggling. Find a way to help or give back. We have so much to be thankful for. Thank you for your commitment *to serve to change lives*.

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## Thought for the Week

**Success doesn't come from what you do occasionally.  
It comes from what you do consistently.**

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