



The Bath Tub

Hot Springs National Park Newsletter



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Week of September 6, 2021

Upcoming Programs:

September 8, 2021

*Lori Tudor, ARDOT
Arkansas Highways*

September 15, 2021

*Daniel Conway,
Sam Walton College of Business
Crypto Currency*

September 22, 2021

*Rotarian Dr. John Hogan, President NPC
Changes at National Park College*

Chris Crane, Arkansas Film Commissioner



President Elect Neal Gladner introduced our speaker, Arkansas Film Commissioner Christopher Crane.

Born in Hot Springs, Crane loves our community. He spoke very highly of the Hot Springs Documentary Film Festival, which is the oldest in the United States and the "pride and joy" for our state. The festival needs our support now more than ever, he says, after having to cancel the 2020 film festival due to the pandemic.

The Arkansas Film Commission began in the seventies, and relies heavily on incentives to bring filmmaking to our state. Arkansas currently provides a 20-30% rebate incentive for productions filmed here. 2020 was a banner year for film making in Arkansas with over 16 feature films being shot in our "film friendly community site".

Some of the more recent films shot in Arkansas include "Mud" with Matthew McConaughey and Reese Witherspoon, and HBO's drama series True Detective season three. Over 11 Hallmark films have been shot in our beautiful state and those projects put a lot of people to work.

Hot Springs is a fantastic place to produce film and since David Hill's "The Vapors" was recently optioned, there is hope for a movie, if not a series, to be based on this successful book about our storied and historical hometown. If either come to fruition, Crane says it **needs** to be filmed here.

So forget New York and Los Angeles, Arkansas could very well be the next hub for film production!



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Invocation - **Tiffany Rogers**



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Guests

Rotarian and Administration Director Tim Metcalf introduced guests:

Justin Nicklas introduced his wife and guest, Rachel Nicklas; **Dr. Stephanie Nehus** hosted prospective member, Dr. Taryn Echols and we also had a visiting **Rotarian Carolyn Pierce** from Fresno, California who has recently relocated to Hot Springs.



Prospective Members

The Board and Membership Committee have approved the following prospective members. If there are no written objections sent to the secretary within 10 days of this first publication, they will become members at our September 15 meeting.

Dr. Taryn Echols

Hot Springs School District Assistant Superintendent
Sponsored by **Dr. Stephanie Nehus**

Dr. Will Warren

Dentist
Sponsored by **Dr. Lance Porter**

The Board and Membership Committee have also approved the following prospective members. If there are no written objections sent to the secretary within 3 days of this second publication, they will become members at our September 8 meeting.

Capt. Bryan Brinlee

Salvation Army Officer
Sponsored by **Kevin Hall**

Kala Rogers

Attorney/Judicial Law Clerk to Honorable Robert J. Gladwin
Sponsored by **Mary Zunick**

Birthdays

Richard Gladden
September 2nd
Jay Edwin Sanders
September 4th
James A Carney
September 6th
Danny Bradley
September 7th
Bryan Brinlee
September 9th
Nicole Herndon
September 10th
Richard W. McGrew
September 12th
Joseph P. Graham
September 13th
Douglas A. Arnold
September 14th
Meredith Blaise Switzer
September 18th
Steven D. Oliver
September 20th
Joseph L. Woosley
September 20th
Rollin Cristianos
September 21st
Daniel Brown
September 24th

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
- A Zoom option is now available for any members who are not comfortable meeting in person

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.

Announcements

ONE DAY. ONE FOCUS: ENDING POLIO

District 6170 with 1.2 million Rotarians are continuing the fight to eradicate polio. With only two confirmed cases of polio this year, we are so close to ending the battle against this devastating disease!

Don't miss this incredible **◆END POLIO NOW◆** event. It will include hors d'oeuvres, beverages, silent auction items, and squares game.

This is an opportunity to participate directly in raising funds to eliminate Polio!

October 21, 2021 6:00 p.m. ◆ 8:00 p.m.

At the beautiful venue of Mermaid Manor

1391 Timberlake Drive, Royal, Arkansas 71968

*If you are not able to attend, *you* can still help by purchasing a ticket or donating an item for the silent auction.

Honorary Rotarian and Past President Jim Randall again asked for the club's help in achieving our Polio Plus goal. Beginning with this week, there will be bags on each table for members to drop in cash or a check to contribute to the Polio Plus program. We'd like to reach our goal of \$1,000 to the Polio Plus campaign **by October 1**. Thanks for the \$500 donation from 5 of our Honorary Members, we are over halfway to our goal! Our District Governor Kathy Carter will present our program on October 6, and we'd love to announce the achievement of our Polio Plus goal to her at that time.

Upcoming Meeting Announcement

With the Zoom option, our attendance numbers have been well, all over the place. Because of this **we really need you to RSVP if you will be attending in person for next week's meeting**. Hopefully we'll get a good idea of numbers fairly soon and we won't have to continue with this, but for now..... please RSVP to Donna K **by noon on Friday** so we can plan accordingly. We are committed to following CDC guidelines regarding the usage of masks while we meet in person and are continuing to monitor the situation.



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 or 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://garlandcounthistoricalociety.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

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.

Economic Minute

Past President and Assistant District Governor Michelle Ratcliff subbed for **Rotarian and Chamber President Gary Troutman** to update



us on this past month's community events:

- * The Hot Springs Metro Partnership hosted their annual awards banquet last month
- * Troutman and Mara Kuhn represented the Greater Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce at the Arkansas Economic Developers and Chamber Executives' Conference in Jonesboro.

* Troutman is representing this week at the SEDC convention in Tampa, FL

* Tours for the Majestic Park were held last week - if you haven't seen this magnificent ball park, you must go by and check it out!

* Last weekend was the special Baseball Weekend in Hot Springs where a few Hall of Famers were on hand and a room was dedicated to the late, great Mike Dugan.

* Troutman and Ratcliff join forces regularly with the Economic Development leaders from Clark and Hot Spring Country to collectively improve our entire area.

Thanks, Michelle for "pitch hitting" for Gary this month!

President Tiffany Tucker



Today is the first day of September and even though the temperature is predicted to hit 99 degrees, today marks the beginning of *all things pumpkin*. Starbucks has returned the pumpkin spice latte and there are pumpkins and Halloween decorations already filling up the stores.

While we are not yet singing at our meetings, we still like to celebrate this month's birthdays. Please refer to the front side page of the Bath Tub for all our September birthdays. Happy Birthday, Rotarians!

Absence

We missed you!			Active R85
Alderdice, Corey	Hall, Kevin R.	Pitard, Toddy	
Allison, Ronnie G. Jr.	Harrington, Neal	Porter, Lance A.	
Bartholomae, Renee	Harris, William T IV	Pratt, John A.	
Bennett, Delores C.	Helm, Michael D.	Ragsdale, Linda L.	
Bradford, Jay	Herrington, Richard Jr.	Raub, Michael	
Bradley, Danny	Hoefl, John P.	Roberts, Thomas W	
Britton, Beau	Hogan, John A.	Ross, Doug	Brunner, John H.
Brooks, Brenda	Hollingshead, Carol	Sample, William H.	Bush, David M.
Brown, Daniel	Kelly, Judith Heikes	Shelby, Gene	Davenport, H. W.
Brown, Jeremy W	Kendall, Kirsten A	Smith, Janet E.	Endicott, Lynn E.
Burrough, Billy J Jr.	Kerst, William L.	Stobaugh, John S	Fleischner, Stuart Allen
Carter, Kim	Lambert, Dana M.	Strong, Diana	Hudgens, E. Brad
Chapmond, Chris	Martinez, Rafael	Switzer, Meredith Blaise	Mazzanti, James R.
Dante, Charles H. Jr.	Matone, Chad	Taylor, Kathy H.	Payton, Richard
Davin, Peter	McCabe, Patrick G.	Thompson, Ashley	Smith, Scott A.
Dews, John Scott	McGuire, Patrick J.	Troutman, Gary A.	Woosley, Joseph L.
Disney, Daniel E.	Mouton, Alex	Tuohey, James Michael	
Dodd, Nick	Naramore, Wade	Wagstaff, Cindy	
Galloway, Johnna	Nation, Christina Lynn	Wallace, Jean E.	
Graham, Joseph P.	Patrico, Joe K.	Wright, Raymond	
Green, Scott	Phillips-Jolly, Jane	Zeiser, Jared	

Thought for the Week

**Be careful of your thoughts;
they may become words at any moment.**