



The Bath Tub

Hot Springs National Park Newsletter



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Week of September 27, 2021

Upcoming Programs:

September 29, 2021



*Jen Gerber, Executive Director
Hot Springs Documentary Film Festival*

October 6, 2021

District Governor Kathy Carter

October 13, 2021

*Kathleen Lawson
Economics Arkansas*

Dr. John Hogan, National Park College



Rotarian **Darla Thurber** introduced our speaker, **Rotarian Dr. John Hogan**, the 4th President of National Park College.

Hogan has been in Hot Springs and at the helm of NPC since July of 2014. During his tenure NPC has rebranded; added a mascot; constructed a beautiful new Student Commons facility; added NJCAA basketball, cross country, softball, baseball, and soccer; constructed Dogwood Hall, which is NPC's first on-campus housing opportunity for students; developed over 90 transfer degrees that will land a student on a four-year college or university campus as a full-standing junior; provided

bachelor's degree opportunities on campus in partnership with four-year institutions; and they are currently seeking additional four-year opportunities for our students. NPC is working on providing a NPC Bachelor's Degree for Nursing and hopes that this will begin in 2023.

Dr. Hogan says that NPC is one of only two community colleges in Arkansas that has seen an increase in headcounts - new student totals are up 22% this year.

Regarding the Nighthawk sports teams, Hogan says that athletics are significant to community colleges, as they provide an avenue for education to many of the athletes. Some of the NPC athletes say they couldn't or wouldn't be in college without athletics.

Dogwood Hall was originally planned as a 180 bed dorm, but is now at 110% capacity and that they need more student housing. With NPC's growth, big plans are in the works for our local community college. They have a bold vision for the future and this vision can be seen at

<https://np.edu/about/master-plan/>. Please take a look at their vision, as Hogan says he wants the community, students, and faculty to provide feedback.



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The 4-Way Test



Invocation - **Forrest Spicher**

Pledge ♦ **Nicole Herndon**

The 4 Way Test ♦ **Roxanne Butterfield**



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New Members

We welcomed our newest member to our club this week:

Capt. Bryan Brinlee

Email: bryan.brinlee@uss.salvationarmy.org
PH: 501-293-9960
Position: Officer with the Salvation Army

Bryan is married to Tracy and the father of three. They just relocated to serve the Hot Springs area. Bryan is sponsored by **Kevin Hall**.

Welcome to HSNP Rotary Club, Bryan!



Birthdays

Daniel Brown
September 24th
Raymond Wright
October 1st
Ernie D. Hinz
October 1st
David M. Fleming
October 2nd
Joyce L. Craft
October 2nd
Toddy Pitard
October 12th
Svetlana Simmons
October 25th
Paulette S. Johnson
October 25th
Doug Ross
October 29th
Michael D. Helm
October 30th

Guests

Rotarian **Stuart Fleischner** introduced guests:

Michelle Ratcliff hosted Lisa Austin; **Mary Zunick** hosted Susan Bariola; **Nicole Herndon** introduced Melony Martinez; **Valerie Williams** hosted Troy Woods and Patrick Cunningham; and we also hosted a Prospective/Transferring Member **Carolyn Pierce**.



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.

Board Notes

The next Board meeting will be held at the **Hot Springs Country Club** on **Tuesday, October 12 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.

Announcements

STUDENT GUESTS

If you know of a special Senior who would make a great student guest speaker, please reach out to **Diane LaFollette, Student Guest Committee Chair**, so she can schedule them. Plans are to begin the Student Guest Program in person in October! You can reach Diane at:

dianel@midamericamuseum.org.

OCTOBER BOOK DRIVE

The **Education Development Committee** will be hosting a book drive during the month of October. Please share your pre-loved books to be donated to the local area school's book busses (Fountain Lake's Cobra Reading Pit, Hot Springs School District's Trojans Read Book Bus, and Lake Hamilton's Wolf Pack Reading Den). Donations will be accepted at Rotary meetings during the month of October.

Contact **Stephanie Nehus** for more info (nehuss@hssd.net)

ONE DAY. ONE FOCUS: ENDING POLIO FUNDRAISER

Don't miss this incredible **◆END POLIO NOW◆** District 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

General Admission Tickets \$55 each Virtual Tickets \$25 each

As a Rotarian, you will be credited with a donation to The Rotary Foundation of \$50 or \$20 depending on which ticket you purchase.

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

Tickets can be purchased at <https://www.ticketor.com/rotary>

Contact Shawnee Cooper at shawneecooper13@gmail.com or 870-904-8757 for more information.

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



Thanks to **PR Chair Renee Bartholomae** for working so tirelessly on our Club's T-Shirt fundraiser. The sponsorship opportunities are sold out, so she will be taking orders for this awesome t-shirt soon! Stay tuned for ordering information!

President-Elect Neal Gladner



Filling in for President **Tiffany Tucker**, President-Elect **Neal Gladner** presided over our meeting this week.

"I hope you were able to see the ♦Harvest Moon♦ last night ♦ the atmosphere♦s way of telling us it♦s the start of Fall. Today is the autumnal equinox. The annual occurrence when we get almost equal parts day and night. It means today ♦ the earth♦s rotational axis is not tilted away or toward the sun. That starts to change tomorrow.

What does Fall mean to most? Well, for many it♦s Football, which actually started three weeks ago. But it♦s saying good bye to those scorching temperatures. You can set your calendar for the next equinox, which will be about March 21st. By that time, we will have complained about the cold temperatures of winter and be ready for the warmth of Spring.

Fall means the beautiful colors as the leaves change ♦ starting in the north and easing south. It means we♦re nearing the time animals prepare for winter, in some cases storing food. Some start to prepare their cozy winter homes, be they dens or hibernation spaces. We♦re already seeing the Halloween candy displays in stores, and Christmas lights will appear in the special sections before you know it. And of course ♦ pumpkin spice everything. So a final thought on Fall from Author A.A. Milne, who gave us Winnie The Pooh, and said ♦It♦s the first day of Autumn. A time of hot chocolatey mornings, and toasty marshmallow evenings, and, best of all, leaping into leaves♦."

Absence

We missed you!			Active R85
Alderdice, Corey Alderdice, Stephanie Allison, Ronnie G. Jr. Bennett, Delores C. Bradford, Jay Bradley, Danny Britton, Beau Brown, Daniel Brown, Jeremy W Brown, Sara Carney, James A Carter, Kim Chapmond, Chris Couch, Mary Anne Dante, Charles H. Jr. Davin, Peter Dews, John Scott Dodd, Nick Fleming, David M. Frierson, James Graham, Joseph P. Harper, Susan Allen Harrington, Neal Harris, William T IV Herrington, Richard Jr. Hinz, Ernie D.	Hoefl, John P. Hollingshead, Carol Jared, Donna Kelly, Judith Heikes Kendall, Kirsten A Kerst, William L. LaFollette, Diane Lauck, Scott Launius, Chuck E. Lipton, Michael J. Martinez, Rafael Matone, Chad DDS McCabe, Patrick G. McGrew, Richard W. McGuire, Patrick J. Metcalf, Mary Metcalf, Tim Moore, Courtney W. Mouton, Alex Naramore, Wade Nation, Christina Lynn Nehus, Stephanie M Northern, Martin Patel, Parth Patrico, Joe K. Pitard, Toddy	Porter, Lance A. Pratt, John A. Quinney, Greg Ragsdale, Linda L. Robbins, Elizabeth L. Roberts, Thomas W Rogers, Tiffany B. Ross, Doug Sample, William H. Shelby, Gene Simmons, Svetlana Smith, Janet E. Spraggins, Alan Stobaugh, John S Strong, Diana Switzer, Meredith Blaise Taylor, Kathy H. Trice, David Troutman, Gary A. Tuohey, James Michael Wagstaff, Cindy Wallace, Jean E. Warren, Les A. White, Michael Zunick, S. Robert	Aldridge, Susan G. Arnold, Douglas A. Brunner, John H. Davenport, H. W. Endicott, Lynn E. Fleischner, H. Mark Hudgens, E. Brad Levi, Lawrence W. Mazzanti, James R. Payton, Richard Porter, Jack C. Smith, Dennis C. Smith, Scott A. Woosley, Joseph L.

Thought for the Week

**If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more,
 do more and become more,
 you are a leader. ~John Quincy Adams**