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### Week of November 23, 2020

# **Upcoming Programs:**

November 25, 2020

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY/NO MEETING

December 2, 2020

Eric Munson, Arkansas Securities Commissioner

**CLICK HERE** for the program

December 9, 2020

Special Christmas Entertainment

### James Bullard, Federal Reserve President & CEO



Rotarian Vice President **Neal Gladner** introduced the President and CEO of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, **James Bullard**, to speak with us regarding the pandemic and the economy.

Bullard says that while there has been great progress in managing the global health crisis, there is still a risk. Due to the adaptability of the business community, the economy had a surprise upside during the spring and the fall. The policies put in place in the United States have been effective and were designed for a larger

shock than what has occurred thus far. He feels that the business communities implemented safeguards to keep their employees safe and that the upswing in cases now is probably from the household side.

The early economic forecasts from the impact of this pandemic were wrong; this is very different from the 2007 global financial crisis, which took over four years to get to the level that we've come to in 7 months.

We have the best scientists in the world working on vaccines and therapeutics and Wall Street has responded. He predicts from an investment perspective that we will have a pretty good economy at the end of this and he does see the "light at the end of the tunnel".

If you'd like to learn more about Bullard's program, you can CLICK HERE for his entire presentation.

# **Holiday Schedule**

#### **Club Leaders**



Chuck E. Launius President



Tiffany Tucker President-Elect Club Programs Chair



Neal C.
Gladner
PresidentNominee
Vice President
Membership
Chair



Gary McKuin Secretary



Courtney W. Moore
Treasurer



Rollin
Caristianos
Club Director
- Community
Services



Harmony Hurst Morrissey Club Director - Meetings & Activities



Justin Nicklas Club Director -Administration



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



The Holiday Season is about to begin, folks! Here is our schedule of meetings for the next two months:

NO MEETING NEXT WEEK on November 25

December 2 and December 9 we WILL have Zoom meetings

December 10 at 6:30 pm, we will have our Virtual HOLIDAY ART EVENT (see info below)

NO MEETING on December 16, December 23, and December 30

We will resume our weekly Zoom meetings on Wednesday, January 6, 2021

# **Holiday Art Event**



# The 4-Way Test

Invocation - Greg Quinney

Pledge  **Gary McKuin** 

The 4 Way Test � Jim Pate



Sergeant-at-Arms



Donna K Smith Club Executive Secretary



Stephanie Alderdice Webmaster



Michelle Ratcliff iPast President



Candace M Young Assistant Governor

#### **Birthdays**

John P. Hoefl November 22nd Valerie Williams November 24th Clay P. Farrar Jr. November 27th Linda L. Ragsdale November 28th Holly Haggard December 7th Roxanne Butterfield December 7th Larry A. Bailey December 8th Dana M. Lambert December 8th Kim Carter December 9th Maria Woodward December 10th Forrest L. Spicher II December 10th Parth Patel December 14th Lance A. Porter December 18th Gene R. Hall December 18th Chris Franklin December 21st Lynn E. Endicott







December 25th
Roger Giddings
December 25th
Cecil W. Cupp III
December 26th
Les A. Warren
December 29th
Gary McKuin
December 30th

#### **Student Guests**



Student Guest Committee Chair **Linda Ragsdale** introduced **Christian Sheridan**, from Mountain Pine High School for his first official visit. (Christian snuck in last week and without our knowledge...sorry Christian that we didn't recognize you then!) We really look forward to hearing him speak during our Zoom meeting next week. Christian was also joined by **Shelia Gadberry**, MPHS Counselor.

Alina Hendrix, also a Senior from Mountain Pine High School, feels that Covid has turned her senior year upside down, attending all of her classes virtually at National Park College. While participating in track and bowling, she continues to stay on top of her classes and plans to graduate High School with an Associate's Degree and further

her education with a BA from Arkansas State University. Her plans are to become a media personality, as she loves to smile, talk and influence people's lives. Her back-up career is to be an advertising executive. She is also excited about going to visit Hanamaki, Japan with the Hot Springs Sister City Program this spring...as long as Covid doesn't interfere. Good luck, Alina!

### **Guests**

President-Elect **Tiffany Tucker** introduced Wesley Harris and Nate Todd; **Neal Gladner** introduced Skip Clemmons; and **Chuck Launius** introduced James Dell and Robert Hopkins as guests this week. Brent Atkins was a guest of **Scott Dews** and we also had Rotarian **Marlin Evans** from Club 99 in Little Rock join us.

#### Satellite Club News



HSNP After Hours Satellite Rotary Club's current service project is **Toys for Tots**, which will run from October 1 through November 25. Boxes will be at all the Habitat ReStore locations.

#### **Board Notes**

The next Board meeting will be held **via Zoom** on **Tuesday**, **December 8 at noon**. All membership is invited to join us, especially new members who are trying to earn that coveted Blue Badge!

Please let President Launius or Donna K know that you are interested in joining us so we can send you the appropriate meeting link.

### **Announcements**

Rotarian Renee Bartholomae announced that Ouachita Behavioral Health and Wellness is providing a Veterans Outreach program. Please reach out to Katie at 501-762-9049 for more information. Their goal is to provide essential support to Arkansas Veterans who are impacted both by health and economic stress during the holidays. This program will be available only from November 3rd- December 30th. Services included are: funding assistance for housing, utilities, food, and gas cards, bus passes, case management and counseling/support services. Participants will need a Veteran ID Card.

Our **student guest program** is going great! But we need your help to schedule more students! If you have a relationship with, or know of a high school senior who would like to participate in our student guest program, please reach out to our Student Guest Committee Chair, **Linda Ragsdale** (lindarags6032@gmail.com). Linda is working with school counselors to get these arranged. Due to the Covid changes in our meetings, students will join us once via Zoom to observe our meeting and speak to us on their second virtual visit.

Rotarian **Cindy Wagstaff** and the Community Enhancement Committee did a great job with the coat drive. The coats are being cleaned and delivered to the Salvation Army for dispensing to those in need. Rotarian Sgt. **Bradley Hargis** thanked everyone who participated.

President Chuck also reminded all members that as part of our effort to receive the 2020-21 Presidential Citation, we must have 100% of our members who contribute \$100 to The Rotary Foundation. Many of our members choose to be billed \$10 per monthly statement; others choose to write one check. If you would like to have your donation automatically billed on your monthly statement, please reach out to Donna K at hsnprotaryclub@gmail.com and she will get that set up. Thanks to so many of you who have already reached out! And thanks to Robert Zunich and his committee for being proactive in their efforts to achieve the 100% goal! And thank you to the many who have sent in your donation checks!

### **Celebrate these Rotarians**



Congratulations to **Tim Metcalf** on his new publication, "*Be Local*". And thanks for running a page and a half story written by **Harmony Morrissey** about getting involved in the community by joining Rotary! <u>CLICK HERE</u> to check out his new publication. You'll find Harmony's story on pages 28-29.



Congratulations to Rotarian **Will Harris**, shown right with his partner Colin Heaton, at their recent ribbon cutting.



### **President Chuck Launius**



What a great program this week and it simply a great way to start my favorite Fall Holiday that we all enjoy Thanksgiving Day.

Ih m thankful to be part of a Rotary club that truly believes in tradition, giving and caring for each other and more importantly, for those less fortunate. As Ihve said before, where would Hot Springs be without wonderful service clubs like Hot Springs National Park Rotary?

Our community is one of giving, cooperation, care and focus for those less fortunate and Hot Springs National Park Rotary is a large part of our community. Being a Rotarian in this club has certainly made my life full of blessings and I want to thank each of you as fellow Rotarians but more importantly, as friends for sharing your time with me.

Enjoy your Thanksgiving Day with your family and friends and enjoy your meal but if you do have dressing, remember that no one dressing tastes the

same.

# Links to view previous Rotary Zoom Meetings

To view this week's presentation:

<u>CLICK HERE</u> to view the November 18, 2020 presentation by the **Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis President and CEO, James Bullard**.

For these previous recordings:

<u>CLICK HERE</u> with passcode: **TnzqK&V3** to view the October 15, 2020 meeting with the presentation by **District 6170 District Governor Jamie Higgins**.

<u>CLICK HERE</u> to view the October 21, 2020 meeting with presentations by **Randy Zook**, President of Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce and **Kenny Hall**, Chief Lobbyist at the Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce discussing **Issues #1**, **#2**, **and #3** on the current election ballots.

<u>CLICK HERE</u> with passcode **oYU#77+f** to view the October 28, 2020 meeting. The program was **Dr. Houston Davis**, **President of the University of Central Arkansas.** 

<u>CLICK HERE</u> to view the November 11, 2020 Veteran's Day presentation by **Nate Todd**, **secretary of the Arkansas Department of Veterans Affairs**.

If you are interested in viewing earlier recordings, please reach out to Donna K at hsnprotaryclub@gmail.com for the link.

### **Thought for the Week**

The more we express thanks, the more gratitude we feel. The more gratitude we feel, the more we express thanks. It sircular, and it leads to a happier life.

Happy Thanksgiving!