

Rotary Club of Magnolia



Fall Is In The Air

Wednesday, September 22, 2021



Good Morning

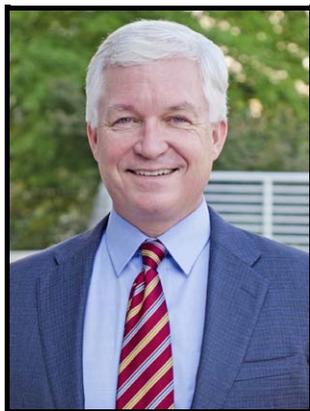
It's officially the first day of fall and it's starting to feel like it. The county fair is going on all week. Football season is revving up and soon the leaves will start to change.

Some words of wisdom for those working in word processors...save often.

Tomorrow will be our last meeting to have a guest speaker for the first quarter of the 2021-2022 Rotary year. Our September 30th meeting will be a club assembly where we will discuss how our club is doing and hear from members about where we are going.

But first....

Tomorrow's Meeting



Tomorrow we will have the privilege of welcoming Joseph W. Thompson, MD, MPH, President and CEO, Arkansas Center for Health Improvement and Professor of Medicine and Public Health at UAMS

Joe Thompson, MD, works at the intersection of clinical care, public health, and health policy. A nationally recognized leader in the quality and financing of health care, the improvement of public health, and the strategic response to threats to public health, Dr. Thompson strives to advance science within the context of political and economic reality.

As president and CEO of the Arkansas Center for Health Improvement, Dr. Thompson leads that organization in its current efforts to address emerging and legacy health issues through individual choice and influential policy. Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, he and ACHI have been assisting in Arkansas's response to the public health emergency, an effort that includes collecting and analyzing local data on the pandemic and disseminating vital information to decision-makers across the state. The COVID-19 impact on low-

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income communities and communities of color accentuates the impact of social inequities and the need for changes heralded by Dr. Thompson.

Dr. Thompson has led vanguard state and national efforts in planning and implementing healthcare financing reform, health promotion and disease prevention efforts focusing on health threats from tobacco and obesity, and emergency response efforts during periods of crisis. He worked with Arkansas's executive and legislative leadership and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services on healthcare financing innovation through novel Medicaid expansion strategies and their evaluation. He currently leads the Arkansas Healthcare Transparency Initiative, overseeing the linked integration of health data from the public and private sectors to improve health system access, quality, and cost.

Dr. Thompson was the inaugural surgeon general of Arkansas, serving for 10 years in the administrations of Mike Huckabee (R) and Mike Beebe (D), and has more than 35 years of experience on state and national corporate and public boards. Dr. Thompson currently serves on Academy Health's Advisory Group on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Health Services Research. Previously, he was the U.S. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality's first Child and Adolescent Health Scholar, a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Clinical Scholar, and assistant vice president of the National Committee for Quality Assurance. He is a professor of medicine and public health at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences.

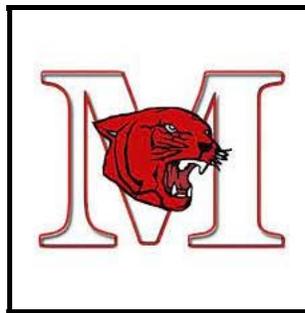
Dr. Thompson earned his medical degree from the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences and a Master of Public Health degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Student Guest

Please welcome our student guest, Keleigha Fielstra and Seth Edwards, who will be back with us again this week.

Keleigha is a member of Mu Alpha Theta, the Panther Girls Track Team, and the Magnolia Cheerleading squad. She plans to attend SAU to pursue a degree in nursing.

Seth is a member of the AP Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, the Gold Club, as well as a member of the Panther Football and Baseball Teams.



Club Bills

If you have not yet paid last quarters bill please turn in payment to Wally. Current quarterly invoices will go out sometime next week. Also, if you purchased a shirt or a mask and haven't paid yet that item will be listed on your bill.

Club Fundraisers and Events

Columbia County Fair - September 20-25



We've got a great set up at the fair. We'll be there tonight through Friday engaging the public and letting them know who we are and what we do. Come see us if you get the chance. We're the first commercial booth once you enter through the main gate. A big thank you to Jeff and Annette for helping to get everything set up.

Hot Links Fundraiser for MHS Band Booster

Our Hot Links raised \$1,240 for the Magnolia Band Boosters. We will be presenting the check at tomorrow's meeting.

The Magnolia Band has been a great program in this community for many decades and we are proud to support the program.

Thank you again to Billie for all the hard work she put into making this fundraiser a success.

COVID-19 Vaccine Opportunity

Tonight from 5pm-8pm the Arkansas Rural Health Partnership will have their mobile vaccine clinic at the fair. No appointment will be necessary. A big thank you to Rex for helping coordinate to get the clinic here in Columbia County.

Mask at Meetings

I am very strongly encourage everyone to wear mask at tomorrow meeting. We will have mask available if you do not have one.

Please be mindful of your fellow Rotarians and use proper mask etiquette, only removing the mask while eating. Remember, the mask isn't just about protecting you, it's about preventing the possible spread of the coronavirus to your fellow Rotarians and by extent to their friends and family.

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Public Relations
Social Media
Rotary Foundation/Grants

Speakers

September 23, 2021
Dr. Joe Thompson, ACHI

September 30, 2021
Club Assembly

For those not wanting to get out you can always catch our meetings live on our [Facebook Page](#).

Community Events

Every Rotarian is invited to attend the SAU Tech Adult Education Center's Open House celebrating National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week, September 23, 2021, 10:00am-2:00pm, at the Magnolia location: 104 Harvey Couch Blvd. Several agencies such as Division of Workforce Services, Arkansas Rehabilitation Services, Central Arkansas Development Council (CADC), Department of Human Services, and Title IB-WIOA will be on hand to share information about the programs/services offered through their agencies.

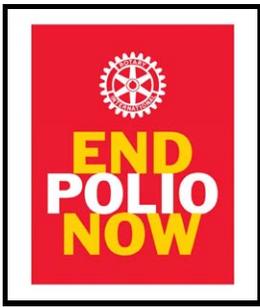


The LifeShare Bus will be at Peoples Bank on Jackson tomorrow from 11:00am-3:00pm to take blood donations. Blood is desperately needed across the state and the country so please consider giving if you can. Donors will receive a LifeShare t-shirt.

Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI)

WHO's African region one year wild polio-free: On 25 August, Rotary joined our partners in the GPEI in marking the first anniversary of the World Health Organization's African region being certified free of wild polio. The infrastructure and innovations developed continue to benefit children and public health across the continent and play an important role in fighting COVID-19.

District 6170 Fundraiser



District 6170 along with 1.2 million Rotarians in the world are continuing to 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! The district will be holding an "END POLIO NOW" fundraising event. There will be Hors d'oeuvres, beverages, a silent auction, squares game and lot of fun. This is an opportunity to participate directly in raising funds to eliminate polio. The event is **October 21, 2021 at Mermaid Manor on Lake Hamilton (1391 Timberlake Drive, Royal, Arkansas 71968)** from **6:00pm-8:00pm**. Tickets may be purchased at: <https://www.ticketor.com/rotary>

If you are not able to attend, you can still help by purchasing a ticket or donating an item for the silent auction. Tickets are \$55 for General Admission or \$25 for Virtual admission. If you are a Rotarian, you will be credited with a donation to the foundation of \$50 or \$20 depending on which ticket you purchase.

Club Update

If you haven't already, like us on <https://www.facebook.com/MagArkRotary>

Check out our website at www.magarkrotary.org

Covid-19 Resources

[Why Vaccinations Matter](#)

[How To Talk to Someone Who Is Vaccine Hesitant](#)

[Herd Immunity: What, Why, and How?](#)

[SAU: Coronavirus Vaccine FAQ](#)

[Arkansas Department of Health: Covid-19](#)

[Covid-19 Vaccine.gov Location Finder](#)

[Rotary and the Coronavirus Impact: FAQ](#)

Club Meeting

Magnolia
Bancorp South/Partee Room
Thursday at 12:00 PM

October 07, 2021
Grapette

October 14, 2021
Tamara Iverson -
Harbor House

October 21, 2021
Muleriders and Lady
Muleriders Head
Basketball Coaches

October 28, 2021
Barbara Hamilton -
SAU Tech Adult
Education Center



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