

June 18, 2024

Meetings 7:00 AM, Tuesday • DoubleTree Hotel  
Club 57764 • District 6080 • Organized March 29, 2002  
Peace Builder Club October 25, 2021  
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**May 21, Program:** Veronica Bell, Community Engagement Specialist, Greene County Office of Emergency Management.

**Last Week's Program:** Arwen Bendull, Teacher, OKC Heartland Montessori School. *The Montessori Method.*

**Opening:** Joe Stokes opened with the *Prayer, Pledge and the Four-Way Test.*

**Guests:** Celeb Bendull

**Rotary Moment:** No update: Last week Cliff Buchanan shared information from the May 2024 Rotary Magazine about solar power. Numerous Rotary projects are using solar power to improve access to health care around the world, including solar power used for vaccine storage

**Announcements:** President Sarah Bakerink

- **President Sarah Bakerink** noted that with \$2,000 available as matching funds for the Ozarks Literacy Council reading program, our club may achieve the \$6,000 needed.
- **President Sarah** thanked the member for being a Rotary Benefactor. There is still an opportunity for the Bequest Society.
- **President Sarah** reminded the club about the Installation Banquet on June 27<sup>th</sup>.
- **Charles Vandivert** provided details in preparation for June 13<sup>th</sup> Day of Caring to help with landscaping at The Fairbanks.
- **Allen Kunkel** thanked everyone that could join the last club social of the year. He thanked everyone for participating in the socials and **Scott Tumlin** will lead this going forward.

**Sergeant-At-Arms:** James Young

- **Allen Kunkel** didn't update fines because he did not take notes.
- **Last week's fines:**
- **Sarah Bakerink** is happy that her grandpa is doing well after suffering a fall.
- **Joe Stokes** was happy that they had a wonderful trip that included a visit to Niagara Falls. But beware of expensive parking.
- **Paula Montgomery** was happy about something, but Allen did not take good notes.
- **Allen Kunkel** had a wonderful family vacation in Costa Rica. Pura Vida!
- **Cliff Buchanan** was happy for not forgetting to cover for Crain Steensland in delivering the Rotary Moment.
- **Jim Jenkins** was happy to not have suffered a fall and to back.

**Program:** Arwen Bendull is a teacher at the Oklahoma City Heartland Montessori School. Maria Montessori is an Italian physician who opened the first school in 1907. The Montessori Method is child focused, student-led, self-paced guided learning, and focuses on sensitive periods. It involves the core principles: 1) respect for child, 2) sensitive periods (stages) for learning, 3) prepared environment, and 4) independence and discovery. Arwen shared the sensitive periods from birth to age 6, such as movement. Language, senses, social skills, reading, mathematics, writing, etc. Arwen described the different classroom areas and how they focus on different topics. Pre-language includes patterning, matching, and story sequencing with pictures. Beginning sounds and writing includes sandpaper letters, spy games, moveable alphabet, consonant-vowel-consonant words, and progressively more challenging. Reading includes Waseca (systematic and sequential) drawers, Bob books, and early readers. There were a lot of questions from the members and good discussion.

**Calendar**  
June – Rotary Fellowship Month

Date	Program	Opening (Alt) Rotary Moment
06/18	Veronica Bell Greene County OEM	Joe Tumlin (Ellen Duvall)
06/25	NO MEETING	
06/27	Installation Banquet Discovery Center	5:30 PM
07/02	David Eslick Historian	Joe Wadkins (Emily Inman)

**Birthdays**  
Bart Brown – June 1

- Springfield Rotary Club Locations**
- Springfield (Downtown) – Tue, Noon, Kentwood Hall
  - Springfield Metro – Tue, 5:00 PM, 425 West Walnut
  - Springfield Sunrise - Wed, 7:00 AM, Twin Oaks Country Club
  - Ozark – Wed, Noon, Ozark Community Center
  - Rotaract – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wed, Noon, 425 West Walnut
  - Springfield Southeast – Thu, Noon, Ocean Zen Restaurant
  - Nixa Rotary Club – Thu, 7:00 AM, Walkabout Coffee Shop

**Ozarks Literacy Council**  
Reading Program and  
Providing students with their  
own copy of books.  
  
Matching funds are available

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