

July 30, 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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**Program:** Jack Stack, President and CEO, SRC Hold-ings. *My Experience in Higher Education and Economic Outlook.* [Last](#)

**Week's Program:** Amy Jardell, Executive Director, Ozarks Literacy Council. *Volunteering for Classroom Reading.*

**Opening:** James Young opened with the *Prayer, Pledge and the Four-Way Test.*

**Guests:** Cindy Stevens, Downtown Rotary.

**Rotary Moment:** Allen Kunkel is sharing a Rotary moment. In 1968, astronaut Frank Borman, a member of the Houston Space Center Rotary Club, carried the first Rotary Club banner into orbit around the moon, becoming the first Rotary banner in space.

**Announcements:** President Paula Montgomery

- Paula Montgomery reminded us that there will be no regular club meetings for the next two weeks.
- Emily Inman asked members to contact her if they did not receive a dues invoice. Paula Montgomery thanked Emily for stepping up for treasurer duties as Charles Vandivert recovers.
- Joe Stokes and Connie, Allen Kunkel and Karen, and Ellen Duvall visited Charles Vandivert and wife Debbie at the Cox Rehab Center, delivering our birthday greetings and cards.
- Scott Tumlin noted that all the Cardinal game tickets are claimed. See Joe Stokes if anyone wants additional tickets.
- Cliff Buchanan has a land surveyor helping to plot the site for the tents at the Birthplace of Route 66 Rotary Rendezvous
- Paula Montgomery commended Cliff Buchanan for obtaining and donating HVAC repairs for the Discovery Center. Now the children can enjoy the facility in comfort.

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

- After Sarge commented on his shirt, Jim Jenkins stated, "Old men should be able to dress anyway they want."
- Allen Kunkel was happy to see and celebrate with Charles Vandivert on his birthday.
- Isabelle Walker was pleased that City Council listened to her request for a housing issue for the ballot.

**Program:** Amy Jardell, Executive Director of the Ozarks Literacy Council thanked the club for donating funds and for volunteering and being readers to preschoolers in the public schools. She stated the children love having a "visitor" and hearing someone other than their teacher reading to them. She showed us the five books that our funds have purchased and read one of them to us. She read holding the pages towards the students so they could see the pictures. When a "child" interrupted her, she would deflect and continue reading. At the end of the book, she went back to the issue raised by the interrupters – "I'm sure your new lunchbox is pretty." When we read, the teacher will still be overseeing the children and will manage any discipline. Volunteer readers will probably be in the classroom for about 15 minutes. If time permits, there will be an activity or other small project for the children to complete. Volunteers should contact the teacher to schedule when you will be arriving and remind the teacher the day before you appear. Amy will provide Paula with a list of the schools with a preschool class who need readers. She encouraged men especially to become readers as so many of the children are from homes with no male figure. The goal is for the children to experience reading fun so when the children enter school, they will be eager to learn to read. This is an important project to help change the lives of children.

**Calendar**  
August – Membership and New Club Development Month

Date	Program	Opening (Alt) Rotary Moment
07/30	NO MEETING Fifth Tuesday	
08/06	NO MEETING Club Social – SGF Cardinals	6:30 PM 7:05 PM GAME
08/09	Rotary Rendezvous Birthplace of Route 66	5:30 PM
08/13	Jack Stack CEO SRC Holdings	Sarah Bakerink (Geoff Russell)
08/20	Ruth Brown SGF- Greene Co. Health Dept.	Cliff Buchanan (Craig Steensland)

**Birthdays**  
Casey Wray– August 23

- 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

**BE INVOLVED**

**Ozarks Literacy Council**  
Reading Program and  
providing students with their  
own copy of books.

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