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CALENDAR

We meet both in-person at Broken Arrow United Methodist Church and online via Zoom. Meetings & links are announced in a weekly email.

2/7	Valentines day for Senior	
	service project	

- 2/14 Matt Hancock RYLA
- 2/21 No club meeting, Presidents Day
- 2/21 Board Meeting
- 2/26 Crowing Rights Trivia Contest at NSUBA 5:30 pm
- 2/28 John O'Connor. OK Attorney General
- 3/7 Four-Way Test Speech Contest
- 3/17-20 RYLA Weekend!
- 3/24 OBI Challenge Kick-Off 3/24-26 MAPETS Training for President-elects
- 3/28 Board Meeting



BA Rotary Club Member Action



Our club's newest Rotary Foundation Benefactors are Roy and Becky Wood. Roy assured us that by putting the Rotary Foundation in our will he will never miss the money. It's a perfect legacy to leave.

Thank you, Ash Etwardo, for accepting the President Nominee Designate role beginning in July, 2022.

Ash has been a very enthusiastic and successful Sergeant-at-Arms going on two years. He also chaired our Pancake Breakfast last year and has been active in virtually every committee we have. By taking on the President Designate role he will become membership chair for our club as he begins the 4 year succession to club president. We are excited to see the fruits of his leadership over the next few years.



Blue Badge Earned

Nicole Smith earned her official blue badge

after completing all the requirements. She

brings a lot of energy to our club!



Meet Our Newest Member!

Jason Weaver

With the exception of living in Texas from 2014 - 2021, I am a native Oklahoman and graduated from Broken Arrow H.S. in 1994. I consider Broken Arrow my home and am so glad to be back. I became a Realtor in Texas, in 2019, and have since then become licensed in Oklahoma and now proud to be working with my parents on a team for McGraw Realtors. We are The Weaver Team, specializing in residential real estate throughout the Greater Tulsa Metroplex.

Jason Weaver was inducted into our club January 10. He is sponsored by Steve Barnes via Zoom, so Ash stepped in to assist in person.

RECENT **M**EETINGS AND **E**VENTS

12/27 & 1/3 No meetings for the Holidays

1/10 Roy Wood with Club Assembly

This club assembly included some really funny "What is Rotary" videos. One of the elements he discussed was the Rotary Foundation and how it creates the unique ability of our District and individual clubs to match funds to complete projects Our club is at the top of the line receiving these grants due to the 100% participation of our members in donating to the RI Foundation.



1/17 No Meeting for Martin Luther King Day

1/24 Andy Craig

Andy Craig's message was to be as an inspirational talk about "Igniting Your Masterpiece" but instead he spoke about a website that allows direct contact with state and national leaders.



1/31 Trivia Warm-Up Trial

Our club members warm up their trivia skills and have fun competing during this fun meeting. Each table plays as a team for two rounds of questions. With the fund-raising Crowing Rights Trivia Contest (see page 3) only a few weeks away, it's a valuable way to get the contest staff tuned up to handle the fast-paced event.



Congratulations to our winning table group: Mike Scrimsher, visiting Rotarian John Fothergill, Debra Wimpee and Derek Blackburn. Below is a view of some other Warm-up teams as they competed.





Suessical Kids Kim Vento spoke to

us about the Penguin Project and offered tickets to come to one of the performances. The group seen here

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attended the Sunday Matinee on 1/16. Also present but not pictured are Jennifer Deal and Mike Scrimsher who helped with the event.

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Below is Kim onstage with her performers and helpers after the show. Special needs looks more like special talents when they get the chance to perform.

Tiger Town Tees donated printing and shirts for the performer's Penguin Project T-shirts plus donated printing on an extra 100 to sell, with the BA Rotary Club sponsoring the rest of the 100 extra shirt costs.





Crowing Rights Trivia is In-Person at NSUBA February 26.

- Teams have a maximum of five players. To be competitive, we encourage teams to include a student. \$400 per team includes the meal.
- Ten rounds of eight questions each, with true/false and multiple-choice questions from categories such as sports, science, history, entertainment, etc., plus a few of local interest.
- Over \$68,000 has been raised by this event over the past 12 years. *All* profits go to Happy Hands and the Rotary Club scholarship funds.
- Contributions may be tax-deductible as Broken Arrow Rotary Club Foundation and Happy Hands are 501(c)3 Corporations.
- The winning team's name is engraved on the traveling "Crowing Rights" trophy which they keep until the next contest. Team members receive individual plaques. Category team winners also receive a plaque.
- Sign-up forms are on our club website or can be emailed to your team sponsor prospects.
- We have six confirmed teams so far, and room for 28, so get after them!

For questions or to send forms:

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Joel and Janae Miller, 2021 Rooster Egg finders.

Rotary Rooster Egg Hunt

Rooster Days is moving back to Spring where it belongs, and our **Rotary Rooster Egg Hunt** is fast approaching. Our lead sponsor has been contacted about renewing that level, but lots of other sponsorships are available now. It's a great way for businesses to get some attention. Details coming soon!



Linnsey Childress, director of exhibits for the Discovery Lab, was featured in The Tulsa World as they previewed this new children's museum in The Gathering Place. The hands-on museum opened 1/24 and we are very proud to have one of our members help make it go!



On January 20th, the Military History Center honored one of Broken Arrow's treasured Heroes, Dr Clarence G. Oliver with a Citizen Soldier award and a Quilt of Valor! Clarence continues to be an active, involved Rotarian, and always makes our club shine! Congratulations Clarence!

Broken Arrow Rotary President's Message

elcome to 2022, fellow Rotarians! I'm sure we are all glad to see 2021 behind us as we continue to hope for a better 2022. While we still have variants of Covid running rampant through our communities, those variants appear to be less



BA Rotary President Roy Wood

deadly than earlier ones. Nevertheless, I hope everyone will stay safe, use common-sense prevention, and remain healthy.

In my last newsletter, I congratulated everyone on many successful projects leading up to the Christmas and New Year's breaks. While we are half-way through the Rotary year, we still have a lot to do and more people to serve.

Our last meeting of January was a dry-run for our annual Crowing Rights Trivia Contest. The run-through was designed to be sure everyone is ready to go, including our very own emcee, Jeff Steen, and our score-keepers and recorders. The actual contest will be live at NSU Broken Arrow on February 26th starting at 5:30 with a buffet by Stu Conrad, followed by the contest at 6:30. Remember that the proceeds from this important event support Happy Hands school for hearing-impaired children and Rotary college scholarships. Lists will be circulated soon to solicit volunteers. It's a fun night for a great cause.

At our meeting on February 7th, we will do a club project preparing Valentine cards

for area retirement homes. Last year, the cards were well received. Come help brighten the day of a shutin by offering a small token that say someone in Rotary is thinking about them. This is

an easy project to participate in, but one that is extremely meaningful.

Another fun project with our friends at the YMCA is Healthy Kids Day. That event is scheduled for April 24th, so mark your calendar. We will prepare and serve kids fruit and other healthy snacks.

As a "bonus," BA's longest running celebration, Rooster Days, will move back to its normal May date after being delayed last year due to Covid. That means, we'll have TWO Rooster Days events in the same Rotary year!! The event is scheduled for May 12th-15th with the parade on Saturday, May 14th. Since our last newsletter, we've had one new member join: Jason Weaver. Help me welcome all our new Rotarians by encouraging them to get involved in our projects and events. The best way to learn about Rotary is to get hands-on in serving to change the lives of others. We look forward to working with you, Jason, and all the other recent new members! Welcome aboard.

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through the various committee leadership positions toward becoming our Club President in 2025-2026.

Finally, I'd like to thank you all for your service and dedication to Rotary and our club. We are making a difference in people's lives through our service projects, fundraisers, and fellowship. It's a privilege to serve with you and I look forward to the second half of our Rotary year together.

Yours in Rotary Service,

Roy



JENNIFER JONES, PRESIDENT-ELECT FOR ROTARY INTERNATIONAL REVEALED HER THEME AND LOGO FOR THE 2022-23 YEAR.

Rotary International News & Fun Facts





Every Rotary year, the incoming RI President selects a theme and graphic for it. It is announced in the January before the July 1 new Rotary year.

Rotary International President-elect Jennifer Jones wants members to imagine the possibilities they can make to transform the world.

Jones, a member of the Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland, Ontario, Canada, revealed the 2022-23 "You don't imagine yesterday," Jones said, "you imagine tomorrow."

presidential theme, IMAGINE ROTARY, as she urged people to dream big and harness their connections and the power of Rotary to turn those dreams into reality. "Imagine, a world that deserves our best," Jones told incoming district governors on 20 January, "where we get up each day knowing that we can make a difference."

Jones will make history on 1 July by becoming Rotary's first female president. To raise Rotary's profile, Jones plans to hold

> a global impact tour that will include talking with leaders about working together to address the world's most pressing challenges. "Rotary opens these doors and we need to harness our connections, to deepen these

relationships and create new partnerships," Jones said. "And the best part is, this can happen at every level of leadership."