



The Big Wheel

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This Week's Program -- September 27, 2022

Arisa Healthcare, The State's Premier Integrated Behavioral Health System

Arisa Health's mission is to lead with exceptional care that nurtures health and well-being for all. It brings together four of Arkansas' leading behavioral health providers to form the state's premier integrated behavioral health system. The affiliates include Professional Counseling Associates, Mid-South Health Systems, Ozark Guidance and Counseling Associates.

Our speaker today is Brad Hyde, the Community Liaison Director for Arisa Healthcare and the Marketing Director for MidSouth Health Systems, the largest behavioral health provider in the state of Arkansas. He has been in the mental health field for 27 years. He has worked in outpatient, inpatient, for profit, not-for-profit, private and community mental health treatment. He has worked for treatment centers in Arkansas, Missouri and Tennessee.



Come hear what Arisa Healthcare is and how it can help the people of Arkansas.

Dates to Remember

October 6 -- Plate It Forward

Houlihans at Embassy Suites is holding a Plate It Forward event. They will donate a percentage of all the food purchased that night to the Rotary Club of Jonesboro. Come enjoy dinner out and increase the donation.

October 11 -- Women's Leadership Summit

The Women's Leadership Summit is a professional development event celebrating the power of women to transform our communities and industries through building professional skills, networking, opening conversations and creating a collaborative movement to bring professionals together. This meeting is an Arkansas Business Production held at the Embassy Suites Red Wolf Convention Center on the ASU campus. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. and meetings end at noon. Our Rotary women get a discount. In the prompt for Promo Code type in ROTARYJONESBORO and the discounted in person drop down will pop up. They are going to arrange for us to sit together at the event.
<https://www.abwomensleadership.com/jonesboro-registration>

October 27 -- Rotary Foundation Dinner

This event is held Thursday, October 27, 2022, from 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM, at Heifer International, 1 World Avenue in Little Rock. The speaker is Beth Stubbs, RI Director Nominee for 2023. Register on dacDB.

October 28 -- Last Day to Purchase Anywhere in the World Tickets

There are only 500 tickets to sell in all of our District. The winning ticket will pay for **two (2) roundtrip airline tickets**, economy fare, to anywhere in the world they want to go **and dinner for two (2)** at the destination chosen by the winner. (Some restrictions apply.)

Every Rotary Meeting -- Have you noticed the cards on your tables?

Club Leaders



Will Branch
President



Erika Krennerich Chudy
President-Elect



Dana L. Kennedy
Secretary



Nancy Elphingstone
Treasurer
Club Service Chair



Jennifer Hannah
President-Nominee
Vocational Service Chair



Ruth A. Hawkins
Rotary Foundation
Chair



Adam Robert Sartin
Assistant Governor

Events

September 27th
[Jonesboro Club Meeting
September 27, 2022 - Brad
Hyde, Arisa](#)

October 11th
[Jonesboro Club Meeting
October 11 - Dr. Todd Shields,
A-State](#)

Birthdays



Isabella Baughn
September 29th



Kevin W Gore
October 1st



Blake A. Guinn
October 4th



Berl A. Smith
October 5th



John P. Miles II
October 10th



Kenna S. Harrelson
October 18th



Vanna Headley
October 23rd



Kapil Bajaj
October 23rd



John M. White III
October 24th



Alicia Dyer
October 25th



Dana L. Kennedy
October 25th

Clark Receives Rotary Citation for Club



Past President Gary Clark represented one of four clubs that received the Rotary Citation for the 2021-22 Rotary year. **Assistant District Governor Adam Sartin** made the special presentation at last week's meeting.

The Rotary Citation is the most significant award a Rotary club can achieve. During a year that was challenging for many Rotarians around the world, these clubs demonstrated a commitment to achieving their goals, which ultimately helps strengthen Rotary and shape our future.

The Rotary Citation awards recognize the hard work clubs do throughout the year. Taking action toward achieving the citation goals helps clubs engage their members, stay relevant in their communities, and run more efficiently. A welcoming and engaging club also reflects the values of Rotary. When clubs achieve citation goals, they contribute to the overall health and culture of Rotary for generations to come.

Good News -- September 20, 2022

Vanna Headley carried the mic for Good News. Her good news was that she was promoted at work.

Hatton Weeks proudly announced that his oldest daughter was crowned homecoming queen.

Brian Rega was proud of **Gary Clark** being awarded the Rotary Citation and of **Assistant District Governor Adam Sartin** making the award presentation happen.

Bill Burnett recognized Nettleton School, its principal and its team, for their participation in the SPOCS program.

Wes Eddington got to watch *Gray Man* and *Maverick* with his grandson.

Adam Sartin said that **Vanna Headley** did a wonderful skit for the Leadership Jonesboro class.

Brenda Fasulo announced that her foster daughter is expecting a baby.

Since Nettleton Interact Club and weatherman Ryan Vaughan were at Rotary today, **Jon Carmack** felt he was in good company.

Sam Hummelstein was also glad that Ryan Vaughan was present, and said that **Bonnie May** gave him a President's pin.

Christie Matthews Mink played a recording of her five-year-old grandson saying "I love Rotary" at Centennial Park last Saturday.

Last Week's Program -- September 20, 2022

What is SPOCS?

Dr. Maureen Dolan was our speaker last week along with members of the SPOCS team. SPOCS stands for Student Payload Opportunity with Citizen Science. The interdisciplinary SPOCS team includes seven members: Benjamin Whitfield of Little Rock, an electrical engineering major and team leader; Katherine Willis of Blue Springs, Mo., Claire Greene of Conway and Hannah Seats of Brookland, who are biological sciences majors; and Landon



Perdue of Brookland, Mason Rhodes of Benton, and Jacob Oster of Bay, who are mechanical engineering majors.

Titled "Microgravity Environment Impact on Plastic Biodegradation by *Galleria mellonella*," their proposal is described as an experiment to discover the ability of waxworms to degrade plastics in space. The experiment could help provide answers for a more sustainable environment on earth and future, long-term space travel.

"They all have multitasked on this project and all team members have been involved in most all aspects," explained Dr. Maureen Dolan, associate professor of molecular biology. "Each member took lead on various aspects of the project, from designing and conducting waxworm preliminary experiments, to the experimental prototyping and build of the housing unit, leading curriculum development for citizen science and outreach activities, to social media management."

A-State's (SPOCS) project was selected by NASA's Office of STEM Engagement as one of five to be carried out in 2022. The team was among five selected to receive \$20,000 NASA grants, with the other winning university teams coming from Columbia, Stanford, Idaho, and New Hampshire at Manchester.

Dolan emphasized the dedication and long hours invested by the SPOCS students, and expressed appreciation for guidance from NASA and Nanoracks representatives and A-State personnel, making it possible for the team to send an operational unit to the International Space Station.

Also included were students from Nettleton STEAM School and Blessed Sacrament School. These schools could spend more time on the experiments which A-State didn't have the time to do.

On June 22, NASA's Kennedy Space Center launched SpaceX's 25th cargo resupply mission (CRS-25), the Dragon capsule which included supplies to the ISS, along with science projects from A-State and Stanford. NASA's Kennedy Space Center. The seven Arkansas State University students were there, anxiously observing as their research experiment headed to the International Space Station (ISS). Here is the link to the video that they weren't able to run. <https://vimeo.com/740206453>

Also, please check out website <https://www.astatespocs.org/>

It was a very impressive Rotary program.

Report Card -- September 20, 2022

Membership

Total Active Members - 109

Active members - 51

Active-Service - 30

Active-Partner - 5

Active-Modern - 3

Active-LOA - 1

"Active Rule of 85" members - 19

Honorary members - 6

Total Attendance - 44

Active Members - 31

Friends of Rotary - 0

Honorary members - 0

Proposed - 0

Guests - 13

Attendance Percentage for this Meeting -- 31.6

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