

The Big Wheel

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Events

February 20th
Jonesboro Club Meeting Feb 20- Phil Shupe, Shupe & Assoc.

February 27th
Jonesboro Club Meeting Feb 27 -Michael Jackson, Diego Ranch

Birthdays



Gary Clark
February 19th



Robert C. Green
February 21st



Jeremy Todd Watson
February 24th



Don O'Neal
March 5th



H. Steve Leslie
March 10th



Melissa Martin
March 12th

This Week's Program -- February 20, 2024

Ukraine Water Project

This week our program is given by Rotarian Phil Shupe. Phil is an engineer involved with water and wastewater projects, both in the United States and abroad, working to provide clean drinking water to countries including Guatemala, Haiti, Brazil, Nepal and Ukraine. Phil has been involved with Shupe & Associates for over 25 years in process design and selling water and waste water equipment.



Phil is an active member of the Rotary Club of North Little Rock since 2013. Last year our club helped provide 1800 Sawyer membrane filters and buckets in Ukraine in the Dnipro area where they have been bombed by the Russians. The Russians also bombed the dam in that area that provides irrigation and drinking water for 16 million people. Phil has been involved with Shupe & Associates for over 25 years in the process designing and selling water and waste water equipment.

Come hear about the Ukraine Water Project and how the war is effecting getting water to this region. Bring a friend or colleague and let them hear how Rotary works in the world. It should prove to be an interesting and informative program.

Remember These Dates

Rotary Foundation Gala



The Rotary Foundation Gala for District 6150 will be held on February 23 at 6 p.m. in the Woodard McAlister Family Club Room at Arkansas State University. Entertainment will be provided by Thump Daddy of Memphis.

Special recognition will be given to the Foundation Ambassadors. Our club's ambassador is **Jill Clogston**. Anyone able to give \$10 to the Rotary Foundation, please do so through Jill Clogston's #givebutter page found on her Facebook page or our club's page.

Opportunities for sponsorships are available.

Get your tickets today!

Shrimp Boil Fundraiser

Our second annual shrimp boil will be June 14. This is the main fundraiser for our club, and we need everyone's help.

Good News â€œ February 13, 2024

Will Branch carried the Good News Bucket. **Shaila Creekmore** took notes.

Heather Coats' oldest son got married last weekend in St. Louis.

DG-Elect Brian Rega gave a donation for Polio because he felt pity for Will for not getting any donations after he asked him to carry the bucket.

Last Week's Program February 13, 2024

By Shaila C Creekmore

Inclusive Leadership

Dr. Evette Allen Moore, Inaugural Assistant Dean for diversity, equity and inclusion at New York Institute of Technology, encouraged inclusive leadership during her presentation during last week's program.

Dr. Moore's presentation focused primarily on equity, which she defined as "the absence of avoidable, unfair or remediable differences among groups of people, whether those groups are defined socially, economically, geographically or by other means of stratification." Equity is acknowledging that people come into spaces with different backgrounds, experiences and resources and that everyone won't need the same things to be successful in the same spaces.

This process means committing ourselves to lifelong learning about diversity and understanding about differences and implementing equity in all aspects within our lives. The purpose of this work is "to discuss inclusive leadership and how it can assist with creating sustainable organizations and inclusive workplace cultures." Inclusive leadership means creating solutions for the most vulnerable among your staff or members of your organization or classroom and by doing so, creating solutions for others in the process.

Characteristics of an Inclusive Leader:

- Understands Personal Biases - understands their personal biases and works to lessen them.
- Empathetic
- Collaborative - looks for ways to collaborate and bring together varying ideas.
- Intentional and Innovative Inclusion - uses innovation to implement new ideas that positively impact everyone.
- Disciplined, Relentless, Accountable - does not accept "no" for inclusion, is disciplined and accountable in carrying out DEI initiatives.



Report Card -- February 13, 2024

By Dana L. Kennedy

Total Active Members - 107
Active members - 61
Active-Service - 16
Active-Partner - 4
Active-Modern - 3
Active-LOA - 1
"Active Rule of 85" members - 18
Honorary members - 6

Total Attendance - 36
Active Members - 33
Friends of Rotary - 0
Honorary members - 0
Proposed - 0
Guests - 3 [Read More](#)