

The Big Wheel

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Club Leaders



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President



Jennifer Hannah
President-Elect
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Jeremy Todd Watson
Treasurer

Events

June 11th

Jonesboro Club Meeting June 11, 2024 Thomas Burchfield

June 14th

2024 Shrimp Boil Volunteer Signup

June 18th

Jonesboro Club Meeting June 18, 2024- Will Branch

Birthdays



Tony Thomas
June 11th



Russ Hannah
June 21st



Jarrett Free
June 24th



Kenneth Ray Keller
June 27th



Wesley R. Eddington
July 9th

This Week's Program -- June 11, 2024

The Great Arkansas Treasure Hunt

Thomas Burchfield is the Outreach Manager for the Arkansas Auditor's office. He has been with them since December 2022. He represents the Auditor who administers Arkansas's Unclaimed Property program, the Great Arkansas Treasure Hunt. Through this free program, the office reconnects both current and former Arkansans with their unclaimed property at no charge to the claimants.



Unclaimed property happens when a holder of an account is unable to locate the account's owner. This often happens as a result of people moving or when a person dies, resulting in the property being deemed "abandoned." The properties which range from cash, securities, mineral proceeds or tangible items are then remitted to the Auditor of State's office. The Auditor is required by law to attempt to reunite citizens with their unclaimed property. To search the state's unclaimed property database, people may visit the new website at www.claimitAR.gov.

Come hear what Burchfield has to say. He may have some money for someone.

It's Shrimp Boil Time!



The Shrimp Boil Is Here!

This Friday, June 14, is the day we work the Shrimp Boil Fundraiser. See Marilyn Hummestein to sign up for times and duties.

Remember, this is our club's *only* fundraiser, and we need everyone to participate to make it a success.

As we are all volunteer Rotarians who firmly stand in Service Above Self, this will be another successful year of fundraising. These funds help the club's ability to do more service projects, provide scholarships for area students, afford membership recruitment activities, and make grants to other local nonprofits in need, along with many other worthy endeavors. THANK YOU for being a Rotarian at heart!

Service Projects

June Service Project -- Diapers

Our service project for the month of June is diapers. These will be donated to Mama 2 Mama. Any size of diaper, NB - 5T, can be donated.

Mama 2 Mama is a community-driven initiative committed to building a strong foundation for our present and future generations of mothers in Northeast Arkansas. Mama 2 Mama is classified as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. Its mission is to provide a substantial amount of solutions and resources to the communities of mothers who are unable to receive necessities due to hardship. It intends to lift the barriers of physical, physiological, and financial demands of families by distributing supplies and services for immediate and long-term needs.

Bring your donation any time this month.

May Service Project -- Food for Backpacks



Service Chair Chad Chadwick presented collected food to Westside Schools.

Good News -- June 4, 2024

Beverly Parker carried the mic for Good News.

Carolyn Hudgins was thankful for her seatbelt when she had an automobile accident this past week.

Norman Stafford was glad that Lisa Wehmer, **Ruth Hawkins'** sister, was at Rotary this week.

President Erika Chudy applauded the 25% of the club who had bought/sold shrimp boil tickets and challenged the 75 % who hadn't, to do so.

PP Beverly Parker was happy that the preservation awards were presented in Jonesboro. She also mentioned **Carolyn Hudgins** sold 18 tickets and **Marti Allen** sold 21 tickets, and she challenged other members to sell more shrimp boil tickets.

Last Week's Program -- June 4, 2024

Downtown Jonesboro Alliance: Eat, Shop, Live

Last week's program was presented by Sarah Doss, Executive Director of the Downtown Jonesboro Alliance.

Established in 2010, the Downtown Jonesboro Alliance is a non-profit organization that seeks to provide community outreach and to promote downtown Jonesboro as the place to eat, shop and live. The aim of increasing pedestrian traffic and commerce in the shopping, arts, restaurants, and entertainment for all Downtown Jonesboro businesses. The organization is made up of a board of directors, four committees, staff personnel and many local volunteers.



Doss showed some of the additions made to Jonesboro.

- A large metal building on Union Street
- Donation of picnic tables that are ADA approved
- Playground equipment
- Lighting on Main Street
- Over the street banner that says "Welcome to Jonesboro"
- A forty-foot Christmas tree

Upcoming events include

- Local Festival on September 13 and 14
- Barbecue Festival on September 27 and 28
- Fall Festival on October 12
- Boo in the Boro on October 31
- Joy Festival on December 7

DJA is funded by local partners, grants, and BID and AIP.

You can text DJA to 833.774.0654 for weekly calendar updates or join their monthly newsletter.

Report Card -- June 4, 2024

Total Active Members - 107
Active-Service - 75
Active-Partner - 4
Active-Modern - 3
Active-LOA - 1
Active Rule of 85 members - 18
Honorary members - 6

Total Attendance - 46
Active Members - 41
Friends of Rotary - 0
Honorary members - 0
Proposed - 0
Guests - 5 [Read More](#)

Report Card -- May 28, 2024

Total Active Members - 107
Active-Service - 75
Active-Partner - 4
Active-Modern - 3
Active-LOA - 1
Active Rule of 85 members - 18
Honorary members - 6

Total Attendance - 40
Active Members - 37
Friends of Rotary - 0
Honorary members - 0
Proposed - 0
Guests - 2 [Read More](#)