

The Big Wheel

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Events

September 24th
Jonesboro Club Meeting
September 24, 2024 - Dr. Emma Jacobs

Speaker: Dr. Emma Jacobs, St. Bernards Urology Clinic
Subject: September: Prostate Cancer Awareness Month

Birthdays



Shailla C Creekmore
October 1st



Berl A. Smith
October 5th



John P. Miles II
October 10th



Darpan Hemant Bhanushali
October 18th



Kenna S. Harrelson
October 18th



Donald Cooper
October 22nd

This Week's Program -- September 24, 2024

September: Prostate Cancer Awareness Month

September is Prostate Cancer Awareness Month, a time to help people learn about prostate cancer and support those who are affected. Prostate cancer is the second most common cancer among men.

This month is also a chance to raise awareness of what people can do to prevent and cure prostate cancer.

Dr. Emma Jacobs is a urologist in Jonesboro with extensive experience in urinary conditions and urinary calculi and removal. Dr. Jacobs graduated from the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences. She has been in practice with St. Bernards Healthcare since 2015.



Beyond truth vs. fiction in the media

Media literacy is crucial for healthy societies. Rotary members are teaching people to think critically about what they see and read

By **Etelka Lehoczky**

The first day at a new school can be disorienting for any teenager. But your first day at Virginia Hall High School is even stranger than most. Your grandfather claims he used to be a spy, your sister accuses some students of locking her in a closet, and everyone says a monster is stalking the hallways.

What is happening? Is any of this true? Instead of rushing off to fight the monster, you read about the weird recent events in the school newspaper. You ask yourself: Do these sources provide multiple pieces of evidence for their claims? Could they possibly be earning money because of what they're saying? Do their stories cast a negative light on people who disagree with them?

Experts interviewed for this story recommended several nonpartisan fact-checking sites. Here are a few:

- [PolitiFact](#), a Pulitzer Prize-winning site run by the Poynter Institute, a nonprofit school for journalists
- [Full Fact](#), a London, England-based factchecking site
- [Snopes](#), a source of information on urban legends and online rumors since 1994
- [FactCheck.org](#), a nonprofit project of the Annenberg Policy Center of the University of Pennsylvania, US

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Good News -- September 17, 2024

Donald Cooper carried the mic for Good News.

Hatton Weeks reiterated the need for polio immunizations and gave money for polio eradication.

Mike Payson's grandson, Colby, is getting married on Saturday.

Brock Wooldridge's dad received \$79 from the Arkansas Treasure Hunt and gave it to Brock.

Norman Stafford was glad to see Mrs. Timmerman here with her Interact Group from Nettleton.

Last Week's Program -- September 17, 2024

Red Wolf Renaissance Fair: Raising Awareness of the Critically Endangered Red Wolf

Our speaker last week was Lauren Hopkins, Coordinator of the Renaissance Fair. The Fair, the first to be held in Jonesboro, will be held October 12-13 at Craighead Forest Park.

The Renaissance Fair will feature carriage rides, performances at bank shell, knight fights, a bounce house for kids, a kids' activity zone, disc golf, and many more. There will be a Crowning of the King and Queen and a Crowning of the Royal Pooch. Vendors of arts and crafts will also be available. Food trucks will be there to offer food and drink.

All this is being done to support the red wolf, an endangered species. A new conservation center with red wolf habitats will be built at Craighead Forest.

Members of the fair board, along with Lauren, are working to create a memorable, family-friendly event that raises awareness of the critically endangered Red Wolf. Their main priority is to support the American Red Wolf Conservation and Research Center initiative at Craighead Forest Park. They hope to make this an annual event in Jonesboro.



Report Card - September 17, 2024

Total Members = 108

Active=68
Active-Modem=3
Active-Partner=3
Active-R85=15
Active-Service=17
Staff Position=2

Active-Service: 7
Active-Modem: 2
Active-R85: 4
Active: 27
Guest: 11 [Read More](#)

Report Card -- September 3, 2024

Total Members = 107

Active=67
Active-Modem=3
Active-Partner=3
Active-R85=15
Active-Service=17
Staff Position=2

Active-Service: 7
Active-Modem: 2
Active-R85: 6
Active: 33
Guest: 3
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