

The Big Wheel

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This Week's Program -- February 11, 2025

St. Bernards Maternal Life 360 HOME

The Arkansas Department of Human Services (DHS) recently announced that St. Bernards Medical Center in Jonesboro will open the first Maternal Life360 HOME in Arkansas and provide services for women with high-risk pregnancies. Life360 HOME is an innovative program that supports women with high-risk pregnancies through home-visiting services during pregnancy and for up to two years after birth. The intensive support available through this program is aimed at improving health outcomes and health-related social needs like food security and housing, and as a result, the long-term health and well-being of women and babies.



The St. Bernards Maternal Life360 HOME is now serving women who are enrolled in Medicaid benefits in Craighead County. A second Life360 HOME at White River Medical Center in Batesville is expected to open in the near future, and it will serve women in Independence County, and additional Maternal Life360s are expected to follow in other hospitals around Arkansas. A woman is eligible for Maternal Life360 home-visiting services if she is enrolled in Arkansas Medicaid, has a diagnosis of high-risk pregnancy, lives in a Life360 service area, and is not currently receiving other state or federally funded home-visiting services.

Emily McGee, Vice President of Nursing and Women's & Children's Services for St. Bernards oversees this program. She is our speaker today.

Come hear about Maternal Life360 and bring a friend or colleague.

Soles for Souls

Dear Rotarians,

I am once again attending PETS training in March, as I prepare for the role of President. One of the wonderful opportunities this year is a shoe drive. Here is where you come in at. I am asking if you would consider donating a NEW pair of shoes: sizes 7-12 adult boy or girl, closed toe. These do not have to be the latest trending Jordan's by any means. Any place that sells shoes. Walmart, Target, Shoe Carnival etc.

If you would bring them to our weekly meetings between now and March 18, I will take them from there. I drive a big truck with a big truck bed so don't be afraid to load me down for my trip to Fort Smith!

I appreciate all of you.

Thnak You,
Chad Chadwick

Good News -- February 4, 2025

Hatton Weeks carried the mic for Good News.

Jeremy Colton gave \$5 for the five years he's been in the club. He has accepted a position in Batesville so this will be his last visit to our Rotary.

Wes Eddington said his family was growing.

Norman Stafford thanked members of the club for the good wishes while he was out for five weeks.

Marti Allen thanked the club for signing and sending the get-well card when she had an automobile accident.

Club Leaders



Jennifer Hannah
Treasurer-Elect
President



Chad Chadwick
President -Elect



Alicia Dyer / Benson
Secretary



Jeremy Todd Watson
Treasurer



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President -Nominee
Rotary Foundation
Chair

Events

No Events found

Birthdays



Mickey Latour
February 11th



Robert L. Warner Jr.
February 12th



Mark Alan Morrow
February 12th

Gary Clark
February 19th



[Robert C. Green](#)
February 21st



[Jeremy Todd Watson](#)
February 24th



[Don O'Neal](#)
March 5th



[Samuel Craig](#)
March 9th



[H. Steve Leslie](#)
March 10th

Michael Payson said that **Hatton Weeks** was responsible for the Rotary ad played on KAIT-8.

Last Week's Program -- February 4, 2025

The Delta Gateway Museum

Our program this week was presented by Rotarian Gregory Hansen and honored the founding director Leslie Hester of the Delta Gateway Museum. He showed pictures of the museum's various exhibits, including pottery from the ancient civilization and collections of artifacts of the Mississippi Delta. He emphasized the museum's effort to connect people with their history and culture.

Located in Blytheville in the historic Kress Building, the Delta Gateway Museum collects, stores, maintains, and regularly exhibits historical and cultural objects, artifacts, photographs, works of art, printed materials, and audiovisual materials that relate to and emphasize the history and cultural development of our region, including Blytheville, Mississippi County, Northeast Arkansas, Southeast Missouri, and the Arkansas Delta. Planned exhibits illustrate prehistoric and protohistoric Native American cultures; the importance of the timber industry and the development of cotton agriculture; the historical effects and continuing threat of earthquakes and flooding; the regional impact of the Air Force base and steel mills; and the development of river, rail, and highway transportation. Exhibits provide both literal and figurative explanations.



Leslie Hester spoke of the educational opportunities for regional school children, senior citizens, heritage tourists and tour groups. She emphasized that children who came to see the exhibits were excited to see them and learn from them. The museum was the place for meetings, retreats, classes, and workshops.

With the retirement of Hester last year, the museum is currently closed until a new director is found.

Report Card -- February 4, 2025

Total Member = 115
Active=76
Active-Modern=3
Active-Partner=3
Active-R85=15
Active-Service=16
Staff Position=2

Active-Service: 6
Active-Modern: 2
Active-R85: 5
Active: 29
Active-Partner: 1
Guest: 10
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