



Rotary Club 99: Tuesday, May 6, 2025

11:30 AM Buffet Opens | 12:00 Noon Meeting Begins
Great Hall, Clinton Center

Kay C. Goss, CEM, Former Assistant Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency

Kay Goss is a native of Tontitown. BA and MA at UAF, doctoral studies in Public Administration at West Virginia University, and doctoral studies at American University, with part-time teaching at UA, UALR, ATU, UAfS, Chief Deputy State Auditor, Research Director for 1979-80 Arkansas Constitutional Convention, Project Director for Association of Arkansas Counties, and senior assistant to two Arkansas state governors, coordinating fire service, emergency management, emergency medical services, public safety, and law enforcement for 12 years. She then was nominated by President as the associate Federal Emergency Management Agency director for National Preparedness, Training, Higher Education, Exercises, and International Partnerships, U.S. Senate confirmed unanimously. She then was a private-sector government contractor at Electronic Data Systems as a senior emergency manager and homeland security advisor and at SRA International as the director of emergency management services. She is a senior fellow at the National Academy for Public Administration and on board of advisors for DRONERESPONDERS International. She has also been a graduate professor of emergency management at the University of Nevada at Las Vegas for 16 years, Istanbul Technical University for 12 years, the MPA Programs Metropolitan College of New York for five years, and George Mason University. She has been a certified emergency manager for 27 years; Arkansas Tech University Emergency Management and Homeland Security Program Advisory Council Member for 28 years; Metropolitan College of New York Emergency Management and Homeland Security Advisory Council for 15 years; and founder of the FEMA Higher Education Program, established in 1994, starting with a handful of institutions and now including more than 600

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Upcoming Programs

May 2025

May 6: Kay Goss, Former Assistant Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Changing Role of FEMA

May 13: 80 Years of Workforce Development at UA-Pulaski Tech College (UA-PTC), Summer deProw, Ph.D., Chancellor

Founded in October 1945 as the Little Rock Vocational School, UA-PTC has evolved over the past 80 years into a cornerstone of workforce development, playing a vital role in supporting the state's economic growth. In February 2017, the institution became part of the University of Arkansas System, marking a new chapter in its history. Join us as Chancellor Summer deProw reflects on the school's rich history, highlights recent achievements, and shares her vision for the future of UA-PTC.

May 20: Battle of Fallujah 20th Anniversary, Dr. Jamie Griffin, Head of School, Episcopal Collegiate

Dr. Jamie Griffin, Head of Episcopal Collegiate School, will share his remarkable story as an aircraft maintenance officer with Marine All-Weather Attack Squadron 242, the "Bats," during their historic 2004-2005 deployment to Iraq. Stationed at Al-Asad Airbase, the Bats maintained a record-setting operational tempo, flying F/A-D Hornets, delivering over 8,000 flight hours and 400,000 pounds of precision ordnance in support of coalition forces, including critical air support during Operation Phantom Fury's Second Battle of Fallujah and Iraq's first democratic elections in January 2005.

The talk goes beyond military history - it's a compelling exploration of leadership, resilience, and teamwork under pressure. Jamie will share insights from this award-winning deployment, honored as "Marine Fighter Squadron of the Year" in 2005, and share strategic lessons that continue to guide his leadership in education today. Whether you're inspired by aviation, history, or practical leadership strategies applicable to any field, this presentation will captivate and inspire.

May 27: Business Professional Leader of the Year, Chris Johnson, Chair and College Scholarships, Sarah Beth Estes, Chair

Special Events and Meetings

Affinity Group: Club 99 Book Club: Chair Sarah Bennings

Date: May 7, 2025

Time: 12:00 noon - lunch provided

Location: Episcopal School, 1701 Cantrell Road

Host and Moderator: Jamie Griffin

Book: 10 to 25: The Science of Motivating Young People: A Groundbreaking Approach to Leading the Next Generation and Making Your Own Life Easier by David Yeager

July 2025

Host: Kristina Bolhouse

Affinity Group: Women of Rotary

Chair: Kim Kirkman

Time: 8:15 AM

Via Zoom

Dates & Topics:

May 30, 2025, Wrap up: Life to the Fullest





















Service Opportunities:

May 10, 2025, Miracle League Club 99 Buddy Day, Coordinator, Charlie Kreps

April/May, TBA, Dunbar Teacher Appreciation Breakfast, Coordinator Beth Barnes

May 12 (tentative), Dunbar Honors Assembly, Coordinator, Beth Barnes

Club Leaders

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