

Rotary



Club of Little Rock

Tuesday, April 2, 2019

**Great Hall, William J. Clinton Presidential Center
11:30 a.m. Buffet Opens 12:00 noon Program Begins**

Arkansas Authors Panel Discussion



Guy Choate

Guy Choate's professional writing career began when he joined the military as an Army journalist at 17 years old. He later earned a BA in Rhetoric & Writing at UA-Little Rock, and an MFA in Creative Nonfiction from the University of New Orleans. In 2017, he founded the Argenta Reading Series as a nonprofit to encourage the literary arts in central Arkansas. He also manages the communications team at Garver in North Little Rock, the city where he lives with his wife and son. You can find Guy's writing online at guychoate.com.



Jennifer Oglesby Holman

Jen Holman struggles with a great many things, but storytelling has always come naturally. She has written five novels, one of which won a Rosemary award for excellence in young adult fiction. She enjoys moderate success as a mid-list author, which is to say she falls somewhere between JK Rowling and her neighbor who printed an autobiography on his LaserJet.

Jen served as press secretary for Congressman Vic Snyder for several years, and as executive director of Arkansas Literacy Councils. She has a master's degree-- and the student loans to show for it.

Jen lives in Little Rock with her husband and three children, striking that delicate balance between inspiration and frustration.



Mark Barr

Mark Barr has been awarded fellowships from Blue Mountain Center, I-Park Artists' Enclave, Jentel Arts, Kimmel Harding Nelson Center, Millay Colony, and Yaddo. He holds an M.F.A from Texas State University. His short fiction has appeared in journals such as Wisconsin Review, the Little Rock Free Press, Optic, and the anthology, Don't Abuse the Muse. His debut novel, Watershed, is forthcoming in October from Hub City Press. He lives with his wife and sons in Little Rock, where he develops software and bakes bread. Find out more at: <https://www.readmarkbarr.com/>

Police & Fire Awards 2019

By Karen H. Fetzer on Tuesday, April 2, 2019

Thank you to everyone that participated in making the 2019 Police & Fire Awards Banquet a success!

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Club Meeting

Little Rock
Meets at Great Hall
William J. Clinton
Presidential Library
1200 President Clinton
Avenue
Little Rock, AR 72201
Time: Tuesday at
11:30 AM

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Signature Project - Volunteer Training



Required ViPS Training sessions, Tuesday, April 2, 2019
 10:45 a.m.
 1:15 p.m.
 Rotary office, 621 E. Capitol Ave.

Additional dates announced soon!

You can still attend - email kfetzer@littlerockrotary.org

Upcoming Programs

Meetings are held in the Great Hall of the William J. Clinton Presidential Library, unless otherwise noted
 Buffet line open at 11:30 a.m. Meetings begin at 12:00 noon

April 2019

2 Arkansas Authors Panel, Moderator, Guy Choate, Director Argenta Reading Series
 9 Women's Foundation Gender Equity Scorecard, Panel
 16 Annual Rotary Club of Little Rock College Scholarship Presentations
 23 Investment Outlook for 2019-2020, Art Hogan, National Securities
 30 Arkansas Film Commission, Christopher Crane

May 2019

7 100 Things to do in Little Rock, Co Authors
 14 Cybersecurity in a Digital World, MWL Attorney and FBI Cybersecurity Division
 21 Bonnie and Band Performance & Interview, Bonnie Montgomery, Singer/Musician

One District One Book - Save the Dates

Announcing the 2019 One District One Book project with the Little Rock School District. This year's book - The Toothpaste Millionaire by Jean Merrill. This will be our 3rd year participating and sponsoring this project.



Twelve-year-old Rufus Mayflower is a genius at figuring things out. The young African-American boy can draw a map to most anywhere in Cleveland, make a pattern for saddlebags, and calculate to the penny how much money a project will need. He also has a good sense of what things should cost. So when he is annoyed by the prices in the drugstore, Rufus decides to make his own, less expensive toothpaste. Katy, his best friend, is eager to help him, and it's not long before the two pals are in business. As Rufus and Katy develop a recipe, do taste tests, and put their friends to work packing the toothpaste, a wonderful story of success and friendship unfolds. This fun, breezy story set in 1960s Cleveland, Ohio contains many real-life mathematical problems which the characters must solve to succeed in their budding business.

Save the dates - invitation/sign up to participate will be sent at a later date

April 12, 2019: Spring Kick-off assemblies in each elementary school - Rotary volunteers needed at each school

May 1, 2019: Culminating Event - Clinton Presidential Center - Rotary volunteers need to staff our booth

TBA - various schools - Shark Tank competition - Rotary volunteer judges needed

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Rotaract Golf Tournament 2019

Rotaract Club of Little Rock is hosting their 8th Annual Golf Classic on May 10, 2019 benefiting P.A.R.K. Every single year, all proceeds of the tournament go directly to P.A.R.K., which is an after school and summer program based here in Little Rock, Arkansas and operates Monday through Friday throughout the entire year. Students enter the program in the 8th grade; P.A.R.K.'s role is a 5-year commitment to the students to help ensure graduation from high school, as well as individual growth. They provide a safe environment for students to complete academic requirements as well as support with homework, tutoring in all courses, recreation activities, leadership development, and involvement in community services. Most students are **high risk** because they have GPA's of 2.5 or less before they enter the program. These individuals have high academic potential, despite their current poor performance in school. They are often ineligible for school sports and clubs due to their academic performance. They typically end up **on the streets** after school and during the summer if they do not enter the program. Most students have no educational vision of attending college, but often will become first generation college students. Almost all of the kids are the first in their family to go to college, which then sets a precedent for their siblings, cousins, etc. They are 20+ years into it now and they have former students with Master's Degrees, PhDs, and coming back to serve the kids who are there now. P.A.R.K. is 100% donor-funded and needs our help! <http://www.positivekids.org>

Inquiring Minds Want To Know

The membership engagement committee invites you to share accomplishments and significant happenings in members' lives. It has become our tradition to acknowledge these items from the podium at the last meeting of the month. Report your own or report on behalf of another member - just report!



Events

March 5th
[VIPs Training for Signature Project at Dunbar Middle School](#)

April 9th
[Rotary Club of Little Rock - Weekly Meeting](#)

April 23rd
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April 2nd
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April 16th
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April 2nd

Robert H. Holmes
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Sam L. Chaffin
April 2nd

Ralph N. Shoptaw
April 3rd

Ashvin P. Vibhakar
April 4th

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April 6th

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April 7th

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April 9th

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April 9th