

Rotary Club 99: Tuesday, August 27, 2024
11:30 AM Buffet Opens | 12:00 noon Meeting Begins

Ottenheimer International Scholars: Mikaela Rahajarijaona and Salohinilisy (Salohy) Vololomboathangy from Madagascar

Salohy and Mikaela from Madagascar have made a remarkable impression on Little Rock since their arrival in early August. Join us this Tuesday to hear firsthand about their experiences during their month-long visit as Ottenheimer scholars. These two talented young women have journeyed from across the globe to immerse themselves in American capitalism and democracy right here in our state. Weâ€™re eager to find out if their real-life experiences have matched their expectations!

In a conversation moderated by Program Chair **Chris Mangum**, we will learn about their culture and about what Club 99ers have done to extend a warm welcome with a series of exciting events: city tours, a reception, visits to local museums, Standard Lithium in El Dorado, the Rockefeller Institute, Dassault Falcon Jet, LRPD, Central High, the State Capitol, the Governorâ€™s Mansion, the Justice Building, and various places of worship. Their adventures have also included trips to Hot Springs, Heber Springs, Scott, Old Washington Post, Northwest Arkansas, concerts, shopping, Travelers baseball games, high school football games, and more!

The reflections shared by the Ottenheimer scholars offer valuable insights for Club 99ers and help us understand how others view our American experience. We extend our heartfelt thanks to all the 99ers, family, and friends who have made this visit unforgettable for Salohy and Mikaela.

The scholars will be heading to Washington, D.C. early Wednesday morning, so donâ€™t miss your chance to join us on Tuesday for their presentation and to bid them a fond farewell!



Zoom Login for August 27, 2024

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Special Events and Meetings

Affinity Group: Women of Rotary

Date: Friday August 30, 2024
Host: Kim Kirkman
Topic: Overview: Life to the Fullest
Time: 8:00 - 8:45 AM
Location: Zoom

Rotary Club of Little Rock Business & Professional of the Year Luncheon

Honoring RY 2023/2024 Recipient Elizabeth Glasbrenner

Hosted by UALR

Date: September 5, 2024

Time: 11:15 AM Unveiling of photo

11:30 AM - 12:15 PM Lunch

Location: UALR, School of Business, Lobby, Reynolds Building

Volunteers Wanted!

Gibbs' Magnet Elementary School Literacy Lab

Date: September 9 - November 11

Slots available Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Time: 7:10 - 7:50 AM

Location: Gibbs' Magnet, 115 W 16th Street

Information and sign up at

Upcoming Programs

August 2024

27 Ottenheimer 2024 Presentation: Madagascar

Come hear our visiting Ottenheimer scholars from Madagascar share with us their expectations and experiences of Arkansas as they wrap up their month-long visit. These two impressive young women have traveled half-way around the globe to experience American capitalism and democracy on the ground in our fair state. The Ottenheimer scholars' reflections are as much a learning experience for Club 99ers as they are for the scholars themselves, and can teach us much about how the world perceives our great American experiment.

September 2024

3 Arkansas Times 50th Anniversary

The edgy alternative news platform *Arkansas Times* is celebrating its 50th Anniversary this year. From its founding in 1974 as a small newsprint magazine called the *Union Station Times* to its current format as a monthly glossy, *Arkansas Times* has provided a consistent progressive voice and perspective on Arkansas issues for fifty years now. Along the way the publication has proven to be very innovative with its early embrace of online publishing, special events and spin-off publications. Join founder Alan Leveritt and Development Director Wythe Walker as they tell the backstory behind their Golden Anniversary.

10 Arkansas Symphony Orchestra Grand Opening

The Arkansas Symphony Orchestra will open its new digs in September and the new \$11.75 million facility in the East Village neighborhood is incredible. The 20,000 square foot, state-of-the-art facility will be the first permanent home in the organization's 58-year history. Join Christina Littlejohn, ASO's Chief Executive Officer, and Geoffrey Robson, ASO's prize-winning music director, as they give us an early view of this newest amenity in downtown Little Rock.

17 Little Rock Fight Litter Campaign

As with all urban areas, Little Rock experiences litter, trash and graffiti problems that impact how residents and visitors experience our city. This neglect has become an aesthetic, environmental, social and economic issue. Join Club 99er Capi Peck, Executive Chef and owner of Trio's restaurant and long-time member of the Little Rock Board of Directors, as she discusses the Little Rock Fight Litter Campaign with Rex Nelson, Senior Editor and columnist at the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* and Club 99er Michael Bynum.

24 Six Bridges Book Festival - Author Event

In-meeting service project with CALS

Books have an incredible power to unite us, to connect our diverse experiences, and to ignite our imaginations. The Six Bridges Book Festival is more than a gathering of authors and readers; it's a celebration of our shared love for stories and the communities they create. This quote by Joyce Elliot, State Senator and 2024 Six Bridges Book Festival Chairperson, sums up the importance of this annual book festival to the rich experience of living in and visiting Little Rock. Join us as we host Ayana Gray, *New York Times* bestselling author, Pulaski Academy grad and Little Rock resident, as this year's Club 99 hosted author. Ayana's books will be available for purchase after the event.

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