



Rotary
Little Rock



Rotary Club 99: Tuesday, March 19, 2024

The Rotary Club of Little Rock will not meet March 19, 2024 - Enjoy Spring Break!

This Week at Club 99

Museum of Discovery: Reimagining and Reshaping the Future

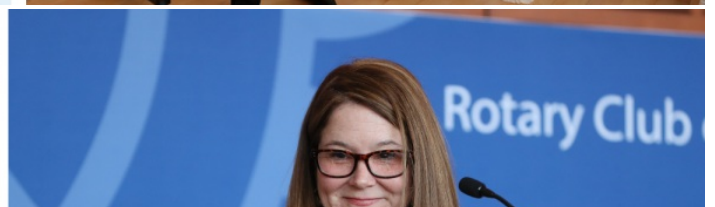
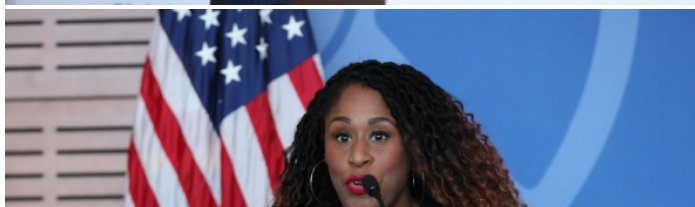
This week, Club 99 was the place to be as the **Museum of Discovery** announced its third and final phase in a renovation project that's been underway since a winter weather storm caused severe flooding in February 2021. Club 99er and MOD Executive Director **Kelley Bass** revealed the addition of two new galleries, Small Fry Fish Camp and Curoosity Spot, both targeted to the museum's youngest guests and members.

In the Small Fry Fish Camp gallery, children will experience a "Rainbow Trout Crawler" for ages 0-6 and families or caregivers, "Jump In," an enclosed forest-themed exhibit for toddlers 0-2 years, and the Gone Fishing Café, where children can make and serve "food" to fellow guests. The exhibit also features a log-walk to promote climbing and balance. In the Curoosity Spot, now the Wow gallery, children will experience a 15-foot kaleidoscope. This gallery is geared towards 0-9 years but is not age-restricted.

Club 99ers **Jeff Hildebrand**, MOD "Reimagination" campaign chair, and **Little Rock Mayor Frank Scott** helped make the exciting announcement. The museum has raised \$8.8 million of its \$10.7 million goal to fund the new renovations.

In keeping with our FUN theme, students from eStem attended Tuesday's meeting to showcase some of the fun activities the museum offers on a daily basis to children of all ages.

Watch the full meeting [here](#).





Welcome New Members

Club 99 welcomed **Slater Corbin**, account manager for PCA Technology Solutions, as our newest member. Welcome to the fun, Slater!



Members Caught Having Fun This Week





The 5th Test: Is It Fun?

President Ghidotti's Power of Fun Tip

As you know, the past few weeks we have been talking about harking back to your childhood to tap into things you enjoyed as a child that might still bring you fun as an adult.

With the focus on the Museum of Discovery this week, it's really a perfect time to think about the things that brought us joy as a child or young person.

So it's not to say that our passions and interests don't change over time, BUT if you're struggling with your fun audit and trying to find things that bring you TRUE FUN in life, then reexamining joys from childhood might be a good place to start.

As part of her book, "The Power of Fun," author Catherine Price created a quiz to help her readers audit fun in their life. It asks you questions about your playfulness style (do you prefer silliness and imagination or intellectual stimulation or challenges or doing things spontaneously?), your connection style (big groups, small groups or intimate groups or fun with strangers?) and your flow style (spending time in nature or listening to music or doing things that create an adrenaline rush or are competitive?). And then it asks you what feels fun to you — from a host of choices from theme parks to music to games that involve strategy to sports or costume parties.

The point is to get you thinking more deeply about what is TRUE FUN for you.

I get it. This is a club full of adults. Talking about and thinking about fun can seem weird and like a waste of time, but hopefully, over this year youâ€™ve realized it is far from a waste of time to think about adding more fun in your life. Fun makes us better people â€” physically, mentally and emotionally.



So take that quiz using the QR code, spend some time with your thoughts and think about you as a kid or a teen. What created those moments that you remember being the happiest? Are those the same? Have you changed over time? Are there things that you are drawn to because of your personality that you may not have explored as an adult? Spend some time figuring your FUN out!

Who's Having Fun This Week

This was the perfect week to feature **Club 99er Kelley Bass** on what he does for fun. Yes, he loves leading the Museum of Discovery team, but his true love is participating in live music. Kelley has seen hundreds of shows, and has already booked his next Outlaw Country Cruise! Watch Kelley's fun video [here](#).

Special Events and Meetings

Mark Your Calendars to Join the Upcoming FUN:

Club 99 Social

Burgers with a side of Pickle(ball)

Friday, April 19, 2024

5-8 p.m.

At the brand new Pickleball Indoor and Outdoor courts at the Little Rock Athletic Club

Calling ALL Club 99ers ... you are NOT going to want to miss this fun! Whether you are an elite pickleball player (we're looking at you, Past President Kenny Gibbs) or don't even know what a pickleball looks like, this event is for you! We'll have friendly competitions, beginner lessons and a cheering squad on the sidelines, so whether you play or not, join us for Burgers with a Side of Pickle(ball) and some yummy adult beverages!

Our event chair, Laza Razafimanjato is confirming all the fun details, so stay tuned for an email and a registration link coming next week. This is going to be a not-to-be-missed Fabulous Friday Night with fellow Rotarians! Family and guests welcome!!!

Club 99 Book Club - April and May

APRIL host Maha Witherington

Noon - 1 p.m.

Location: The Witherington Residence, 1122 Hilltop Road, Alexander

â€œThe Loudest Duckâ€ by Laura Liswood, Senior Advisor, Goldman Sachs

MAY Mitch Bettis

Monday, May 6, 2024

3 p.m.

Location: Arkansas Business Publishing, 114 Scott St., Little Rock, AR 72201

â€œLincoln on Leadership: Executive Strategies for Tough Timesâ€ by Donald Phillips

Club 99 Social

Family Cookout

June 8, 2024

More details to come, but mark your calendar!

Upcoming Programs

March 2024

19 NO MEETING; ENJOY SPRING BREAK

26 Police & Fire Awards

April 2024

2 Sunken Treasure: Titanic Museum Curator Paul Burns

9 Midtown Little Rock Economic Development Update

16 Club 99 Business and Professional Leader of the Year and College Scholarship Presentations

23 Kicking it with the Little Rock Rangers

30 Arkansas LEARNS Act with Secretary of Education Jacob Oliva and Panelists

2023-2024 Club Leadership



2023-2024 Leadership Team

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