



Rotary Club 99: Tuesday, April 2, 2024

11:30 a.m. Buffet Opens | 12 p.m. Program Begins Great Hall. Clinton Center

Sunken Treasure: Titanic Artifact Expert Andrew Alridge

If you're a fan of history, disaster movies, collecting and/or Celine Dion ballads, you won't want to miss our presenters on Tuesday, April 2! Club 99 member and avid Titanic artifact collector, **Billy Roehrenbeck**, will lead a Q&A with one of the world's most renowned Titanic artifact experts, **Andrew Alridge** – and we will have actual Titanic treasures for a little show and tell.





Billy Roehrenbeck is the owner of Little Rock's Pulaski County Title. A Little Rock native, he is past president of the Board of Directors for the Arkansas Land Title Association and was named Titleman of the Year by the association in 2021. He is an approved instructor for the Arkansas Department of Insurance and has taught classes on numerous topics, including wire fraud and the history of the Louisiana Purchase. Billy serves on several community boards, including the Arkansas Healthcare Transparency Initiative Board, the UALR College of Business Real Estate Advisory Board and the UALR Foundation Funding Board. In addition to being a member of Club 99, he was a Leadership Greater Little Rock Class XXXIV graduate and currently serves on the LGLR Alumni Board and is the 2023 LGLR Co-Chair of Class XXXIV.

Andrew Aldridge is a fourth generation auctioneer who is widely regarded as the leading authority in the world on the valuation of Titanic memorabilia. He is a specialist in the sale of iconic collector's items and has worked on the sales of numerous world-record-breaking objects, from the single most expensive Titanic item at over £1m to the world's most expensive biscuit at £15000!

Andrew is a consultant expert for Allan Entertainment who own the world's largest Titanic museums in the United States and has worked for several national institutions on both sides of the Atlantic. He has appeared on television across the world as an expert on channels from National Geographic, Fox and Friends, Good Morning America and BBC, Sky, ITV, Channel 4 and Channel 5 television in the UK. Andrew's expertise has also been sought after by the BBC Antiques Roadshow.

This knowledge sees Henry Aldridge & Son Ltd as one of the premier auctioneers in Wiltshire and the leading auctioneer of Titanic and White Star Memorabilia in the World.

Andrew has an honors degree in fine arts valuation and is a full member of the Fine Arts Division of the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) and Society of Fine Art Auctioneers (SOFAA).

Away from work, he is a passionate sports fan, with a season ticket at Arsenal Football club, is a keen follower of Bath Rugby and finds relaxation in the Russian martial art of Systema.

His specialist areas include Titanic, Liner and Iconic Collectables.

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Topic: RCLR Weekly Meeting April 2, 2024

Time: Apr 2, 2024 11:30 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82984125060?pwd=dFJucmsvaHVIZzhKU1dzYXcrYUFSUT09

Meeting ID: 829 8412 5060

This Week at Club 99

Annual Police & Fire Awards Luncheon

Huge congrats are in order for our men and women honorees of the Little Rock Police Department and the Little Rock Fire Department. We are thrilled to honor them each year at our annual awards luncheon. This year's event was a great display of community service and heroism, especially the incredible work these officers and firefighters displayed during last year's devastating tornado.

Watch the full meeting here.

































Special Events and Meetings

Mark Your Calendars to Join the Upcoming FUN:

Habitat for Humanity Dedication for Mae Bailly at 1716 Montclair *TODAY*, 3:30 p.m.

Join us **TODAY at 3:30 p.m. at 1716 Montclair** for the dedication of a recent Habitat for Humanity project in which 15 Rotarians and friends provided planting and landscaping services.

Grill Master Don Cole will be cooking burgers and hot dogs for Ms. Mae's extended family, HFH staff and neighbors. We'd love to have some Rotarians there to join in the FUN and experience the overwhelming JOY of a first-time homeowner.

Burgers with a side of Pickle(ball) April is National Pickleball Month! Friday, April 19, 2024

5-8 p.m. at the new Little Rock Athletic Club Pickleball Indoor and Outdoor Courts

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!

Event Chair Laza Razafimanjato has put together a fun evening - see the schedule below. This is going to be a not-to-be-missed Fabulous Friday Night with fellow Rotarians! Family and guests welcome!!!

5 - 5:15 PM: Welcome and Info for the evening

5:15 - 5:30 PM: Burgers and Beverages Available

5:30 - 6 PM: Exhibit Match

6 - 8 PM: Open Play

On teaching court(s),

6 - 6:30 PM: Pickleball Lesson (for novice players only)

Club 99 Book Club - April and May

APRIL host Maha Witherington

Noon - 1 p.m.

Location: The Witherington Residence, 1122 Hilltop Road, Alexander

"The Loudest Duck†by Laura Liswood, Senior Advisor, Goldman Sach

MAY Mitch Bettis

Monday, May 6, 2024

3 p.m.

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

"Lincoln on Leadership: Executive Strategies for Tough Times†by Donald Phillips

Club 99 Social

Family Cookout

June 8, 2024

More details to come, but mark your calendar!

Upcoming Programs

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- 2 Sunken Treasure: Titanic Museum Curator Paul Burns
- Midtown Little Rock Economic Development Update
 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

