

## Rotary Club 99: Tuesday, October 11, 2022

### About the Program:

On Tuesday, please join us to celebrate our 17th year of honoring the men and women of the Little Rock Fire Department as we mark the 100th anniversary of the National Fire Protection Association's National Fire Prevention Week. The national observance commemorates the date of the Great Chicago Fire of 1871.

### 17th Annual Little Rock Fire Department Awards Presentation



Club 99 members will be given an opportunity to say thank you to the heroes of our Little Rock Fire Department for their life-saving service. At this annual event, we provide a public forum for the department's annual awards program! Club 99 also enhances the special recognition by providing monetary gifts, plaques and certificates.

Recipients and family members of the top five department awards will be present in person to receive recognition. Also, in attendance will be Chief Delphone D. Hubbard and other key fire department leaders, Little Rock Mayor Frank D. Scott and members of the Little Rock Board of Directors. In addition to the five in-person awards, the club will recognize 15 other awards by name, with many of them joining us virtually.

The focus of this year's National Fire Prevention Week is on making an escape plan. Learn about how you can keep you and your family safe through prevention efforts or if you find yourself in a fire situation. Learn more by visiting [NFPA](https://www.nfpa.org).

Congratulations to the following members of the Little Rock Fire Department:

- Engine 24 (C) & BC Vaiden Holmes: Unit Citations (E24, BC11)
- Battalion Chief Vaiden Holmes: Letter of Commendation
- Dispatcher Joe Walker: Performance Service Ribbon
- Officer Scott Detmer (PD): Lifesaving Medal
- Citizen Kristina Raley: Citizen Lifesaving Award
- Captain Daniel Calaway, Engineer Lee Stewart, Engineer Jason Fuller: Unit Citation (E16)
- Captain Casey Jones: Meritorious Service Medal
- Captain Jacob Lear-Sadowsky, Battalion Chief Andrew Shelby, Captain Jeremy Barber, Captain Jeff Fryar, Chief Bradley Jones, Retired Chief Bob Hunthorp: Performance Service Ribbons
- Citizen Lesley Zavada: Citizen Lifesaving Award
- Captain Chris Sanders, Engineer Melissa Peabody, Firefighter Kelvin Brown: Unit Citation (E24)
- Firefighter Benjamin Bradford E2 (A): Individual Citation
- Citizen Tywone Holmes: Citizen Lifesaving Award
- Captain Steven White, Engineer Andrew Decker, Firefighter Donald Raglin: Lifesaving Medal
- Captain Joseph Cuffel, Acting Engineer Jerry Martin, Firefighter Michael Patton: Lifesaving Medal & Unit Citation (E10)
- Captain Matthew Bradford, Firefighter Antonio Jordan, Rashad Moss: Lifesaving Medal
- Firefighter Sylvia Scott: Performance Service Ribbon
- Accreditation Team, Captain Bo Hagar, Fire Data Analyst Torie Simmons: Performance Service Ribbons
- Engineer Russell Lewis: Individual Citation
- Engineer Derek King, Firefighter Ryan McCormick: Lifesaving Medal
- Accreditation Team, Captain Bo Hagar, Fire Data Analyst Torie Simmons: Person of the Year
- Recruit of the Year: Jomoione Jones
- Firefighter Sylvia Scott: Firefighter of the Year

## Did You Miss Feeding America CEO Claire Babineaux-Fontenot?





Claire Babineaux-Fontenot began her remarks with "I came from a large family, what does that mean to you?" After guesses from the audience from 10 to 20, she gave her answer of 107! She has 107 siblings, from biological to fosters to adopted. Babineaux-Fontenot framed her conversation with her personal background highlighted by her "large" family. As the head of the national Feeding America organization, she characterized it as a grassroots network of food banks across the nation. In the coffee table-style presentation, our own Sarah Riffle of the Arkansas Food Bank, asked Babineaux-Fontenot to discuss Covid-19's impact on the issue of food insecurity. She described the pandemic as transformational, as food banks were forced into dealing with a disaster, the same one simultaneously across the nation and around the world. Remarkably, during the pandemic, a record 6.7 billion meals were provided! Yet, people struggling with food insecurity rose from 29 million to more than 40 million. It was a very informative, heartwarming and eye-opening presentation. Check it out here at the [meeting link](#).

#### **Don Cole Officially Named Club 99 Grill Master!**

Dunbar Principal and Club 99er Quintin Cain and Dunbar Project Chair Dan Parker presented thank you cards from students at Dunbar and a personalized grill master apron to Don Cole for sharing his "grill and skills" at Dunbar's recent Back-to-School Bash. The trio reminded members of the tailgate event later that same day.





**A Club 99 First: Our First Ever New Joint Spousal Members! Welcome to Club 99, Linda and Terry!**

Membership chair Molly McNulty introduced Linda & Terry Vergon as our first ever joint spousal duo to join as both active and spouse membership categories at the same time! Linda is the CEO of Fast Forward Finances, LLC, while Terry is the CEO of Sapient Services, LLC.

**Go Bobcats!**

Thank you, Principal Quintin Cain, Chair Dan Parker and Grill Master Don Cole and the rest of our crew for serving at the Dunbar Bobcats tailgate on Tuesday! We had a fun time grilling up and serving hot dogs and hamburgers pre-game for the Bobcats match-up against the Episcopal Wildcats. Although our Bobcats came up a little short on the scoreboard, a fun time was had by all.





**Join Us Thursday, October 27 for a Special District 6150 Foundation Banquet**

Seats are still available at Club 99 tables. Contact [kfetter@littlerockrotary.org](mailto:kfetter@littlerockrotary.org) to reserve your seat today. Club 99's Farmers Feed the Children of Romania is the feature of the event. Plus, we'll celebrate our own Club 99er and District Governor David Menz! Don't miss this special evening social.



**FEATURED  
SPEAKER:  
BETH STUBBS**

RI Director Elect,  
Asst. Regional Rotary  
Foundation Coordinator  
Zone 30

**ANNUAL  
FOUNDATION  
BANQUET**

**27 OCTOBER 2022**  
6:00pm

Heifer International  
1 World Avenue  
Little Rock, AR

**SPONSORSHIPS  
AVAILABLE**

MORE INFORMATION

rotary6150@gmail.com

**TICKETS: \$100 EA**

**TABLE OF 8: \$720**

**REGISTER NOW**



**Save the Date: Camp Aldersgate Fish Fry on October 16: Volunteers Still Needed; Tickets Available**



**SUNDAY, OCT. 16**  
11:30AM-3:30PM

MAIN EVENT  
2000 ALDERSGATE RD.

DRIVE-THRU LOCATION  
ORTHOARKANSAS  
10301 KANIS RD

CAMPALDERSGATE.NET/SIGNATURE-EVENTS/FISH-FRY/

Each Fish Fry ticket includes a **delicious meal with all the fixins** and admission to all the **fun fall festivities**. We are back in person this year, and believe us when we tell you, it's going to be **BIGGER** than ever. We've got **games, activities, our new Camp Crawl, and everyone's favorite Fishing Derby!**



SCAN TO PURCHASE TICKETS &  
LEARN MORE ABOUT THE EVENT

**INDIVIDUAL TICKETS: \$20**  
**FAMILY PACKS FOR FOUR: \$65**



# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

## EVENT COMMITTEE

- » Hands-on leadership, networking & growth opportunities through team experience
- » Play an active & instrumental role in championing this year's success
- » Opportunity to utilize different skillsets & strengths outside of typical day-to-day work

## DAY-OF EVENT

- » Help with food prep & assembly, lead activities, assist families at the Fishing Derby & more.
- » Develop learning & understanding of Camp's mission through participation & seeing work in action
- » Utilize strengths & passions in a meaningful way by helping achieve this year's success together!

## CORPORATE GROUPS

Whether this is your first company volunteer event, or you're seasoned pros, Camp Aldersgate provides a fun, easy and engaging experience!

## ROTARY CLUBS

Thank you to our local Rotary clubs of Central Arkansas for helping us achieve & exceed ground-breaking results in 2020 & 2021! Sign your club up this year to help us with this in-person event!

## YOUTH VOLUNTEERS & SCHOOL GROUPS

Volunteers ages 14 and up can earn volunteer hours and help with Fish Fry, too! Better yet, sign up a group of students at your school and join in on a day of fun and service.

BE A CHAMPION FOR OUR  
MISSION & LIFE-CHANGING  
WORK WITH VARIOUS  
OPPORTUNITIES TO GET  
INVOLVED AT THIS FAMILY-  
FAVORITE EVENT!



Interested in volunteering  
for Fish Fry?  
Email [paulwendy.wood@gmail.com](mailto:paulwendy.wood@gmail.com)

## Upcoming Programs

### October 2022

- 11 Annual Little Rock Fire Awards Presentation
- 16 Camp Aldersgate Fish Fry (afternoon service)
- 18 District Governor David Menz, Rotary International District 6150
- 25 Author Sam Quinones, *Dreamland* and *Least of Us*
- 27 District 6150 Foundation Banquet featuring Club 99 Farmers Feed the Children project in Romania (with partners Ovidu Spinu and Viorel Bunea from Cluj-Napoca Romania) (evening social)

### November 2022

- 1 Arkansas Cinema Society's Filmland program (TBD)
- 8 Election Day Panel with Rex Nelson, Robert Coon, Charles Blake and moderated by Roby Brock
- 15 Mary Streett, Senior Vice President, BP America
- 22 No Noon Meeting / Off for Thanksgiving Week
- 29 Angie Cooper and Blake Woolsey of Heartland Forward

### December 2022

- 6 Broyles Award / Fireside Chats (option)
- 13 Steve Williams, Chairman and CEO, Maverick Transportation
- 20 Holiday Program
- 27 No Noon Meeting / Off for Holidays

## Zoom Login for October 11, 2022

Join Zoom Meeting

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## Club Leadership



**President Denver Peacock**  
The Peacock Group



**President Elect Natalie Ghidotti**  
Ghidotti Communications



**President Nominee Jason Chacko**  
The Chacko Group at Morgan Stanley



**Past President Kristina Bolhouse**  
Arkansas Financial Group, Inc.



**Treasurer Leigh Ann Biernat**  
Stephens Public Finance



**Treasurer Elect Don Cole**  
Methodist Family Health



**Secretary Tammie Davis**  
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**Lena Hayes**  
Baptist Health Foundation



**Wanda Hoover**  
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**Kevin Newton**  
CBM Construction



**Jessie Wilson**  
Dale Carnegie Training



**Kenny Gibbs**  
Assistant District Governor