

Rotary Club 99: Tuesday, October 4, 2022

About the Program:

On Tuesday, the Rotary Club of Little Rock presents Feeding America CEO Claire Babineaux-Fontenot in a special program about our nation's food insecurity challenges. Please don't miss this opportunity to hear from a nationally-recognized thought leader and learn how we can all make a difference impacting our community.



CEO Claire Babineaux-Fontenot, Feeding America

As Chief Executive Officer, Claire Babineaux-Fontenot oversees the nation's largest domestic hunger-relief organization and second largest U.S. charity according to Forbes. Feeding America is a nationwide network of 200 food banks and 60,000 food pantries and meals programs. Together, the Feeding America network provides more than four billion meals to more than 46 million people across the United States and supports programs that improve food security for the families we serve.

Prior to joining Feeding America, Claire spent 13 years as a part of Walmart's leadership team with her most recent role being executive vice president and global treasurer. In this role, she had global responsibility for tax, treasury operations, capital markets, investor relations, global risk management, casualty and self-insurance leading teams across 28 countries and over 1,000 associates worldwide.

A Louisiana native, Claire has been entrusted with the leadership of teams for nearly three decades. Before Walmart, she was partner-in-charge of the Baton Rouge office and tax practice leader for Adams and Reese LLP, one of U.S. News & World Report's "Best Law Firms." Earlier in her career, she was dispute resolution practice group leader for the southwest region at PwC (formerly PricewaterhouseCoopers) and an assistant secretary for the Office of Legal Affairs for the State of Louisiana.

With a deep personal commitment to strengthening communities, Claire has long been an avid volunteer and board member. She has volunteered in the fight against hunger and other causes since her youth. Later, she served on a number of nonprofit boards including the Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children, the board of directors and audit committee for the Thurgood Marshall College Fund, and the board of trustees and finance and audit committee for the National Urban League and the National Association of Black Accountants. She also was on the corporate advisory board for the Association of Latino Professionals for America. Additionally, she served on the global board of directors and executive committee of the Walmart Foundation. Her board experience also includes the board and the audit committee for

Walmart Chile S.A, chair of the board of directors for ATLAS Technical Consultants and audit committee member and nominating and governance committee chair at Charah Solutions. Claire was named one of TIME's 100 most influential pioneers, leaders, titans, artists and icons of 2020.

Claire holds a Bachelor of Science from the University of Louisiana in Lafayette; a Juris Doctor from Southern University Law Center in Baton Rouge; and a Master of Laws in Taxation from Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law in Dallas.



Go Dunbar Bobcats!

Please join us on Tuesday from 4:30 to 7pm for a pre-game tailgate and to cheer on the Dunbar Magnet Middle School Bobcats in its junior high game at Little Rock Central High School's historic Quigley Stadium at 1500 Little Rock Nine Way (formerly Park St.). Kick-off is set for 7 p.m. Contact Dunbar Chair Dan Parker at 5010-690-4400 for more info. Special thanks to Club 99 Grillmaster Don Cole.

We need 10 volunteers (please wear purple and gold school colors) to serve and connect as we prepare for future activities at Dunbar. Thank you for serving. You can sign up using this link: [RSVP](#).

Did You Miss The Club 99 Dinner Parties?

A very special thank you to everyone that joined us on Tuesday and to all our awesome Club 99 Dinner Party hosts:

- Tammie & Mark Davis
- Karen & John Flake
- Rick Fleetwood & Michele Towne
- Marla & Dennis Hunt
- Patti & Barry Simon
- Sonya & Mark Murphy
- Sue & Ed Owens

And a round of applause for our fabulous event chair Ellon Cockrill!

It is said a picture is worth a thousand words. Below are 10,000 words about this fun-filled evening. Don't miss the special James Hayes' blown glass "Illuminate the Rock"-themed gift that was given to all our hosts.





October 2022

4 CEO Claire Babineaux-Fontenot, Feeding America

4 Dunbar Bobcats Tailgate (evening service)

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 4, 2022

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