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A note from President John

By John Parke on Thursday, August 3, 2023



What a great start we're having to our Rotary year! We heard from Kathy Webb at Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance at our monthly meeting then got to participate in the Alliance's Watermelon Crawl on the 22nd. Afterhours had **22** participants at this event. And another seven at the Margarita and beer festival that night.

This month's program is Nate Coulter, Executive Director of the Central Arkansas Library System. Followed by our monthly service project, a Back to School event on August 12 to be held at the Children's Library. See Elizabeth's note for the details.

Also a reminder that we're having the North Little Rock session of the Rotary District Summer Seminar on August 28. Look elsewhere in the newsletter for details.

We're off to a good start at our new meeting location, Delta Hotels West Little Rock and I look forward to seeing everybody on Monday.

NATE Coulter - CALS

By Greg Henderson on Thursday, August 3, 2023

Nate Coulter has served as the executive director of the Central Arkansas Library System (CALS) since 2016. Under Coulter's leadership, CALS has expanded outreach and programming by hiring community liaisons to better engage Black and Latino communities and launching the Count UP math tutoring program and Rock It! Lab entrepreneurial hub.

A Harvard Law School alumnus, Coulter has served as legal counsel to Gov. Bill Clinton and maintained a trial practice in Arkansas for more than 25 years. He currently serves on the Downtown Little Rock Partnership Board and was one of the original members of the Our House Board and the Arkansas Supreme Court's Access to Justice Commission. In 2016, Coulter received the Arkansas Bar Association's Equal Justice Distinguished Service Award.



Rotary District Summer Seminars

By John Parke on Thursday, August 3, 2023

August is almost here and **Summer Seminars** are scheduled for every Monday this August. If your club plans to submit district grant requests, then you must have at least 2 members attend the foundation seminar for club certification. This is also a recommended activity for the annual club recognition process. The breakout sessions will be very informative and will help you have a successful year. Please encourage your



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Birthdays

Ryan J Drake
August 5th

Brianna M Sellers
August 16th

Michael S Kelley
August 22nd

Sarah Elizabeth Pitman
September 3rd



members to attend one of these sessions.

Register NOW by visiting the District Calendar or using the links below. Registration cost is \$15/person, which includes a meal.

[Register NOW](#) for **Summer Seminar - North Little Rock**

Description: The seminars at each location will have one General Session plus four Breakout Sessions.

General Session - Action Plan & Expanding Our Reach (Foundation Ambassadors & Gala)

Breakouts:

Foundation - Club Certification
Membership
Public Image & Service
Next Generations

Agenda:

5:30 pm - Registration
6:00 pm - Dinner & Program
6:50 pm - Breakout Sessions
7:55 pm - Regroup & Discussion
8:10 pm - Adjourn

August Service Projects

By Sarah Elizabeth Pitman on Thursday, August 3, 2023

Our August service project is a Back-to-School event, being held on August 12, 2023. This event is at the Children's Library and helps support the Central Arkansas Library System (CALs). Coming out to help is a great way to honor our August Speaker, Nate Coulter, with CALs. The event is from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and volunteers will be helping to set up and take down for the event, as well as help to man activity stations. If you are interested in signing up for this event, please put your name on the Google Doc sign up sheet before August 4, 2023. [Read More](#)

August Foundation Update

By Angela J. Stroud on Thursday, August 3, 2023



The Rotary Foundation is a non-profit corporation that supports the efforts of Rotary International to achieve world understanding and peace through international humanitarian, educational, and cultural exchange programs. It is supported solely by voluntary contributions.

The foundation was created in 1917 by Rotary International's sixth president, Arch C. Klumph, as an endowment fund for Rotary "to do good in the world." It has grown from an initial contribution of US\$26.50 to more than US\$1billion. It has one of the largest and most prestigious international fellowship programs in the world.

What are the benefits of giving to The Rotary Foundation?

- For as little as 60 cents, a child can be protected from polio.
- \$50 can provide clean water to help fight waterborne illness.
- \$500 can launch an antibullying campaign and create a safe environment for children.

As this year's Foundation Chair, my goal is to have 100% club participation in giving, at any level on a monthly basis. Please consider a monthly gift to the Rotary Foundation TODAY.

<https://www.rotary.org> > donate

Thank you! Angela (Angie) Stroud

Kevin Nolder Marriage Story

By John Parke on Saturday, August 5, 2023

Afterhours member Kevin Nolder was recently featured with his wife, Robin, in the Democrat Gazette's regular Sunday feature describing how couples met and got married. All I can say is that Kevin obviously charmed the socks off Robin and it's been working for 20 years!

Congrats on a great feature and let your lesson be to be careful how you treat four-year-olds - somebody may be paying attention!

Happy anniversary Kevin and Robin!

Read the full story here: [Read More](#)

July Admin Notes

By Lisa K. Golden on Thursday, July 6, 2023

District Governor Visits Begin in July!!

Presidents-If you haven't confirmed the date of your DG visit, check the DACdb calendar or email me to confirm your date. districtadmin@rotary6150.org. Please confirm your meeting location and logistics with DG Sydney and your Assistant Governor.

Club Goals

Presidents - Your club goals need to be entered into Rotary Club Central (RCC) as soon as possible. RCC is found by logging into www.rotary.org, select Rotary Club Central and then Goal Center on the left-hand side.

RI and District Dues

Club Treasurers - Have you paid your RI Annual & Semi-Annual Dues? The invoices are emailed directly to the Club Treasurer, President & Secretary (if the position is updated in RI). You can also find the invoice by logging into My Rotary. Then choose the Manage Tab and then Club Administration. The payment options and address to mail a check are listed on the invoice.

An Invoice for District Dues & PETS registration was emailed (from districtadmin@rotary6150.org) to your club's Treasurer, President & Secretary. Dues for the District are \$42 per club member based on club membership as of 7/1. The cost for PETS is \$250. Please have your check ready for DG Sydney during her visit or send your club check to Rotary District 6150 at PO Box 21843, Little Rock, AR 72221.

Interact Club Annual Update

Your Interact club is required to have a reported advisor updated annually in My Rotary to maintain the club's active status and to continue receiving resources from Rotary International. Advisors may be a member of the sponsoring Rotary or Rotaract club, a school administrator or faculty member, or community volunteer to serve as an adult contact to the Interact club. Although more than one person may serve in this role for your Interact club, Rotary International requires only one individual to be reported per Rotary each year (1 July – 30 June). [Update Information Here](#)

Rotary Zones 30 & 31 - Leadership Seminars

Thursday, July 6, 2023



Why Attend? The Leadership Seminars are designed to provide leaders with a full day of training and discussion dedicated to strengthening and enhancing the effectiveness of our leadership teams. In addition -

- Our leaders will benefit from the in-depth discussions incorporating the insights and experiences of multiple districts and our leadership teams as they took advantage of opportunities and mitigated problems. Simply, what worked and what didn't? Why experiment?
- Sessions will be led and facilitated by the Zone's Coordinator Teams. These teams are some of the most qualified and knowledgeable leaders within our Zones.
- Attending is relatively convenient & inexpensive due to offering the seminars at four different locations.

Who Should Attend? Your District's membership chairs, foundation chairs, public image chairs and assistant governors, to name but a few.

Locations & Dates: Meeting Times: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM.
Registration: 8:30 - 9:00 AM

- **July 15th:** St. Louis, MO. Registration closes on July 12th!
- **July 22nd:** Decatur, AL.
- **July 29th:** Columbus, OH
- **August 5th:** Tulsa, OK

Register Today! <https://rizones30-31.org/events/leadership-seminars/>

DG Induction Dinner

Thursday, July 6, 2023

Thank you to the Rotary Club of Little Rock Afterhours for hosting the Induction Ceremony of District Governor Sydney Gilbert and Club Presidents at Chenal Country Club in Little Rock, AR on Friday, June 30. Check out some of the photos from the evening.



