



The Bath Tub

Hot Springs National Park Newsletter



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Week of January 9, 2023

Upcoming Programs:

January 11, 2023	<p><i>Lori Bell,</i> <i>National Forest Service</i> <i>*This meeting will be downstairs in the Trifecta Room*</i></p> <hr/>
January 18, 2023	<p><i>Matt Bell,</i> <i>Origami Saki</i></p> <hr/>
January 25, 2023	<p>TBD</p> <hr/>

Literacy Council and Imagination Library



President-Elect Chris Franklin introduced our two guest speakers this week: Sarah Richardson, who is the Executive Director of the Literacy Council of Garland County and Dr. Penny Beed, who is the Executive Director of Imagination Library of the Ouachitas. Both organizations provide services to improve literacy in our area, with the Literacy Council concentrating on adults and Imagination Library concentrating on children.

The Literacy Council provides one-on-one and small group tutoring to adults in our area. Their mission is to enhance success in daily living by building literacy skills. Serving 125 adults last year, they provided over 700 hours of instruction and strive to do "much more" in 2023. Richardson says that of the over 80,000 persons living in Garland County, over 10,000 are considered functionally illiterate. With programs to assist with reading and comprehension, they also offer assistance with dyslexia, basic math and English as a Second Language (ESL).

Honoring her father who couldn't read or write, Dolly Parton started Imagination Library in 1995 and started providing books to children in her home county of Sevierville, Tennessee. Now the program is active in 5 countries around the world and delivers over 2 million books per month to children participating in this program, which sends one quality, age-appropriate book each month to the child from birth until they reach 5 years of age. Studies show that 85% of the brain's development is in the first five years, so providing these books during that crucial time directly impacts the success of each child. Imagination Library of the Ouachitas serves Garland, Montgomery and Pike Counties and HSNP Rotary Club was one of the Rotary Clubs who helped start this organization locally. \$25 per year will provide these age-appropriate books to one child monthly and a \$125 donation will cover one child for all 60 books (from birth to age 5).

Both organizations rely heavily on and always need donations and volunteers. With literacy being one of

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our Rotary Club's focus areas, kicking off the year with these two speakers was most appropriate and informative.

If you'd like more information or to send donations to one of these wonderful non-profits, please go to: Literacy Council: www.literacycouncilgarlandcounty.org or call 501-624-7323. Donations can be mailed to 119 Hobson Ave., Hot Springs, AR 71901

Imagination Library of the Ouachitas: www.garlandcountyimaginationlibrary.org *Donations can be mailed to PO Box 482, Mount Ida, AR 71957

*Imagination Library of the Ouachitas is one of the choices you can make for your Rotary Birthday donation and can be added to your monthly statement.



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The 4-Way Test

INVOCATION
Susan Aldridge



PLEDGE
Brian Canales



4 WAY TEST
Rob Koller



Birthdays

Gene Shelby
January 8th
Delores C. Bennett
January 9th
Joe K. Patrico
January 9th
Susan G. Aldridge
January 11th
Martin Northern
January 12th
Jeremy W Brown
January 12th
Karol Bailes
January 21st
Jack C. Porter
January 29th
Daniel E. Disney
February 5th
William Solleder
February 6th

The Rotary Scholarship Trust Drawing



Rotarian Dennis Smith had one of the two lucky tickets drawn; we never did learn who had the other one! We started with a new deck for the new year and wouldn't you know, Dennis was not able to pull the Ace of Diamonds. Tune in next week, when we will have:

\$88 in the pot
51 cards left in the deck

Student Guest Speaker

Rotarian Alan Spraggins introduced our Student Guest Speaker, Riley Harvey, who is a senior at Cutter-Morning Star High School.

Riley plans to attend Ouachita Baptist University after graduation to study Biophysics for a career in MicroBiology. His particular interest is to find new forms of treatment for cancer. He says this is not a dream of science fiction, but a possible reality.

Paul Harris Fellow Awards



President Neal Gladner presented **Rotarian Les Warren** with his Paul Harris Fellowship +1 pin.

CONGRATULATIONS, LES!

Slate of Officers for next Rotary Year

Immediate Past President Tiffany Tucker presented the following slate of officers for the 2022-2023 Rotary year to our membership in Executive Session:

President - **Chris Franklin**
President Elect - **Sara Brown**
Vice President - **Tim Metcalf**
Treasurer - **Courtney Moore**
Secretary - **Gary McKuin**
Immediate Past President - **Neal Gladner**
Director - **Cheryl Stafford**
Director - **Diane LaFollette**
Director - **Renee Bartholomae**
Director - **David Trice**

This slate of officers was unanimously approved our membership on a motion by **Richard Payton** that was seconded by **Jane Phillips-Jolly**.
Congratulations to our future leadership!

Prospective Members

The Board and Membership Committee have approved the following prospective member. If there are no written objections sent to the secretary within 3 days of this second publication, he will become a member at our January 11 meeting.

Blake Bartholomae
Freelance Voice Specialist
Sponsored by **Renee Bartholomae**

Guests

Rotarian Matt Barrett introduced our guests this week:

Mary Metcalf introduced proposed member, Loren Benedict, **Ernie Hinz** hosted former HSNP Rotarian Alan Sims, and **Tanya Mitchell** introduced Jamie Floyd.



Announcements

HSNP ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Scholarship Chair Ira Kleinman and his committee have updated the scholarship application and it is available on our website: www.hsnprotary.org. Please spread the word for any Garland County students who may be interested. Deadline for application is February 1, 2023.

Board Notes

The next Board meeting will be held in the Boardroom of the new Community First Trust Building at 1720 Higdon Ferry Road on **Tuesday, January 10 at noon**. As always, all membership is invited to join us, especially new members who are trying to earn that coveted Blue Badge! Please let Donna K know if you plan to attend.

President Neal Gladner



Welcome back to Rotary! Excluding our Holiday Party, we've not been together since December 7th, so almost a full month. I've missed being with you all. I say that because you might be interested to know that in the membership survey you completed, the number one thing people like about attending our meetings is the ability to see fellow Rotarians in person. That was followed closely by the quality of our programs. And while we are certainly happy to offer the zoom option, it doesn't replace being in the same room at the same time.

One of the things you get from being together in person includes the occasional funny story from a fellow member, hearing about family and activities while visiting, and something that may just be meaningful to you.

I had one of those happen with a Rotarian last month, and I have his permission to tell this story. Past President and friend **Don Gooch** and I were together at Sam's Club for two hours doing our part in helping the Salvation Army as Bell

Ringers. If you've done that, I don't have to tell you the good feeling you get for those two hours. You see children learning the lesson of giving, as their parents have them put money in the kettle. You see people emptying their pockets into the kettle, sometimes just with coins, saying something like "I wish I could do more, but that's all I have". It's a very positive experience during the holidays.

As we talked about Rotary, Don said something that stood out --- and applied to both of us. Don said, speaking of the Bell Ringing, *"I probably wouldn't be here if it weren't for Rotary"*.

Let that settle for a moment. It was Don's association with our club that gave him both the opportunity and the personal urge to do something to make Hot Springs a little better. And Don already does a lot. So here's my challenge to you. We're halfway through the Rotary year. Rotarians are known as "people of action". So, as opportunities arise, I hope you'll take advantage of them. Do something you wouldn't normally do were you not a member of Rotary. That could be your way to "Imagine Rotary" and be a person of action.

Absence

Alderdice, Corey Bartholomae, Renee Bennett, Delores C. Bradford, Jay Brinlee, Bryan Britton, Beau Brown, Jeremy W Brown, Sara Chapmond, Chris Dante, Charles H. Jr. Dews, John Scott Dingler, Brett Disney, Daniel E. Dodd, Nick Echols, Taryn E. Galloway, Johnna Gooch, Lloyd (Don) Gronwaldt, Robert C	Harper, Susan Allen Harrington, Neal Harris, William T IV Helm, Michael D. Herndon, Nicole Kelly, Judith Heikes Kendall, Kirsten A Kerst, William L. Launius, Chuck E. Lipton, Michael J. Martinez, Rafael McNary, Mechele Northern, Martin Patrico, Joe K. Peine, Brett Pitard, Toddy Pratt, John A. Praetzel, Daron C.	Ragsdale, Linda L. Roberts, Thomas W Rogers, Tiffany B. Ross, Doug Sample, William H. Simmons, Svetlana Smith, Janet E. Stephens, Noelle Stobaugh, John S Taylor, Kathy H. Terry, Tiffany P. Thompson, Ashley Troutman, Gary A. Tuohey, James Michael Wagstaff, Cindy Warren, Will Zeiser, Jared	Active-R85 Brunner, John H. Craft, Joyce L. Davenport, H. W. Endicott, Lynn E. Fleischner, Stuart Allen Levi, Lawrence W. Mazzanti, James R. Active-LOA Brown, Daniel Burleson - Popp, Brad Butterfield, Roxanne
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Thought for the Week

**Don't listen to people who tell you what to do.
Listen to people who encourage you to do
what you know in your heart is right.**
