



# The Bath Tub

## Hot Springs National Park Newsletter



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### Week of August 7, 2023

### Upcoming Programs:

August 9, 2023

Adam Webb  
Garland County Library

August 16, 2023

Dr. John Hogan, President  
National Park College

August 23, 2023

Ken Jacobson, Hot Springs  
Documentary Film Festival  
**\*\*FIELD TRIP\*\***  
This meeting will be held at The Warehouse and we will NEED  
RSVPs!!!

### Colbie Jones, Keep Arkansas Beautiful



**President Chris Franklin, Speaker Colbie Jones and President-Elect Sara Brown**  
**President-Elect Sara Brown** introduced this week's speaker, Colbie Jones, the Executive Director of Keep Arkansas Beautiful. What a shame that our beautiful state is impacted so heavily by litter. Jones says that over 23.7 billion pieces of litter impact the roadways of the United States and over 25.9 billion pieces are along the waterways. Of those numbers, 65% are cigarette butts. Litter impacts our water by contamination, our animals' lives by becoming entrapped or ingesting litter, and causing fires because of those littered cigarette butts. Even the crime rate is impacted by litter, as litter and graffiti send a signal to criminals that residents don't care about what happens in their neighborhood, thus making that area more vulnerable. The Keep Arkansas Beautiful Commission develops programs and initiatives that engage communities, such as volunteer rangers, youth programs, community cleanups and horticulture projects. Many of our club were involved in the recent "Great American Cleanup" and will have another chance to help beautify our area in September-October with the "Great Arkansas Cleanup". The Keep Arkansas Beautiful Commission provides supplies such as trash bags, gloves, signs, safety vests and t-shirts (while they last) free of charge to anyone or group who signs up to be a part of a cleanup program, even if you are doing it on your own. They also have an adorable mascot "Otto the Otter" who helps educate the youth in our state on the

### Club Leaders



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Club Director



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Club Director



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Club Director



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iPast President

[Michelle Ratcliff](#)

negative impact of litter.

If you'd like more information about any of these programs or to receive some supplies to help beautify our community, go to [KeepArkansasBeautiful.com](http://KeepArkansasBeautiful.com), text VOLUNTEER to 484848 or [CLICK HERE](#) to sign up for the e-Keepsake newsletter.



Assistant Governor

## 4 Way Test

INVOCATION  
Alan Spraggins



PLEDGE  
Justin Nicklas



4 WAY TEST  
Bill Creason



## The Rotary Scholarship Trust Drawing



Lucky **Dennis Smith** strikes again! He had BOTH winning tickets for the second week in a row, but unlike last week when he drew two losing red cards, he drew two losing black cards this week. That ole' Ace of Diamonds is in there somewhere!

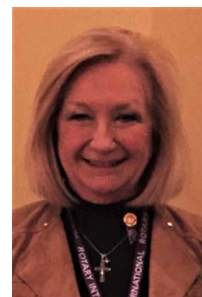
Next week, we will start with:

**\$256 in the pot**  
**44 cards in the deck**

## Guests

**Past President and Past District Governor Susan Aldridge** introduced our guests this week:

**Matt Barrett** hosted Amy Brown and **Jeremy Brown** hosted Esther Dixon.



## Birthdays

- Cheryl Lynn Stafford  
August 4th
- Rob Koller  
August 6th
- Mechele McNary  
August 6th
- Lloyd (Don) Gooch  
August 6th
- Noelle Stephens  
August 7th
- Neal C. Gladner  
August 8th
- Joyce Parker Whitfield  
August 9th
- Carolyn J. Pierce  
August 10th
- Dennis C. Smith  
August 10th
- Lori Erickson  
August 13th
- Tiffany B. Rogers  
August 14th
- Nadine Jarmon  
August 14th
- Taryn E. Echols  
August 18th
- Stephanie M Nehus  
August 22nd
- Courtney C. Crouch Jr.  
August 24th
- Chris Chapmond  
August 25th
- Chuck E. Launius  
August 31st
- Richard Gladden  
September 2nd
- James A Carney  
September 6th
- Bryan Brinlee  
September 9th
- Nicole Herndon  
September 10th
- Richard W. McGrew  
September 12th
- Douglas A. Arnold  
September 14th

## Paul Harris Fellowships



It was "Fleischner Day" as **President Chris Franklin** awarded **Past Presidents Mark Fleischner and Stuart Fleischner** with the PHF+2 pins. Congratulations!

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## Congratulations!



**Founding member of our new Hot Springs National Park Rotary Foundation President Chris** surprised **Club Secretary Gary McKuin** with a special commemorative coin, as Gary was the first HSNP Rotarian to donate \$1,000 to our new HSNP Rotary Club Foundation. Any Rotarian who makes the \$1,000 donation before June 30, 2024 will be considered a Founding Member of our new foundation and will receive one of these beautiful coins (see below). Thank you, Gary, for your investment in the future of our community. This foundation will have a positive impact on our area for decades to come!



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## Announcements

Now is the time to consider nominations for District Governor for 2026-27. If you have someone you'd like to nominate, please let **President Chris Franklin** know by September 12, 2023.

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**Student Guest Committee Chair Sarah Richardson** requests that any Rotarian who knows of an outstanding high school senior that you would like to see attend and speak to our club during the school year, please reach out to her or any member of the Student Guest Committee.

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**Joyce Whitfield** announced that the Hot Springs Area Community Foundation affiliate is accepting applications for their annual Giving Tree grant cycle through August 15, 2023. Applications are open to any 501c3 non-profit, school, municipality or government agency who would like to apply. They will be accepted for any charitable purpose and be awarded in early October. The online application is located at <https://www.arcf.org/affiliates/hot-springs-area/>

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**Renee Bartholomae** invited everyone to a Meet and Greet (see below)

**Meet & Greet**

Date: August 17, 2023  
Time: 4:00 - 5:30  
Location: OBIJAW Hot Springs Conference Room  
Details: Beverages & Light hors d'oeuvres will be provided

**Child/Adolescent Psychiatrist**  
Dr. Karen Hall, MD

- Collaborative Care
- Medication Management
- Diagnostic Assessments
- Psychotherapy

**OUACHITA**  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH & WELLNESS

Join us as we welcome our new psychiatrist Dr. Karen Hall to our community.

## Board Notes

The next Board meeting will be held at the Hot Springs Country Club on **Tuesday, August 8 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. If you'd like to have lunch with us, please come 15 minutes early so you can order off the menu prior to the start of the meeting.

## President Chris Franklin



Thank you, **President-Elect Sara Brown** for filling in last week when I was in the 65-degree weather in Alaska with my daughter. It was an amazing trip, and I even met the Public Relations Chair for the Rotary Club of Moraga, CA. I am so happy to be back in front of you all today. Last week I was only a few yards away from grizzly bears fishing for salmon, which is an amazing experience. To experience it with my daughter was even more special. Those special moments with family, friends, and fellow Rotarians are what create lasting memories. I have commented before that you can't go anywhere in town or attend any function without seeing members of our club. I enjoy being a part of a club that has such a dynamic membership. That dynamic membership extends beyond Hot Springs, though. As I was speaking with my new Rotarian friend Gary Irwin from Moraga, CA, I was excited to talk about our club and hear about how their club is creating

hope in their community.

As some of you know, I am a very outdoors-type person. It is how I recharge. I enjoy hiking, kayaking and photographing the wildlife, scenery and waterways of our great state. So, I particularly enjoyed this week's program. I have so many memories of exploring Arkansas, I couldn't begin to choose a favorite. I hope that you can all can enjoy some time this summer to just stop and enjoy the beauty of our state, or wherever you may travel. I encourage you to go out and enjoy our beautiful state, maybe in the fall, and remember these wise words of Ferris Bueller: "Life moves pretty fast, if you don't stop and look around once in a while, you could miss it".

## Absence

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|---|---|---|---|
| Alderdice, Corey<br>Alderdice, Stephanie<br>Bailes, Ralf<br>Bennett, Delores C.<br>Blackmon, Kelsey B<br>Bornhoft, James<br>Bradford, Jay<br>Brinlee, Bryan | Hinz, Ernie D.<br>Hogan, John A.<br>Kelly, Judith Heikes<br>Kerst, William L.<br>LaFollette, Diane<br>Launius, Chuck E.<br>Lipton, Michael J.<br>Martinez, Rafael | Ratcliff, Michelle<br>Richardson, Sarah<br>Ross, Doug<br>Sample, William H.<br>Simmons, Svetlana<br>Smith, Janet E.<br>Spicher, Forrest L. II | <b>Active-R85</b><br>Bailey, Larry A.<br>Brunner, John H. |
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|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Britton, Beau         | McNary, Mechele      | Stephens, Noelle      | Craft, Joyce L.   |
| Chapmond, Chris       | Mitchell, Tanya      | Stobaugh, John S      | Endicott, Lynn E. |
| Crawford, Roger       | Moore, Whitney C     | Taylor, Kathy H.      | Payton, Richard   |
| Dante, Charles H. Jr. | Mouton, Alex         | Thompson, Ashley      | Porter, Jack C..  |
| Dews, John Scott      | Naveran, Garrett     | Thurber, Darla        |                   |
| Dingler, Brett        | Nehus, Stephanie M   | Troutman, Gary A.     | <b>Active-LOA</b> |
| Disney, Daniel E.     | Northern, Martin     | Tuohey, James Michael | Couch, Mary Anne  |
| Dodd, Nick            | Patel, Parth         | Wagstaff, Cindy       | Helm, Michael D.  |
| Echols, Taryn E.      | Peine, Brett         | Warren, Les A.        |                   |
| Gladner, Neal C.      | Phillips-Jolly, Jane | Warren, Will          |                   |
| Graham, Mark T.       | Praetzel, Daron C.   | Zeiser, Jared         |                   |
| Harper, Susan Allen   | Pratt, John A.       | Zunick, Mary E        |                   |
| Harris, William T IV  | Ragsdale, Linda L.   | Zunick, S. Robert     |                   |

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## Thought for the Week

Your smile is your logo.  
Your personality is your business card.  
The way you make others feel is your trademark.  
~ Zig Ziglar

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