



# The Bath Tub

## Hot Springs National Park Newsletter



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**Week of August 26, 2024**

### Upcoming Programs:

August 28, 2024	What Failing as a Pro Golfer Taught Me About Business Christina Lecuyer
September 4, 2024	Conductor – Empowering Entrepreneurs Jeff Standridge, Managing Director
September 11, 2024	Special Patriot Day Presentation Hot Springs Police Chief Billy Hrvatin

### Club Leaders



[Sara Brown](#)  
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[David Trice](#)  
Club Director



[Mary E. Zunick](#)  
Club Director



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Sergeant-at-Arms



[Chris Franklin](#)  
iPast President

### Birthdays

Stephanie M Nehus  
August 22nd  
Chris Chapmond  
August 25th  
Mitchell L. Lowe  
August 26th  
Chuck E. Launius  
August 31st  
Richard Gladden  
September 2nd

James A Carney  
September 6th

Nicole Herndon  
September 10th

### City Manager Gives Update

When we learned late Tuesday night that District Governor Sherry Posnove & Taylor



When we learned last Tuesday night that District Governor Cheryl Hargrove de Taylor would not be able to be at our meeting on Wednesday, fellow Rotarian and City Manager Bill Burrough stepped up and agreed to provide the program for our meeting. In Bill's introduction, Past President Tiffany Tucker shared the latest recognition of our city manager at the Community Health Banquet last week when he was named a Living Legend. Bill shared many points of interest and covered a variety of needs and concerns.

**Water** If plans go well this time next year, we should have water in the pipe. The intake is complete and water is flowing into what is called the Ouachita Water Treatment Plant. The water is not currently being treated as there is still a lot of testing that has to be finished. There continues to be ongoing testing for lead and copper in the water lines for residents of Garland County. We have 962.5 miles of water pipe, which is a lot to manage.

**Waste water** 4,000 grinder stations and 84 major pump stations. Hot Springs has more lift stations and grinder stations than the city of Houston, TX because of our terrain.

**Community Resource Center** has served this summer as a cooling shelter. Not just serving the homeless but also families that are the working poor and don't have air conditioning in their homes. We have great volunteers helping to make the center work well and because of this there have been no notable problems to date. In September a fire suppression system will be installed. Future plans include congregate feeding. Jackson House will move operations from Malvern Avenue to the Center, giving greater capacity for capturing the waste that comes from a feeding program. Future plans also include

assessments and case management.

**Affordable Housing** the city is looking at land banks and properties with liens. The city has created a database of these properties for those who want to build affordable housing. The city can write off at least 50% of the lien and, for projects such as Habitat for Humanity, could satisfy the lien. Studies show that one price range lacking affordable housing is a home value of \$225,000.

**Downtown Parking** this has been an issue in Hot Springs for at least 5 decades. Studies have been completed and will now be put in motion. Kiosks will be put in place and pricing tiers are still being discussed that offer longer-term parking as well as discounts for downtown employees. The long term goal is to raise funds to build another parking structure. A parking deck similar to the one we have will have a cost of \$35,000 per spot and the city is looking at a structure with 200 parking spots. Revenue bonds would be necessary to be able to afford the project.

**7 South Fire Station** property has been purchased from First Security Bank. The property is behind the bank on Central Avenue and the car wash that is beside the bank. Plans are to move the equipment from Lakeshore Drive and make that location a rescue station with firefighters and EMTs.

Consolidation of the 911 system is mandated to be complete by January of next year, but city officials are still exploring best solutions. The final decision will be made on safety and not on the funds that are currently being received.

**Senior Citizen Center** CHI St. Vincent has given the Area Agency on Aging notice they will discontinue the center and Meals on Wheels for North Garland County. There is a search for a new vendor, but one has not been secured yet. One of the many concerns is the 450 people who are relying on the meals. The search for a vendor continues, as well as a building to house the senior citizen center.

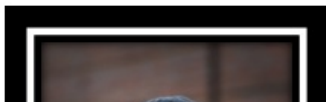
Lastly and great news Casey Burch is the first female Fire Captain for the Hot Springs Fire Department. She is a 10-year veteran of the fire department. Awesome!

A big thank you to Bill Burrough for stepping in at the last minute as our speaker and for skimming the surface of the MANY issues you and the city deal with every day!

Pictured above, **President Sara Brown, City Manager Bill Burrough, and Past President Tiffany Tucker.**

September 10th  
Richard W. McGrew  
September 12th  
Douglas A. Arnold  
September 14th

## 4 Way Test





Pete Davin – Invocation



Justin Hickman – Pledge



4-Way Test – Forrest Spicher

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## The Rotary Scholarship Trust Drawing



Rotarians **Mark Graham & Don Gooch** had the right ticket for a chance to draw for the Ace of Diamonds, but didn't pick the right card. The pot continues to grow, so make plans to purchase your ticket next week.

**Here's where we are:**  
**\$463.00 in the pot and**  
**36 cards in the deck.**



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## Guests



The question of the day for **Immediate Past Chair Chris Franklin**, "why no guests?" Don't leave your friends hanging - invite a guest to next week's Rotary meeting.



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## Student Guests



**Mary Zunick** introduced Emma Storment, a student at Jessieville High School, for her first visit. We look forward to having Emma with us over the next couple of weeks.

If you would like to host a student guest, please contact Sarah Richardson.



CONTACT Sarah RICHARDSON.

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## Prospective Members

The Board and Membership Committee have approved the following prospective members. If there are no written objections sent to the secretary within 3 days of this second publication, they will become members at our September 4 meeting.

**Adam Webb**

Executive Director  
Garland County Library  
Sponsored by Bill Solleder

**Libby Harrington**

Marketing Director  
Levi Hospital  
Sponsored by **Neal Harrington**

**Captain Jason Perdieu**

Corp Officer & Minister  
Salvation Army  
Sponsored by the **Membership Committee**

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## Announcements

**STUDENT GUEST PROGRAM**

If you have a child or grandchild that will be a senior this year at one of our local schools, please see Sarah Richardson about our Student Guest Program that will kick off soon.

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**WELCOME RECEPTION**

Welcome incoming NPC President **Dr. Wade Derden**  
*TONIGHT* - Thursday, August 22, 2024 \* 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.  
Hot Springs Country Club  
101 Country Club Drive

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**BASEBALL WEEKEND**

[7th Annual Hot Springs Baseball Weekend | Hot Springs National Park Arkansas](#) (click here for more information)

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**SATELLITE CLUB**

Our Satellite Club is recruiting members. If you know someone who might like to be a part, they meet on the 2nd & 4th Thursday each month at the Courtyard Marriott. Also, a great club to visit if you want to see what it's all about, or you are working on your Red to Blue Badge.

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**NEXT BOARD MEETING**

Tuesday, September 10 at noon at the Hot Springs Country Club. All members are welcome - if you are working on your Red to Blue Badge, this is your opportunity to check this off your list.

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## Thought for the Week

This year's Rotary International Motto is "The Magic of Rotary". As you leave today remember "The magic is in the movement, the art is in the programming, the science is in the explanation, and the fun is in the community." Greg Glassman





## Absence

Alderdice, Stephanie Atkins, Brent Bailes, Karol Barrett, Matt Bartholomae, Blake O. Blackmon, Kelsey B Bornhoft, James Bradford, Jay Britton, Beau Carney, James A Dante, Charles H. Jr. Dingler, Brett Disney, Daniel E. Dodd, Nick Floyd, Alan Galloway, Johnna Gladden, Richard Harper, Susan Allen	Harrington, Neal Harris, William T IV Herndon, Nicole Jarmon, Nadine Johnson, Paulette S. Kerst, William L. Koller, Rob Launius, Chuck E. Martinez, Rafael McGrew, Richard W. McNary, Mechele Mir, Saddiq Moore, Courtney W. Moore, Whitney C Mouton, Alex Northern, Martin Patel, Parth Porter, Lance A.	Praetzel, Daron C. Pratt, John A. Ragsdale, Linda L. Ratcliff, Michelle Richardson, Sarah Ross, Doug Sample, William H. Shelby, Gene Smith, Janet E. Solleder, William Stobaugh, John S Thompson, Ashley Wagstaff, Cindy Warren, Les A. Warren, Will Williams, Noel C. Winters, Jay Wright, Raymond Zeiser, Jared	<b>R85</b> Aldridge-May, Susan G. Arnold, Doug Brunner, John H. Craft, Joyce Cupp III, Cecil W. Endicott, Lynn E Fleischner, H. Mark Hudgens, E. Brad Payton, Richard Porter, Jack C.  <b>LOA</b> Chapmond, Chris Couch, Mary Anne Helm, Michael Rogers, Kala
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