



# The Bath Tub

## Hot Springs National Park Newsletter



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Week of January 13, 2025

### Upcoming Programs:

January 15, 2025	<b>Alyssa Haley</b> LifeNet Services
January 22, 2025	<b>Melissa Goff</b> AR Real Estate Commission
January 29, 2025	<b>Shae Lewis, Director</b> Division of AR State Parks

### Club Leaders



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iPast President

### Broyles Award Moves to Oaklawn



Today's speakers were introduced by Rotarian Jeff Hildebrand (pictured far left) from Club 99 in Little Rock. In his introduction he shared that he has had the fortune of being associated with the Broyles Award for 19 years. The award is now 29 years old and was created by David Bazzel. Jeff and David have known each other for over 40 years. The Broyles Award recognizes the top assistant football coach in the country. The award is nationally recognized by the National College Football Awards Association and is the only nationally recognized award for division one football coaches. After 28 years in Little Rock, the event is moving from Little Rock to Hot Springs and will be held at Oaklawn. The Broyles Foundation and Broyles family have developed a relationship with Wayne Smith and Oaklawn, and are excited to be in Hot Springs moving forward. The event will be Thursday, February 13 and will be an evening event. The Broyles Award is put on by the Broyles Foundation with the help of many volunteers and sponsors. The Broyles Foundation is run by Executive Director Molly Harrell, (pictured third from left) Coach Frank Broyles' granddaughter. Todd introduced Molly to share a few words. Molly shared that they are very excited to be moving the event to Hot Springs and to work with Oaklawn. In 2001, her grandmother was diagnosed with Alzheimer's and the family lived in Houston at the time and had no idea really what that was. There was no help for caregivers or support groups. The family moved from Houston,

Texas to Fayetteville and ended up living in the house to take care of her grandmother full-time. Because of the public nature of Frank Broyles' job, when his wife passed away, people started calling the Razorback Foundation to ask for help or advice for their loved ones suffering from Dementia or Alzheimer's. The family wanted to help, so they wrote a book titled, "Coach Broyles' Playbook for Alzheimer's Caregivers." It's a practical tips and strategies guide written in sports terms. This was the start of the foundation in 2006. Expanded programs now include caregiver coaching to assist families to form a game plan of care.

David Bazzel (pictured far right) spoke to members about the beginnings of the Broyles Award to honor the greatest assistant coaches. Just 10 years ago, they saw an opportunity to use this event to help the foundation. David shared that this award is so coveted by coaches around the country. Frank Broyles thought it was important to recognize good assistant coaches. Coach Broyles' assistant coaches included Barry Switzer, Jimmy Johnson, Joe Gibbs, and Johnny Majors. He commented that the years in Little Rock have been great, but now that they have moved to Hot Springs, it is going to be better than it's ever been. Hot Springs has more to offer to those who will be in attendance and their overall

### Birthdays

Susan G. Aldridge-May  
January 11th

experience. For more information on how you can purchase tickets, tables, or sponsor the event, visit [www.broylesaward.com](http://www.broylesaward.com).

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## 4 Way Test



Forrest Spicher – Invocation



Mark Graham – Pledge



Alan Spraggins – 4 Way Test

Jeremy W Brown  
January 12th  
Martin Northern  
January 12th  
Karol Bailes  
January 21st  
Jason T Perdieu  
January 21st  
Jack C. Porter  
January 29th  
Daniel E. Disney  
February 5th  
William Solleder  
February 6th  
Blake O. Bartholomae  
February 7th

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## The Rotary Scholarship Trust Drawing



Today's lucky numbers and a chance to win half the pot belonged to **Jay Winters** and **Chris Franklin**. I saw a Diamond, but not the Ace of Diamonds!

There are now 44 cards in the deck and the total of the pot is currently \$262. Let's do it again next week and see if someone will win the money. Purchase to win and help build our scholarship fund.

\*Still looking for help to collect money each week. If you are interested in helping out, please let us know.\*

Thanks for supporting this fun way to raise money for scholarships!

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## Guests



**Rotarian Brent Atkins** introduced the Rotarians who brought guests today and our special guests.

**Don Gooch** introduced his guest, Wayne Smith, General Manager of Oaklawn, and guest Franklin Bass, Community Bank President for southwest Arkansas.

**Richard McGrew** introduced his guest and daughter, Carrie Ware with McGrew Properties.

It was great to have **Michael Gastman** with us today. **Larry Levi** will be introducing him as a new member next week. Hope you will be there to welcome him to our club.

It was great to have visiting Rotarian, **Larry Gay**, with us today! Larry is a member of the club in Magnolia.

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## Student Guests



**Liz Robbins** introduced student guest Brittonie Haley at this week's meeting. This was Brittonie's second visit to our Rotary Club. We will hear from Brittonie next week and her future plans after graduation. She is a senior at Lake Hamilton High School. We were also pleased to have one of her guidance counselors, Traci Britt, and Principal Clint Jones visit today as well.



**Joyce Whitfield** introduced student guest Janet Coon. Janet is a senior at Mountain Pine High School and was with us today for her first visit. We look forward to seeing her again next week. Joining her at Rotary today were her parents, Tim & Crystal Mitchell.



**JJ Galloway** introduced Kelvin Orduna, a senior at Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences, & the Arts. This was Kelvin's first visit, and we look forward to seeing him over the next 2 weeks. Always a pleasure to have student guests and learn more about their future plans.

## Red to Blue Badge



Congratulations to **Linda Langan** (pictured left) on receiving her blue badge presented by **Gary McKuin** (pictured right). Without a doubt, always, always an entertaining presentation by Gary! Never quite know what to expect, which is why we love it so much!

Congratulations on completing your requirements and welcome to Blue Badgeville!

If you are working on your Red to Blue Badge and want to know what is left on your list, see Don Floyd at the back of the room at the next Rotary meeting. The next board meeting (one of the requirements to earn the blue badge) is February 4 at noon at the Hot Springs Country Club.

## New Members

Welcome to Hot Springs National Park Rotary Club:

**Ann Xu, MD**  
Hot Springs Internal Medicine  
PH: 501-275-2467  
Email: [anniexu2377@gmail.com](mailto:anniexu2377@gmail.com)

Annie joined because she believes in volunteer service and contributing to the community. Since returning to Hot Springs, joining Rotary felt like a natural next step. Annie also volunteers her time with the Arts Advisory Committee. She is sponsored by Pat McCabe. Annie is married to Dr. Ruchit Rana and they have a young daughter, Jade Rana.





Welcome to Rotary! We look forward to working with you to make Hot Springs a better community, and to change lives in the world around us.



**Aaron Criswell, Director of Sales & Marketing**  
US Stations, LLC  
PH: 415-519-3249  
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Aaron joined Rotary to connect with like-minded individuals who are committed to making a positive impact in our community. He is passionate about giving back and believes Rotary offers a unique opportunity to support meaningful local initiatives. Aaron enjoys music and golf. He is married to Jaime and they have 4 children.

Please welcome both of these members to Rotary as we all work together to make our community the best it can be.

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## Prospective Members

The Board and Membership Committee approved the following prospective member. This is the second of two publications for the proposed 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 15, 2025, meeting.

**Michael Gastman**  
Retired Dillards Executive  
Sponsored by Larry Levi

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## Announcements

### **Ouachita Children Youth & Family Services Fundraiser**

Take the night off from cooking and have dinner at On The Border. Mention you are there to support Ouachita Children Youth & Family Services. A portion of the sales for the night will benefit the programs supported by OCYFS. If you have questions about the programs, contact fellow Rotarian and Executive Director Ashely Thompson.

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### **Annual Chamber Banquet**

Mark your calendar for January 30 if you wish to attend the Annual Chamber Banquet being held at Oaklawn. Hot Springs National Park Rotary Club has been nominated for Organization of the Year. Our own president, Sara Brown, has been nominated for Woman of the Year, as well as Mary Zunick, Renee Bartholomae, and Karol Bailes. Nominated for Man of the Year are Justin Nicklas, Brent Atkins, and Saddiq Mir. Nominated for Rising Star are Libby Harrington, and Hunter Temple. Congratulations to our hard-working Rotarians! Thanks for all you do in our community. Good luck to all the nominees.

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### **Garland County Library Focus Group**

The Garland County Library is hosting focus groups on February 4th to help us with our long-range plan. If anyone is interested in participating, they can sign up here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3C9D2GL>

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### **Next Board Meeting**

The next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 4 at noon at the Hot Springs Country Club. If you are working on your blue badge and have not attended a board meeting yet, we hope you will join us. All members are welcome to attend.

## Congratulations!



Congratulations to **Carolyn Pierce-Domerese** who recently married Gary Domerese on December 28, 2024. The members of Hot Springs National Park Rotary Club want to wish you much love and happiness in all the days ahead!



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## Board Notes

### Notes from the last board meeting held January 7, 2025:

- Al Carney has resigned from Rotary due to health concerns. The board regretfully accepted his resignation.
- Ashley Bennett has resigned from Rotary because she is no longer with ASMSA and has taken on another role elsewhere, not allowing her to participate in Rotary.
- Rob Koller has resigned from Rotary because they are no longer part owners of AR Logo Logic and a lack of time prohibits him from continuing as a member of Rotary.
- Sadly, John Selig, long-time member and most recently an Honorary Member of Rotary, has been removed from our membership. John passed away in December.

The next Board meeting will be held at the Hot Springs Country Club on **Tuesday, February 4, 2025, at noon**. As always, all membership members are invited to join us, especially new members who are working to earn their Blue Badge. 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. There is a charge of \$18 that will be added to your next statement. The meetings are held in the Executive Meeting Room.

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## Rotary Minute



**Rotarian Robert Zunick** presented the following Rotary Minute:

Why do people join Rotary? Why did you join Rotary? Perhaps it was for professional networking, or service opportunities, or to foster new friendships. Weekly Rotary club programs keep members informed about what is taking place in the community, nation, and world and motivated to make a difference. Social activities give Rotarians a chance to let loose and have fun. Every Rotary club and district hosts parties and social activities that offer diversions from today's demanding professional and personal schedules.

Rotary encourages high ethical standards in one's profession and respect for all worthy vocations has been a hallmark of Rotary from its earliest days.

Rotary is an organization of successful professionals. Team building, fundraising, public speaking, planning, organization, and communication are just a sampling of the leadership skills that club members can exercise and enhance. Being a Rotary leader provides further experience in learning how to motivate, inspire, and guide others.

Whatever your reason, we are glad you joined our club, and we hope you will look for others to join our club as we work to make a difference in our community and the world around us.

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## Thought for the Week

What a great first meeting of the new year! It was good to see so many in attendance. A new year brings with it renewed energy, fresh opportunities, and the chance to dream even bigger. Let's begin this year with gratitude - for the friendships we've built, the work we've accomplished and the shared mission that unites us. With each new year comes new hope, new dreams, and the opportunity to create magic every day. To quote Oprah Winfrey, "Cheers to a new year and another chance for us to get it right."

President Sara Brown~

