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Hot Springs National Park Newsletter



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Week of September 16, 2024

Upcoming Programs:

September 18, 2024	Rock Steady Boxing Program Helping Battle Parkinson's Disease Amy Johnson
September 25, 2024	Garland County Election Commissioner Gene Haley
October 2, 2024	Changes in Medicare & Other Insurance Coverage Q&A with Panel of Insurance Providers

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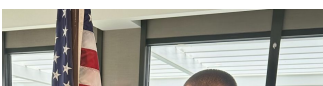
Birthdays

Richard W. McGrew
September 12th
Douglas A. Arnold
September 14th
Whitney C Moore
September 22nd
Michael Wade Derden
September 23rd
Raymond Wright
October 1st

David M. Fleming
October 2nd

Joyce L. Craft
October 2nd
Noel C. Williams
October 7th

A Day of Remembrance



What an amazing performance by the Lakeside High School Chamber Singers to start today's meeting. Beautiful songs and voices singing in perfect harmony to set the patriotic mood for a Day of Remembering those we lost on September 11, 2001. Hot Springs Police Chief Billy Hrvatin was introduced by City Manager Bill Burrough. City Manager Bill Burrough hired Chief Hrvatin on March



29, 2023, and stated in his introduction that it was a good hire, and that Chief Hrvatin is the best choice for our city.

Chief Hrvatin's comments took us back to that day as we watched the tragedy unfold on local news channels, many of us in a state of disbelief, but unfortunately, the reality was painfully present. Chief Hrvatin shared that he remembered where he was on that day in 2001. He was a detective at the HS Police Department, and it was a typical morning. A television was playing in the corner and was on a news channel. When the first plane hit, they thought it was a horrific accident, but when the second plane hit, they realized it was much more. It is a day we can never forget and something we as a nation can never let be repeated.

Chief Hrvatin shared numbers and facts of the events of 9/11:

- 19 terrorists took over 4 commercial airliners
- At 8:46 a.m. American Airlines flight 11 hit the first tower
- At 9:03 a.m. American Airlines flight 147 hit the second tower
- At 9:47 a.m. American Airlines flight 93 crashed into the Pentagon
- United Airlines flight 93 was destined for the nation's capital, but instead was overtaken by the passengers and the plane crashed in a field in Stonycreek Township, PA. Thanks to their bravery and sacrifice, countless lives were saved.
- 2,977 lives were lost that day, thousands were injured.
- 343 of them were firefighters – entire engine companies in New York did not make it home that day
- 72 of those lives were police officers.
- It was the single deadliest attack on US soil in one day.
- 10 billion dollars of structural damage

As Chief Hrvatin closed out this portion of the program, he reminded all of us to never forget the lives that were lost, never forget all the people impacted in the days that followed, and never forget those who served. The best quote he heard that morning was the best way to honor those we lost is to be the people we were on September 12. The unification was beautiful, and it's sad that it took such devastation to bring us all together.

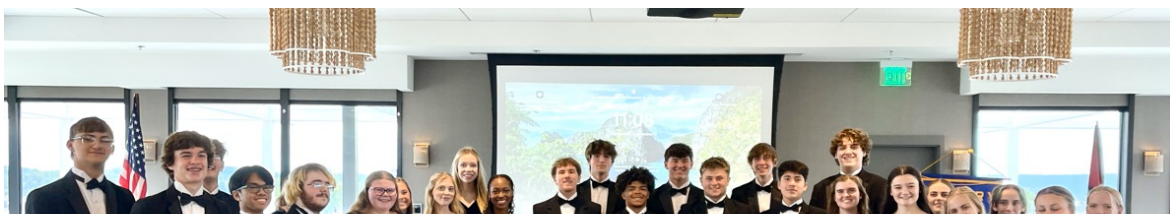
May we never forget the men and women in uniform here and abroad. They are still the line between good and evil. May we never forget the sacrifices they made and continue to make so that we may enjoy freedoms every day as Americans.

Updates on the Hot Springs Police Department:

- The greatest challenge is staffing and recruitment of officers.
- Cool things in technology – the department has 3 drones, and they are working on a Drone as a First Responder program.
- Received a grant to form a Community Police & Response Team – essentially a crime suppression unit.
- Peer Recovery Support System to help those suffering from drug & alcohol addiction and their families.
- Crime trends are seeing lower numbers:
 - Breaking & entering is down almost 20%, burglaries down almost 15%, thefts down over 27%, motor vehicle theft down 25%, robberies down 33% and all property crimes are down overall 15%.

Special Guests

Lakeside High School Chamber Singers





4 Way Test



Roger Giddings – Invocation
Rotary Class of 1987



Mike Bush – Pledge
Rotary Class of 1987



Dick Gladden – 4-Way Test
Rotary Class of 1979

Thank you for continuing to serve and helping guide our club!

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The Rotary Scholarship Trust Drawing



Rotarian Dennis Smith & Guest Jamie Staley had the right ticket for a chance to win half of the pot, but it was not meant to be today. Dennis can't even bare to look at his card - just look at his face.

The Ace of Diamonds is Still There!
\$711.00 in the pot and
30 cards in the deck.





Guests



Dennis Smith ~ Rotary Class of 1985

Rotarian Dennis Smith did the honor of introducing the members who brought guests today.

Cindy Wagstaff introduced her guest, Amanda Bass. Amanda is the new Director of Community Engagement.

Don Gooch introduced 2 guests today - Wayne Smith, General Manager of Oaklawn Hot Springs, and John Dale, of Sigma Supply.

Scott Dews introduced Jamie Staley.

David Paul introduced Larry DeWitt with Sigma Supply.

meeting today.

*We were happy as always to welcome Larry Gay, a guest Rotarian from Magnolia, to the

We love our guests, and we hope you will come again and if you are looking for a Rotary Club, this is the one to join!

Student Guests



Sarah Richardson introduced Kickiyla Williams, a student at Hot Springs High School. It was Kickiyla's second visit, and we look forward to hearing from her next week.

Jim Randall introduced Peter Denger. Peter is a senior at Jessieville High School. This was the second visit for Peter, and we are excited to hear from him next week.

Larry Levi introduced Addison Bobo, a senior at Lakeside High School. This was Addison's first visit, and we look forward to seeing her again next week.

Pictured left to right: Addison Bobo, Peter Denger, Rickiyla Williams.

Economic Minute



Chamber President Gary Troutman gave us a quick monthly update on all the recent happenings in Hot Springs including:

- *Cole & Gary met with President Wade Derden at NPC along with Bill Ritter about a new workforce project they hope to be granted from the state.
- *Funding for all school districts was cut for Career Preference Testing. The Chamber met with You Science about a grant to re-establish this program.
- *Congratulations to Jeremy Brown, HSNP Rotarian with AR Blue Cross Blue Shield & Anna Oberste of Oaklawn for being chosen for Leadership Arkansas. They will represent Hot Springs well.
- *Met with Berry Global recently and shared the fun fact that most of the bottle caps and lids on consumer products are made by Berry Global and many are made here in Hot Springs.
- *Attended Mid-America Airspace & Defense Summit in Rogers, AR.
- *Met with counterparts in Benton regarding regional partnerships.
- *The Annual AEDC Conference was held in Hot Springs at Oaklawn. Gary is the current president of this organization.
- *Have held 3 meetings with MakeMyMove.com regarding incentives, signing bonuses and networking opportunities.
- *HyperFiber is now available in Hot Springs & Hot Springs Village.
- *Education Council met for the first time since the start of the new school year.
- *Majestic site committee met recently and continue to work to find businesses for that location.

Thinking of You With Sympathy

Please continue to keep our fellow Rotarian & Assistant District Governor, Michelle Ratcliff and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

Please continue to keep our Rotary members & families closest to home, friends, family and our family in your thoughts and prayers. Michelle's father was laid to rest last week. HSNP Rotary Club extends our deepest sympathy at this time.



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.

KICKBALL SAVE THE DATE

On November 14, it's time for Kickball and raising money for the Foundation! We are expanding by 2 more teams, so we need 2 more team captains and several team managers. If you are interested, let Sara Brown know you want to help in one of these roles.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, October 1 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. *Please note that Board Meetings have been moved to the first Tuesday of the month.*

BOOK TRAIL EXHIBIT AT GARVAN GARDENS

For the month of September, Garvan Woodland Gardens and the Garland County Library have partnered to offer the Book Trail Exhibit. All library cardholders will enjoy complimentary entry to the Gardens on Saturdays, Sundays, and Mondays throughout September.

Thought for the Week

This year's Rotary International Motto is "The Magic of Rotary". Just as the world began to rebuild in the aftermath of 9/11, Rotary continues to rebuild communities affected by tragedies. Whether through disaster relief efforts, community outreach, or fostering international peace, Rotary's unique global network is a source of healing and hope. My hope is that each day you will find ways for greater service, unity, and peace.

President Sara Brown



Absence

We sure missed you today and hope you can join us next week!

BE SURE AND WEAR YOUR BADGE SO YOU WON'T BE COUNTED ABSENT

Alderdice, Corey Alderdice, Stephanie Barrett, Matt Bennett, Ashley Bornhoft, James	Hickman, Justin Lee Kerst, William L. Koller, Rob LaFollette, Diane Launius, Chuck E.	Poole, Richard Porter, Lance A. Praetzel, Daron C. Pratt, John A. Ross, Doug	R85 Aldridge-May, Susan G. Brunner, John H.
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Bradford, Jay	Lee, Liberty	Sample, William H.	Craft, Joyce
Britton, Beau	Lipton, Michael J.	Shelby, Gene	Cupp III, Cecil W.
Brown, Jeremy W	Martinez, Rafael	Smith, Janet E.	Payton, Richard
Carney, James A	McGrew, Richard W.	Spraggins, Alan	
Dante, Charles H. Jr.	McNary, Mechele	Stepka, Jordan	LOA
Derden, Michael Wade	Mir, Saddiq	Thurber, Darla	Bartholomae, Blake
Disney, Daniel E.	Moore, Courtney W.	Tucker, Tiffany	Couch, Mary Anne
Dodd, Nick	Moore, Whitney C	Warren, Les A.	Chapmond, Chris
Floyd, Alan	Mouton, Alex	Warren, Will	Helm, Michael
Galloway, Johnna	Nehus, Stephanie M	Webb, Adam	Rogers, Kala
Harrington, Neal	Northern, Martin	Williams, Noel C.	
Harris, William T IV	Patel, Parth	Wright, Raymond	
Helm, Michael	Phillips-Jolly, Jane	Zunick, Mary E	