

Rotary



Club of Mattoon

07.17.24 Meeting Notes and More!



Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Noah Olson and all in attendance recited the **Pledge of Allegiance**.
President Noah provided the **Inspiration**.

Guests

There were no guests in attendance other than our invited speaker.

Sergeant at Arms

Sergeant Dean Willaredt collected Happy \$ including Diana Hartbank supporting the St. Jude run this weekend; Noah Olson celebrating his new title "Senior" District Executive for Scouting; Scott Eggleston expressing hope for more unity following the recent assassination attempt; and Dean celebrating the Cardinal's recent win. Dean also provided a fun trivia quiz.

Business & Announcements

Rotary Day at the Ballpark - President Noah noted a great day at the game. Mike Martin shared that two families were able to attend the game with tickets donated from an anonymous Club member to the YMCA. We will soon learn how many \$\$ will return to our Club for our kindergarten literacy project.

Mattoon Rotary and Kiwanis Co-Sponsored Blood Drive Reminder - Thursday, July 25, 1-5 pm, Burgess Osborne Auditorium - Tina Stovall thanked volunteers Billie Constant, John Covington, Janet Grove and Diana Hartbank who will help cover the check-in table throughout the afternoon. All are encouraged to come donate blood.

Terry Baker Update - President Noah shared that Terry recently had a stroke and is now home recovering. We're all thinking about you, Terry, and hope to see you soon!

Alexander Family Scholarship Recipient - President Noah shared a Thank You letter from Slater Trier, this year's recipient of the Club's Alexander Family Scholarship. Slater visited our Club as Student of the Month in February.

Greater Coles County Walk to End Alzheimer's - Saturday, September 14, Linder's Sports Complex, Charleston. Visit act.alz.org to register to walk with the Rotary Club of Mattoon team or to make a financial donation to the team. Our fundraising goal this year is \$1,000. Team walkers registered so far: Mike Martin, Laura Reichart, Tina Stovall.

Wednesday, July 31 - Fifth Wednesday Social; No noon Club meeting. Details coming soon!

Today's Program: Carolyn Cloyd, Illinois Run for the Fallen

Tina Stovall introduced Carolyn Cloyd, Executive Assistant, Mattoon Chamber of Commerce, who came to speak about a different "labor of love" in her life - The Illinois Run for the Fallen. The very first Run for the Fallen, held in 2008, was organized by John Bellona, in honor of Michael Cleary, his College roommate, and all of the other soldiers who lost their lives in Iraq and Afghanistan. The cross country 4,030 mile run marked each life lost at that time. Run for the Fallen is now held in individual states. The Illinois Run began in 2010 in Charleston and has been held in Charleston every year since. It is a free event, held each year to honor Illinois service members who lost their lives. Participants run/walk one mile for their chosen service member (or one can be assigned). Carolyn shared a personal story of walking in honor of Drew Uhles, Marine LCPL, from DuQuoin, Illinois, in 2010. Carolyn did not know Drew but learned his history through the walk. She has walked for him every year since and has gotten to know his family, who now joins her for the Walk each year. This year's walk will be Saturday, August 17, 2024, 7 a.m. - 1 p.m., at Linder's Sports Complex in Charleston. To print a registration form, go to www.illinoisrunforthefallen.com/registration and return the completed form to carolyn@illinoisrunforthefallen.com or take it to the event.

Triple Treat

Club Meeting

Mattoon
Meets at Mattoon Golf & Country Club
6700 N Country Club Rd
Mattoon, IL 61938-8427
Time: Wednesday at 12:00 PM

Speakers

July 24, 2024
Tom Hodson, Shelter Box

July 31, 2024
Michael W. Martin
DG Official Visit

July 31, 2024
District 6490
Governor, Mike Martin
- Official Visit

August 07, 2024
Noah Olson, Club President, 2024-2025: The Year Ahead

August 14, 2024
Carl Walworth,
Director, Mattoon Public Library


Birthdays

Billie Constant
August 4th
Larry D. Niegowski
August 4th
Luci Englum
August 14th
Kimberly A. Denton
August 18th
Mark Bovard
August 20th


Club Leaders



Noah Olson
President



Doug Jackson
President-Elect



Laura Reichart
Club Executive Secretary



Alyssa Nichols
Treasurer



Rick Hall
Club Director

This week's winner of \$10 was Mike Martin. The larger pot of \$164 rolled over to next week.

The meeting closed with members reciting **The Four-Way Test of the things we think, say or do.**

Upcoming Club **Meeting Programs** and Special Events

July 24: Program: Tom Hodson, ShelterBox USA

July 25: Rotary and Kiwanis Co-Sponsored American Red Cross Blood Drive - 1-5 pm - Burgess Osborne Auditorium

July 31: Fifth Wednesday Social (no noon meeting): Mike Martin, DG, presentation; Recognize Perfect Attendance

August 7: Program: Noah Olson, President 2024-2025: The Year Ahead

August 14: Program: Carl Walworth, Director, Mattoon Public Library

August 21: Program: TBA

August 28: Program: Heidi Larson and B.I.O.N.I.C.

September 14: Walk to End Alzheimer's, 9:30-11 a.m., Linder Sports Complex, Charleston

September 16: Habitaste for Habitat for Humanity (Eagles Club, Mattoon)

Check the Club website at mattoonrotary.org or DACdb for more programs and events!

Program Committees

July: Chair: Noah Olson, Janet Grove, Mike Martin, Tina Stovall

August: Chair: Phil Kepp, Heidi Larson, Mike Snow, Travis Spencer

September: Chair: Terry Baker, Malcolm O'Neill, Diana Hartbank, Ali Young

Reminder: Community Events (*Represent Rotary; send us a selfie in your Rotary t-shirt; earn a make-up!*)



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