

Rotary



Club of Mattoon

08.10.22 Meeting Notes

By Larry Nichols



Visitors included Gary Swearingen's daughter Kyra. Kim Morrison was accompanied by 2 grandkids.

Mark Nelson introduced his guest Dusty Maninfor as well as recruiting all attendees for bus driver service and also requested any ideas for October programs. Dusty briefly noted that upcoming is Band Aid is a fundraiser to be held at the Lytle Park Band Shell on August 26 at 6 pm. This is free concert accepting donations to help our students afford band instruments. More information can be found at <https://happeningnext.com/event/band-aid-concert-eid3a08uppico> or <https://www.facebook.com/events/2186110374884848>

Sergeant at Arms Jason Heuerman quickly assessed Mark Nelson for a shirt logo. Happy dollars were provided by Lt. Nate North as he and his wife has a new baby on the way. President Tina reported John Covington was happy for his recent retirement. Bob Clark had a sad dollar as Rodney Morris' mother passed away.

After our meeting, it was reported that long time Rotarian Roger Detro passed away. Roger had a long history of service to our community and will be long remembered.

President Tina reminded all that we will have a **Club social** on the last Wednesday this month at the Country Club in a belated recognition of our Club's 100th anniversary. Our Club was founded in 1921.

Mike Martin is collecting contributions for **Kentucky flood relief**. See Mike if you would like to help.

The **Walk to End Alzheimer's** is September 17th and Mattoon Rotary has a team and has a \$1,000 giving goal. See https://act.alz.org/site/TR/Walk2022/IL-Illinois?pg=entry&fr_id=15547 for more information. So far we have a team of 4. See President Tina to join the team.

Past President Kim introduced **our program...Bill Lair**, speaking on the **Rotary student exchange** program. This program is restarted after being paused during the pandemic. Three Clubs are currently participating in

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

August 17, 2022
[Christina Krost, Policy
Coordinator for Faith
in Place](#)
Faithful People Caring
for the Earth

August 24, 2022
[Dan Crow](#)
New Life Car Care

August 31, 2022
[100th Anniversary
Club Celebration - 5th
Wednesday Social](#)
Mattoon Golf &
Country Club, 5:00
p.m.

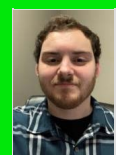
Birthdays

Kimberly A. Morrison
August 18th
Mark Bovard
August 20th
Terry Baker
August 23rd
Dale Righter
August 23rd
Philip B. Kepp
August 31st
Gayla F. McDaniel
September 12th

Club Leaders



Tina Stovall
President



Wyatt
Gunnar
Boehm
President-
Elect
Public

District 6490 with 2 outbound students from Charleston and Tuscola. Our Club has committed to an exchange. At one time, 22 students were sponsored in District (prior to the pandemic). There is great support in our District for this program.

Bill reported the outbound coordinator for youth exchange is Tiffani Henry who was a former exchange student and her daughter has also participated in the program. The enthusiastic chair is Doug Schwalm, also a former outbound student. Our own Kim is the inbound coordinator.

The applicable standards and certifications were reviewed. Our last outbound student was in our 2018/2019 Club year to Spain. We will be looking for a student this fall for the program. Students will need to have an outgoing personality and be a great ambassador in the spirit of Rotary. Bill related many positive experiences from past students and it is common that student/family contacts turn into long term relationships.

If you know of a family with a 15 year old to 18 year old that is interested in being an outbound student, contact Kim. Students should be academically in the top half of class. Speaking a foreign language is helpful but is not required. Most students go in their Junior year. Bill also reviewed host family interviews and applications.

District 6490 youth programs can be found at <https://www.rotarydistrict6490.org/new-generations-service.php>

Our **Triple Treat** of \$20 was claimed by Dean Willaredt leaving \$247 for next week.

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