

Rotary



Club of Mattoon

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

September 25, 2024
[Josh Bullock, President, Lake Land College](#)

October 02, 2024
[Robyn Carr, Children's Advocacy Center of East Central Illinois](#)

October 09, 2024
[Kirk Swensen, Citizens to Advance Mattoon Prosperity Committee](#)

October 16, 2024
[Recognize MHS Students of the Month](#)

Birthdays

Kim Uphoff
October 3rd
Larry J. Larvick
October 9th
Ryan Haifley
October 18th
Kim Edwards
October 20th

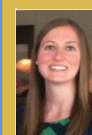
Club Leaders



Noah Olson
President



Doug Jackson
President-Elect



Laura Reichart
Club Executive
Secretary
Secretary



Alyssa Nichols
Treasurer



Rick Hall
Club Director



Mike Martin
Club Director



Tina Stovall
Past President
Club Admin Chair
Public Relations Chair

09.18.24 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

Several guests attended to recognize the September Students of the Month, including Ester Beeson, Rotary Youth Exchange student from France. We look forward to seeing Ester at many Club meetings this year! (See separate article on Students of the Month.)

Sergeant at Arms

Sergeant Chris Strohl collected Happy \$ from several members including Diana Hartbank (retirement and being able to help her mother); Dean Willaredt (Air Force Birthday); Dale Righter (son's first call sign as a Navy Aviator); Kim Denton (thanks to those

who volunteered to help with transportation to meetings for Ester, our RYE student); Scott Eggleston (oldest son's wedding anniversary); Larry Niegowski (recent happy connection with son); John Covington (recognizing Rick Hall's recent pickleball photo PR).

Business & Announcements

Rotary D6490 District Conference: Reminder: Members who register for the District Conference, to be held October 4 and 5 in Champaign, hosted by our very own Mike Martin, District Governor, will receive a \$50 credit toward membership dues. A conference overview and registration information was emailed to all members. Information is also available on the D6490 website @ rotarydistrict6490.org. (Click on the date in the Calendar.)

At the Conference, Kim Denton will be recognized as the D6490 Rotarian of the Year and Tina Stovall will receive a "Make it Happen" award. Kim will also be a Keynote and Breakout Session speaker. Tina and Janet Grove will be Breakout Session Speakers.

Students of the Month:

Rick Hall recognized the September Students of the Month (see separate article).

Today's Program: Andrea Fain, D6490 International Services Chair, Champaign Rotary

Diana Hartbank introduced Andrea Fain who shared her personal experiences with international service during her participation in two Heart 2 Heart Rotary trips. Heart 2 Heart is a collaborative partnership between Rotary districts and clubs in "the heart" of the U.S. and "in the heart" of Mexico that provides humanitarian service in Mexico, addressing a wide range of needs including water and sanitation, medical support, literacy, equipment and resources for schools. Andrea shared information regarding Rotary International's focus on international service through our mission, vision and action plan. She provided an overview of opportunities to participate in global grant projects, including projects we could do here at home. Andrea noted the positive impact experienced by Rotarians who participate in international service trips and encourage our members to participate.

Triple Treat

This week's winner of \$17 was Samantha Barr. The larger pot 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 Meetings

September 25: Josh Bullock, President, Lake Land College

October 2: Robyn Carr, Children's Advocacy Center of East Central Illinois

October 9: Kirk Swensen, Citizens to Advance Mattoon Prosperity Committee, Upcoming referendum to adopt the managerial form of municipal government

October 16: Program TBA; Recognize October Students of the Month

October 23: Program TBA

October 30: No noon meeting. Fifth Wednesday Social at *SC3F Wealth Management Group*. Details coming soon!

November 27: No meeting. Happy Thanksgiving!

December 11: Club Christmas Party, MG&CC. Details coming soon!

December 25, January 1: No meetings; Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Upcoming Special Events

September 26: Habitaste - Habitat for Humanity, 5-7:30 p.m., Eagles Club, Mattoon, Call [217-348-7063](tel:217-348-7063) for tickets.

October 4-5: D6490 District Conference, Holiday Inn and Conference Center, Champaign

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

Program Committees

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

October: Chair: Dale Righter, Kim Edwards, Mark Nelson, Larry Niegowski

November: Chair: Aaron Ifft, Josh Bullock, Tami Knight, Dean Willaredt

December: Chair: Alex Hagen, Judy Baker, Dick Diedrich, Kristin Smith

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



Gary L. Swearingen
Club Director



Judy Baker
Membership Chair



Kim Edwards
Sergeant-at-Arms



Scott L. Eggleston
Service Projects Chair



Janet Grove
Rotary Foundation
Chair
iPast President



Mark A. McDaniel
Youth Services Chair

Congratulations, Brie Armstrong and Ben Capitosti, September Rotary Students of the Month

CONGRATULATIONS, Brie Armstrong and Ben Capitosti, Rotary Students of the Month for September 2024!

Each month throughout the school year, Rotary recognizes two outstanding Mattoon High School seniors who are nominated by their teachers and selected based on their academic achievements and citizenship. The students, and their special guests, visit a Rotary Club meeting and Rotarians have the opportunity to meet them and learn about their high school activities, achievements and future plans following graduation. Each month, the Rotarians love getting to meet the students - what an inspiring group of current and future leaders!



In photos: (1) Brie Armstrong, with Rick Hall, Mattoon Mayor and Rotarian, Brie's parents and Rotary Youth Exchange sister Ester Beeson, and Kris Maleske; (2) Ben Capitosti with Rick Hall, Ben's mother, and Kris Maleske and Nichole Logan, Mattoon High School.