

Rotary



Club of Mattoon

09.25.24 Meeting Notes



Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President-Elect Doug Jackson and all in attendance recited the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

Doug provided the **Inspiration**.

Guests - No guests were in attendance.

Sergeant at Arms

Sergeant Dean Willaredt happily, and reluctantly, collected Happy \$\$ from Phil Kepp (Cubs ahead of the Cards); Mark McDaniel (happy to be here!). Dean followed with a fun football trivia quiz.

Business & Announcements

This week's Football Pool Winner: Janet Grove with 8 correct; Diana Hartbank was second.

Open House/Assembly re: Local Ballot Issues: Scott Eggleston shared that an Open House/Assembly will be held Wednesday, October 2, 5-7 pm, at the Demars Center to discuss local ballot issues including the referendum to adopt a managerial form of city government.

Today's Program: Dr. Josh Bullock, President, Lake Land College

Josh provided an update on new things happening at Lake Land College including the following:
Buildings and Grounds: For the main campus in Mattoon, a landscape and buildings assessment was completed in the past year and a new master facility plan was developed; locker rooms were recently renovated; and a cheer room, a study room for athletes, and a new press box for softball were added. Parking Lot A was replaced. Neal Hall renovations were completed including adding two new labs for nursing students thanks to Sarah Bush Lincoln. A third entrance will be added and Parking Lot B will be rebuilt. Some roofs will also be replaced. In Effingham, Lake Land recently acquired the 100,000 sq.ft. Patterson Technology Center (visible from I57). Renovations have begun to create the Lake Land College Effingham Technology Center, which will allow for expansion and addition of innovative educational programming offered in Effingham. It is hoped that the Center will open by Fall 2025. Josh explained that all of these projects have been completed without raising taxes or tuition to support them. He noted that the College has reduced its tax levy rate each of the last 6 years. Josh shared that the number of students enrolled increased 7% from fall 2023 to fall 2024. He shared information about some of the many innovative educational programs including flexible training in automotive technology, John Deere and Kubota training, court reporting, crime scene technician, CDL training, hi-flex learning opportunities, and partnerships with EIU, SIU-C and LIFT. Josh shared info about energy savings on campus noting a 70% reduction in natural gas consumption and a 40% decrease in electricity consumption. He concluded with sharing that the College will celebrate its 60th anniversary in 2026. How lucky we are to have such an outstanding college in our community!

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

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

TBA; Recognize MHS Students of the Month

October 23, 2024

TBA

Birthdays

Kim Uphoff
October 3rd
Larry J. Larvick
October 9th
Ryan Haifley
October 18th
Kim Edwards
October 20th
Mark Nelson
October 25th
Judy Baker
October 26th

Club Leaders



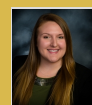
Noah Olson
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Triple Treat

This week's winner of \$8 was Gayla McDaniel. 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

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!*)



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