



# The Bath Tub

## Hot Springs National Park Newsletter



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Week of March 24, 2025

### Upcoming Programs:

March 26, 2025	<b>Derek Phillips</b> General Manager Majestic Park Youth Baseball Complex
April 2, 2025	<b>Kevin Sexton</b> Director of Tourism Hot Springs Village
April 9, 2025	<b>Mary Zunick &amp; Bill Solleder</b> Visit Hot Springs Cherry Blossom Festival

### Club Leaders



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### Wise Guys Arena Football



Rotary President-Elect **Tim Metcalf** introduced the speaker for today's program. Chris Goodman, General Manager of Wise Guys Arena Football, filled us in on the newest sport coming to Hot Springs. On May 31, 2025, the Wise Guys will play their first game at Bank OZK Arena against Eau Claire Axemen. Many of the athletes that play arena football have been cut from the NFL or the UFL and some are trying to get back to those leagues and some simply love the game of football and want to continue to play. The style of play is different from traditional football. Wise Guys are part of The Arena League with rules aimed at highlighting the player's athleticism and increasing the pace of play. The field is traditional [arena football](#) size, measuring 50 yards long and 85 feet wide, enclosed by padded walls. Teams have 15-player rosters with the game played with 7 players on the field instead of 11. There is only one offensive lineman in the game at center and one defensive lineman. The pace is fast with a continuous running clock and intense play for about 2 hours. Corporate partnerships are key to financial success, so for those interested, Chris would love to talk with you more. The games are played on Saturday night with kick-off at 8:05 p.m. Ticket sales will begin soon and for more information on purchasing tickets and a

complete schedule, visit [Hot Springs Wise Guys – The Arena League Football](#).

### 4 Way Test

### Birthdays

- Justin Nicklas  
March 21st
- E. Brad Hudgens  
March 25th
- Saddiq Mir  
March 28th



Justin Nicklas – Invocation



Joey Williams – Pledge



Chris Franklin – 4 Way Test

Jordan Stepka  
March 29th  
S. Robert Zunick  
March 30th  
Mary Metcalf  
April 2nd  
Jane Phillips-Jolly  
April 5th  
Diane LaFollette  
April 6th  
Lawrence W. Levi  
April 7th  
Ralf Bailes  
April 9th  
Alan Spraggins  
April 15th  
William H. Sample  
April 16th

## The Rotary Scholarship Trust Drawing



Today, **Chris Franklin** and **Janet Smith** had the right numbers for a chance to win \$414, but they did not pick the right card! The Ace of Diamonds is still there. Who will find it and how large will the pot grow before we have a winner???

There are now 28 cards left and the total of the pot is up to \$829. See you next week and don't forget to bring your cash to help build our scholarship fund and for your chance to win!

\*Email me if you can help man the table for one week selling chances. Thanks for your consideration of this request.

## Guests



**Rotarian Brent Atkins** introduced the members of the club who brought a guest to the meeting after a "wise guy crack!"

**Justin Nicklas** introduced his guest, Vickie Gilliam. Vickie is the Greater Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce Vice President.

**Richard Poole** introduced guest Tyler Emerson, Director of Facilities at Oaklawn Hot Springs.

It is always great to have guests at our meetings. Invite a guest - recruit a new member - give them a call to join us next week.

## Student Guests



**Jim Randall** welcomed Troy Riggs, a senior at Fountain Lake High School, for his first visit to Rotary. We look forward to having Troy back with us after Spring Break. Please be sure and make him feel welcome when he returns for his next visit.

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## Announcements

### Steamatic Collecting Duffle Bags & Suitcases

Join Steamatic as they collect new or gently used duffle bags and suitcases to benefit local kids in foster care. Donations will be shared with The Call, Compact, The Answer, and Ouachita Children Youth & Family Services. Drop off at 112 Jefferson Street between now and **March 31, 2025**. Many of these kids show up with their items in a trash bag. Join in the effort to give them the dignity of having a proper bag or suitcase for their belongings.

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### Board Meeting

The next board meeting is Tuesday, **April 1** at noon at the Hot Springs Country Club. For those working on your red to blue badge, this is your opportunity to check that off your list.

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### Community Health Needs Assessment

Every 3 years, Levi Hospital does a Community Health Needs Assessment to find out the current health concerns in our community. Please take a moment and fill out the survey. This information is very helpful, and your participation is greatly appreciated - [Complete Survey](#)

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## Thought for the Week

Spring is in the air, and you can certainly feel the energy of the season! With Spring Break upon us, our town is buzzing—whether it's families heading out on vacation, visitors exploring our community, or local businesses working hard to keep up with the hustle and bustle. It's a busy time, but it's also a great reminder of how vibrant and engaged our community is. As Rotarians, we thrive in times of activity, finding ways to support, serve, and strengthen our town no matter the season. I hope you will take a moment to appreciate the work we do, the partnerships we build, and the impact we continue to make—whether in times of rest or times of action.

Amit Ray said, "Everyone has the fire, but the champions know when to ignite the spark."



President Sara Brown—

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