

Rotary



Club of Mattoon

Rotary 03.12.25 Meeting Notes

Call to Order

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

Terry provided the **Inspiration**.

Guests

Several guests attended to recognize the March Students of the Month

Sergeant at Arms

Sergeant Kim Edwards collected Happy \$ including Gayla McDaniel (Dick is now cancer-free and she's able to return to meetings - YEAH!); Laura Reichart (son Milo's fourth birthday); Steve Kite (the sap has stopped running and the maple syrup has been prepared); Kim Edwards (travel ball has begun); Mike Snow (good medical results). Diana Hartbank donated a Sad \$ that Shelby Fowler, a recently approved new Club member, will not be able to join us as she and her husband will be relocating.

Business & Announcements

Comedy Night: Purchase tickets now from John Covington, Malcolm O'Neill or Gary Swearingen. Gary shared that, with the endowment now fully funded, event proceeds will continue to support annual expenses for heart screening and will also be used to help pay costs for athletic physicals and personal sports equipment for youth with financial need. There will be additional club-directed funds available.

RYLA Youth Camp: April 4-6: Seeking applications from high school sophomores and juniors; Also seeking volunteers to help with the weekend activities. Contact Kim Denton or Noah Olson for additional information.

Rural Urban Day: March 19. Speaker will be Jeff Nalley, Broadcaster/Journalist at Cromwell AG Radio Network. Last day to register is March 12. Last day to sign up: March 12.

Rotary Foundation Matching: Anyone interested in the Club \$100 donation matching announced in previous weeks should contact Mike Martin. Beginning March 1, D6490 will match with 200 Paul Harris points.

Sponsorship Sales: Again this year, all members are asked to sell at least two sponsorships for this major annual club fundraiser - the printed annual report that is distributed to the community and potential members throughout the year. The sponsorship funds raised make our club and community service projects possible. Terry Baker noted that the sponsorship sheets have been updated to reflect that the annual report will not be inserted into the Journal Gazette this year.

March Madness: Jason Heuerman provided fliers with information about the **2025 Mattoon Rotary March Madness Pool (see attached)**. He encouraged all members to enter picks through the online portal. Instructions are included on the attached flier.

Students of the Month: Tina Stovall welcomed and recognized the March students of the month and their guests. See separate article.

Installation of New Member: Judy Baker, Chair of the Membership Committee, conducted the installation for new member, Kayla Kerner. Kayla shared information about herself with the Club. See separate article. Welcome to Mattoon Rotary, Kayla!

Weekly Raffle Drawing Winner: Fred Fasig

Triple Treat

This week's winner of \$16 was Luci Englum. 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

March 19: Rural Urban Day - Lake Land College, 12:00, West Building - **REGISTER BY MARCH 12**

March 26: Marsha Griffin, Office of Illinois Attorney General, Fraud Awareness

April 2: Program TBA

April 9: Board Meeting, 11:00 a.m.

April 9: Program TBA; Recognize MHS Students of the Month

April 16: Program TBA

April 23: Club Assembly

April 30: No meeting; No Fifth Wednesday Social

Upcoming Special Dates/Events

March 22: Rotary Comedy Night! Hilton Garden Inn with Chicago Comedy All-Stars - **BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW!**

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

March 19, 2025
[Rural Urban Day -
Lake Land College](#)

March 22, 2025
[Chicago Comedy All-
Stars](#)

March 26, 2025
[Marsha Griffin, Office
of the Attorney
General: Consumer
Fraud Awareness](#)

April 09, 2025
[Recognize MHS
Students of the
Month](#)

Birthdays

Janet Grove
March 20th
Melissa McDaniel
April 5th
Robert D Becker
April 6th
James R. Livesay II
April 6th
Alex Hagen
April 7th
Mark A. McDaniel
April 15th

Club Leaders



Lindsey
Butler
Youth
Exchange
Counselor



Kimberly A.
Denton
Youth
Exchange
Office
Noah Olson
President

April 1: Rotary Club of Mattoon 104th Anniversary

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

Program Committees:

March: Chair: Kim Denton. Members: Melissa McDaniel, Alyssa Nichols, Kim Uphoff

April: Chair: Samantha Barr. Members: Lindsey Butler, Ryan Haifley, Shauna Fanello

May: Chair: Chris Strohl, Larry Larvick, Laura Reichart, Susan Riggert

June: Chair: Jason Heuerman, Rick Hall, Matthew Froeschle, Gary Swearingen

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

Congratulations, Kael Alexander and Savannah Cole, Rotary Students of the Month, March 2025!



Each month throughout the school year, Rotary recognizes two outstanding Mattoon High School seniors who are nominated by their teachers and selected as Students of the Month 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. What an inspiring group of current and future leaders!

In photo: Savannah Cole, with her parents and nominator Ms. Logan, and Kael Alexander, with his parents, grandparents and nominator Mr. Maleske.

Welcome to Mattoon Rotary, Kayla Kerner!



Terry Baker
President - Elect



Laura Reichart
Club Executive Secretary



Alyssa Nichols
Treasurer



Rick Hall
Club Director



Mike Martin
Club Director



Tina Stovall
Club Admin Chair
Club Service Chair
Past President
Public Relations Chair



Gary L. Swearingen
Club Director



Judy Baker
Membership Chair



Kim Edwards
Sergeant-at-Arms



Scott L. Eggleston
Community Service Chair
Service Projects Chair



Janet Grove
Rotary Foundation Chair
iPast President

Mark A. McDaniel
Youth Services



Chair

Mattoon Rotary was pleased to formally install new member, Kayla Kerner, at our March 12 Club meeting! Kayla serves as Executive Coach and Co-Founder of P3 Leaders. She also teaches at Eastern Illinois University and has served our local community through her previous position at the YMCA and through volunteerism such as the St. Jude Run and Fit-2-Serve. Welcome, Kayla!
(In photo: Judy Baker, Membership Chair; Terry Baker, President-Elect; Kayla; and Kim Edwards, Kayla's Rotary sponsor.)