



Rotaripost

April 25,
2017

Keynote

Gingerbread House Panel

Tuesday,
12:00 Noon

12:13 p.m.
Historical Start

Shreveport
Convention
Center

Our club awarded a \$5,000 civic grant to Gingerbread House to provide free counseling and prevention education services for child victims of sexual and physical abuse.

Next Tuesday we will have a very interesting panel discussion to hear about the work being done by this great local child advocacy program. Members of the panel will be:

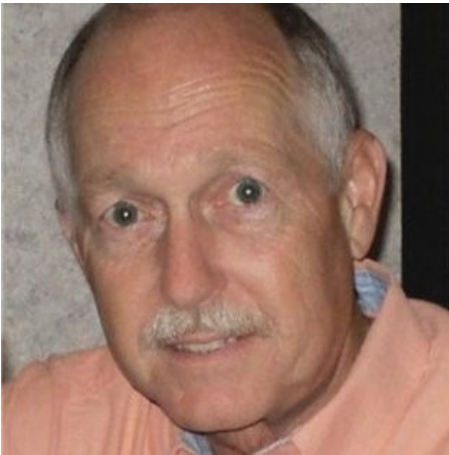
Alex Person (Gingerbead forensic interviewer), **Waynette Ballengee** (Board of directors), **George Sewell** (Board of directors) and **Georgia McCotter** (Board of directors).



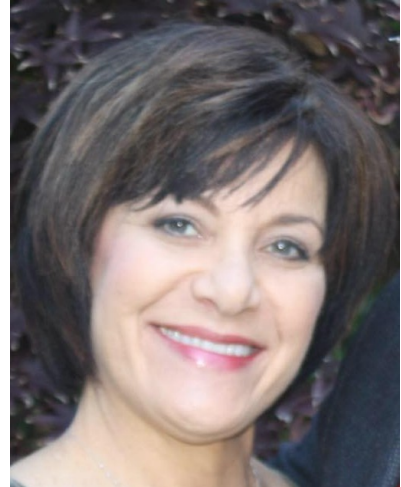
Alex Person



Waynette Ballengee



George Sewell



Georgia McCotter

Rotarians Serving Others

Lawrence Money
Calhoun Table

James Raffle
Blewett

Need A Scanner-
Volunteer Greeter-4Way
Test

Pat Invocation
Day

Jarrold Music
Horton
&
Kermit
Poling



Seen Tuesday
Seen Tuesday



Clockwise from top left

- (1) Clay Nelson and Denis Poljak
- (2) Steve Aiken is awed by the fashionable way Stephanie Sievers wears her badge
- (3) Matt Snyder, Andrew Crawford, Grant Nuckolls and Connor Peterson
- (4) Charlotta Nordyke is telling Grant Nuckolls about the big fish she caught.
- (5) Mike McSwain was in the building!



Rotary president invites members to Atlanta

I am thrilled to announce that Bill Gates will be speaking this June at the [Rotary International Convention](#) in Atlanta. Rotary and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation have been working together on polio eradication for a long time, and our strong partnership will continue through the final years of the effort.

Bill and his wife, Melinda, in their much-anticipated Annual Letter, released recently, offer a glimpse of their appreciation for Rotary and the incredible progress we've made toward polio eradication through our joint effort with national governments, UNICEF, the World Health Organization, and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

With the most effective resources in place, it's possible that we have seen, or soon will see, the last case of polio in history. At the convention, Bill will say more about how we can — and will — end polio together.

I hope you will join me and Bill at the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, USA, 10-14 June. This is one speaker you're not going to want to miss.

John F. Germ
2016-2017 RI President

May 11, 2017—Last day to reserve individual housing through Rotary's housing provider. More near-by hotel room blocks have been released! Register [here!](#)



[Sign up for Atlanta Convention Orientation Webinar on May 11th :](#)

- What to pack and what to wear
- Tips for finding your way around the convention venue
- How to use the Rotary Events mobile app
- Program highlights from general sessions, breakouts, and host events
- Resources to help you before and during the convention

Rotary Club of Shreveport will now begin offering monthly service opportunities with ALL of our nonprofit members. It is our hope that this will re-emphasize the SERVICE ABOVE SELF motto and that these organizations will obtain new volunteers!

April

Contact club director [Amanda Gouthiere](#) to get listed in the May Volunteer Opportunity posting!

April 24-28, 2017

JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT

Per Rotarian **Nita Cook**, volunteering with Junior Achievement is such a rewarding experience, as volunteers are able to work closely with students, teaching them about financial literacy, work readiness, & entrepreneurship through our proven programs. Volunteers are required to complete a one hour training session and will receive a kit with all of the materials to teach the program they have signed up for. Volunteers only commit to teaching one program at a time, so there is no required long term commitment.

See our April opportunities below:

Kindergarten at Shreve Island Elementary on April 24-28th (30 mins once a day for 5 days; 12:45-1:15pm)

Contact: Carly Koen carly.koen@janla.org



April 29, 2017

PROVIDENCE HOUSE



Date: Saturday, April 29th (Independence Stadium)

Time: 3:00 p.m.

Event: SleepOut4 Independence

Contact: Rotarian [Verni Howard](#) (318) 230-3294 CELL

Opportunities: (1) We will need volunteers to help with registration and loading/unloading cardboard
(2) We also need (5) people to serve as judges for the cardboard structures

Website: www.sleepout4independence.myevent.com

The new Rotary year starts July 1st! Most of the fun and excitement in our club takes place in the committees. For the next five weeks, you'll learn about the opportunities available for participation. On May 30th, you'll have the chance to "bid" on the committee you want to join. This first group of committees is

MEMBERSHIP SERVICE.

Membership Service Committees

2017-2018 Director: Kathy French

Attraction Committee—Encourage members to bring guests and assist them with information about membership; recommend and contact potential members.

Classification Committee—Approve member candidates and determine vocational classification of new candidates. (This committee is comprised of club Past Presidents and long-term members.)

Orientation Committee—Provide on-boarding for new members, help them become active and engaged.

Engagement Committee—Increase value for our members. Determine why people joined and how to engage them. Track new members to be sure they are as engaged as they want to be.

Recognition Committee—Recognize member achievements, milestones and news. This committee includes: Veterans, Resolutions, Boy Scout Award, Birthdays, Member Moments.

Red Badgers Committee—This is a new committee and details are being worked out.

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Call Judy Bellew if you have any questions about the club.

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Raffle Winners Last Week

TRF Raffle—Charlotta Nordyke
*Thanks for your donation to The Rotary Foundation.
This applies to your next PHF level.*
Flowers from Rose-Neath Florist—
Mike Ferrell
Andy Shehee's hen eggs—Carla Anderson
(visiting Rotarian)

Program on May 2 2017

**YMCA
Gary Lash**

**Shreveport Convention Center
Ballrooms C/D**

Condolences

Our sympathy is extended to Rotarian **Stephen Oden, Jr.** whose grandmother Josie Hall Oden passed away April 14. Services were held on April 17, 2017.



George Carroll is pictured with the president of the Rotary Club in Atlanta, GA. He visited that club recently and had a club banner exchange.

Be sure to ask Judy for an exchange banner if you are going out of state or out of country and will be attending a Rotary meeting. It's always fun to visit other Rotary clubs out of our area.