

# Rotaripost

April 3, 2018

# Keynote Downtown Happenings With A Splash of Water (Works)



**Liz Swaine** is the executive director of the Downtown Development Authority and the non-profit Downtown Shreveport Development Corporation.

She came to downtown from careers in private business, government and the media. During her news tours of duty, she met and interviewed Russian president Vladimir Putin, and deployed with the Air Force into Gulf War hotspots. As executive assistant to the mayor, she saw how government operated from the inside out.

Liz is an instrument-rated private pilot who has jumped out of airplanes and is a former triathlete and bicycle racer who now rides motorcycles on and off-road.

Liz Swaine

She is married to Steve Culp with whom she shares an affinity for old buildings. They are currently rehabbing a

52,000-square foot downtown historic building that Steve swears will be his last. Liz know better.

When not working to make Shreveport's downtown a more vibrant place, she is likely playing with their three rescue pups or plotting her next motorcycling adventure with Steve.

IMPORTANT
Meeting next Tuesday, April 3rd
Ballroom C/D

Tuesday, 12:00 Noon

12:13 p.m. Historical Start

> Shreveport Convention Center

# Rotarians Serving Others

Stephanie Money Sievers Table

Doug Raffle Abington

David Scanner-Wimberly Greeter-4Way

John Invocation Tuggle Inspiration

Reggie

Abrams

And Music Kermit

Poling

# **Our latest new Paul Harris Fellow!**

Last Tuesday, **Jesse Gilmore** got on the stage to lead the singing. Much to his surprise he saw his girlfriend sitting front and center with Tom Arceneaux. Tom had slipped the girlfriend into the meeting as Tom wanted her to share in the surprise Paul Harris Fellowship award that Tom presented to Jesse.

Tom recognized the good things that Jesse brings to our community by working tirelessly to build a better Louisiana.

Jesse is a native of Cape Cod, Massachusetts and adopted Shreveport as his home ten years ago when he attended and graduated from Centenary College. He is the director of development for the LSU Health Sciences Foundation, an organization that supports the LSU schools of Medicine, Allied Health and Graduate Studies.



Tom Arceneaux presents Paul Harris Fellowship certificate and pin to Jesse Gilmore.

In his spare time, Jesse is also a partner in Pelican Blue Strategies, a full service political consulting firm. He is an avid LSU football fan. Jesse's introduction to Rotary was as a member of the RiverBend Rotary Club. He joined our club in 2016.

## Our latest new member!



President Teri Haynes presented Keith Hanson to the club.

Our latest new member was introduced last Tuesday. **Keith Hanson**, a Bossier native and Airline High School graduate, began writing software when he was 12 years old. By age 16, he was developing software professionally. After a brief stay in Dallas, he married a Shreveport native and returned home to our community.

He launched a freelance business that became what Twin Engine Labs is today. By 2017, Twin Engine Labs launched three ventures successfully and acquired their first non-tech business in Colorado.

Keith is a founding member of Shreveport Charter Foundation which is the governing board for the Magnolia School of Excellence Charter School. He also received the 2012 Gold

Winner Davey Awards, the 2012 Louisiana Technology Council Growth Company of the Year, the 2011 Governor's Technology Rising Star of the Year Award and was the first place winner in the 2011 WalkinApp.com Award. In addition to juggling his work and community responsibilities, Keith actually is, believe it or not, a JUGGLER.

Keith's classification is **Computer & Info Technology** and his sponsor is Teri Haynes.



(Above Left) Brian Crawford, CAO for the City of Shreveport (Above Middle) Laney Lenox, recipient of a Global Scholarship Grant from The Rotary Foundation (Above Right) Mayor Ollie Tyler shares information about upcoming bond renewals



(Above) Part of the members standing to join in song ("Take Me Out To The Ballgame") led by Jesse Gilmore.

(Left) Alan Prater listens intently to the program.



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### Raffle Winners Last Week

TRF Raffle—John Tuggle

Thanks for donating to TRF—this goes toward your next PHF

Flowers from Rose-Neath Florist— Jim Graves

Andy Shehee's hen eggs—Greg Juneau Andy Shehee's duck eggs—Merritt Chastain

# Program on April 10, 2018

Jennifer Dowd Songbook South

Room 206-208 (regular room) Shreveport Convention Center

### **Birthdays**

\* Paul Harris Fellow + Past President PDG Past District Governor

♦ Major Donor

April 5	Bobbie Brasher*
April 6	Dayne Hassell*
April 14	Lawrence Brandon*
April 15	David Brainis*, Joe Littlejohn*
April 16	Denis Poljak*, Merrill Wautlet*
April 18	Bill Reyenga*+
April 19	Fred Kent*
April 20	Bob Neff*
April 23	George Bakowski*
April 24	Jack Sharp◆
April 25	Paul Burch*
April 29	Kirk Davis

### **Easy Meeting Make-ups**

### Monday:

Benton Club—Trejos, Benton—6:00 p.m.

#### **Tuesday:**

RiverBend Club—PizzaRev, Line Ave., 5:30 p.m.

### Wednesday:

Red River Club-Shriner's Hospital

### Thursday:

Bossier Club—Boom Town Hotel, Riverside Room, 12:00 noon
East Shreveport Club—Copelands, 12:00 noon
SouthWest Club—WK South Hospital, 7:00 a.m.

#### Friday:

South Shreveport Club- East Ridge Country Club, 12:00 noon