



# Rotaripost

April 10,  
2018

## Keynote

## Songbook South



Jennifer Dowd

**Songbook South** is a Shreveport based non-profit organization founded by local vocalists and instructors to promote the art of singing through study and performance.

Their mission is to provide regional vocalists who have strong interest in music theater, jazz and popular song, development of skills through intense, creative performance study.

Our local program is a regional feeder competition for the American Songbook Program hosted each summer in Indiana. Our local singers are a group of students (mostly 7th—12th grade) who perform at a variety of regional events through the year.

**Jennifer Dowd**, a native of Texarkana, is the inspiration behind our local program. Jennifer is a graduate of the Centenary College music program and the director of the vocal performance program at Caddo Middle Magnet.

One of the singers in this group is Arianne Graves, daughter of Rotarian Jim Graves, who has led the singing of the National Anthem at several of our club's Veterans Day programs. Arianne has received a scholarship to apply and attend The Songbook Academy and High School Vocal Competition in Carmel, Indiana in July, 2018.



**YOU'RE INVITED!**  
**Centennial Umbrella Dedication**  
**Tuesday, April 17th 10:45 a.m.**  
**Riverview Park at the water playground**  
**More information coming!**

**Tuesday,  
12:00 Noon**

**12:13 p.m.  
Historical Start**

**Shreveport  
Convention  
Center**

### Rotarians Serving Others

Amanda Money  
Simpson Table

Charlotta Raffle  
Nurdyke

John Scanner-  
Tuggle Greeter-4Way  
Test

Lawrence Invocation  
Brandon Inspiration

Bruce  
Willson  
And Music  
Kermit  
Poling



On Tuesday, club foundation chair Lawrence Calhoun presented two members with their PHF level up pins.

**James Blewett** received his PHF+6 pin with a ruby stone in the pin. James is a 25 year member of the club and was sponsored by Don Updegraff. James is a Louisiana Tech graduate and recently retired after a 50 year banking career. His last position was business development officer with Iberia Bank.

James served as past chair of the Board of Trustees at First United Methodist Church. Since he retired he is able to spend time on his farm near Plain Dealing and looks forward to our Rotary meetings. He has maintained an almost perfect attendance record.

Pay attention to the raffle drawing winners—you will hear James' name called often as the winner as he supports this drawing each week. James admitted that it's an easy way to move up in your PHF levels. Although there is no expectation from the club, when a raffle winner calls out "roll it over" that means that the entire amount of the raffle is sent to The Rotary Foundation in that person's name.



**Patrick Harrison** received his PHF+5 pin with 5 sapphires. Patrick joined the club in 2000 and was sponsored by his dad, Dr. Monty Harrison.

Patrick owns Sound Fighter Systems which manufactures noise barrier wall systems that you see along interstates. His company received the 2007 Business of the Year Award from the Chamber of Commerce.

After receiving his degree from LSU Baton Rouge in agribusiness and agricultural economics, Patrick spent several years building his company and establishing a family. He then attended Centenary College (while juggling his business, family and children) and received his MBA with a 3.6 GPA!

He was a member of the 2009 class of 40 Under 40. He is a past president of the Committee of One Hundred and also served as one of our club directors in 2003-2004. Patrick has always been one of the leaders of our 4-H and Junior Livestock involvement. In addition to supporting The Rotary Foundation, he is also a supporter of our Rotary Club of Shreveport Foundation (the 501c3 arm of our club).

### **The Rotary Foundation Match for April**



Last Tuesday club foundation chair Lawrence Calhoun announced that the club is offering a recognition points match to contributions to The Rotary Foundation. Here is the way this works: (1) You donate \$500 to TRF and the club will match that with 500 points and you become either a first time PHF or go to the next level. (2) You already have 300 recognition points in your account available so you donate \$350 and the club matches with 350 points. You are then at the 1,000 level and move up a notch on your PHF or become a first time PHF. Something to remember: your dollar portion is tax deductible; if you are aiming for your Major Donor level (\$10,000 is level 1), only the dollars apply to that, not the recognition points.

You can find out where you stand on giving by logging into MyRotary at [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) OR you can ask Judy where you stand.

The club allotted 5,000 points for this April match. We have already had members apply for this match (actually while the meeting last Tuesday was still going on) so there are 3,500 points still available.

[Learn more about recognition points here.](#)

### **ONE camper spot left for our RYLA Camp**

June 24-30, 2018—It's FREE including transportation to and from the OWL Camp outside Dubach, LA with pick up/drop off locations at Home Depot and Ralph & Kacoos

High School age (primarily students just prior to their junior year)

Includes home schoolers



See Judy for details and application!

If you have an interested camper after our last slot is filled, let Judy know so she can find another club to sponsor the camper. This camp is too good to miss for the lack of a sponsoring club.



(Above left) Stephanie Sievers and David Wimberly



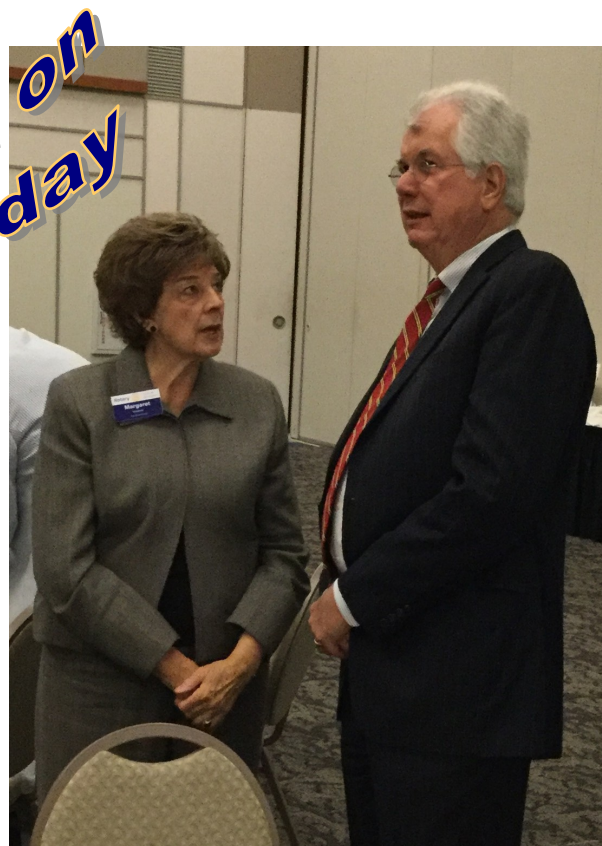
(Above right) Doug Abington

Working the registration table and greeting are a perfect way to get to "see and be seen". If you are not on one of these committees and want to be, please see Judy.



(Above left) Christine Wasner and her guest Rick Hollard

((Right) Margaret Wallace in conversation with Joe Littlejohn





### **Food Bank “Pack the Senior Boxes” - April 17th**

Show up any time around 5:00 p.m. at the Food Bank location on Texas Ave. to pack senior citizen boxes. It takes only 30-45 minutes and is great fun to do this with our own Rotarians as well as Rotarians from other clubs.

This is a great project to introduce your children/grandchildren to community service!

### **Rescue Mission “May Supper Service Dates”**

Always 1st and 2nd Thursdays of each month (May 3rd and May 10th)

4:45 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

April dates are already filled

Thanks To Our April Volunteers:

Jerry Boughton (2 times), Delbert Chumley (2 times), Terry Moore, Charles Grubb, Zelda Tucker, Bob Neff, Vance Bailes

Limited spots—contact [Zelda Tucker](#) or [Judy Bellew](#) to get on the rotation list

### **Rotary International Convention** **Toronto, Canada—June 23-27, 2018**

[Register here](#). Many hotels are already full so make reservations now if you plan to go! See Judy Bellew for details.





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questions about the club.

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## Raffle Winners Last Week

TRF Raffle—Lawrence Calhoun

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

Flowers from Rose-Neath Florist—

David Ginsburg

Andy Shehee's hen eggs—Reggie Abrams

## Program on April 17, 2018

**Brad Graff**  
**Finding Fun In A Cave!**

**Municipal Auditorium**

## April Club Anniversaries

\*PHF +Past President ♦Major Donor  
(includes **PS** prior service)

58 years	Charles Ellis Brown♦+
45 years	Jerry Boughton*
38 years	George Nelson, Jr.*+
36 years	Bill Reyenga*+
34 years	Cody Mayo*
30 years	Jack Sharp♦ <b>PS</b>
29 years	Sarah Collier♦+
26 years	Miles Hitchcock* <b>PS</b>
25 years	Bruce Willson* <b>PS</b>
24 years	Tom Arceneaux♦+
20 years	Bill Huckabay
18 years	David Brainis*
10 years	Craig Spohn
6 years	K.C. Kilpatrick <b>PS</b> , Rick Bateman* <b>PS</b>
3 years	Mike Sievers, Ron Webb, Rodney Crews
2 years	Peyton LaBorde*, Jeffrey Thomas*, Bridges Hall
1 year	Vassia Roulia

## POLIO CASES

**Jan. 1-April 5, 2018—7 cases wild polio**

**Jan. 1-April 5, 2017—5 cases wild polio**

**Location: Afghanistan & Pakistan**