

#### Rotaripost

12:00NOON ZOOM Meeting April 14, 2020

# Keynote State of Louisiana's Response to COVID-19

Sports Theme For Tuesday's Meeting
Wear Your Favorite Pro Or Sports Team Colors To ZOOM

Meeting with us on ZOOM next Tuesday will be Cindy Rives and Representative Larry Bagley.

**Cindy Rives** was appointed Undersecretary for the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) in 2018. She is a career public servant and has worked in public finance for the last 24 years.

Cindy has served LDH for the last 10 years and as the Deputy Undersecretary for two years. During this time she has worked closely with various leaders throughout the department to ensure that we are able to complete critical work within our budget. Throughout her career, Cindy has worked for the Legislative Fiscal Office, the Attorney General's Office, the State Office of Planning and Budget and LSU Health Care Services Division.



Cindy currently serves as a regional coordinator for the National Associations of State Human Services Finance Officers Organization, and on the board of the State of Louisiana Office of Technology Information Services Influence Group. She holds a Master of Public Administration with a concentration in Public Finance from LSU.



**Rep. Larry Bagley** represents District 7 (Caddo, DeSoto and Sabine Parishes) in the Louisiana House of Representative and is chairman of the House Health and Welfare Committee. Larry has been involved in education as a coach and assistant principal, retiring after 44 years.

Rep. Bagley is manager and co-owner of Bagley Farms in Longstreet, his family business, as well as the owner/operator of Bagley Allstate Insurance of DeSoto Parish.

Tuesday, Noon

12:13 p.m. Historical Start

> Shreveport Convention Center

Club Officers
(Executive Board)

Richard Brontoli President

Laurie Boswell President-Elect

Lawrence Calhoun Vice-President

David

Cromwell

Secretary-Treasurer

Joe Littlejohn Immediate Past President

#### A Rotarian You Should Know:

## **Lawrence Calhoun**

Rotarian since 2001

Day Job: Branch Manager for Risk Placement Services, Inc.

Fun Fact: Semi-professional water ski show skier, mostly as a clown and barefooting acts.

**Things You May Not Know:** (1) Had open heart surgery in July 1963 at age nine to repair bad aorta...the doctor?? —Dr. Denton Cooley, who did the first artificial heart implantation in 1969. (2) Appeared in the 2007 movie *Cleaner* with Samel L. Jackson (a diva!) and Ed Harris (a nice guy). I was on for about 15 seconds as a soccer referee (don't blink!).

**Hobby:** Restoring a 1969 Ford Thunderbird.

**COVID-19 Activity:** Working from home, catching up on childhood westerns (Gunsmoke, Bonanza and The Lone Ranger); having Zoom meetings with grandchildren.



#### A Rotarian You Should Know:

### Karen Johnson

Rotarian since 1915 (plus 9 years in two other clubs)

**Day Job:** Owner of <u>Your Executive Solutions</u>; owner of Shreveport residential rental properties.

**Favorite Hobby:** Scuba diving; traveled to Bonaire (island off the coast of Venezuela) in 2019 with a scuba group called Crew3000 for the purpose of "coral farming" to repair coral reefs; belongs to <u>International Fellowship of Rotarian Scuba Divers</u>.

**Something We All Should Know:** Will serve as District 6190's District Governor for 2021-2022 (our first District Governor since Bruce Willson in 2008-2009).

**Something You Probably Don't Know**: Wrote "Business Is A Battlefield", co-authored "Rest If You Must But Don't You Quit".

COVID-19 Activities: Repurposed my yard from a flower bed to a vegetable garden (first

gardening since 1979 so prospects for a healthy crop are grim); resurrected my sewing skills to make homemade face masks encouraged by sister-in-law who is a nurse.

**Something Learned during the Stay At Home Order:** She is not ready to retire.





#### A Rotarian You Should Know:

## **Larry Evensky**

Rotarian since 1987 (plus 3 years in Bossier City club)

**Day Job:** President/Founder of <u>Transportation Provider Services</u> (TPS).

**Background:** Native of Memphis with business degree from Memphis State University, then worked for transportation firms in Memphis and Dallas.

**Hobbies:** Running (you'll see me on the streets in South Shreveport area); have probably run 50,000 miles over 42 years; Ole Miss football (rivals Carol Barnes in his "fan-ness").

**Things You May Not Know**: First high schooler in Memphis to broadcast prep football and basket-ball; covered high school football for Memphis Press (thought I was going to be the next Howard Cosell!)

Greatest recent highlight: Attended the Sugar Bowl 4 years ago and wrote an article about the game.

My son captured my picture on ESPN on the field next to then Ole Miss coach Hugh Freeze.

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**Goals:** Seeing Ole Miss play every SEC opponent on their home field (have been to Baton Rouge, Knoxville, Starkville, Tuscaloosa, Auburn, Columbia and Fayetteville).

**Memorable trips:** Visiting international Rotary clubs, including a club in Normandy, France that I visited in July 2012 when my son and I traveled to France to meet up with a group looking for remains of missing WWII vets including my uncle.





**COVID-19 Activity:** Playing ball with Gabby who appreciates me with a lick; teaching myself how to play the piano using U-Tube tutorials.



#### **ZOOM Meeting Suggestions**

We had very positive comments about our first Zoom meeting last Tuesday. The most common reaction was that it was good to see each other again and to be a part of the Rotary community.

When you sign on to the Zoom meeting, please use your full name so we know who you are and you get credit for attendance. If you are logging on with a cell phone please send a chat to Judy Bellew to let her know who you are and she can substitute your name for your phone number that is shown.

Most laptops and ipads have a camera and mic built in. If you are using a desktop you may not have a camera or microphone. You can still ask questions by putting the question in the chat to either President Rich or Judy Bellew.

If you are able to still work from your office location or if you are using a company owned laptop remotely you might be denied the ability to log into Zoom. In that case, try using your personal laptop or smart phone.

Next Tuesday we will open the meeting at 11:50 a.m. so that those who are there early can socialize. We will mute everyone at 12:10 p.m. and "ring the bell" at 12:13 p.m.

Remember the sports theme for next Tuesday!



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

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#### **Upcoming Programs**

April 21, 2020 - TBA

April 28, 2020 Col. Robert Hilliard, US Army Corps of Engineers

**ZOOM On-Line Meetings** 

## April Club Anniversaries \*PHF +Past President \*Major Donor (includes \*PS prior service in this or other clubs)

60 years	Charles Ellis Brown♦+
47 years	Jerry Boughton*
40 years	George Nelson, Jr.*+
38 years	Bill Reyenga*+
36 years	Cody Mayo*
31 years	Sarah Collier◆+
27 years	Bruce Willson*PDG, <b>PS</b>
26 years	Tom Arceneaux ◆+
24 years	Miles Hitchcock*PS
20 years	David Brainis*
12 years	Craig Spohn
8 years	Rick Bateman*PS, K.C. Kilpatrick
5 years	Rodney Crews
4 years	Bridges Hall, Peyton LaBorde*
2 years	Dianne Clark <i>PS</i>

#### A Rotarian You Should Know

If you would like to be featured in this new fun Rotaripost column, please contact Judy Bellew.