

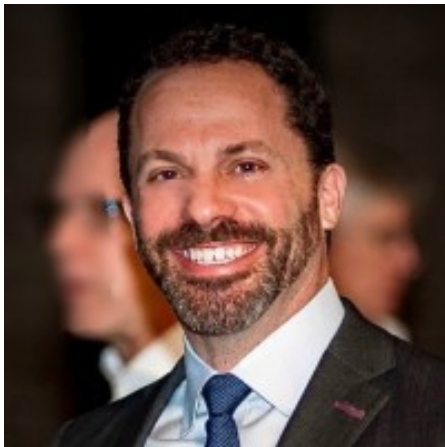


# Rotaripost

NOON — 12:00  
Meeting  
August 31,  
2021

**Keynote**

## Economic Development in Shreveport



**Drew Mouton** serves as the Director of the Office of Economic Development at the City of Shreveport. He has nearly three decades of direct experience leading both planned and unplanned change in business and industry, government, education and healthcare. His focus is on economic impact, team-building, innovation and execution.

Since 2010 he has directed much of his attention to higher education and public service. He has been an advisor to the Levy-Rosenblum Institute for Entrepreneurship, serving as its Lean Startup subject matter expert.

He developed and led multiple programs at Tulane before serving as Technology Architect for the Cyber-Collaboratory initiative at LSUS, then as Chief Innovation Officer for LSU Health Shreveport, leading pandemic response initiatives that served half the State. Along the way Mouton led campus seminars and taught university classes in management, strategy, new venture planning, applied innovation and management of entrepreneurial ventures.

Mouton received his B.A./B.S degrees in French and molecular biology from Tulane University. His MBA and Masters in Global Management were from the A.B. Freeman School of Business at Tulane.



**Tuesday,  
12:00 Noon**

**Historical Start  
12:13 p.m.  
In-Person at  
Hilton Hotel  
Restaurant &  
Zoom On-Line  
Option**

**Rotarians  
Serving Others**

*Lunch Money*      *Amanda Simpson*

*Raffle Tickets*      *Charlotta Nordyke*

*Invocation*      *John Tuggle*

*Zoom Operator*      *Johnathon Goff*

*Greeter - Scanner*      *Thomas Mayfield*

## Hybrid Meetings

We will continue to offer hybrid meetings (in-person and Zoom). Here is the Zoom recurring invite that can be used for meetings. If you are unable to use the link, simply sign into your free Zoom account, click on the option to Join a Meeting and use the Meeting ID and Password. The waiting room will be used to monitor admittance and avoid any “Zoom bombing”.

Topic: Rotary Club of Shreveport Weekly Meeting  
Time: August 31, 2021—12:00 PM Central Time

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83836609051?pwd=VG1xbUFFL0ILSGIwVVNEM3kzL0dGZz09>

**Meeting ID: 838 3660 9051**

**Passcode: 870740**

## Last Week's Program

Jason Ingalls with Ingalls Information Security LLC gave us valuable information last week about safe-guarding our data. Most often, a company learns of a data breach after the fact.

You can view the video of the program [at this link](#) on our Facebook page.



## **Rotary District Fall Picnic**

**September 11, 2021**

**11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.**

**Lincoln Parish Park, 211 Parish Park Rd.,**

**Ruston, LA**

All Rotarians, families and friends are invited. Hamburgers & hotdogs will be cooked. Only charge is a \$3 per person admit charge at the park gate.

Please reserve on DACdb or advise Judy Bellew and she'll register you. The cooks need the reservations so they will have an idea of the amount of food needed.

Bring your lawn chair, bicycles, etc!



## SIGN UP FOR THIS SPOT!

See additional photo on page 6!

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**t** Rotarian **Kristen Gary Powers** brought chuckles when she split her “2 Minute Spotlight” into two sections—the first was “The Apprentice” and the second part could be titled “Desperate Housewives of Stonewall”.

**t** Kristen, a Blanchard native, graduated from Northwood High School and then attended LSU Baton Rouge. After receiving her degree there she migrated to New Orleans and earned her MBA at University of New Orleans. Somewhere along the way, while there she auditioned to be on Donald Trump’s “The Apprentice” reality TV show. While working at Our Lady of the Lake Hospital, Hurricane Katrina blew her back to Shreveport in 2005.

**g** Rotary has been a big part of Kristen’s life. She was selected to serve on the Rotary Foundation Group Study Exchange (GSE) team and spent six weeks in Thailand staying in Rotarian homes, presenting information to Rotary clubs about our Louisiana communities and cultures. She and another fellow GSE team member Megann Hayes McDaniel became best of friends. After they returned to Shreveport, Megann introduced Kristen to her now husband, Ashley Powers, whose dad is a long-time member of another local Rotary club. This jump started the “Desperate Housewives of Stonewall” part of her life. Kristen and Ashley now have two small children. The whole family loves to go camping!

In 2009, Kristen was an Athena Award Nominee and a member of the “40 Under 40” Young Professional’s class. She joined the RiverBend Rotary Club initially but then moved to our club where she’s right at home. Kristen serves as the Executive Director of The Arc Caddo-Bossier.

President Lawrence presented Kristen with her PHF+1 lapel pin after her “2 Minute Spotlight”.



*Above pictures are of Kristen with her GSE team in Thailand. In left picture, the ladies in the group are in native attire as they stand with some of their home hosts. Right, at a Rotary district conference.*

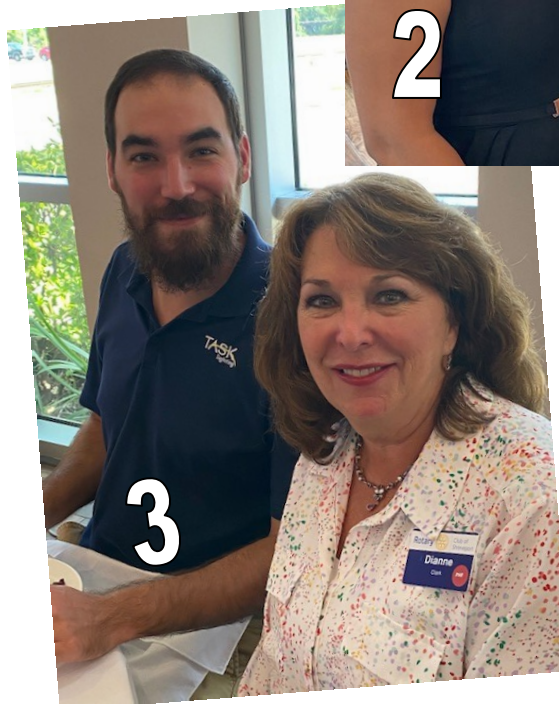


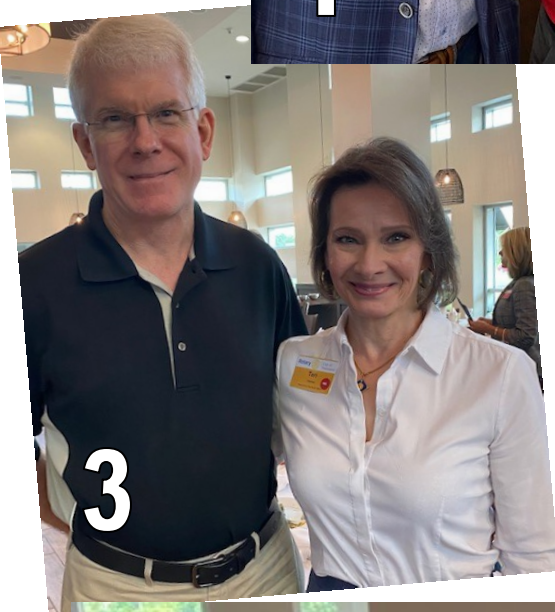
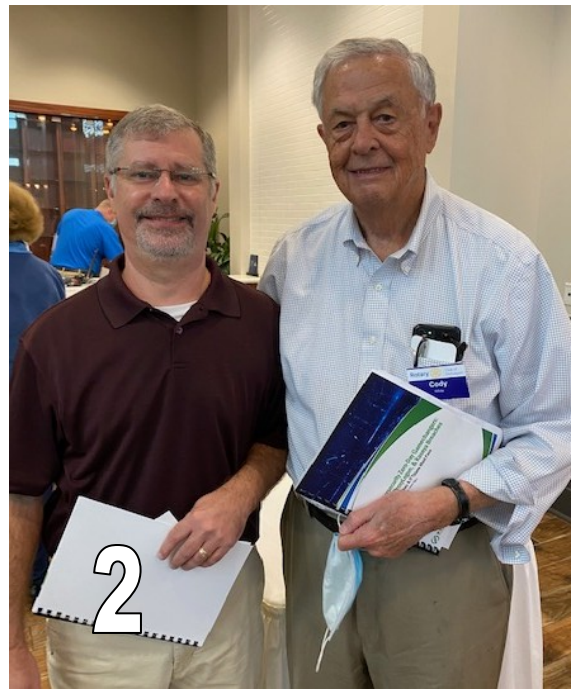
1—(From left) Thomas Mayfield, Steve Roop, Merrill Wautlet, Martha Marak, Steve Aiken, Donna Johnson.

2—Dosha Peek and (guest) Tasha Brocks.

3—(Guest) Keith Clark and Dianne Clark.

4—(Guest) Michael Gullion and Jeff Brasher.





- 1—Mark Crews and (guest) Mack Slaughter.
- 2—(Guest) Ken Monroe and Cody White.
- 3—(Guest) Mark Haynes and Teri Haynes.
- 4—(From left) Joe Littlejohn, Tom Mee, Fred Ratzburg, Mike Ferrell and Robert McGowen.

**And more!**  
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### Raffle Winners Last Week

TRF Raffle—Greg Juneau

*Thank you for your donation to The Rotary Foundation.  
This applies toward your Paul Harris Fellowship*

Flowers from Rose-Neath Florist—

Joe Littlejohn

Eggs from Andy Shehee’s hens—

James Blewett and Mark Snow

**Upcoming In-Person (Hilton  
Restaurant) and  
Zoom Program  
September 7 , 2021**

**Craig Spohn  
Cyber Innovation Center**

### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Unless written objection is received within seven days, there will be added to the membership of the **Rotary Club of Shreveport** the following:

**Dr. John George, Jr.**

BRF Foundation

CEO

Shreveport, LA

**Classification**

Economic Development

**Proposed by**

Gard Wayt and Miles Hitchcock

### More on Kristen Powers’ camping and outdoor hobby!

