



# The Rotaripost

December 20, 2016

## Keynote #LoveYourCitytoChangeYourCity

**Sarah Ardis**, a native of Shreveport and graduate of Caddo Magnet High School, has always loved Louisiana and its unique culture. She graduated from LSUS with a double major in political science and criminal justice.

After college, Sarah began working for former Congressman Jim McCreery’s campaign office. Everything changed for Sarah in 2010 when she and her husband Glen welcomed their daughter Sophie and Sarah felt a call to move into the nonprofit sector, specifically the needs of the homeless. In 2012 she fulfilled her dream and found her purpose at the Shreveport-Bossier Rescue Mission.



In 2014 Sarah assumed the role of director of development and community relations at the Mission. Believing in the importance of computer literacy education, Sarah has even established the Mission’s first computer literacy class to teach guests basic computer skills and software applications.

As Sarah says, “I have the best job in the world because I get paid to love people! I see the fruits of what love can do every day through the lives transformed by our Life Recovery Program.”

**We’ll be in our regular room for the next 2 meetings as the Convention Center staff was able to do some rearrangements with the I-Bowl teams.**

### NOTICE

Lionel Eltis is now at Willis Knighton Rehab at WKNorth location. He will be having therapy for several hours each day. He is accepting visitors but you will want to call him on his cell 318-349-1944 to make sure he will be in his room accepting visitors. He’ll soon be dancing with his walker in the hall!

**Tuesday,  
12:00 Noon**

**12:13 p.m.  
Bell-Ringing**

**Shreveport  
Convention  
Center**

### Rotarians Serving Others

*Milton Hutchinson*      *Money Table*

*David Cook*      *Raffle*

*John Walton*      *Scanner-Greeter-4Way Test*

*Larry Evensky*      *Invocation*

*Jarrold Horton*      *Music*  
&  
*Kermit Poling*

## Paul Harris Level Ups and Surprise Paul Harris Fellowships

**Richard Brontoli** was given his PHF+1 pin by President Jeb on Tuesday. Rich was born in New York City and attended grade school and high school there before going to college at Worcester University in Massachusetts. He served in the Army for 20 years and retired while posted in Missouri.

Rich then moved to Shreveport to assume the position as executive director of the Red River Valley Association where he remains today. He was sponsored in the club by Jerry Boughton in 1994. He has served or chaired on most of the club committees and served as club director in 2011-2012. He is current our Secretary-Treasurer and will be club president during the 2019-2020 Rotary year. During the 2014-2015 Rotary year he received the Club Service Above Self award.

After receiving his new pin, Rich then invited his wife **Silvia Brontoli** to come to the podium where he awarded her a new Paul Harris Fellow. Silvia is also a U.S. Army veteran.



President Jeb also presented **David Cromwell** with his PHF+3 pin. David is a graduate of Tulane Law School, magna cum laude. He is a partner in the Pettiette Armand Dunkelman Woodley Byrd Cromwell Law Firm and specializes in commercial finance, banking and real estate. He is a member of the Committee of 100.

David was sponsored in the club in 2001 by Pat Yates and served as club director in 2010-2011. With his great speaking voice, David has served as one of our spokesmen at our events and has been announcing our

Memorial Resolutions for many years.

After he received his pin, David then surprised fellow Rotarian **Lamar Goree** with a Paul Harris Fellowship. Among the many things that we learned about Dr. Goree is that he is a passionate singer, he dances as though no one is watching and he has been known to change his restaurant order several times depending upon what others are ordering.



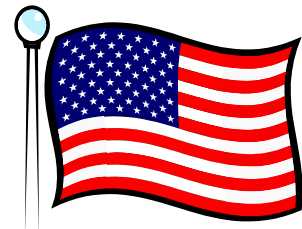
## Thank You To More Rotarian Veterans!

Two more Louisiana Veteran Honor Medals were presented last Tuesday by Brig. Gen. (retired) Peyton Cole.

**James Adams** was in the U.S. Army Reserves from 1965-1995 and served at several different assignments. He was a Master Sergeant and received the Sharpshooter Badge.



*(Below) James Adams then and now.*



**Richard Brontoli** served in the U.S. Army from 1973 to 1993 serving at posts in Colorado, Germany, El Salvador and Kentucky. He retired as Major and received numerous awards.

*(Left) Richard Brontoli, now and then*



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### Raffle Winners Last Week

TRF Raffle—Stephen Oden

*Thanks for your contribution to The Rotary Foundation—this applies toward your next PHF*

Rose-Neath Flower Shop—Lawrence Calhoun

Andy Shehee’s hen eggs—Reggie Abrams

Game of Life from Joe Littlejohn—Robert Touchstone

Satsumas from Jon Lowe—Laurel Brightwell

### Program on December 27, 2016

**Stories by Rotarians  
(Always a favorite)**

**Shreveport Convention Center  
Regular Room**

### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Unless written objection is received within seven days, there will be added to the membership of

**Rotary Club of Shreveport**

the following:

**Debra Williams**

**President/CEO**

**The Glen Retirement System**

Shreveport

#### Classification

Hospitals & Healthcare Services, Long Term Care

#### Proposed by

Andy Fisher

### New Officers and Directors for 2017-2018 Rotary year

Elections were held last Tuesday at the club meeting. These Rotarians will head the team to lead our club beginning on July 1, 2017:

President: Teri Haynes

President-Elect: Joe Littlejohn

Vice-President: Richard Brontoli

Secretary-Treasurer: Laurie Boswell

Immediate Past President: Jeb Breithaupt

#### Directors:

Paul Burch

Larry Clark

Hardy Foreman

Kathy French

Milton Hutchinson

Ken Krueger

Margaret Wallace