



Rotaripost

**NOON — 12:00
Meeting
January 19,
2021**

Keynote

Shreveport Common From Blight To Bright



Wendy Bencoter

Wendy Bencoter is the Executive Director for Shreveport Common, Inc. a 501c3 nonprofit formed to remove obstacles and create partnerships to advance the revitalizations of western downtown Shreveport/Ledbetter Heights to the promise of the Shreveport Common Vision Plan.

This nationally-awarded community effort includes City of Shreveport, Shreveport Regional Arts Council and over 30 public/private partners investing over \$51 million to date in the preservation and redevelopment of the area, resulting in 26 buildings completed, 9 under construction and 13 projects in pre-development.

Wendy's history includes 20 years in newspaper management in Houston and Shreveport. She is president of Bencoter Consultants working with non-profits on project management and capacity building. In 2015 she served as community liaison for the state Creative Communities Initiative by the Louisiana Department of Culture and the Cultural Economy Foundation.

Wendy is a graduate of the University of Texas, Moody College of Communication and received a Master Practitioner Certificate in Creative Placemaking from Rutgers University in 2013. She is an instructor for the National Consortium of Creative Placemaking, teaching Community Capacity Building at Ohio State, New Hampshire Institute for Art and New England College since 2014.



**Tuesday,
12:00 Noon**

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

**In-Person at
Hilton Hotel
Restaurant &
Zoom On-Line
Option**

Rotarians Serving Others

Money *Tom*
Table *Mee*

Raffle *Margaret*
Sales *Wallace*

Invocation *Gard*
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Zoom *Mark Snow*
Operators *&*
Kristen
Powers

Greeter *Need A*
Scanner *Volunteer*

Hybrid Meetings

We will continue to offer hybrid meetings (in-person and Zoom). Here is the Zoom invite that can be used through June 29, 2021. 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: January 19, 2021—12:00 PM Central Time

Join Zoom Meeting

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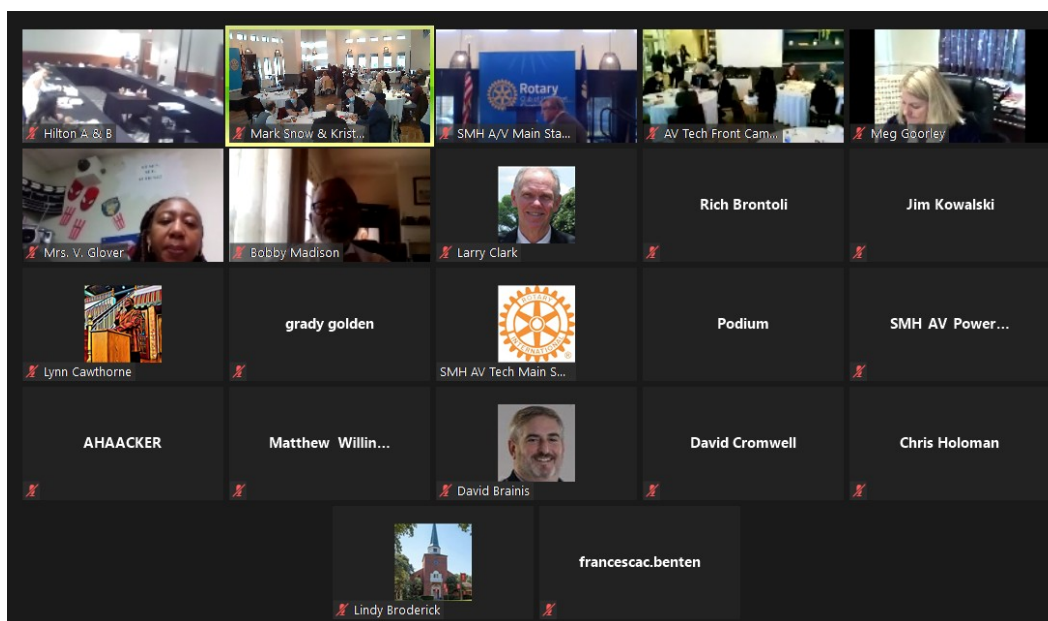
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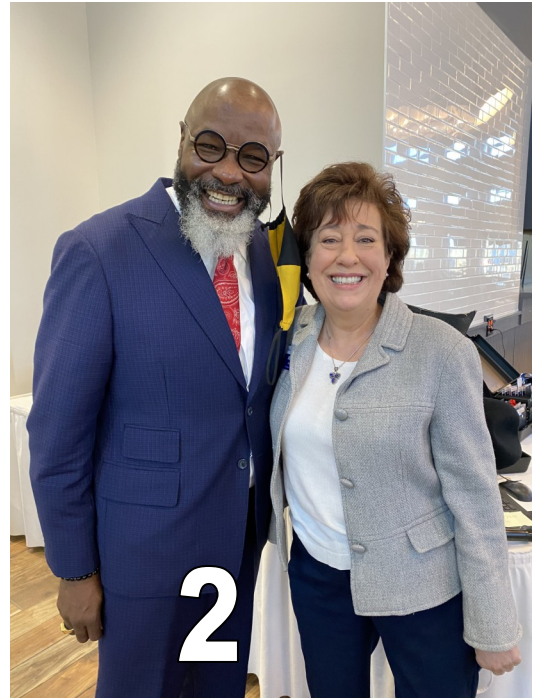
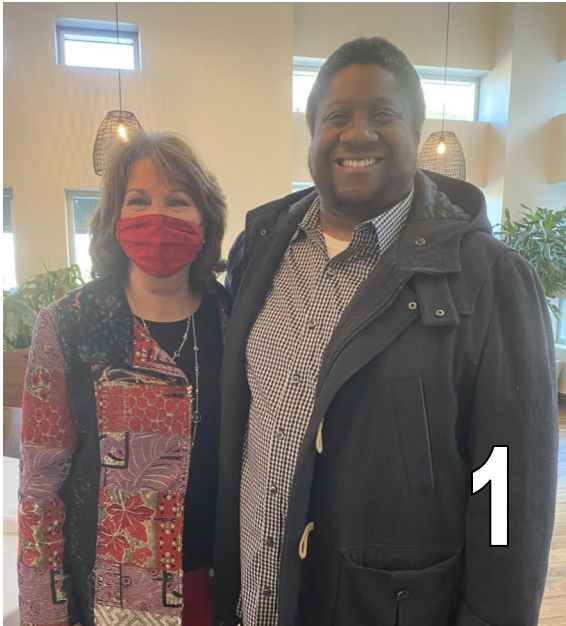
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We had 54 in attendance at the Hilton restaurant and an additional 39 on Zoom. Above are just some of our Zoom attendees. Several guests were included.



1—Dianne Clark and her guest, Quincy Gardner.

2—Lawrence Brandon and Martha Marak.

3—Elton Richey and his guest Eric Gnann.

4—(From left) Teri Haynes, Bobbie Brasher, Wishy Nolan and Jim Graves.



Seen on Tuesday
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Did You Know?

Rotary Hall, a men's dormitory at Centenary College, was constructed in 1931 and for many years has been a tangible, enduring monument. It was built with major financial support from members of the Rotary Club of Shreveport. In 1980 the Rotary Hall Endowed Maintenance Fund was established by a group of Shreveport Rotarians along with some local citizens. Over the years 1989 through 1991 the club contributed a total of \$25,000 for the renovation of Rotary Hall.

Here's the Endowed Fund Report that we received from Centenary College for the reporting year of 2020.

Endowed Fund Report REPORTING YEAR 2020



Rotary Hall Endowment Fund

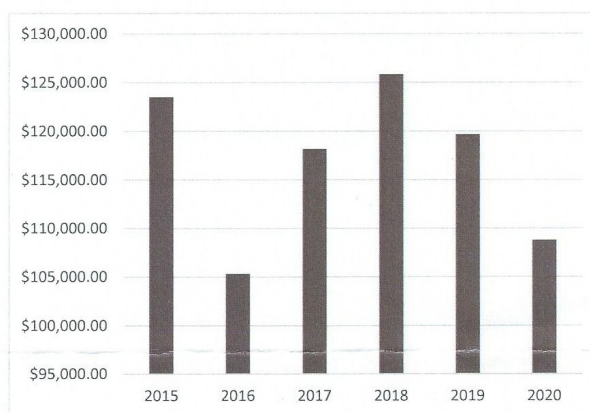
CURRENT YEAR

MARKET VALUE
As of 06.30.2020

\$108,789.06

The market value is calculated with the original gift amount and any additional gifts plus total return (capital appreciation and earned income) net of investment expenses less distributions/payout from the endowment fund.

5-Year Performance



Giving History

For the past 10 years

CURRENT YEAR

GIFT VALUE
For Fiscal Year 2020

\$114,871.65

The gift value includes all gifts made to the endowment over time. Gifts are permanently restricted to the endowment and cannot be invaded without special action.

Dr. Bowtie Todd Jenkins

We had a full house at our lunch on Tuesday to hear from “Dr. Bowtie” about moving from diversity to inclusion opportunities. For the first time we used an overflow room at the Hilton where members/guests could enjoy a delicious lunch as they watched the Zoom program on a large screen. After the meeting was adjourned and members began to depart, this overflow group was able to join their friends in the Hilton restaurant. We had very positive comments about how smoothly this worked.

The reception at Sci-Port which was held on Monday evening was very well attended, not only by Rotarians but by potential Rotarians as well as elected officials.



Scenes from the reception



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questions about the club.

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Raffle Winners Last Week

TRF Raffle—David Ginsburg

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

Flowers from Rose-Neath Florist—

Kristen Powers

Eggs from Andy Shehee's chickens—

David Bellew, Mark Medicus, Mark Snow and
Doug Bland

Upcoming In-Person (Hilton Restaurant) and Zoom Program

January 26, 2021
Dr. T. Steen Trawick
CHRISTUS Health
Shreveport-Bossier



Above was our over-flow room at the Hilton
prior to the meeting.

Menu for January 19th at the Hilton Hotel Restaurant

Meat lasagna/cheese, garlic bread, asparagus,
salad and dessert

Please call or text Judy Bellew at 318-294-
8385 if you want an alternate entrée.

Twenty Benefits of Rotary Membership

#7—Business Development—The second original reason for Rotary's beginning is business development. Everyone needs to network. Rotary consists of a cross section of every business community. Its members come from all walks of life. Rotarians help each other and collectively help others.