

Rotaripost

NOON — 12:00 Meeting July 19, 2022

Keynote

Downtown Shreveport



Liz Swaine is the Executive Director of Shreveport's Downtown Development Authority and the non-profit Downtown Shreveport Development Corporation.

Liz has experience in everything from government—eight years on the staff of Mayor Keith Hightower, and now the DDA—to the Fourth Estate in her 19+ years in television and journalism—to private industry as the corporate communications manager for Calumet Specialty Products.

Her travels have taken her to far-flung places such as Saudi Arabia and Russia where she has spoken to many people—the most memorable was an interview with Vladimir Putin.

She is an instrument-rated private pilot who has logged a number of hours behind Russian radial engines.

Liz and husband Steve Culp share an affinity for old buildings which they enjoy rehabbing. She considers herself lucky that her vocation and avocation are one and the same—a stronger and more vibrant downtown Shreveport!

Renesting Project Service Opportunity

1331 Driftwood Dr., Bossier City, LA (off Shed Rd)

Saturday, July 23rd 2 shifts: 10:00 a.m.-12:00 or 12:00 noon—2:00 p.m.

Opportunities: packing household items (linens, kitchenware, cleaning supplies, small appliances, lamps, wall hangings, etc.) for recipients who have prequalified for their program; accepting donations from the public; cleaning/dusting/inspecting donated furniture, etc.

Let Elton Richey (project chair) or Judy Bellew know which shift you'd like to work; children above age 8 or so and other family members are welcome to attend.

Tuesday, 12:00 Noon

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

Rotarians Serving Others

Debra LunchMoney Williams Raffle Charlie **Tickets** Henington Invocation Lawrence Brandon Zoom Rich Operator Brontoli Greeter -Need A

Scanner

Volunteer

New Paul Harris Fellowships

Anthony McMaster received a surprise Paul Harris Fellowship from Wishy Nolan. Anthony is married to the granddaughter of Wishy's wife Janet. He is a financial advisor with Edward Jones Investments.

As a stand-out tennis player on the Centenary College team, he earned his B.A. in political science/history. He then received his MBA from LSU. His love of tennis brought him to Pierremont Oaks Tennis Club where he began work as the Junior Tennis Director and eventually he became the Head Tennis Professional there for a number of years. In 2018, 2021 and 2022 he claimed the City Championship Men's Singles title.

He was sponsored in our club in November 2021 by Wishy President Mark Snow, Anthony McMaster & Nolan and Walter Lamb.



Wishy Nolan



Melissa Ricou, Robert McGowen and President Mark Snow

Another surprise Paul Harris Fellowship was given to Melissa Ricou by fellow Rotarian Robert McGowen. Melissa is the Director of Business Development at Holy Angels Residential Facility and is responsible for their AngelWorks Day Program.

An SMU graduate with a bachelor's degree in marketing and public relations, Melissa spent a bit of time in Houston before returning to Shreveport where she served for 21 years as Executive Director of the Youth Enrichment Program overseeing 30 after-school programs.

Melissa joined our club in March 2021 and serves on our Zoom committee and our bell-ringing committee. She is a second generation Rotarian as her mother Harvey Ann Leimbrook was a member of our club for many years.

What's the secret? I'm glad you asked....

We have installed our 2022-2023 Officers and Directors for the Rotary year which began on July 1st. Did you ever wonder how our Officers and Directors are selected? This procedure is outlined in our ByLaws and shown on page on page 103 in our membership roster.

In October, our current club president and current club president-elect each selects two past presidents to serve on a **Screening Committee**. These six Rotarians meet to review qualifications of the members keeping in mind their attendance, support of The Rotary Foundation, their club participation by serving on committees and as committee chairs. This Screening Committee then prepares a recommendation for not fewer than two persons to fill the position of Secretary-Treasurerf and not fewer than 12 persons to fill positions of Directors.

These recommendations are presented in November to a **Nominating Committee** made up of all past club presidents who are still members of our club. This Nominating Committee then selects the final candidates to be presented to the club members at the first meeting in December of each year. Club members then vote for their leaders on the second Tuesday of December.

As a tradition, the individual selected as Secretary-Treasurer will advance up the Officer steps until they reach the President's position. Along the way, much training is completed through Rotary district meetings, President-Elect Training Seminars (PETS), Large Rotary Club Conference, Rotary International Conferences, budget preparation meetings, etc.

So, in effect, our club officers, by the time they become President, have received several years of observation, training and leadership. It is a commitment of service!

If you have further questions about this long-standing process, please contact President Mark Snow.

Our Credit Card Process

Our credit card processing company (PayAnywhere) now allows us to email a link to anyone who wants to pay by credit card without having to providing the Rotary office with the credit card number.

We are also part of their Edge Flat Rate Pricing program which will automatically add a 3.75% convenience fee to each charge. If you do not want to pay the convenience fee, please pay by cash or check to Rotary Club of Shreveport. Please direct any questions to Judy Bellew.





(Above, from left) Jarrod Horton, Greg Juneau, Robert Smith, Paulette Freeman and Allen Organick.

Rotary (Left) Keith McFarland with SWEPCO. Click <u>HERE to view</u> the last week's <u>Club of Shrevel</u> program on our Facebook page.

RYLA Camp 2022

Rotarians from our club were inspirational speakers at our Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) Camp a couple of weeks ago. Rashad Bristo and Mary Webber both shared life experiences with the 60+ campers. Jim Graves has also done this in the past.

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

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Raffle Winners Last Week

TRF Raffle—Steve Aiken
Flowers from Rose-Neath Florist—
Deb Poore
\$50 gift certificate from Rose-Florist—
Jim Graves
Eggs from Andy Shehee's hens—Robert
McGowen & Robert Smith
Fresh tomatoes from Jon Lowe—
Onega Ulanova & Mike Ferrell

Upcoming In-Person (Hilton Restaurant) and Zoom Program July 26, 2022

Tim Magner
Shreveport Chamber of Commerce

June & July Club Anniversaries *PHF +Past President *Major Donor (includes *PS prior service in this or other clubs)

33 years	Alan Prater*
22 years	Francesca Moreland*+,
	Patrick Harrison*
21 years	Darrell Rebouche*
17 years	Kit Gamble, Mike McSwain*
16 years	Jerry Acree♦
15 years	Kathy French*
13 years	Merrill Wautlet* PS
10 years	Laurel Brightwell*, K.C. Kilpatrick PS , Willie White*
8 years	Doug Abington, Davor Poljak*
6 years	Terry Moore
5 years	Robert Smith*
4 years	Cory Boyett
3 years	Billy Hargrove, Harry McInnis*, Elton Richey
1 year	Cynthia Franklin, Thomas Mayfield, Brent Latin

