

Rotaripost

12:00NOON Meeting July 7, 2020 Zoom On-Line

Keynote COVID-19 Effect on Downtown Shreveport

Liz Swaine is the Executive Director of the Downtown Development Authority and the non-profit Downtown Shreveport Development Corporation in Shreveport. The goal of both organizations is to pursue, facilitate and coordinate public and private initiatives that will lead to more common-sense growth and development in our historic downtown.

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.



Liz Swaine

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 Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin. Liz is an instrument-rated private pilot who has logged a number of hours behind Russian radial engines.

She is married to Steve Culp, with whom she shares an affinity for old buildings. They are currently living in a 54,000-square foot downtown historic building that they are rehabbing.

Liz considers herself luck that her vocation and avocation are one and the same—a stronger and more vibrant downtown!

We Are Returning To Zoom Meetings For The Time-Being. See details on page 2.

Tuesday, Noon

12:13 p.m. Historical Start

Zoom On-Line Meetings

Rotarians Serving Others

Club Laurie Boswell
President

Club Lawrence
PresidentElect

Club Vice- David
President Cromwell

Club

Secretary- Mark Snow Treasurer

Immediate Past Club

President Rich Brontoli

This is the text of an email that was sent to all Rotary Club of Shreveport members on July 3, 2020

Dear Rotary Club of Shreveport Member,

Due to the recent and rapid increases in COVID-19 cases, the Board of Directors voted to halt in-person meetings until exposures decline. We sincerely pledge to all members that the club will reschedule face to face meetings just as soon as the board feels this is a safe option. Plan to join us on Zoom for the following weeks. When we return to in-person meetings, the club will also continue to offer the Zoom option.

This is a critical time for our club. It is imperative that we remain flexible and unified so that we can continue to serve those in need in our community. I ask that members support the club in this decision and continue to demonstrate leadership with your consistent attendance, even during a pandemic. 90 Rotarians and guests participated in last week's meeting!

We ask that committee chairs reach out to their committee members to assure them they will continue their committee work as circumstances allow. For those members not currently serving on a committee, please review the committees that will be listed in the Rotaripost and join a committee to serve with others.

I am looking forward to seeing you all soon. Yet, at the same time, know that your safety is this club's top priority.

Happy 4th of July to your families and to you! Laurie

New Paul Harris Fellow and PHF Level Ups

We presented several PHF level up pins on Tuesday as well as recognizing new Paul Harris Fellows made possible through the generosity of one of our past presidents. They will be pictured in next week's Rotaripost.

Installation of New Officers and Directors

Last Tuesday at our first in-person club meeting at East Ridge Country Club, we installed our new club officers for the 2020-2021 year. Shown here are some of our next group of club leaders.



Seen here is Immediate Past President Rich Brontoli passing the traditional club president's pin to Merritt Chastain who in turn presented it to our new Club President Laurie Boswell.



Our new Board members responded to the oath of office read by Past President Merritt Chastain: Lawrence Calhoun (behind President Laurie), Mark Snow, David Brainis, Robert Smith, Brad Graff and Richard Brontoli. Not shown: David Cromwell, Jon Keith, Terry Moore, Connor Peterson and Fred Ratzburg

Recognition of Outgoing Board

Immediate Past President Rich Brontoli thanked the outgoing officers and directors for their club service. Each of the retiring Board members was presented with a framed customized sketch of a Shreveport landmark building or event from Rotarian Mike McSwain.





Rich Brontoli and Jesse Gilmore

Rich Brontoli and Laurie Boswell Rich Brontoli and Mark Snow

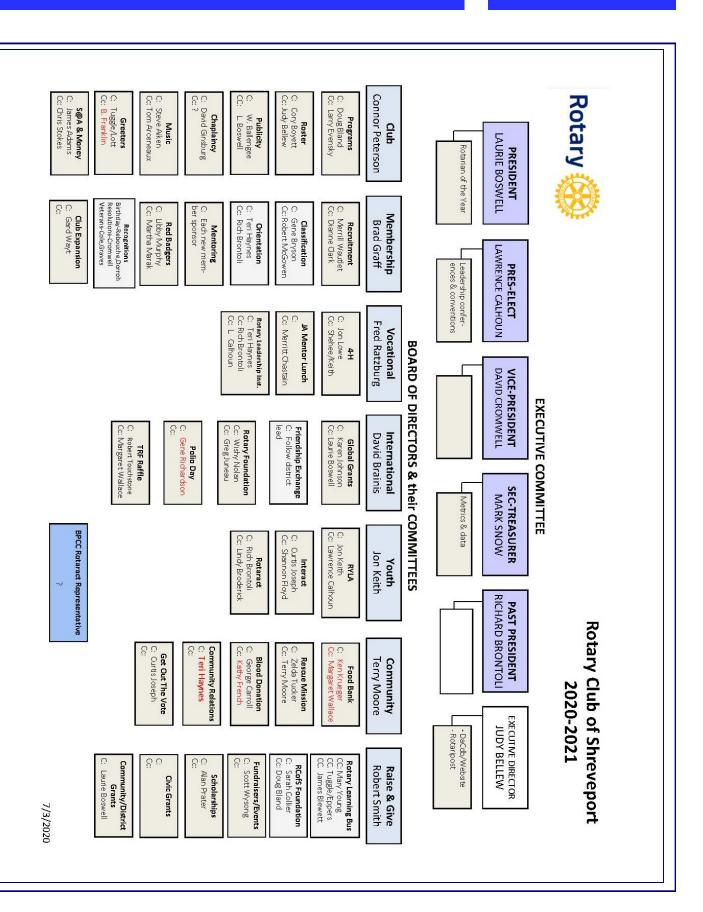


Rich Brontoli and Lawrence Calhoun





Rich Brontoli and Judy Bellew



What Would You Like To Do?

Name Rotary Club of Shreveport - Committee Volunteer Form - 2020-2021 Please indicate any and all committees on which you would like to serve.				
			Club Service:	
			Programs:	Schedule and monitor quality of weekly programs
Roster:	Solicit advertising for club roster			
Publicity	Assist in composing and distributing PR about the club			
Sergeant at Arms:	Collect lunch money and assist at registration table			
Music:	Schedule and provide music at meetings			
Chaplaincy:	Schedule and provide invocations at meetings			
Member Greeting :	Schedule and provide greeters/scanners at meetings			
Raise & Give:				
R.C. of S'port Foundation:	Encourage participation in club's foundation			
Civic Grants:	Review applications and select recipients of civic grants			
FundRaisers/Events	Assist and coordinate fundraising events (when one is scheduled)			
Club Scholarships:	Review applications & select recipients of scholarship awards			
Rotary Learning Bus	Participate in activities with Common Ground			
International Service:				
The Rotary Foundation:	Promotes support for The Rotary Foundation			
Friendship Exchange:	Assist with hosting and/or arranging activities for foreign Rotarians			
Global Grants:	Assist with planning of international projects			
TRF Raffle	Assist in selling raffle tickets at registration table			
Polio Day	Assist in Polio Day activities in October			

	Identify & recruit potential members
Classifications:	Screen membership proposals for classification & eligibility
Orientation/Development:	Provide Rotary information, mentor new members
Recognitions:	Participate & plan member moments, veterans recognition, Boy Scout recognition, birthdays/milestones
Red Badgers:	Assist Red Badge groups to develop project and develop within club
Club Expansion:	Assist with creation of new Rotary club
Vocational Service:	
Rotary Leadership Institute	Identify attendees and assist in planning RLI seminar
4H Project:	Attend 4H functions, serve as table host for recognition
Junior Achievement	Participate in annual J.A. event
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Virtual Walk/Run Events

Our club had teams in both the United Way and Holy Angels Virtual Walk/Runs that either took place on June 27th or ended on that date.

Past President Larry Evensky was vacationing on the beach in Destin, Florida but participated in the Holy Angels run which was extended over several days prior to June 27th. He shared his time in the 5k with us.





Rotary Theme For 2020-2021



Since the 1950's each Rotary International President has selected a theme for the Rotary year in which they serve. The shortest theme was in 1961-1962 when President Joseph Abey selected "Act" as the theme.

This year, Rotary International President Holger Knaack from Germany selected "Rotary Opens Opportunities" as he asks that Rotarians create opportunities that strengthen our leadership, help put service ideas into action and improve the lives of those in need.









- 1—Early arrivals at East Ridge Country Club
- 2—Past President Teri Haynes made an announcement
- 3—Our membership committee co-chairs-Dianne Clark and Merrill Wautlet
- 4—Kathy French with guest Sil Brontoli



Rotaripost

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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—Debra Williams

Thanks for your donation to The Rotary Foundation.
This applies to your PHF.

Gift bag from Rose-Neath Florist-

Sarah Collier

Eggs from Andy Shehee's hens— Brad Graff

Upcoming Zoom Program
July 14, 2020

Erik Evanson Independence Bowl

Birthdays

* Paul Harris Fellow + Past President PDG Past District Governor

♦ Major Donor

July 1	Wishy Nolan♦
July 3	Sarah Collier◆+
July 7	Graham Thompson
July 11	Renee Petree*
July 12	Carl Thibodeaux
July 13	Kermit Poling*, John Parsons*,
	John Tuggle*
June 14	James Mayeaux*
July 16	Kristen Brown*
July 18	Katherine Dorroh*
July 19	Darrell Rebouche*
July 21	Charles Ellis Brown♦+
July 27	Bob Fitzgerald*
July 28	Tommy Williams*
July 31	Donald Crow*

Throw Back Tuesday Contest

The Mystery Rotarian pictured with the guitar in last week's Rotaripost was **Fred Ratzburg.** Here are the winners of the quickest correct answers emailed to

shreveportrotary@gmail.com:

1st place: Charlotta Nordyke

(\$50 Rose-Neath gift certificate)

2nd place: Carol Barnes (Oxford Rotary)

(wins 30 count egg carton-donated to Providence House)

3rd place: Robert Touchstone

(wins 12 count egg carton-donated to Providence House)