



# Rotaripost

**NOON — 12:00  
Meeting  
June 29,  
2021**

**Keynote**

## Civic Grant Awards



For many years our club has been awarding civic grants to local non-profit organizations to assist with a particular project that they have. This year our grant committee began soliciting grant applications in December 2020 and accepted entries through February 19, 2021. On Tuesday we will present checks to the organizations that were selected by our Civic Grant Committee.

These awards are funded through our dues structure with assistance from the Rotary Club of Shreveport Foundation, our 501c3 organization.

We received a total of 21 applications totaling \$92,004. The total amount that we had available this year was \$22,800. The top-ranked applicants and their awards are these:

Food Bank of Northwest Louisiana—\$3,100

Shreveport Bossier Rescue Mission—\$5,000

Nowela Council, BSA—\$5,000

The Bridge Alzheimer's & Dementia Resource Center—\$4,000

Renzi Center—\$3,900

Receiving \$300 speaker honorariums are these organizations: Fuller Center for Housing, Highland Restoration, NWLA Makerspace, O.L.L.I.E. Initiative, S.C.O.R.E., and the Strand Theater.

Thanks to our committee members: Rich Brontoli (Chair), Greg Lott (Co-Chair), Doug Bland, Kristen Brown, Mike Ferrell, Kathy French, Charles Grubb, Chris Holoman, Charlotte Jones, Renee Petree, Leslie Quinn, Darrell Rebouche, Graham Thompson, John Tuggle and Bruce Willson.

Since 1999 our club has invested \$351,243 in civic grants supporting our local non-profit partners.

This committee is very rewarding. If you would like to serve on it, please let Judy Bellew know. The process is completely on line and the selection process is very well organized.

**Tuesday,  
12:00 Noon**

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

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

**Rotarians  
Serving Others**

*Money* Chris  
*Table* Stokes

*Raffle* Greg  
*Tickets* Lott

*Invocation* Rick  
Bateman

*Zoom* Johnathon  
*Operator* Goff

*Greeter* Lawrence  
Calhoun

## 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: June 29, 2021—12:00 PM Central Time

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83836609051?pwd=VGlxUkUFL0lLSGIwVVNEM3kzL0dGZz09>

**Meeting ID: 838 3660 9051**  
**Passcode: 870740**

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## Last Week's Program

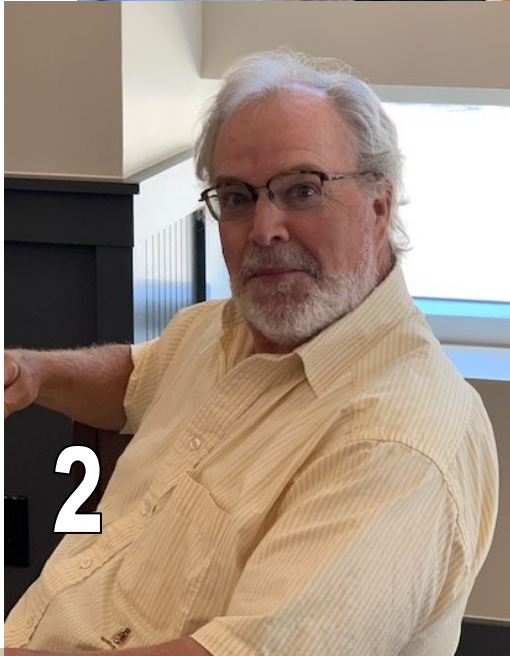
View the full meeting video [at this link](#) to our Facebook page.

What an interesting program last Tuesday! Scott Isaacs from LSU shared his knowledge about drone technology. Advancements in the technology have made it possible for drone prices to drop while their use is ever increasing.

Rotarian Wishy Nolan even uses a drone to check the remote fence lines on his cattle farm property.





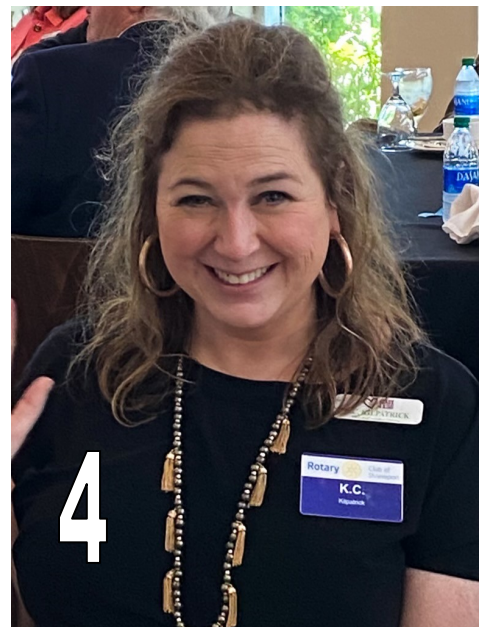


1—(From left) Bob Neff, Don Updegraff, Debra Williams, guest Chris Hackler, Kristen Powers. Bob and Don were returning for the first time.

2—Steve Aiken returned to meetings for the first time.

3—Dayne Hassell with his guest, Randy Kirchner.

4—K.C. Kilpatrick was also back for the first time.





\$10,000 Value



### Rotary Club of Shreveport 2021 Raffle for Honda Pioneer 700

\$20 PER TICKET

Drawing will be held at the **Shreveport Rotary Tuesday Lunch** meeting on **August 3th**, 2021. Proceeds to benefit the Rotary Learning Bus partnership with Common Ground Community. Winner does not need to be present. This is not a charitable contribution. Winner is responsible for all state and federal income tax liabilities.

Thanks to our Gold Sponsors



## Get Your Tickets Now! See Scott Wysong! Credit Cards Accepted at Tuesday Meetings



### New Volunteer Opportunity

Justin Lord (on left) and Jeffrey Kerst operated the Zoom connection at the meeting on Tuesday.

Want to learn how to do this? See Mark Snow and join this committee!



## Paul Harris Fellowship Level-Up

**Joe Littlejohn** received his PHF+6 lapel pin from President Laurie Boswell on Tuesday. Joe has been a registered representative for New York Life for 37 years. He holds the CLU (Chartered Life Underwriter) designation which is one of the premier designations for insurance professionals

Joe is a graduate of Loyola College Prep, received his bachelor's degree from LSUS and his MBA from Centenary College.

He has served on several local boards including past chair of Goodwill Industries and Shreveport-Bossier Convention & Tourist Bureau, past president of NAIFA-Shreveport and the Tax & Estate Planning Council of Shreveport. Former board positions were served with the Independence Bowl Foundation, Red River Revel, Shreveport-Bossier Rescue Mission and several passenger rail related organizations.

Sponsored in our club in 1980, he has served on almost all of our committees at one time or another, served as Club Director two times and as Club President in the 2018-2019 Rotary year. Joe continues to be involved with our club wherever he is needed.



(Above) Davor Poljak gets caught up with friend Nell Shehee.

*Seen Tuesday*  
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(Above) Gayle Flowers with her guest Brent Latin.



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### Raffle Winners Last Week

TRF Raffle—John Tuggle

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

Flowers from Rose-Neath Florist—  
David Brainis

Eggs from Andy Shehee's chickens—  
Brad Graff, Peyton Cole and Merritt Chastain

Home-grown tomatoes from Jon Lowe—  
Margaret Wallace

**Upcoming In-Person (Hilton  
Restaurant) and  
Zoom Program  
July 6, 2021**

**Installation of 2021-2022  
Officers & Directors**



(Above) Winner of the 5-pack of craft beer on Tuesday was Greg Lott. Tickets were pulled from the ATV/\$10,000 raffle tickets that were purchased at Rotary on Tuesday. Be sure to buy a ticket on Tuesday for a special drawing.

(Below) Immediate Past President Rich Brontoli presented former Board member David Cromwell with a gift for his years of service to the club. The sketch was from Mike McSwain's collection and features the federal courthouse—very appropriate for David!

