

Rotaripost

May 2, 2017



YMCA



Gary Lash

The BHP Billiton YMCA project started in 2007 when considerations were given to renovating the YMCA's Broadmoor facility. BHP donated roughly \$10.7 million (\$8 million in cash and \$2.7 million in land) to the YMCA.

The new BHP Billiton Y features a state-of-the-art Olympic swimming pool, basketball courts, exercise and weight rooms.

Gary Lash, CEO of the YMCA of Northwest Louisiana, is a native of Cotton Valley and has lived in Shreveport for most of his life. He has served as CEO of our YMCA since 2003. Prior to coming to the Y, Lash enjoyed a career in sales and coaching basketball at the high school level. He served as chairman of the Louisiana YMCA Association from 2013-2016.

Gary and wife Renee have two children and four grandchildren.

The YMCA's presence in Shreveport dates back to the 1860's. In 1888, funds were raised to construct a three story building located at Milam and Edwards. This building was later sold. In 1923, a fundraising campaign raised \$545,000 to construct the current Downtown Y, which opened in October 1925.



ROOM CHANGE FOR MAY 2 MEETING

Ballrooms C/D (next alcove further to the west)

Tuesday, 12:00 Noon

12:13 p.m. Historical Start

> Shreveport Convention Center

Rotarians Serving Others	
Kim Green	Money Table
Robert Touchstone	Raffle
Kandi Moore	Scanner- Greeter-4Way Test
Larry Evensky	Invocation
Joe Cooper & Kermit Poling	Music



On Tuesday, Alex Person with the Gingerbread House presented a program on the work that they do in the community. Through our \$5,000 grant that they received last year, they were able to provide free counseling services to 207 children who were victims of child abuse in our area.

(Left) Alex Person, forensic interviewer, speaks from the podium as Valerie Lurry, one of their board members, looks on.



(Above) Rodney Crews stands to introduce his guests Onega Ulanova and Konstantin Dolgan as Doug Abington gets him tickled. Did you know that Rodney and Doug are cousins?





(Far Left) John Tuggle with his guest Michael Lott.

(Left) Gayle Flowers with her guest Nada Percival Think you might want to go to the Atlanta International Convention in June? Read on....

Breakout sessions for just part of • the first day (<u>full schedule here</u>): •

MONDAY, 12 JUNE

Developing Leaders

- 2018-2019 Club Presidents Getting Ready for your Role
- The Power of Mediation
- Travel Health Tips
 Awareness: A Key Component of
 Leadership
- From Cultural Awareness to World Peace with Youth Exchange
- Rotary Business School: Generations
- The Fine Art of Cultivating Rotary Connections
- Decrease Bullying With The Four-Way Test

Strengthening Membership

- First Impressions Matter
- Rotary Club Planning for Membership Growth
- The Secret Ingredients For Your Rotary Menu
- Flexibility and Change Successful Rotary Meeting Formats
- Using ClubRunner to Promote Rotary and Strengthen Membership

May 11, 2017—Last day to reserve individual housing through Rotary's housing provider. More near-by hotel room blocks have been released! Register <u>here!</u>

Sign up for Atlanta Convention free Orientation Webinar on May 11th :

- What to pack and what to wear
- Tips for finding your way around the convention venue
- How to use the Rotary Events mobile app
- Program highlights from general sessions, breakouts, and host events
- Resources to help you before and during the convention

Partnering for Success

- Rotarians and YALI: Building Partnerships with Young African Leaders
- Promoting Access to College for Disadvantaged Youths
- Corporate Social Responsibility and Rotary
- Rotary and Peace Corps
- RYLA Plus: Leadership Training for Physically Disabled Teens
- Your Rotary Legacy: How You Can Help Build Rotary's Endowment
- Partnerships With Civil Society to Address the Refugee Crisis

Promoting Rotary

- Rotary's Websites: What's New and What's Next
- Social Media 101
- Becoming a Better Storyteller
- Welcoming the LGBTQ Family to Rotary

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Rotary Club of Shreveport will now begin offering monthly service opportunities with ALL of our nonprofit members. It is our hope that this will reemphasize the SERVICE ABOVE SELF motto and that these organizations will obtain new volunteers!

> Contact club director <u>Amanda Gouthiere</u> to get listed in the May Volunteer Opportunity posting!

May 4 and May 11 4:45 p.m.-5:30 p.m.



Contact Rotarian <u>Zelda Tucker</u> to get involved in this food service project. Limited space!

To volunteer at the Thrift Store any time, contact <u>Ms. Sonnie Nash</u> 318-227-2868 x104



May 16

5:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.

Pack the boxes for senior meals. Meet at the Food Bank on Texas Ave. Great project to include young people! Contact <u>David Ginsburg</u>. No space limitation.

JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT

May 8th—11th

Time: 7:30-8:50am, 10:36-11:53am, or 1:16-2:33pm

Event: JA Global Marketplace at Benton Middle School

Contact: Carly Koen, Director of Community Engagement, <u>carly.koen@janla.org</u> or 903-918-9149

Opportunity: Volunteer to teach a Junior Achievement program to 6th grade students about our global economy, international trade, and entrepreneurship.

What is it: Serving students in your community as a mentor and role model while also teaching youth about financial literacy, work-readiness, and entrepreneurship. Junior Achievement provides training in advance and all teaching materials are included.



The new Rotary year starts July 1st! Most of the fun and excitement in our club takes place in the committees. For the next five weeks, you'll learn about the opportunities available for participation. On May 30th, you'll have the chance to "bid" on the committee you want to join. The second group of committees is Club Service.

Club Service Committees 2017-2018 Director: Larry Clark

Programs—Schedule presentations/speakers for entertainment and information during our weekly luncheons. Chairs: Don Howard and Amanda Simpson

Roster—Sell advertising for our membership roster. Actual data for the Roster is collected in our Rotary database. Chair: Charlie Henington

Publicity—Publicize the good works and activities or our club via outward facing newsletter, social media, newspaper, television, radio, etc. as appropriate and needed. Chairs: Tricia Grayson and Stephanie Sievers

Chaplaincy—Schedule members to provide invocations at our luncheons. Chair: Rodney Crews

Music—Schedule members to provide music and songs at our luncheon. Chairs: Steve Aiken and Stephanie Sievers.

Sergeant at Arms & Money Table—Provide security as necessary; collect lunch fees. Chairs: James Adams and Pat Cord.

Greeters-Greet members and guests. Scan badges for attendance records. Chair: John Tuggle.

Just like life....You Get Out of Rotary What You Put Into It!



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Raffle Winners Last Week

TRF Raffle—James Blewett Thanks for your donation to The Rotary Foundation. This applies to your next PHF level. Flowers from Rose-Neath Florist—

Margaret Wallace Andy Shehee's hen eggs—David Ginsburg

Program on May 9, 2017

Dr. Tim Magner Greater Shreveport Chamber of Commerce

Shreveport Convention Center Rooms 206-209

Birthdays

* Paul Harris Fellow + Past President PDG Past District Governor

♦ Major Donor

May 1	Larry Millican*
May 2	Jarrod Horton
May 5	Jeffrey Thomas*
May 7	Clay Nelson*
May 8	Chris Erickson*, Katy Merriman
May 11	Jesse Gilmore
May 12	Jack Lamb*
May 15	Mark Hebert*
May 18	Jeff Gauger*
May 19	Miles Hitchcock*, Charles Grubb*
May 20	Alan Seabaugh
May 22	Nell Shehee*
May 27	Denny Gamble
May 28	George Nelson, Jr.*+
May 29	William Johnson*
May 31	Peter Boggs*, Gil Shanley*

