



**Keynote**

*What It Takes To Become A Federal Judge*



*Judge Elizabeth Erny Foote*

**Hon. Elizabeth Erny Foote** serves as a United States District Court judge with her duty seat in Shreveport.

Until her appointment in June 2010, Judge Foote was a partner in the Smith Foote Law Firm LLP in Alexandria, where she had been engaged in active practice since 1979. Her caseload centered on commercial litigation and medical malpractice defense.

She received her undergraduate degree from LSU with college honors, her MA degree from Duke University and her law degree from the LSU Law Center.

Foote has served as an adjunct professor at the LSU Law Center in the area of Appellate Advocacy and for the last three years as an instructor in the Law Center's intersession course on motion practice.

While in law practice, Judge Foote was active in the Louisiana State Bar Association and served as state president from 2008-2009. In her new home in Shreveport, she has continued to be active in the legal community with service to both the Shreveport Bar Association and as an officer in the Booth-Politz Inn of Court.

In Alexandria, Beth was a longtime member of the Rotary Club of Alexandria and is a Paul Harris Fellow. She is married to Ross Foote whom she met on their first day in law school.

**Attention 2017-2018 Officers, Board Directors,  
Committee Chairs/Co-Chairs**

Meet in Room 209 (next door) immediately following our luncheon on May 23rd to finalize committee plans for May 30th.

Tuesday,  
12:00 Noon

12:13 p.m.  
Historical Start

Shreveport  
Convention  
Center

**Rotarians  
Serving Others**

Rob Money  
Eppers Table

Bob Raffle  
Robinson

Need Scanner-  
A Greeter-4Way  
Volunteer Test

Amanda Invocation  
Gouthiere

Reginald  
Abrams Music  
&  
Kermit  
Poling

## History of Women in Rotary

### 1950

An enactment to delete the word “male” from the Standard Rotary Club constitution is proposed by a Rotary club in India for the Council on Legislation (CoL) meeting at the 1950 RI Convention.

### 1964

The CoL agenda contains an enactment proposed by a Rotary club in Ceylon (now Sri Lanka) to permit the admission of women into Rotary clubs. Delegates vote that it be withdrawn. Two other proposals to allow women to be eligible for honorary membership are also withdrawn.

### 1972

As more women begin reaching higher positions in their professions, more clubs begin lobbying for female members. A U.S. Rotary club proposes admitted women into Rotary at the 1972 CoL.

### 1977

Three separate proposals to admit women into membership are submitted to the CoL for consideration. A Brazilian club makes a different proposal to admit women as honorary members.

The Rotary Club of Duarte, California admits women as members in violation of the RI Constitution. Because of this violation, the club’s membership in Rotary International was terminated in 1978. (The club was reinstated in 1986.)

### 1980

The RI Board of Directors and Rotary clubs in India, Sweden, Switzerland and the U.S. propose an enactment to remove from the RI and club constitutions and bylaws all references to members as “male persons”.

### 1983-1986

In a lawsuit filed by the Duarte club, the California Superior Court rules in favor of Rotary International, upholding gender-based qualification for membership in California clubs. In 1986, the California Court of Appeals reversed the lower court’s decision, preventing the enforcement of the provision in California. The CA Supreme Court refuses to hear the case and it is appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

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### **1987 (30 years ago!)**

On May 4, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that Rotary clubs may not exclude women from membership on the basis of gender. Rotary issued a policy statement that any Rotary club in the U.S. can admit qualified women into membership.

The Rotary Club of Marin Sunrise, CA is chartered on May 28. It became the first club after the U.S. Supreme Court ruling to have women as charter members.

Sylvia Whitlock of the Rotary Club of Duarte, CA became the first female Rotary club president.

### **1987, September 1**

The Rotary Club of Shreveport admitted Virginia Shehee and Judy Williams as the first female members.

### **1988**

The RI Board of Directors issued a policy statement recognizing the right of Rotary clubs in Canada to admit female members.

### **1989**

The CoL voted to eliminate the requirement in the RI Constitution that membership in Rotary clubs be limited to men. Women were welcomed into Rotary clubs around the world.

### **1989**

Charlotta Nordyke and Sarah Collier, our two longest serving female Rotarians were inducted into our club.

### **1990**

There were about 20,200 female Rotarians worldwide.

### **1995**

Eight women became district governors.

### **2001**

Jane Molloy of the Rotary Club of West Shreveport (now the Red River club) became the first female district governor for District 6190.

### **2010**

More than 199,000 women are members of Rotary clubs worldwide, with an increasing number serving as district governors.

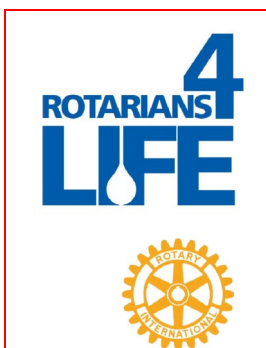
*Rotary Club of Shreveport will now begin offering monthly service opportunities with ALL of our nonprofit members. It is our hope that this will re-emphasize the **SERVICE ABOVE SELF** motto and that these organizations will obtain new volunteers!*



Contact club director [Amanda Gouthiere](#) to get listed in the June Volunteer Opportunity posting!

Roy's Kids 5K Race

Saturday, June 3 beginning at 7 a.m.  
Contact Rotarian [Mike Powell](#) for volunteer opportunities



Rotary LifeShare Blood Donation Drive—Tuesday, June 6  
Contact Rotarians [Jack Sharp](#) or [George Carroll](#) to sign up for your donation time!

Rescue Mission Service on June 1 and June 8

4:45 p.m.—5:30 p.m.

Contact [Zelda Tucker](#) to schedule your service. Space is limited!



The new Rotary year starts July 1<sup>st</sup>! 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 30<sup>th</sup>, you'll have the chance to "bid" on the committee you want to join. The fifth group of committees is  
Community Service.

## **Community Service Committees**

### **2017-2018 Director: Margaret Wallace**

**Rescue Mission**—Serve meals to residents at the Rescue Mission; first and second Thursdays of each month; 4:45-5:00 p.m. Chair/co-chair: Zelda Tucker and David Cook.

**Rescue Mission Literacy**—Read to children; coach parents as needed for job interviews, etc. Chair: Francesca Moreland.

**Food Bank**—Pack boxes of food at the Food Bank of Northwest Louisiana; third Tuesday of each month; 5:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m. Chair/co-chair: Kim Green and Ken Krueger.

**Blood Donation**—Organize quarterly blood donations by club members during our luncheon. Chair/co-chair: Jack Sharp and George Carroll.

**Service Opportunity** - Gather service opportunity information from all of our club's non-profit, community service organizations and inform our members. Chair: Amanda Gouthiere

### **APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

Unless written objection is received within seven days,  
there will be added to the membership of

**Rotary Club of Shreveport**

the following:

**Onega Ulanova**

Partner

**LA New Product Development Team**

Shreveport

**Classification**

Business Development Service

**Proposed by**

Rodney Crews



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### Raffle Winners Last Week

TRF Raffle—Peyton Cole

Flowers from Rose-Neath Florist—  
Reggie Abrams

Andy Shehee's hen eggs—Jim Graves

### Program on May 30, 2017

#### “Rotary Rush”

**Shreveport Convention Center  
Rooms 206-208**



(Above) Teri Haynes introduced her guest Robert Smith to several members.



(Above) Working the registration area on Tuesday were Lawrence Calhoun, Jack Sharp and Mike Powell.



(Left) See those papers in front of Larry Evensky? Those are the announcements. Look for them and take one each week.