



# Rotaripost

NOON — 12:00  
Meeting

May 24,  
2022

## Keynote

### Our Club's 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 2021 and accepted entries through February 2022. On Tuesday we will present checks to the organizations that were selected by our Civic Grant Committee.

These awards are funded primarily through our dues structure with assistance from the Rotary Club of Shreveport Foundation, our 501(c)(3) organization.

We received a total of 29 applications totaling \$124,500. The total amount that we had available this year was \$21,800. The top-ranked applicants and their awards are these:

Holy Angels—\$4,500

Volunteers for Youth Justice—\$3,500

Gingerbread House—\$4,500

Highland Center—\$4,500

Songbook South—\$3,000

Receiving \$300 speaker honorariums are these organizations: Basic Necessities, Northwest LA Community Development, Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club, The Center for Literacy & Learning, United Way of NWLA and Volunteers of America.

Thanks to our committee members: Rich Brontoli (chair), Greg Lott (co-chair), Doug Bland, Larry Evensky, Kathy French, Meg Goorley, Charles Grubb, Chris Holoman, Charlotte Jones, Deb Poore, Leslie Quinn, Tim Quinn, Darrell Rebouche, Ross Smith, Graham Thompson and John Tuggle.

Since 1999 our club has invested \$376,643 in civic grants supporting our local non-profit partners.

Tuesday,  
12:00 Noon

Historical Start  
12:13 p.m.

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

Rotarians  
Serving Others

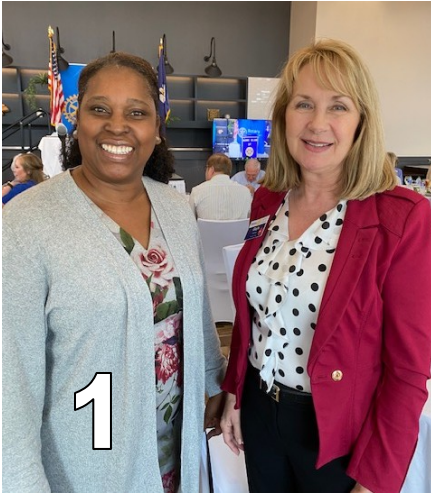
Lunch            James  
Money            Adams

Raffle            Debra  
Tickets           Williams

Invocation      Gard  
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Zoom             Justin  
Operator         Lord

Greeter -        Mary Webber  
Scanner



1—/(Guest) Regina Blue with her host, Gayle Flowers.

2—Bob Neff (47 year Rotarian) and Don Updegraff 45 year Rotarian).

3—Mark Snow and Jennifer Elliott.

4—Guests Laura Gauthier, Stacey Hand and Shelley Miller.

### **Want To Be On The Civic Grant Committee?**

Serving on our Civic Grant Committee is just one of the ways that you can volunteer as a Rotarian. This committee is very rewarding! The process is completely on-line and the selection process is very well organized. [Kathy French](#) will be our committee chair next year. Let her or [Judy Bellew](#) know if you'd like to join the others on this committee.

It's so much fun to award money for worthwhile projects!



**45 Minutes**  
**80 Boxes**  
**3,598 total lbs.**

**WOW**



1—(Front to back) John David Person, Kim Green, Margaret Wallace, Judy Bellew, David Bellew, Jack Moreland, Francesca Benten-Moreland, Rashida Dawson (South Shreveport club), Katherine Dorroh, Connor Hennessy (Katherine’s son), John Tuggle, Ken Krueger.

2—Francesca Benten-Moreland and son, Jack.

3—Katherine Dorroh and son, Connor Hennessy.

4—Rashida Dawson (South Shreveport club).

5—Kim Green and John David Person.

Hint for future packers: the “heavy lifters” are at the far end of the line where the boxes are heaviest.



## New Paul Harris Fellowships

**John David Person** received his new Paul Harris lapel pin from President Lawrence. He is a Shreveport native and Capt. Shreve graduate. John David received an Associates degree in film from BPCC and a B.S. in accounting from LSUS. During his college days, John David worked as a runner for Nelson & Hammons Law Firm. After graduation, he stayed on with the firm as an assistant and is now their Director of Operations handling the day-to-day operations as well as management of the support staff.

He is a Bossier Chamber of Commerce Diplomat, on the Business Development Connection at the Greater Shreveport Chamber of Commerce and is SHRM Foundation Director of NWLA SHRM (Society for Human Resource Management).

Amazingly, John David has only been a Rotarian for less than six months but has volunteered with our Food Bank project, enjoys greeter/scanning and is now, along with Curtis Joseph, going to lead our efforts to re-vitalize the Interact Club at Capt. Shreve High School. Keep you eye on this young man!

He and his wife Alex (who also volunteers with him) have two pre-school children.



Joe Littlejohn and Wishy Nolan awarded a new Paul Harris Fellowship to **Dr. Karen Soul**, a non-Rotarian. Dr. Soul, a Capt. Shreve graduate, received her undergraduate and Masters of Education degree from the University of Minnesota—Duluth and her PhD from the University of Texas.

In 2003 she came to Centenary College as an instructor in the education department and advanced to the position of Vice-Provost for Academic Affairs in 2012. In 2020 Centenary President Chris Holoman (also a Rotarian) named her as Provost and Dean of the College. Joe had the honor of introducing Dr. Soul but, as they were exiting the stage, Wishy shared this bit of his wisdom— “When you want to go somewhere in life, go to Centenary College.”

Watch last week's video [at this link!](#)



Paulette Freeman (left picture) and Stacey Hand (right picture) both spoke on Tuesday. Paulette gave us information on the services provided by The Bridge while Stacey spoke about alzheimer's and dementia in general.

### **Upcoming Programs—Plan to bring guests!**

- May 31, 2022—Rotary Action Group For Diabetes—EPIC22 Journey
- June 7, 2022—Cynthia Mosley, Norwela Council BSA
- June 14, 2022—Dr. William Tate, IV, LSU System President
- June 21, 2022—Cedric Glover, Shreveport's Civil Rights History
- June 28, 2022—Tom Pressley, State Representative
- July 5, 2022—New Officer/Director Installation
- July 12, 2022—Chelsea Adcock & Keith McFarland, SWEPCO
- July 19, 2022—Liz Swaine, Downtown Development Authority
- July 26, 2022—Dr. Tim Magner, Greater Shreveport Chamber of Commerce



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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—Chris Stokes  
*(This goes to your PHF account)*  
Jam from Rose-Neath Florist—  
Margaret Wallace  
Eggs from Andy Shehee's hens:  
Lawrence Calhoun, Reg Abrams & Chris Stokes

**Upcoming In-Person (Hilton Restaurant) and Zoom Program  
May 31, 2022**

**Rotary Action Group for Diabetes**

## Rotary District 6190 Upcoming Events

Saturday, June 18, 2022—District Picnic  
10:00-3:00 p.m.—City Park, Leesville, LA  
Free, hotdogs & hamburgers, need to register on DACdb for them to have headcount for food (see Judy for help registering you and your family)

### May Club Anniversaries

\*PHF +Past President ♦Major Donor  
(includes **PS** prior service in this or other clubs)

47 years	John Cox*, Bob Neff*
46 years	Hoyt Bain*
44 years	Jim Hill*
43 years	John Parsons*
33 years	Andy Shehee*
28 years	Leslie Quinn* <b>PS</b>
26 years	Sue Lee*
24 years	Vernon Chance*
21 years	Lawrence Calhoun♦, Mark Medicus*, Charlotte Jones*, Delbert Chumbley*
19 years	Renee Petree*
17 years	Reggie Abrams*+
10 years	Greg Lott*
6 years	Lawrence Brandon*
5 years	Cody White* <b>PS</b>
4 years	Jim Kowalski*
3 years	Jim Malsch