



**Keynote**

**Greater Shreveport Chamber of Commerce**



*Dr. Tim Wagner*

Dr. Timothy Wagner was selected as president of the Greater Shreveport Chamber of Commerce in 2016. Dr. Wagner holds a B.A. from the College of William & Mary, his M.Ed. From Harvard University and his Ed.D. in organizational leadership from Pepperdine University.

Prior to joining the Chamber, Wagner was chief information officer of the LSU Medical School. Previous experience included executive director for the Partnership for 21st Century Skills, vice president of Keystone for KC Distance Learning.

In 2004 he was appointed by President George W. Bush to serve as the director for the Office of Educational Technology for the U.S. Department of Education. He began his career as a high school social studies and theater teacher at

the middle and high school levels, teaching in the U.S., France and Switzerland.

Tim joined the Rotary Club of Shreveport in 2016.

With the express purpose of fostering progress and the betterment of the City of Shreveport, 500 businessmen of the community gathered the night of March 24, 1910 in the Caddo Parish Courthouse with the foresight to form an organization that would last for generations.

This group formed the Shreveport Chamber of Commerce, raised \$10,000 on the spot to start the organization, elected a president—E.K. Smith—and decided on a 25-member board of directors.



**Tuesday,  
12:00 Noon**

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

**Shreveport  
Convention  
Center**

**Rotarians  
Serving Others**

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| <i>Amanda Simpson</i>                  | <i>Money Table</i>               |
| <i>David Ginsburg</i>                  | <i>Raffle</i>                    |
| <i>Mike Powell</i>                     | <i>Scanner-Greeter-4Way Test</i> |
| <i>Andy Fisher</i>                     | <i>Invocation</i>                |
| <i>Steve Aiken &amp; Kermit Poling</i> | <i>Music</i>                     |

## New Members introduced on Tuesday

**Paul Demopulos**, a Shreveport native, is a returning club member. He is a Captain Shreve graduate and received his B.S. in civil engineering at Louisiana Tech

Paul is a senior project manager/business development manager with ARE Consultants in Shreveport. He began his career in 1980 with the local Demopulos & Ferguson engineering firm. The firm was sold to Neel-Schaffer, Inc. and Paul then relocated to the Houston area to serve as Neel-Schaffer's officer manager/senior project manager.

Recently Paul has returned to the Shreveport area and joined ARE Consultants.

Paul was a member of our club from 1986 to 2009 and is a second generation Rotarian. He returns with the classification of **Engineering, Civil** and his co-sponsors are Martha Marak and his business partner, Sherwood Bailey.



*Paul Demopulos*



*David Wimberly*

Another Shreveport native, **David Wimberly**, graduated from Byrd High School. He received his B.A. in history from Stephen F. Austin in Nacogdoches, TX.

In 2010, David co-founded iShuttle and officially launched this business in 2011. In addition to serving as COO of iShuttle, David is a licensed loan officer with Nola Lending Group.

David and wife Jessica have a daughter (age 3) and a son (age 1). They are members of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church. David is a member of the Shreveport Chamber of Commerce, Progressive Executives and he is the vice president of the very active Byrd Alumni Association. He enjoys family time, working in the garden and yard, playing tennis, boiling crawfish and watching LSU football.

His classification is **Transportation** and his sponsor is Martha Marak.



*Seen Tuesday*  
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(Clockwise from left top)

- Rotarian Vassia Roulia and guest, daughter Thalia Jassemidis
- Rotarian Ken Krueger and guest, Nancy Knighton
- Rotarians Lawrence Brandon and Martha Marak flank guest Michael Lott
- SOX performers
- Rotarian Fred Kent and his guests, Diana White and Paul Robertson

***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 May Volunteer Opportunity posting!

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



Spaces filled! Thanks to Fred Ratzburg, Bob Neff, Terry Moore, Charles Grubb, Jerry Boughton for May 4th! And....thanks to Bob Neff, David Cook, Jerry Boughton, Delbert Chumley and Zelda Tucker for May 11!



**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 [David Ginsburg](#). 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, [carly.koen@janla.org](mailto:carly.koen@janla.org)  
or 903-918-9149

Opportunity: Volunteer to teach a Junior Achievement program to 6<sup>th</sup> 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 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 third group of committees is Vocational Service.

## Vocational Service Committees

### 2017-2018 Director: Ken Krueger

**4-H**—Provide presentation of student recognition via the spring awards banquet. Time commitment is minimal and can include support in preparation and delivery support of program, the fall Junior Livestock Auction and/or the awards banquet. Committee members should have a heart to support the development of our area 4-H students. Chair: Jon Lowe.

**Junior Achievement Mentor Luncheon**—Committee members are asked to support this event with their own participation and seek commitments from other Rotarians to do so. Time commitment is minimal and is usually done via weekly meetings beginning 4-6 weeks prior to the event. Committee members should have a heart for helping provide financial education and business related skills for students in our community. Chair/Co-chair: Joe Littlejohn and Greg Juneau.

**Business Networking**—Schedule four (4) business networking events for our members. Time commitment includes participation in meetings related to development of networking events along with the Engagement Committee. Committee members should enjoy networking and building ways to do so with other Rotarians in our community. Chair/Co-chair: Amy Hollister and Curtis Joseph.

**Vocational Talks**—Time commitment include participation in meeting(s) to develop four quarterly vocational programs, potential support to secure the speakers as determined and working with Program Committee to coordinate calendars. Committee members should have an interest in identifying unique vocations that provide valuable products or services that are an important part of the fabric of our community. Chair/co-chair: Jarrod Horton and Verni Howard.

### Early June Volunteer Opportunities

(Be sure to get your event details to [Amanda Gouthiere](#))

#### **Roys Kids 5K**—Saturday, June 3

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!



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### Raffle Winners Last Week

TRF Raffle—Maggie Malone (visiting Rotarian)  
Flowers from Rose-Neath Florist—  
Gard Wayt  
Andy Shehee's hen eggs—Gary Lash (presenter)

### Program on May 16, 2017

**Meg Goorley**  
**Gabriel's Closet**

**Shreveport Convention Center**  
**Ballrooms C/D**



President-Elect Teri Haynes attended the award ceremony for scholarship students at Caddo Career and Technology Center recently. The recipient of our Sam Mason/Rotary Club of Shreveport Centennial Scholarship this year was Miss Kylie Flowers (no relation to our Rotarian Gayle Flowers). Kylie has been accepted to Louisiana Tech and will major in education.



Did you know that our club invests \$15,000 in scholarships to local students each year? Funds are made available through our membership dues and from investment earnings.