



Rotaripost

NOON — 12:00
Meeting
October 19,
2021

Keynote

World Polio Week



John A. Vanchiere, M.D., Ph.D. is the Chief of LSU Health Shreveport Department of Pediatrics Infectious Diseases Section.

Dr. Vanchiere earned his doctorate from Emory University before completing both residency and fellowship training at Baylor College of Medicine. He is the current President of the Louisiana Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics. He is a second-generation pediatrician from Lake Charles.

Not only has he treated children with a broad array of diseases caused by germs, viruses and fungi, ranging from flu to hospital acquired infections to pneumonia, Dr.

Vanchiere is familiar with the effects that the poliomyelitis viral infection can have on a culture.

Rotary and Rotarians have been working to eradicate polio for more than 35 years. The goal of ridding the world of this disease is closer than ever. As a founding partner of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, Rotary has reduced polio cases by 99.9% since our first project to vaccinate children in the Philippines in 1979.

In 1988 Rotary formed the Global Polio Eradication Initiative with the World Health Organization, UNICEF and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance later joined.

The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation donates \$2 for every \$1 that a Rotarian donates to the Polio Plus campaign. Not only do our donations purchase the vaccine, but the “plus” is something else that is provided as a part of the polio eradication campaign. It might be a hand-operated tricycle for a polio patient or access to clean water. It might be additional medical treatment, bed nets or soap.



Tuesday,
12:00 Noon

Historical Start
12:13 p.m.

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

Rotarians
Serving Others

Lunch *Chris Stokes*
Money

Raffle *Need A*
Tickets *Volunteer*

Invocation *John Tuggle*

Zoom *Justin Lord*
Operator

Greeter - *Need A*
Scanner *Volunteer*

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: October 19, 2021—12:00 PM Central Time

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83836609051?pwd=VGlxblUwVWVNNEM3kzL0dGZz09>

Meeting ID: 838 3660 9051

Passcode: 870740

Club Fellowship for Members and Guests

Thursday, October 21, 2021 4:30—7:00 p.m.

Shreveport Water Works & Train Museum

142 N. Common - Shreveport History Talk at 5:30 p.m. by Robert Trudeau

Complimentary Snacks and Drinks Included - Kid Friendly

RVSP to Chris Stokes (chris@walkeralley.com)

Last Week's Program



My oh my!! What a fun program last week. Seen here are some of the participants: (from left) Kay Stough (Ark-La-Tex Ag Council), Rotarian Jon Lowe (our emcee) and Past Rotary District Governor Cecil Campbell who provided his auctioneer talents.

Our live auction pulled in a record \$1,640 in donations to the Junior Livestock Auction.

Review the video of the presentation at this Facebook [link](#).

Spotlight



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Jeffrey Kerst is an Arkansas native who graduated from the University of Arkansas. He then found his way to the New Orleans area to attend dental school.

While there he met and fell in love with another dental school student (Allison Haynie). Being a smart fellow Jeffrey readily agreed to move to Allison's hometown —Shreveport. They married while Allison was finishing her residency in orthodontics. Soon afterward, Jeffrey joined the dental practice with Dr. Gary Caskey to form **Kerst and Caskey**.

BUT.....before he even began to see patients, Jeffrey joined our Rotary club! After all, Jeffrey's dad is a 30+ year Rotarian from Hot Springs and Jeffrey knew a lot about Rotary and knows the value of Rotary.

Recently Dr. Kerst and Dr. Kerst took a belated honeymoon trip to South Africa. They have both enjoyed landscape photography but have now expanded that hobby into wildlife photography. He shared a few of their wildlife photo subjects with us on Tuesday.

Jeffrey is serving on several committees such as Zoom and chaplaincy and serves as co-chair of the membership recruitment committee. Because of his interest and involvement in Rotary after such a short time, Jeffrey was awarded a Paul Harris Fellowship.



Keep your eye on the Kersts. You'll see a lot of them in the future as a community "power couple".



New Members Introduced

Lauren J. (“LJ”) Jones was introduced on Tuesday by her sponsor Gard Wayt. She was born and raised in Benton and attended Louisiana Tech where she earned her B.A. in social sciences. After graduation, LJ spent time in California and Oregon where she worked in organic farming and served as a homestead mentor.

She missed being in Louisiana so returned to work for Mahaffey Farms. She has always heard about Shreveport Green and in 2016 she joined their staff and is now their urban farm director.

LJ received a Champion of Change Award from the LSU Agriculture Farm to School program. She is active in the Master Gardening program and serves on the Louisiana State Advisory Board for Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education.

Her classification is Associations, Charitable & Service.



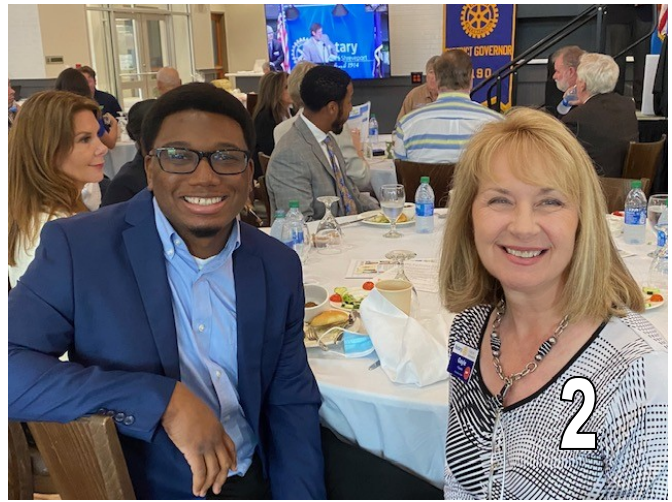
Taylor B. Jamison is the executive director at the Strategic Action Council. After receiving his B.A. in marketing from the University of Louisiana at Monroe, Taylor embarked on his career as the marketing coordinator at North Louisiana Economic Partnership where he was pivotal in aligning the organization’s website, social media and promotional presence. After serving as the sports event manager for the Shreveport Bossier Sports Commission, Taylor joined the Strategic Action Council, initially as their director of corporate partnerships and after three years, he became their executive director.

Taylor serves on the board for several local institutions: board co-chair of CoHab, executive committee member of Caddo Council on Aging, African American Chamber of Commerce, Caddo Crime Stoppers and the Louisiana Economic Development Supplier Diversity Council.

Taylor was recognized with a 2018 “African American Achievement” award, 2017 “Top 40 Under 40” honoree and the “Non-Profit Professional of the Year 2021 Honoree”.

During his free time, he enjoys playing basketball and golf and doing volunteer work.

His classification is Associations, Business & Government and his sponsor is Gayle Flowers.



1—Margaret Shehee and Martha Marak.

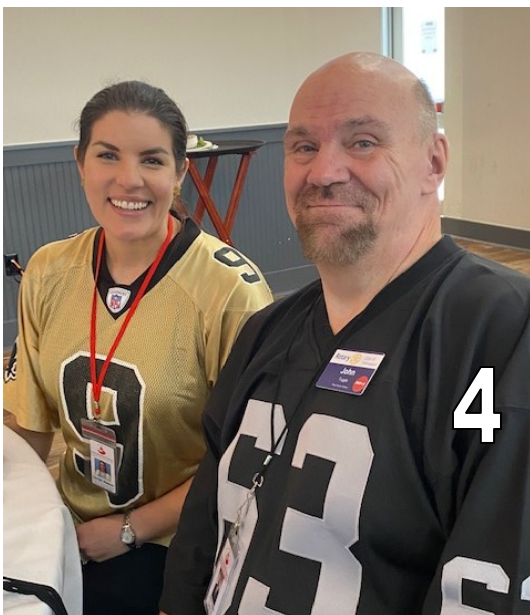
2—Sidney Jackson with Gayle Flowers.

3—Gard Wayt with John George.

4—Sarah Hamm with John Tuggle.

5—Kathy Johnson and Elton Richey.

Last Week!
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Raffle Winners Last Week

TRF Raffle—Charles Henington

*Thank you for your donation to The Rotary Foundation.
This applies to your PHF level.*

Plant from Rose-Neath Florist—

Peyton Cole

Eggs from Andy Shehee's hens—

Mark Snow, Peyton Cole, John Parsons

**Upcoming In-Person (Hilton
Restaurant) and
Zoom Program
October 26, 2021**

**Rick Wedell
RFG Advisory Group
Economic Update**

October Club Anniversaries

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

25 years	James Adams* PS
21 years	Mark Hebert*
16 years	Greg Juneau*
15 years	Roy Griggs*
9 years	Kristen Brown*
8 years	Steve Roop
5 years	Jennifer Lawrence*
2 years	Holly Roca
1 year	Deb Poore

KUDOS

Congratulations to Rotarian **Kirk Davis** for being elected this month as the 36th President of the National Electrical Contractors Association. Kirk is the longtime President of Bob Davis Electric Company.

His two-year term will begin on January 1, 2022. Read about his election [at this link](#).

