



Rotaripost

NOON — 12:00
Meeting
October 27,
2020

Keynote

NWLA Makerspace



Demetrius Norman

Demetrius Norman is the founding president of NWLA Makerspace, a 501(c)(3) organization that provides access to technology, manufacturing equipment and educational opportunities to the public.

Although it is called a makerspace, the NWLA Makerspace started and is still centered around community outreach. They coordinate different types of awareness in underserved communities from voter education and registration to digital literacy, promotion of census participation, workforce training workshops and more.

A Shreveport native, Demetrius received his degree in electronic engineering technology from Grambling University.

In addition to his work with NWLA Makerspace, Demetrius is a senior IT consultant for Apple. He also serves as the co-chair of the Future of Shreveport Transition Team formed by Mayor Adrian Perkins.

Amy Vu leads the Computer Recycling Program (CRP) for NWLA Makerspace. This program has two goals: (1) To provide computers to low-income residents in the Shreveport-Bossier area, to bridge the digital divide; and (2) To reduce the amount of electronic waste going into landfills. Donated computers are cleaned, refurbished and distributed to residents who need computers.



Amy Vu

Amy is a tenured mathematics faculty member at West Valley College in Saratoga, California. She graduated from LSUS with a Masters degree in computer systems technology. She also has degrees in mathematics, psychology, business and administration of justice. She is currently a graduate student at Texas Tech University where she is pursuing a doctorate in higher education administration..

**Tuesday,
12:00 Noon**

**Historical Start
12:13 p.m.
In-Person at
Hilton Hotel
Restaurant &
Zoom On-Line
Option**

Rotarians Serving Others

Money *James*
Table *Adams*

Raffle *David*
Sales *Ginsburg*

Invocation *Lawrence*
 Brandon

Zoom *Mark*
Operators *Snow &*
 Kristen
 Powers

Club *Laurie*
President *Boswell*

Hybrid Meetings

We will continue to offer hybrid meetings (in-person and Zoom). Here is the Zoom invite that can be used through December 29th. 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 27, 2020—12:00 PM Central Time

Join Zoom Meeting

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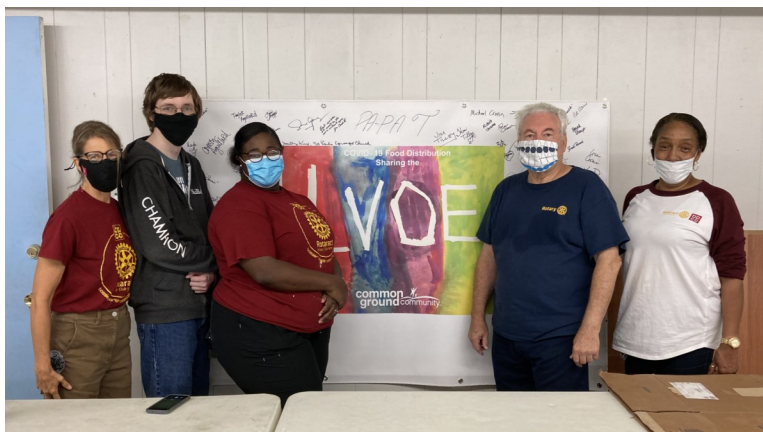
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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/k1yztg9pq>

Common Ground Volunteers

Another group volunteered at Common Ground on October 23, 2020.

Joining past president Rich Brontoli were Kelly McDade (BPCC Rotaract faculty advisor), Ethan Hagan (Rotaract club president), Rotaract members Kaleisha Johnson and Deborah Newton.



Centenary Scholarship Awarded by Rotary Club of Shreveport

The **James Allen, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Award** was created in 2003 by our late club member Jimmie Allen and his wife through a bequest to the Rotary Club of Shreveport Foundation, honoring their deceased son, James Allen, Jr. a Centenary alumnus.

The stipulation of the bequest was that the income be used to provide an annual scholarships to a deserving Centenary student. Each year, we ask the Centenary financial aid director to assist in identifying a Centenary student who clearly exhibits the character traits of scholarship, personal integrity, and a dedication to Service Above Self (Rotary International's long standing principal motto), either through extracurricular activities, career plans, or both.

Rotarian Jimmie Allen passed away on September 28, 2011 and our club makes the presentation each year to coincide as closely as possible to that date. Due to the COVID restrictions and Centenary's virtual learning mandate, the \$2,000 award was presented to this year's recipient on the campus of Centenary.

Ms. America (Amy) Moreno is a lifelong resident of Rowlett, Texas. While working part-time, she maintains a 3.5 GPA as a psychology major set to graduate in May 2021. She plans to attend graduate school to study social work with a concentration in substance abuse and behavioral disorders.

In her remarks on Service Above Self, Amy said that providing service to others with no intention of personal gain has been at the forefront of her own life and service experiences. She has volunteered for many organizations during her years at Centenary: Chi Omega's Make A Wish, Centenary Service Day, Shreveport Green, Claiborne Health Center and Holy Angels. She wants to devote her life to help individuals with substance abuse and behavioral disorders, because these are the people who have the most stigma against them. "Making an active effort to implement the motto Service Above Self in my future career is something I've looked forward to for years now."

Thanks for our scholarship committee chair Alan Prater for assisting in this selection process.

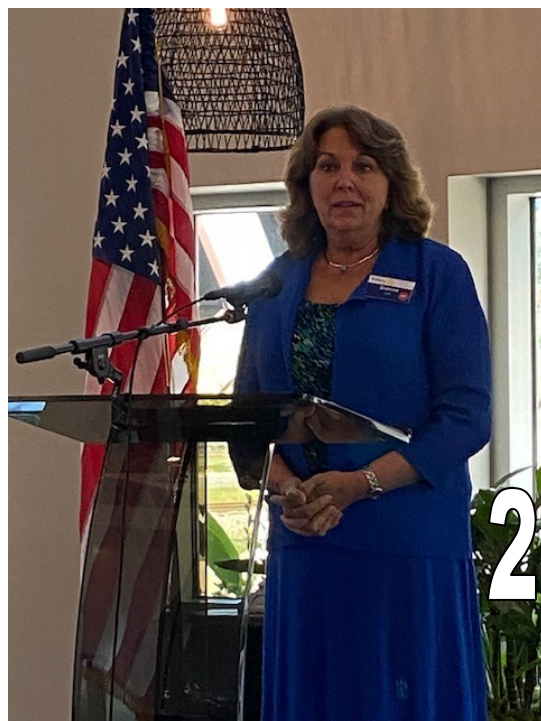


In-Person Meeting on Tuesday, October 27, 2020

On the menu next Tuesday—pot roast, new potatoes and carrots, salad and chef's choice dessert.



1—Elton Richey and his guest Matthew Hammock.



2—Dianne Clark introduced our speaker.

3—Brad Perry and Feico Kempff (District Governor Nominee).

4—Rodney Crews provided the invocation.





VetFest

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Who? GrassRoots Community

What? VetFest

When? Saturday, November 7, 2020

Where? East Bank District and Plaza, Bossier City, LA

Time? 11am to 7pm

Events include:

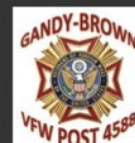
- Opening Ceremonies United States Marine Corps
- Military, First Responders, and Healthcare Workers
- Veteran owned vendors, Local Businesses and Job Fair
- Activities for the Family and Children
- Mental Wellness Providers on site
- Live Music
- Food Trucks
- Corn Hole
- Non-Profit Organizations
- Public Speaker, 22Kill CEO Jacob Schick



MISSION STATEMENT:

To create a community that raises awareness and combats suicide by empowering veterans, first responders, and their families through traditional and non-traditional therapies.

22KILL is an official 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.
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Raffle Winners Last Week

TRF Raffle—Margaret Wallace

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Flowers from Rose-Neath Florist—

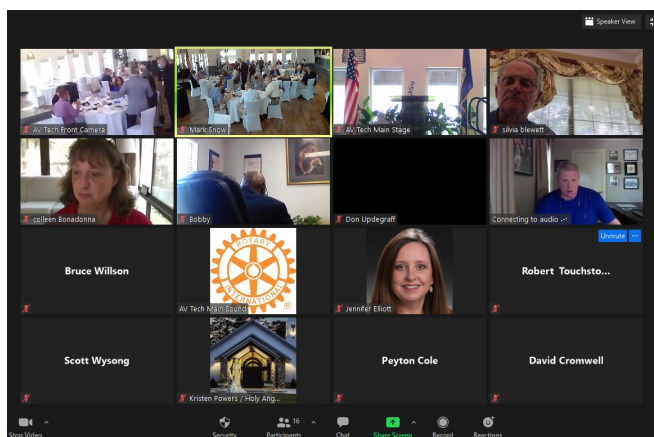
Rich Brontoli

Eggs from Andy Shehee's chickens—

James Graves & Rich Brontoli

**Upcoming In-Person (Hilton
Restaurant) and
Zoom Program
November 3, 2020**

**Andress Artist Center Building
Jim Malsch
and
Cassie Stone**



Last week we heard from Colleen Bonadonna, member of a Rotary Club in Richmond, Virginia, pictured at top. Colleen has participated in 12 Polio National Immunization Day trips to India and Nigeria.

Some of our Zoom attendees are shown in the bottom picture.

The meeting was videotaped so you can view the video on the club's FaceBook page.

