



Rotaripost

NOON — 12:00 Meeting

January 3, 2023

Keynote

Gingerbread House

Jessica Miller, a Shreveport resident for 27 years, received her Bachelor's degree in biological sciences from LSUS, her MA in general counseling and guidance from LA Tech and her MBA from Centenary College.

For almost 20 years she has served as CEO of the Gingerbread House Children's Advocacy Center, Louisiana's busiest child advocacy center which provides critically needed services for child victims of sexual abuse, severe physical abuse and child sex trafficking in the nine parishes in Northwest Louisiana.

Jessica serves on the Steering Committee of the I-20 Central Corridor Anti-Trafficking Team, the Community Response Team Expert Trainer Panel and the U.S. Attorney's Louisiana Human Trafficking Task Force. She also serves on the board of Forensic Nurse Examiners of Louisiana. In 2019 she was appointed to the Louisiana Governor's Human Trafficking Prevention Commission and Advisory Board.



Alex Person received her associate's degree in broadcast journalism from BPCC, her Bachelor's degree in family and child studies from LA Tech and her MS in non-profit administration and leadership from LSUS. She is a Certified Family Life Educator. In 2012, Alex joined Gingerbread House as a Forensic Interviewer and Education Coordinator. In 2020 she became the Director of Education and continues to serve as a Forensic Interviewer.

She has also been trained in Human Trafficking, Delayed Disclosure, Victim Recantation and Interviewing Reluctant Children. Alex has had the opportunity to train with Homeland Security on interviewing skills.

Alex serves on the Board of the Junior League of Shreveport-Bossier and enjoys family time and volunteering. She and her husband (Rotarian John David Person) have two children.

Gingerbread House received a civic grant from us in 2022 for \$4,500 to help with their programs.

Tuesday, 12:00 Noon

Historical Start 12:13 p.m.

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

Rotarians Serving Others

Lunch Money	Tom Mee
Raffle Tickets	Charlie Henington
Invocation	Darrell Rebouche
Zoom Operator	John David Person
Greeter - Scanner	Mary Webber
Music	Ross Smith



Janet Parker & Melissa Ricou



Lawrence Calhoun & granddaughter Lilly



Kim Green



Heather Carpenter & James Adams



Robert Touchstone, Joe Littlejohn,
Mike Ferrell & Robert McGowen

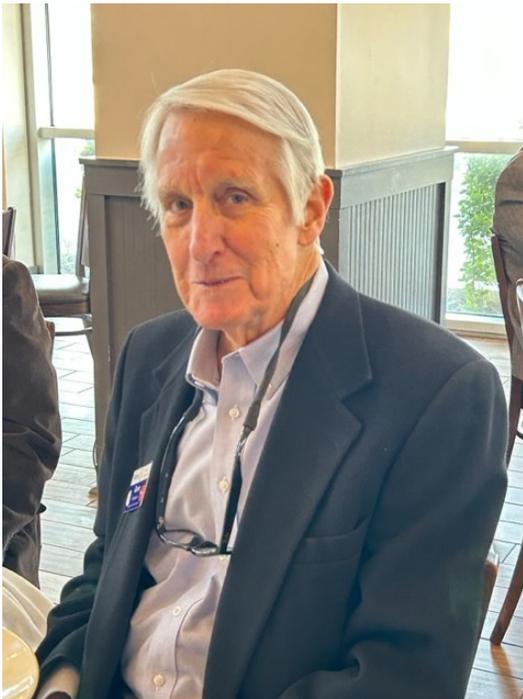
Rotary Fellowships

Did you know that Rotary has a BREW (**B**eer **R**otarians **E**njoy **W**orldwide) Fellowship? David Ginsburg ran across this koozie recently and just couldn't resist! You can read about the BREW Fellowship [at their link](#).

Rotary has a fellowship for just about any hobby or interest available. Read about them [here](#). The group of Rotarian bicyclists who visited us last year in route to the Rotary International Convention in Houston were all members of a Rotary Fellowship!



A Dedicated Rotarian



Gene Richardson was recognized last week for his 55th year of Rotary membership. He became a member of our club at the last meeting of 1967—December 29th, 1967. He has maintained 100% attendance with excused absences during 1992 due to rehabilitation and recovery from cardiac arrest on March 3, 1992. Having our meetings on Zoom now has helped him maintain that 100% as well.

He suffered the cardiac arrest when he was serving as the club's Secretary–Treasurer and was sitting at the head table at our Rotary Tuesday meeting. We were using a head table on the stage at that time and Gene collapsed at the beginning of the meeting. There were three physicians in attendance that day who quickly sprang into action and started CPR and saved him. Needless to say, the scheduled speaker was upstaged!

The Rotary Foundation is near and dear to Gene as he is a polio survivor. He is a Major Donor to the Foundation and has attended a couple of the Rotary International Conventions.

Thank you, Gene, for being such a wonderful inspiration for us.

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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—Merritt Chastain
This will go toward your Paul Harris level

Rose-Neath flowers—Charles Henington

Eggs from Andy Shehee's hens—
Robert McGowen, Melissa Ricou,
David Ginsburg

Upcoming In-Person (Hilton Restaurant) and Zoom Program

January 10, 2023
Todd Stanberry
Metro Aviation

Birthdays

* Paul Harris Fellow + Past President PDG Past District Governor

◆ Major Donor

January 1	James Adams*, Grady Golden◆,
January 9	Doug Abington, Larry Clark*, Starla Ross
January 14	David Ginsburg*, Reggie Abrams*+
January 18	Steve Roop
January 21	Vernon Chance*
January 22	John David Person*
January 24	Jerry Acree◆
January 28	Merritt Chastain◆+
January 30	Connor Peterson*
January 31	Cory Boyett, Gene Richardson◆, Gene Nims*

Watch last week's meeting video at [this Facebook link.](#)

