

# 100+ YEARS OF ROTARY IN NACOGDOCHES

## The Rotary Club of Nacogdoches Charter #892, 1 April 1921

“Nacogdoches is more than a place in space,  
Nacogdoches is a drama in time”  
-----borrowed



## #2041 - District 5910 The 22<sup>nd</sup> of September 2021 “Serve To Change Lives”

**Shekhar Mehta, President RI  
Home Club:  
Rotary Club of Calcutta-Mahanagar  
West Bengal, India**

Incoming Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta urged members to become more involved in service projects, saying that caring for and serving others is the best way to live because it changes not only other people's lives, but also our own. Mehta, a member of the Rotary Club of Calcutta-Mahanagar, West Bengal, India, revealed the 2021-22 presidential theme, Serve to Change Lives, to incoming district governors on 1 February during the Rotary International Assembly.

## Program Today Ryan Ivey, Athletic Director Stephen F. Austin State University Update on SFA Athletics Introduction by Scott Bowyer

Ryan was named Stephen F. Austin State University's Director of Athletics on July 1, 2018, where he immediately got to work in setting the goal for the department: To Become the Best Mid-Major NCAA Division I Athletic Program in the Nation. Ivey came to SFA following a three-year tenure as the director of athletics at Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, Tenn.

With Ivey at the helm, the Governors increased their national profile across both the NCAA Division I athletics landscape and within the Ohio Valley Conference by posting many impressive winning seasons and announcing numerous major coaching hires. On the fundraising side, Ivey helped raise \$6.5 million in gifts which were funneled into facility improvements and the athletics department budget. Countless academic benchmarks were reached during his tenure at Austin Peay as well, featuring hundreds of student athletes receiving academic recognition. Prior to Austin Peay, Ivey spent a couple of years at Texas A&M Commerce. In addition to six conference championships in 2015, the Lions had two Division II National Players of the Year, 35 All-Americans, 58 All-Regional Selections, 69 All-Conference players, 11 Lone Star Players of the Year, 11 National All-Academic athletes, 14 conference All-Academic athletes, two Lone Star Team Academic Champions, a State Coach of the Year, two Regional Coaches of the Year and a Regional Assistant Coach of the Year. Ivey has also spent time at McNeese State, Memphis and the University of South Dakota.

A student-athlete at Memphis, Ivey suited up for the Tigers' football team for four years and earned both his Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from Memphis. Ivey is married to the former Kelley Holt from Fayetteville, Tennessee. The couple has two sons - Jett and Ace.

### Rotary Programs

#### September 2021 Programs

Scott Bowyer, Chairman  
Introduction by Scott Bowyer

29 September TBA

#### October 2021 Programs

Ted Smith, Chairman  
Introduction by Ted Smith

6 October SFA Women's Basketball  
Mark Kellogg  
SFA Women's Basketball Head Coach

13 October Sean Fowler  
New CEO  
Nacogdoches Memorial Hospital

20 October Craig Turnage  
Executive Director  
SFASU Alumni Association

27 October Kyle Keller  
SFA Men's Basketball Head Coach

**Contact a program monthly program chair, if you have a special program you believe is applicable for the club.**

Monthly Program Chairs President-Elect Ray Mitchum			
2021			
November	Buddy Himes	December	Mary Ann Bentley
2022			
January	Patrick Lanmon	February	Gary Ashcraft
March	Jimmy Mize	April	Francis Spruiell
May	Ron Collins	June	Ken Deppisch

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**THE ROTARY CLUB OF NACOGDOCHES**  
**will meet at Banita Creek Hall October 20, 2021 and will have CC's Smokehouse cater.**  
**Should be a good revisit of the past!**

**Song Leaders Needed**  
We need more Rotarians serving as song leaders. If we are able to get twelve song leaders, each would serve for one month.  
Please volunteer to serve!

## BREAKING NEWS

### SAVE THIS DATE

#### “BOURBON TASTING ROTARY SOCIAL”

#### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2021 5-7-ISH

### NACOGDOCHES CIGAR COMPANY

There will be food, beer, bourbon, soft drinks, water, fellowship, music, and room for social distancing. Sale items will include cigars, pipes and maniques if you are interested. The Fredonia Rotary is invited to join us.

**Last Week**  
President Miles McCall with the gavel, Ron Collins led the singing and the Pledge, Gracie Alders provided the music, MaryAnn Bentley gave the Family of Rotary Report, Bill King introduced the guests and visitors, Lisa King gave the invocation, James Standley and Angela Shannon manned the Rotary table, and Scott Bowyer introduced our speaker, NISD Superintendent Gabe Trujillo. Superintendent Trujillo's presentation recognized the changes necessitated by COVID 19. Gabe shared the herculean efforts of teachers and staff in addressing:

- Busses: spacing and transportation for vaccines
- Testing and vaccines
- No Water fountain usage
- No convocations
- Virtual staff development contacts
- 3.4% of the staff COVID positive
- 2% students COVID Positive
- Construction sites
- Staff and teacher openings
- Demographics and planning
- CTE “soft skills”

**Guests**  
Gracie Alders, Accompanist, was the guest of the club, Charlotte Appleton was the guest of Ray Mitchum, Josh Edwards was the guest of Rick Craig, Stephanie Elswick was the guest of Mike Elswick, Richard Forest was the guest of the Club, Karen Grant was the guest of the Club, and Jana McCall was the guest Miles McCall

**Red to Blue Badge**  
**Paige Pattillo**  
Sponsor: Donna Finley  
Classification: County Law

**Rotary Billing**  
If anyone has a Billing question, please contact:  
Lori Cotten 936-676-8266  
Email: [lori.cotten@rocketmail.com](mailto:lori.cotten@rocketmail.com)

**NEW MEAL CHARGES**  
The management of the Fredonia Hotel explained due to the rising cost of food and services, it will be necessary to raise the price for each weekly luncheon meal. After considerable negotiations, the cost per meal will be \$20.00 per week for our membership.

This will be effective October 1, 2021.  
If you have any questions, please feel free to speak to Treasurer Todd Brown.

**From RCN Treasurer Todd Brown**

In an effort to make payments easier for our members, we provide the Agreement for Automatic Billing form. Simply fill out the form and leave it at the membership table or email it to Todd Brown, [brownta1@sfasu.edu](mailto:brownta1@sfasu.edu). Future payments with be automatically withdrawn from your account each month.

**MDC Meetings**  
MDC Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at the NEDCO board room in the Old Mize Building on North Street. These meeting are led by Tim Bisping and he asks for all new member proposals be sent to him at: [timbisping@yahoo.com](mailto:timbisping@yahoo.com) or by snail mail at this address: 576 CR 2163, Nacogdoches, TX 75965.  
Thank you in advance for your commitment to Rotary.

**Satellite  
Rotary Club  
From Jim Roberts**  
**This message is for ALL active  
Nacogdoches Rotary Club members!**  
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Nacogdoches Rotary Club members!  
Even though you may not be part of the Satellite Group, YOU ARE ALWAYS INVITED! Second Tuesday of the month, 5:30 p.m. You are welcome to order food and drink, or just enjoy the fellowship along with the program. Please contact Jim Roberts at 936-559-1400(call/text) or at [jimtheinsuranceguy@gmail.com](mailto:jimtheinsuranceguy@gmail.com) for more information concerning the meeting location.

**COVID PROTOCOLS**  
The Board discussed Club Covid protocols at our board meeting. We will continue to monitor data for the Nacogdoches area. We will ask the hotel to set up about ½ the tables as four people only so if you would feel more comfortable with additional social distancing you are free to choose one of those tables. If you would feel more comfortable wearing a mask, we encourage you to do so at your discretion. We will follow any additional guidelines provided by the hotel and monitor the situation as we move forward. Please make wise personal choices and stay safe.  
Thank you for all you do for Rotary.  
Miles McCall



**Rotary Club of Nacogdoches -September 15, 2021:**  
Gabe Trujillo, Superintendent of Nacogdoches Independent School District was speaker at a recent noon meeting of the Rotary Club of Nacogdoches. Dr. Trujillo is entering his second full year as NISD's superintendent and provided updates of the district's construction projects currently underway and its current COVID19 status. The program was educational and appreciated by all in attendance. Paige Pattillo Brown was presented her blue badge by Rotary Red Badge Chairman, Buddy Himes. Larry Stanaland provided a report of the posting and striking of colors at Sunset Cemetery that occurred on 911 Patriot Day with many club members participating. Mikhail Kouliavtsev and Matthew Lindsey were recognized for their recent appointment as co-chairman of the club's Rotary Student Exchange Program. Pictured left to right are Scott Bowyer, Program Chairman, Dr. Trujillo, Dr. Pattillo Brown, Donna Finley, Sponsoring Member, Dr. Himes, Mr. Stanaland, Dr. Kouliavtsev, Dr. Lindsey, Dr. Jana McCall, Club Guest and Miles McCall, Club President.

Find Opportunities that Interest you Ask about serving Remember: Each Rotarian has a talent!		
Adopt-a-Highway Trash Pick-up Bike Ride	Contact: Milton Moorer _____ Contact: Ray Mitchum _____ Juan Gonzales _____ Ryan Blackburn _____	552.1994 554.8156 903.530.1727 558.7820
Calling on Rotarians	Contact: MaryAnn Bentley _____ or _____	569.7447 556.0268
Greeting High School Exchange Program	Contact: Demond Jackson _____ Contact: Dave Wallace _____ Mikhail Kouliavtsev _____ Matt Lindsey _____	281.847.9880 371.3033 267.235.3489 903.262.8043
Literacy Committee Meet the Jacks Fish Fry Mobile Library	Contact: Barbara Qualls _____ Contact: Ed Pool _____ Contact: Ed Pool _____ Larissa Philpot _____	972.351.7078 564.2622 564.2622 554.9980
Posting and Striking the Colors Interact/Rotaract	Contact: Larry Stanaland _____ Contact: Robin Thacker. _____ Sam Smith _____	554.8738 806.729.1066 956.369.6824
Rotary Readers RYLA Drivers Rotary Scholarship Applications	Contact: Sherry Morgan _____ Contact: Ray Mitchum _____ Contact: MaryAnn Bentley _____ or _____	444.9924 554.8156 569.7447 556.0268
Salvation Army Kettle Drive Skeet Shoot Speakers and Programs Field of Honor	Contact: Tom Lostracco _____ Contact: Arthur Speck _____ Contact: Ray Mitchum _____ Contact: Greg Williams _____ Matt Turner _____	564.9608 569.0021 554.8156 559.8201 234.0975