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#### E-MAIL MAKE UPS

Please bring your e-mail makeups to Secretary James Standley. Do not mail them in with your payment - bring and give them to Secretary James!

Thank You.

#### Club Website

[www.Nacogdochesrotary.org](http://www.Nacogdochesrotary.org)  
[www.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org)



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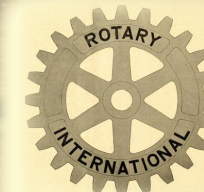
#### THE 4-WAY TEST

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and better FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

# ROTARY CLUB of NACOGDOCHES

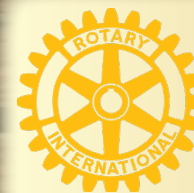


**ROTARY CLUB OF NACOGDOCHES 1921**



On January 6, 1921, J. Lutch Stark of Orange, Tx received a letter authorizing him to set the potential Rotarians in Nacogdoches to work.

Stark appointed Frank Penman the organizing chairman, and by mid March, Penman had recruited fourteen other charter members. The Nacogdoches Rotary Club became the 892nd club of Rotary International. First meeting was April 1, 1921 at 12:15 p.m. in Captain H.H. Cooper's Sunbeam luncheon, located at the corner of East Main and North streets.



Today our Nacogdoches Rotary Club is 179 members strong. Our club meets at noon every Wednesday at the Fredonia Hotel and Convention Center located at 200 North Fredonia Street. Our club is a large and diverse fellowship of inspired business, professional and civic leaders with significant community connections that foster the ideals of Service Above Self and the high ethical standards of The Four Way Test. Thank You Rotary for making a difference in communities around the globe!



**ROTARY CLUB OF NACOGDOCHES 2020-2021**



Rotary Opens Opportunities



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# The Rotary Club of Nacogdoches

## #2041 - District 5910

### The 8th of July 2020

#### “Rotary Opens Opportunities”



**Holger Knaack**  
**Home Club:**  
**Herzogtum Lauenburg-Mölln**  
**Germany**

The district Herzogtum Lauenburg is named after the medieval Duchy of Saxe-Lauenburg, which was one of the remnants of the original Duchy of Saxony. The Duchy of Saxony was partitioned in a process started in 1269, nine years after in 1260 Albert II and John I had succeeded their father Albert I of Saxon.

RI President Holger Knaack's theme for Rotary Year 2020-2021 is based on his introduction, “Every great challenge is an opportunity for renewal and growth.”

#### Rotary Program Today

**Keith Kiplinger**  
**Nacogdoches Fire Chief**  
**“COVID 19, providing information**  
**regarding where we stand locally”**  
**Introduction by Jefferson Davis**



Keith Kiplinger is a firefighter, paramedic and peace officer who has worked in local government for over 30 years. Keith has been Fire Chief for the City of Nacogdoches since 2006, along with serving as the fire mutual aid coordinator for the State of Texas. Prior to his current position, Kiplinger worked for the City of Dickinson in Galveston County and for 12 years coordinated fire and life safety at the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. Kiplinger received a BA in Public Safety Management from St. Edward's University in Austin. His wife Ashley is a Flight Attendant for Southwest Airlines and his daughter Peanut attends Texas A&M. Keith is an Eagle Scout.

**Rotary Programs**  
**Miles McCall**  
**President-Elect and**  
**Program Chairman**

**July Programs**  
**Jeff Davis, Leader**

15 July

The Honorable Travis Clardy  
 Texas State Representative  
 “COVID 19 – Where We Stand at the State Level”  
 Introduction by Jefferson Davis

22 July

Sherry Morgan  
 THIS IS JEOPARDY - with your host, Convention & Visitors Bureau Executive Director, Sherry Morgan. Match wits with your fellow Rotarians on all things Nacogdoches in this team-based trivia contest and see who can boast the most knowledge about the Oldest Town in Texas.

29 July

TBA

**August Programs**  
**Garrett Altier**  
**August Program Leader**

5 August

Coach Debbie Humphries  
 SFA Volleyball Coach  
 Introduction by Garrett Altier

12 August

Coach Colby Carthel  
 SFA Football Coach  
 Introduction by Garrett Altier

19 August

Byron Boston  
 Former NFL Official  
 Director of Officiating  
 Southland Conference and  
 Big 12 Conference  
 Introduction by Garrett Altier

26 August

Pending

#### Striking the Colors For the 4th of July

We placed the Colors beginning at 6:45 AM Friday morning, the 3rd of July 2020, a Federal Holiday. Larry Stanaland, Flag Chairman, reports that we will strike the Colors, Thursday morning [tomorrow morning, July 9] at 6:45 AM. All Rotarians and families are invited.



#### Posting Flags July 3rd, 2020

Posting Old Glory on July 3rd were these Rotarians: Steve Davidson, Tip Smith, Farrar Bentley, MaryAnn Bentley, James Standley, and Jack Nelson. Photo taken by Larry Stanaland. Thanks to each of you for your time and dedication!

**MDC and Red Badge**  
**Kent Ferguson will be the chair of the MDC**  
**Tim Bisping will be the chair of the Red**  
**Badge Committee**

#### Last Week

Masks and Distance Seating – Week 5  
 President Donna Finley gaveled her first meeting of the 2020-2021 Rotary year, Sgt-at-Arms Jim Stallworth prepared for the meeting, James Standley and Bob Guilbeau manned the Rotary information table, MaryAnn Bentley gave the Family of Rotary report, Buddy Himes led the Pledge and singing, Emily Farrell provided the music, Kevin Langford gave the invocation, and Lisa King introduced the guests and visitors.

#### Guests and Visitors

Last week Cindy Richardson was a guest of the Club

#### July Rotary Birthdays Happy Rotary July Birthday!

1 July Jason Gound  
 2 July Kim Childs  
 8 July Francis Spruiell  
 13 July Ted Smith  
 17 July Chappell Jordan  
 19 July Tammy Harris  
 19 July Robin Thacker  
 21 July Tamera Billiot  
 27 July Lynn Laird  
 29 July Jason Reese  
 30 July Michael Goode



#### 2020-2021 Program Leaders

**Miles McCall, President-Elect**  
 If you have a suggestion for a speaker/program, please contact Miles McCall or the monthly program leader.

| 2020      |                  |
|-----------|------------------|
| August    | Garrett Altier   |
| September | Scott Bowyer     |
| October   | Ted Smith        |
| November  | Buddy Himes      |
| December  | Mary Ann Bentley |

| 2021     |                  |
|----------|------------------|
| January  | Patrick Lanmon   |
| February | Gary Ashcraft    |
| March    | Jimmy Mize       |
| April    | Francis Spruiell |
| May      | Ron Collins      |
| June     | Ken Deppisch     |

**Leadership Nacogdoches Class 2021**  
**Sherry Morgan distributed applications for**  
**Leadership Nacogdoches Class 2021**

#### Please Note This Special Announcement From The Rotary Board of Directors

Meal billing to all members has been on pause during the pandemic. Only those attending were logged in and billed for their meals and guest meals.

In its regular meeting on June 18, 2020, the board decided to begin billing all members for meals in accordance with club policy beginning July 1, 2020. Further, the board understands that some members may not want to return in July. Members not wishing to return due to the pandemic may continue to have their meal billing on pause for July and August with a written request.

If you wish to continue staying away from the meetings and have your meal charges on pause for July and August, send a written request to Secretary James Standley. You can contact James in two ways: jstandley@sfasu.edu or by mail at 12 Waterford Circle, Nacogdoches, Texas 75965. Please note that neither telephone nor verbal requests for a continued billing pause can be accepted.

Please also remember to continue to RSVP for meetings when possible so that we can have an accurate head count for hotel meals.

Thank You! James Standley - Club Secretary



Rotary Club of Nacogdoches - July 1, 2020:  
 Alaina Chafin, Nacogdoches City Planner was guest speaker at a recent noon meeting of the Rotary Club of Nacogdoches. Ms. Chafin presented a program on the importance of the 2020 Census and how an accurate count will impact our community. Ms. Chafin also covered changes in deadlines and other adjustments made due to COVID-19 as well as ways to engage with and outreach about the census in the months ahead. The program was very educational and interesting to all in attendance. Dr. Ben Thompson, Obstetrician/Gynecologist with Thompson and Glymph, PA in Nacogdoches and Richard Richardson, Senior Vice President of Administration and Materials Management with Foretravel, Inc. were introduced as new members of the club by Kent Ferguson, Rotary Membership Chairman. Annual officer installations effective the prior meeting were noted which included James Standley as Secretary, Bob Guilbeau as Treasurer, MaryAnn Bentley as Board Recording Secretary, Farrar Bentley as Bulletin Editor and Todd Brown, Matt Turner, Rey Morin and Rubin Carmona as Directors. Pictured front row left to right are: Dr. Brown, Mr. Guilbeau, Ms. Bentley, Mr. Bentley, Mr. Turner, Dr. Standley, Mr. Morin and Mr. Carmona. Back Row left to right are: Jeff Davis, Program Chairman, Ms. Chafin, Francis Spruiell, Sponsoring Member, Mr. Richardson, Dr. Thompson, Ray Mitchum, Sponsoring Member, Mr. Ferguson, Chris Oglesbee, Immediate Past President, Miles McCall, President-Elect and Donna Finley, Club President.

#### Find Opportunities that Interest you Ask about serving Remember: Each Rotarian has a talent!

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|---------------------------------|---|
| Adopt-a-Highway Trash Pick-up   | Contact: Milton Moorer, 552.1994  |
| Bike Ride                       | Contact: Ray Mitchum/Juan Gonzalez, 554.8156 (Ray); 903.530.1727 (Juan) |
| Calling on Rotarians            | Contact: MaryAnn Bentley, 569.7447 or 936.556.0268                      |
| Greeting Committee              | Contact: Kent Ferguson, 281.847.9880                                    |
| High School Exchange Program    | Contact: Dave Wallace, 371.3033   |
| Literacy Committee              | Contact: Andrew Shipp, 553-0920   |
| Meet the Jacks Fish Fry         | Contact: Ed Pool, 564.2622  |
| Mobile Library                  | Contact: Ed Pool, 564.2622  |
| Posting and Striking the Colors | Contact: Larry Stanaland, 554.8738                                      |
| Rotaract                        | Contact: Robin Thacker/Sam Smith, 806.729.1066 Robin; 936.369.6824 Sam  |
| RYLADrivers                     | Contact: Ray Mitchum, 936.554.8156                                      |
| Rotary Scholarship Applications | Contact: Crystal Hicks, 936.559.2944                                    |
| Speakers and Programs           | Contact: Miles McCall, 936 715 4154 936-569-4790                        |
| Field of Honor                  | Contact: Greg Williams, 936.559.8201 Matt Turner, 936.234.0975          |