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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.

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www.Nacogdochesrotary.org
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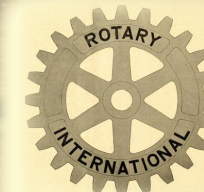
THE 4-WAY TEST

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

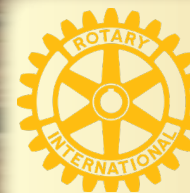


ROTARY CLUB OF NACOGDOCHES 1921



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 1st 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.”

Donna Finley

2020-2021 President

The Rotary Club of Nacogdoches



Donna Finley was born and raised in Groesbeck, Texas. After a year at Tyler Junior College, she made her way to Stephen F. Austin State University. Donna graduated from Stephen F. Austin with a Bachelor of Science in Home Economics and later completed a master's in Human Science.

Donna has lived in Nacogdoches since 1980. Her two children are Sean Finley and Lindsey Finley Mathews and her husband Taylor plus two wonderful grandsons, Lincoln and Pearce. Donna has been in the restaurant business in Nacogdoches since 1988. She currently is involved with Casa Tomas, The Nac Shack, and Austin Hall. She also worked in the oil and gas business for several years.

Donna has been involved in the community for many years. She was a member of the Nacogdoches Jaycee Ladies and served as their president. She is a sustainer from the Nacogdoches Jr. Forum and served on the state committee. Donna has been involved in the Boys and Girls Club of Nacogdoches. She currently serves as the President of the Advisory Committee. Donna was a board member of the Nacogdoches Chamber of Commerce from 2004 through 2010. She served the chamber as Vice Chair of Membership in 2006-07, and Vice Chair of Community Development in 2005-06, an ambassador co-captain and Chairman in 2008-2009. Donna has served on the Nacogdoches Convention and Visitor's Bureau, serving as secretary in 2011. Donna has served on the Rotary Board the past three years. Donna loves working in her yard, reading, volunteering, and playing with her grandkids.

Rotary Program Today

Alaina Chafin
City Planner
The 2020 Census

Introduction by Jefferson Davis



Alaina Chafin is a Certified Planner and currently serves as the Director of Planning for the City of Nacogdoches. Her key areas of interest include urban revitalization and using sustainable urban planning to create resilient cities. She has worked as a city planner in Lufkin, Frisco and College Station. Alaina's academic background includes a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice and a Master of Public Administration, both from SFASU.

Alaina will discuss the importance of the 2020 Census and how getting an accurate count will impact our community; changing deadlines and other adjustments made due to COVID-19; and ways you can engage with the census and outreach about the census in the months ahead.

Rotary Programs

Miles McCall

President-Elect and

Program Chairman

July Programs

Jeff Davis, Leader

- 8 July Keith Kiplinger
 Nacogdoches Fire Chief
 COVID 19, providing information regarding where we stand locally.
 Introduction by Jefferson Davis
- 15 July The Honorable Travis Clardy
 Texas State Representative
 “COVID 19 – Where We Stand at the State Level”
 Introduction by Jefferson Davis

22 July TBA
 29 July TBA

AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL
O beau-it-ful for spa-cious skies,
for am-ber waves of grain
For pur-ple moun-tain maj-es-ties,
a-bove the fruit-ed plain.
A-mer-i-ca, A-mer-i-ca,
God shed His grace on thee,
And crown they good with broth-er-hood
from sea to shin-ing sea.

Raising and Striking the Colors
For the 4th of July
Raise the Colors at 6:45 AM Friday morning,
the 3rd of July 2020 a Federal Holiday
Strike the Colors at 6:45 AM Monday Morning,
the 6th of July 2020

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

Last Week

Masks and Distance Seating – Week 4
 President Chris Oglesbee, 2019-2020, opened his final meeting with the gavel and presided through the business and honoring the 2020 Rotary Scholarship honorees and their guest. In the absence of Crystal Hicks, Chairman of the Scholarship Committee, MaryAnn Bentley introduced the Rotary Scholarship winners. Each Scholarship recipient gave the name of his/her major, university, and introduced his/her guest. Assistant District Governor, Sam Smith, conducted the installation of the Club's officers and directors for 2020-2021.

James Standley and Bob Guilbeau manned the Rotary table and served as our greeters. Sgt-at-Arms Jim Stallworth prepared for the meeting, MaryAnn Bentley gave the Family of Rotary Report and led the singing and the Pledge to the American Flag. Barbara Qualls provided the music, Ed Pool gave the invocation, and Lisa King introduced the guests and visitors. 2020-2021 President Donna Finley presented the Past President's Plaque to Chris Oglesbee and thanked him for his year as our President. President Donna spoke of her goals for the new Rotary Year and gaveled the meeting to a close.

Guests and Visitors

Tyrone Curl was the guest of Greg Williams
 Nichole Lostracco was the guest of Ed Pool

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

Notable

John and Mary Ann Young – 60th Anniversary!

Sympathy on the death of Travis Clardy's father-in-law, Fred Kniffen (Judy Clardy's Father)

Daily Sentinel donates to Memorial Hospital Foundation to serve the community, Rotarian Rick Craig, Publisher

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 | |
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| July | Jeff Davis |
| 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 |



Rotary Club of Nacogdoches - June 24, 2020:
 Annual officer installations were made at the June 24th meeting of the Rotary Club of Nacogdoches with Assistant District Governor, Sam Smith presiding. Donna Finley, Owner of Casa Tomas Restaurant and The Shack was installed as the 2020-21 Rotary President and Miles McCall, Executive Vice President of Commercial Bank of Texas was installed as President-Elect. Other officers installed were Chris Oglesbee as Immediate Past President and Rubin Carmona, Larissa Philpot and Kurt Sutton as New Directors. MaryAnn Bentley, Member of the Rotary Scholarship Committee presented the club's annual scholarship awards totaling \$20,000.00 to sixteen well deserving senior students from Nacogdoches County schools. Scholarship recipients are chosen by the club's scholarship committee composed of club members Ms. Bentley, Crystal Hicks, Chairman, Lindsey Vardeman, Kent Ferguson, Rey Morin, Harry Tervalon and John Calahan with selection based on a student's class rank and grade point average, extracurricular involvement and essay on the Rotary Service above Self Motto. This year's scholarships were presented to Aleiza Bautista, Kristine Maulion, Kealy Hathaway, Erick Leon, Conner Young, John Still, Madison Dauenhauer, Wyatt Hagle, Lorna Curtis, Carolina Sifuentes, Abigail Powers, Grace Haley, Ashlyn Jones, David Hanes, David Leabaillif and Kadejay Taylor. The group was very impressive and appreciated by all in attendance. Pictured front row left to right are: Ms. Sifuentes, Ms. Curtis, Ms. Dauenhauer, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Hathaway, Ms. Bautista, Ms. Maulion, Mr. Hanes, Mr. Hagle, Ms. Powers and Ms. Jones. Back Row left to right are: Ms. Bentley, Mr. Tervalon, Ms. Vardeman, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Leon, Mr. Still, Ms. Haley, Mr. Young, Ms. Finley, Dr. McCall, Mr. Carmona, Mr. Oglesbee and Mr. Smith.