



ROTARY COG

ROTARY CLUB OF TEXAS CITY

DECEMBER 10, 2024

NESSLER CENTER - CAPTAIN'S ROOM



The Four Way Test

of the things we think, say and do

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?

TEXAS CITY HIGH SCHOOL MARIACHI RAYA BAND



12/17 – Rotarians Sing Along and Mardi Gras Gala

12/24 – NO NOON MEETING – Merry Christmas

12/31 – NO NOON MEETING – Happy New Year

01/07 – Kaitlyn Gordon – Gulf Coast Center

01/14 – Jaime Louviere – TCISD Workforce Development Committee Update

01/21 – RYLA Students



Pictured is Barney Kelley, student guest from last week. Barney spoke on his Texas City High School academics, extra-curricular activities, awards and his future plans.

Pictured with Rotarian Paul Selman is Jeremy Lockett from Moody Gardens. He gave a program on the events and programs there. Jeremy also showed a very interesting video on how the Ice Gardens are put together and the cost. You can check out all the events and programs Moody Gardens has on their website at www.moodygardens.com



MEMBERS OF THE CLUB

Members Highlighted are new for Rotary year 2024-2025

BATY, JR. BEN	PAST SERVICE - RETIRED
BEENE, DAREL	AUTO INDUSTRY-TOWING & RECOVERY
BOWIE, THELMA	PAST SERVICE - RETIRED
BREWER, HELEN C.	EDUCATION - COMMUNITY COLLEGE - STUDENT SERVICES
BROILES, KIRK	SALES - SPECIALTY CLOTHING
BURKETT, DIANE	EDUCATION - COMMUNITY COLLEGE - MARKETING/PR
CARNES, JAY	FUNERAL HOMES AND DIRECTORS
CHAPA, RICHARD	PAST SERVICE - RETIRED
CHAPMAN, SUMMER	FINANCE - CREDIT UNION - CHIEF EXEC. ASSISTANT
CLARK, JAMI	ELECTED OFFICIAL - CITY COMMISSIONER
COOK, KEDGE	AUTOMOBILE - RETAIL
COOPER, MIKE	FULL SERVICE BANKING
COX, ALISON	PAST SERVICE - RETIRED
COX, LONNIE	ELECTED OFFICIAL - DISTRICT COURT JUDGE
CULP, TIM	ASSOCIATIONS - CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
DAVENPORT, PEGGY	RETIRED - PAST SERVICE
DAY, SHANE	WASTE SERVICES - SALES MANAGEMENT
DELESANDRI, CHRIS	PAST SERVICE - RETIRED
DEVRIES, CHRIS	STEEL DISTRIBUTION
DIETEL, RANDY	MARINE CONSTRUCTION
DUARTE, MELISSA	EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOLS - EDUCATION
EDWARDS, KRISTIN	GOVERNMENT - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
FATTIG, HAROLD	HEALTHCARE - MARKETING
GARTMAN, DON	RETIRED - PAST SERVICE
GRIFFIN, MIKE	RETIRED - PAST SERVICE
HALE, STEVE	GENERAL DENTISTRY
HARA, MESCHEL	RELIGION - EDUCATION
HERD, TIMOTHY	GOVERNMENT - COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICER
HOOVER, JOE	ARCHITECTURE - COMMERCIAL
HUGHES, STEPHANIE	RELIGION - PROTESTANT
HYPOLITE, LINCOLN	EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOLS - PRINCIPAL
JENNINGS, GENIE	REAL ESTATE - OWNER
JOHNSON, AMANDA	ATTORNEY - PROBATE
JOHNSON, MANUEL	GOVERNMENT - ASST. POLICE CHIEF
KOPP, ALEXIS	EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOLS - CTE DIRECTOR
LEBLANC, JERRY	REAL ESTATE - DEVELOPMENT
LINTON PDG, EMKEN	FUNERAL HOMES AND DIRECTORS
MANNIE, AMY	ACCOUNTING SERVICES - CPA
MCKINNEY, KRystal	DEPUTY CHIEF APPRAISER - COUNTY
MOSS, DAVID	FINANCE - CONSULTANT
NEWING, DONNA	REAL ESTATE - GENERAL
NICHOLS, WARREN	EDUCATION - COMMUNITY COLLEGE
OWENS, ARIC	BANKING - COMMERCIAL PARTNERSHIP MANAGER
POTTER, KITTY	PAST SERVICE - RETIRED
PROUTY, AMBER	CONSTRUCTION & REMODELING
PROUTY, JEFF	CONSTRUCTION & REMODELING
ROBERTS, PHIL	ATTORNEY - ESTATE PLANNING
SCRUGGS, CHARLES	ORAL SURGEON
SEABOLT, ERIN	MEDICAL - CHIROPRACTOR
SELMAN, PAUL	PAST SERVICE - RETIRED
SHARP, CHRIS	AUTOMOTIVE - STATE INSPECTIONS
SHOLMIRE, DIXIE	REAL ESTATE - GENERAL
SKIPPER, LEE	INVESTMENTS - FINANCIAL PLANNING
SLOCUMB, JUDY	NON PROFIT ORG - MARKETING DIRECTOR
SMITH, ALBERT	PAST SERVICE - RETIRED
SOKOL, RON	PAST SERVICE - RETIRED
STANTON, JOE	PAST SERVICE - RETIRED
SUROVIK, LELAND	EDUCATION - ATHLETIC DIRECTOR
SWYERS, DAVID	NON-PROFIT - SALVATION ARMY
TELLO, COURTNI	GENERAL DENTISTRY
THOLCKEN, SONNY	CONSTRUCTION - INDUSTRIAL
TORTORICI, MELISSA	ED - PUB SCHOOLS - COMMUNICATIONS
TUMBLESON, JOE	GOVERNMENT - EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
TUCKER, BARBIE	REAL ESTATE - SALES
VAN ACKEREN, DONNIE	NON-PROFIT - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
WALKER, AMY	NON-PROFIT - PROGRAM FACILITATOR
WHITE, BARBARA	PAST SERVICE - RETIRED
WHITE, GENY	EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOLS - FOUNDATION
WHITENER, ROGER	PAST SERVICE - RETIRED
WILLIAMS, R. C	PAST SERVICE - RETIRED
ZAVALA, NOAH	OPTOMETRY - MEDICAL & RETAIL

HONORARY MEMBERS

CLAWSON, BRUCE	HONORARY
FULLER, BECKY	HONORARY
LAINE, DALE	HONORARY
LAINE, DAVID	HONORARY
REED, LYMAN	HONORARY

VOCATIONAL SERVICE NOMINATIONS

January will be Vocational Service month, when our club wants to recognize in a meaningful way how Rotarians and others in the community have made major contributions through their vocations as a means of service to society. We need to highlight and hold up for public recognition the effort of those who make our communities better places to live and work. Nomination forms will be emailed to you or you can get one from Dawn. Please return any nominations by January 7, 2025 to Committee Chair Paul Selman or Executive Secretary Dawn Tholcken, as noted on the form. The recipients will be acknowledged during the program at the January 28, 2025 meeting.



15TH ANNUAL MARDI GRAS GALA AND PARADE "URBAN COWBOY" STYLE, FEBRUARY 8, 2025

Get out your boots and let us do a little Two-Stepping to the sounds of The Al White Band and DJ Wayne Sanders. There are various sponsorship levels or individual tickets. Again, this year there will be a Raffle with monetary prizes of 1st Place - \$5000; 2nd Place - \$2500; and 3rd Place - \$1000. The tickets are \$100 each and only 300 will be sold!! All Rotarians are highly encouraged to participate with the largest fundraiser of our club. You can donate an item to the Silent or Live Auction; Sell Raffle tickets; attend the event - individual tickets are \$100 each or sign up for a sponsorship!!! The parade will begin at noon and start at Palmer and 29th Street. You can register at the Mardi Gras website www.mainlandmardigras.com

HAPPY Birthdays TO YOU

DECEMBER BIRTHDAY PROFILES

Watch for more profiles next week for Tim Culp, Harold Fattig, Jr., Kitty Potter, Gary Scoggin and Chris Sharp.



CHRIS DEVRIES – DECEMBER 9 – Chris joined club in June 2022 under the classification Steel . He is the Owner of Standard Steel Supply. Chris is married to Amanda and they have two sons, Zach (wife Eva) and Mason and just recently added a new addition to the family, granddaughter Emma. He grew up in Galveston is the son of past member Richard DeVries. Chris enjoys golfing, Rving and family.



TIMOTHY HERD – DECEMBER 20 – Timothy joined the club in October under the classification Government – Community Officer. He is the Community PR Officer and Recruitment Coordinator for Texas City Police Department. Tim was proposed by Joe Stanton. He is involved with the City's Explorers Program and has become involved with the Veterans Day Salute Committee for the club. Tim has one child, Tiquiriah.



LONNIE COX – DECEMBER 21 – Lonnie transferred to our club December 15, 2020 from Galveston Rotary Club under the classification Elected Official – Dist. Court Judge. He is the 56th District Court Judge. Lonnie is married to fellow Rotarian Alison Cox. They are very involved in our music for the meetings. He is a Past President of the Galveston Club and has been a member of Rotary since 2002.



KIRK BROILES – DECEMBER 23 – Kirk joined Rotary on May 5, 2009 under the classification Sales – Specialty Clothing. He was proposed by Jimmy Hayley. Kirk is a graduate of Texas Tech University and currently works for Scribbles in sales. He is very involved with many of the club's committees and is a Past President. Kirk is married to Trudy and they are both PHF's. They have a daughter, Elizabeth and two grandchildren, Harrison, and Reese

ROTARY CLUB OF TEXAS CITY

Organized November 23, 1927

Charter No.2711, District 5910

Meetings: 12:00 Noon Each Tuesday

Nessler Center, Captains Room

2010 5th Avenue North

Texas City

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District Governor LEON WILLHITE

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Secretary.....MIKE GRIFFIN

Past PresidentGARY SCOGGIN

Sgt. at Arms SONNY THOLCKEN

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2023-2025

BEN BATY

RICHARD CHAPA

DON GARTMAN

DONNA NEWDING

2024-2026

LONNIE COX

STEPHANIE HUGHES

AMBER PROUTY

CHRIS SHARP

TEXAS CITY ROTARY FOUNDATION

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Community Advisor..... JAMI CLARK

Executive SecretaryDAWN THOLCKEN

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TAKE ACTION: Join a Project

ROTARY DISTRICT CONFERENCE - APRIL 4- 6, 2025

ROTARY ON THE MOVE

Grab Your Rotary Wheel and Go to the Annual District Conference as they “Go to the Movies” with Rotary on the Move.

Registration information has been emailed from the district and Dawn. Early Registration is through January 31, 2025, so make sure if you are going to sign up for the discounted rate. You can go to the District 5910 website at www.rotary5910.org and click on the District Conference tab to register for the conference and the hotel preference.

DATES TO REMEMBER

12/17/24 – RCTC Board Meeting, 1pm, Surf Room

02/08/25 – Mardi Gras Parade, Noon on Palmer between 29th Street & 6th Street

02/08/25 – Mardi Gras Gala – 7pm, Charles T. Doyle Convention Center

04/4-6/25 – Rotary District Conference, Palestine

04/24/25 – Golf Tournament, 11am at Bayou Golf Course