



# ROTARY COG

## ROTARY CLUB OF TEXAS CITY

### DECEMBER 3, 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?

### BRANDON CISNEROS

#### MOODY GARDENS HOLIDAY GARDENS



**12/10** – TCHS Mariachi Royo – Christmas Program

*All members are encouraged to bring their special someone, family or friends to enjoy the musical program*

**12/17** – Rotarians Sing Along and Mardi Gras Gala

**12/24** – NO NOON MEETING – Merry Christmas

**12/31** – NO NOON MEETING – Happy New Year

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEW PAUL HARRIS AND HERB LANGFORD FELLOWS

*Pictured are PHF's with Lane Director Donna Newding and President Melissa Tortoric*



Meschel Hara, Zella Wilson Prouty, Al Smith, Chris Jennings and Roland Castanie above.

*Pictured below PHF's next level Jeff Prouty, Gary Scoggin, Don Gartman,*

*Sonny Tholcken and Peggy Davenport pictured with President Melissa. Next are new HLF's Meschel Hara and Bobby Everett*

# 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
<b>JOHNSON, MANUEL</b>	<b>GOVERNMENT - ASST. POLICE CHIEF</b>
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
<b>PROUTY, AMBER</b>	<b>CONSTRUCTION &amp; REMODELING</b>
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, GENTY	EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOLS - FOUNDATION
WHITENER, ROGER	PAST SERVICE - RETIRED
WILLIAMS, R. C	PAST SERVICE - RETIRED
<b>ZAVALA, NOAH</b>	<b>OPTOMETRY - MEDICAL &amp; RETAIL</b>

## HONORARY MEMBERS

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

## ROTARY ANN CHRISTMAS PARTY

*Christmas party*

Texas City Rotary Anns will host the Christmas Party on Wednesday, December 4 at the home of Jay and Lori Carnes at 6pm. All guests are encouraged to participate in the Rotary Anns Adopt-A-Family program by bringing a gift card to Walmart or Target to be donated to TCISD elementary students.

## 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.

## 2ND PUBLICATION OF A NEW MEMBER(S)

Tim Herd has proposed three new members and Emken Linton has proposed one. Tim is proposing Louis Lopez under the classification Government - Fire Engineer; Travian Davis under the classification Government - Assistant Fire Marshal and Ian Chase under the classification Government - Assistant Fire Marshal. Emken Linton is proposing Terry Loving under the classification Funeral Home - Funeral Director.

# BIRTHDAYS FOR THE MONTH

## *Club Members*

Kirk Broiles.....	12/23	Tim Herd .....	12/20
Lonnie Cox.....	12/21	Kitty Potter .....	12/28
Tim Culp.....	12/20	Gary Scoggin.....	12/26
Chris DeVries.....	12/09	Chris Sharp.....	12/31
Harold Fattig, Jr.....	12/31		

## *Partner Birthdays*

Aaron Burkett (Diane).....	12/20	Deborah Laine (David).....	12/23
Sandy Gartman (Don).....	12/28	Daniel Walker (Amy).....	12/12
Maac Hughes (Stephanie) .	12/15		

## *Club Anniversaries*

Richard Chapa .....	12/19	.....	07 years	Judy Slocumb .....	12/16	.....	16 years
Lonnie Cox.....	12/01	.....	22 years	Joe Stanton.....	12/04	.....	06 years
Mandy Johnson.....	12/06	.....	08 years	David Swyers.....	12/02	.....	01 years
David Laine .....	12/05	.....	35 years				



## **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](http://www.mainlandmardigras.com)

# 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

**President, RI ..... STEPHANIE URCHICK**  
**District Governor ..... LEON WILLHITE**

## OFFICERS

President.....MELISSA TORTORICI

President Elect ..... DIXIE SHOLMIRE

Treasurer .....MIKE COOPER

Secretary.....MIKE GRIFFIN

Past President .....GARY SCOGGIN

Sgt. at Arms ..... SONNY THOLCKEN

## DIRECTORS

**2023-2025**

BEN BATY

RICHARD CHAPA

DON GARTMAN

DONNA NEWDING

**2024-2026**

LONNIE COX

STEPHANIE HUGHES

AMBER PROUTY

CHRIS SHARP

## TEXAS CITY ROTARY FOUNDATION

President.....BEN BATY

Vice President..... KITTY POTTER

Secretary /Treasurer .....MIKE GRIFFIN

Directors.....PHIL ROBERTS, ARIC OWENS,

MELISSA TORTORICI, DIXIE SHOLMIRE

Community Advisor..... JAMI CLARK

Executive Secretary .....DAWN THOLCKEN

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Disease prevention and treatment takes on many forms, supporting studies to helping immunize people to improving drinking water and the sanitation infrastructure.



TAKE ACTION: Join a Project

## SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING



*The annual Salvation Army Bell Ringing will be at the December 10 noon meeting, which is the Christmas Holiday Program.*

## DECEMBER ELECTIONS

Ballots are on the tables. Please vote at the beginning of the meeting and have it ready to turn in before program starts. Nominees and information were previously emailed to all members.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**12/4/2024** – Rotary Anns Christmas Party, 6pm, Gift Card donation

**12/17/2024** – RCTC Board Meeting, 1pm, Surf Room

**02/08/2025** – Mardi Gras Parade, Noon on Palmer between 29th St., and 6th St.

**02/08/2025** – Mardi Gras Gala – 7pm, Charles T. Doyle Convention Center

**04/24/2025** – Golf Tournament, 11am at Bayou Golf Course