



ROTARY COG

ROTARY CLUB OF TEXAS CITY

JANUARY 14, 2025

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?

JAIME LOUVIERE

TCISD WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE

INVOCATION – RANDY DIETEL
 PLEDGES AND FOUR WAY TEST – DIXIE SHOLMIRE
 SONG LEADER – JAY CARNES
 INTRODUCE GUESTS AND VISITING ROTARIANS – ALEXIS KOPP



- January 21** – RYLA Students – Weekend Event at the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards
- January 28** – Vocational Service Awards
- February 4** – Texas City Police Department – Current Events (Lt. Shives SWAT & Dignitary and Lt. Land Drones & Civilian ID Techs)
- February 11** – Valentine Program



The Mardi Gras Committee is seeking Silent Auction items such as home décor, gift cards or other items you would like to donate. All members are encouraged to participate in the club's MAJOR FUNDRAISER and if you are not attending the event, this would be a great way to participate. Please let Dawn know if you have something and someone could pick up or you could drop off to her.

Also, all members are encouraged to "sell" three raffle tickets. I can check them out to you at the meeting.



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, COURTINI	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



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

Rotary

District 5910



District Conference

April 4-6, 2025

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.

Happy Birthday to You!



Each month Rotarians with a birthday will be highlighted so you can get to know them a little better. If you have any special news you want to share please notify Dawn.



MIKE COOPER – JANUARY 5TH – Mike joined the club on March 11, 1997 under the classification Full- Service Banking. He was proposed by Paul Selman. Mike is married to Ginger, and they have two children, Mike and Morgan. Mike and Ginger are both PHF's and Mike is also an HLF and the Club Treasurer. He recently retired from banking and is enjoying his life of leisure. Mike loves to play golf.



STEPHEN HALE – JANUARY 5TH – Stephen joined Rotary in May 2008 under the classification General Dentistry. He was proposed by Dr. John Acree. Stephen is married to Marie and they have one son, Alexander. He enjoys jogging, working out, cycling and many other outdoor activities. Stephen is a member of the Greater Houston Dental Society; Texas Dental Association; American Dental Association and the Academy of General Dentistry.



CHARLIE SCRUGGS – JANUARY 9TH – Charlie rejoined the club on February 12, 2019. He was proposed by Paul Selman under the classification Oral Surgeon. Charlie is an Oral Surgeon with Gulf Coast OMFS in Texas City. He earned his dental degree from the University of Illinois College of Dentistry in 1977. He received his residency training at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery from 1978-1981. Charlie has five children and enjoys hunting and sailing.

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 SecretaryDAWN THOLCKEN

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ROLL OF FAME NOMINATIONS

Now is the time to start to nominate club members for the Roll of Fame. That is the highest award conferred by District 5910 and is intended to recognize those Rotarians who have distinguished themselves by outstanding service to their club, community and/or District 5910. The form must be returned to Dawn or President Melissa no later than February 14, 2025. The nominations will go to the board on February 18 for a final selection. Only one member per club may be submitted to the district and members who have already received the award cannot receive it again. The nomination form will be emailed out and available from Dawn.

DATES TO REMEMBER

01/14/25, TCRF Board Meeting, 1pm, Surf Room

01/21/25 – RCTC Board Meeting, 1pm, Surf Room

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

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

01/04-06/25 – Rotary District Conference, Palestine

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