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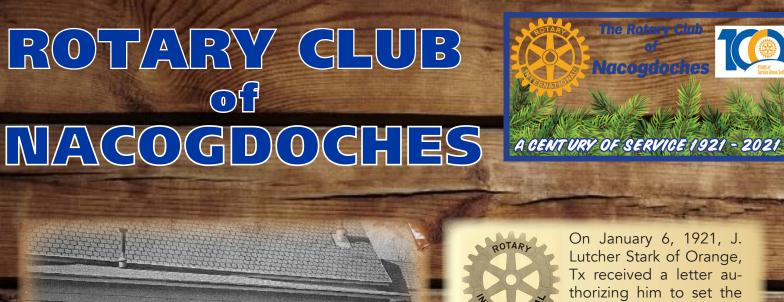
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#### **THE 4-WAY TEST**

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?







On January 6, 1921, J. Lutcher 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!



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# The Rotary Club of Nacogdoches

"Nacogdoches is more than a place in space, Nacogdoches is a drama in time" --borrowed

#2041 - District 5910

# The 9th of September 2020 "Rotary Opens Opportunities"



### Holger Knaack, President RI **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.

"Brains are like muscles, one can rent them by the hour, The only thing NOT for sale is character" ---borrowed

# **Rotary Program Today Steve Davidson**

**President/CEO Boys and Girls Club, Nacogdoches Introduction by Scott Bowyer** 

Steve Davidson is the President/CEO of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Deep East Texas taking that role on March 1, 2017. Steve comes to our community with 38 years of Boys & Girls Club experience, starting in a part time role while in college and holding almost every position imaginable in Boys & Girls Club work.

Prior to coming to Nacogdoches, Steve was with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Southern Nevada in Las Vegas for 2 years and prior to that with various Boys & Girls Clubs in Arizona for 33 years culminating with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Scottsdale for 23 - where he was the CEO for 8 years.

Steve holds the distinction of being one of a select number of Executive Directors who have achieved the Distinguished Level within the Boys & Girls Club Academy. As a Civic Leader, Steven has volunteered his time with the St. Mary's and the Westside Food Banks in Phoenix and Three Square in Las Vegas. He is a Life member of the Scottsdale Active 20/30 club, receiving that award in 2001 and being only one of 7 life members in the club at that time.

Steve holds a Bachelor's degree from Arizona State University in Recreation with a certification through American Humanics, a program geared toward non-profit management.

He and his wife Elizabeth have been married for 30 years, and have two grown children, their son lan who works for the Park Service in Montana and their daughter Grace who has been with them since the start of the Pandemic and is currently taking Master level classes at SFA.

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

### **September Programs** Scott Bowyer, Leader

16 September

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**Family Crisis Center** 

23 September

Introduction by Scott Bowyer

**Mario Canizares New City Manager** 

State of the City of Nacogdoches Introduction by Scott Bowyer

30 September

# 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

September October November December

**Scott Bowyer** Ted Smith **Buddy Himes** Mary Ann Bentley

**January** February March April May

2021 **Patrick Lanmon Gary Ashcraft** Jimmy Mize Francis Spruiell Ron Collins Ken Deppisch

### **October Programs**

Lady Jack Basket Ball 7 October:

Coach Mark Kellogg

14 October: SFA President Scott Gordon, PhD

"Innovation and the New Model for Higher

Education" **Rotary Fish Fry** 

21 October:

The 21st of October 2020 Speaker: Coach Kyle Keller Cost: \$50.00 for each member Corporate Sponsorships are available

28 October:

District Governor's Visit -

Becky Mason, District Governor 5910, will visit our Club on Wednesday, 28 October 2020 during our regular Noon Lunch Meeting. Her visit will be a ZOOM telecast and we will have the opportunity to see it on the Big Screen.

### **Last Week**

Masks and Distance Seating - Week 15

President Donna Finley with the gavel, James Standley and Bob Gilbeau manned the Rotary Table and served as the Club Greeters, Sgt-at-Arms Jim Stallworth prepared for the meeting, MaryAnn Bentley gave the family of Rotary Report, Emily Farrell provided the music, Barbara Qualls led us in singing and in the Pledge, Kurt Sutton introduced the guests and visitors, and Kevin Langford gave the invocation.

Scott Bowyer introduced Johnny Cardenas, SFASU Head Baseball Coach. He gave an update on the baseball program and described the new Pitching Lab Project.

The 4,800 square foot indoor space will provide an area for SFA pitchers to improve their craft and is set to be constructed and ready in time for the 2021 baseball season.

"This pitching lab will provide our coaches and program the opportunity to focus on an extremely important aspect of the game. Having a dedicated pitching lab will help us on the recruiting trail by showing student-athletes we have a tangible asset to help them grow and develop. There's no doubt this is a big step forward for our program."

Funded by generous private donations, the space will

include room for two bullpen cages, complete with a Rapsodo pitching unit, which provides analytical data on spin axis and rate of spin. The facility also includes an Edgertronic slow motion camera, the industry-leading model for mapping out pitching mechanics. This technology will allow SFA pitchers to identify errors imperceptible to the human eye and correct pitch development.

"With the advent of all the new technology in our sport, we felt it was imperative for us to give our athletes as much of an advantage as we could", said SFA Baseball head coach Johnny Cardenas. "Through the generosity of a private gift, we have been afforded the ability to do just that and to put our players on the cutting edge of sports technology. Special gratitude goes to Director of Athletics Ryan Ivey and President Gordon for their tireless efforts to get this done for SFA Baseball.3

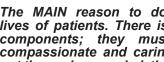
Greg Nichols reminded everyone of the Blood Drive today and Ed Pool described the arrangements for the Annual Fish Fry.

### **United Way**



So Live United and please donate! You can donate through our Website or Facebook by going to Nacogdoches Area United Way on both platforms or just send a check to the Nacogdoches Area United Way – P.O. Box 630772 – Nacogdoches, Texas 75963.

### **2nd Annual Bryan Holt Davis Blood Drive** Today 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Wear Mask - Required - Provided if Needed **Mark Your Calendar!**



The MAIN reason to donate is to save/sustain lives of patients. There is no substitute for blood components; they must come from healthy, compassionate and caring people like you; if it's not there when needed, the patient dies! Oh, it's true

that both the donor and patient benefits; the donor gets the satisfaction of saving lives, a plethora of laboratory tests to determine if he/she has any 'bad' (killer) viruses, and a miniphysical examination. Both the lab tests and physicals have save the lives of many donors by picking up abnormalities early that could be successfully treated. But as Rotarians, we should focus on helping others; "Service Above Self" before anything else. I well remember the wonderful feeling I had after my donations (had to quit on my first cancer donation but plan to return soon as I can); I knew I had given patients something that could save their lives but money couldn't buy it so it 'leveled' the playing field and I felt good that I had really made a difference in someone's life whom I'd never meet. If you want that good feeling, simply give for our 2nd Annual Bryan Holt Davis blood drive on Sept. 9; if you can't give then, just give at either of the Blood Center of East Texas (our blood center—936-560-3054) nice facilities in Nacogdoches or Lufkin and be treated like royalty by the fine staff at both. This is a unique way to make a very special difference in someone's life by giving something money can't buy!!

**Blood Center Address** 3520 North University Drive Nacogdoches, TX 75965 Phone (936) 560-3054 Tamara Billiot, Member of the Rotary Club of Nacogdoches

#### Who Was Bryan Holt Davis and Why is our Blood **Drive Named in His Memory?**

Our Club's Annual blood drive is named for Bryan Holt Davis who was a member of this club for almost 30 years, president 1997-98 & a Paul Harris Fellow. He was our highly, respected Nacogdoches County Attorney for over 40 years. Born on July 15, 1935, his classification was "Judiciary." The classifications were more

formal at that time and "County Attorney" would not have been sufficient. His son, Jeff Davis, was inducted into the club in January,

2001 with the classification of "Law Attorney". Bryan Holt's historical memory and great humor are just a couple of the reasons he's remembered so fondly. Bryan Holt's leukemia, which included many, many transfusions of blood components that, according to his wife & sons, sustained his life for a while, ultimately caused his demise in November 2017, but his faithful wife of 54 years, Carolyn, continued to give him all her love and affection thru out his illness. The family is deeply grateful for the donors who helped sustain his life! We are deeply grateful for Bryan Holt's contributions to Rotary and the community and honored to have the blood drive named in his memory. We thank you for your continued support of the drive!!

BTT, 9-7-20

### Kent Ferguson, MDC Chairman

MDC Meetings will be held on the second Monday of each month. Kent asks for all new member proposals be sent to him at wkentferguson@gmail.com. or by snail mail at this address: 3490 CR 258, Nacogdoches, TX 75965.

Thank you in advance for your commitment to Rotary

### **Guests Last Week**

City Manager Mario Canizares was the guest of Larissa Philpot, Our speaker, Johnny Cardenas was the guest of the Club, Walt Green was the guest of Ruben Carmona, and Karl Kuhn was the guest of Ron Collins.

### **Visitor Last Week**

Kinnie Reina was visiting from the Angelina Rotary Club.

## **September Rotary Birthdays**

A BIG Rotary Happy Birthday to:

3 September Milton Moorer

4 September Jimmy Mize

11 September Scott Bowyer

13 September Garrett Altier

20 September MaryAnn Bentley 21 September Almarie Henderson-Shumate and Ryan Ivey

22 September Dudley Davis 23 September Angela Shannon and Roger McDonald

25 September Barry Dobbs and Buddy Himes

26 September Bill Patton, Campbell Cox, and Ed Pool

27 September Larry Stanaland

28 September Jim Roberts 30 September Michaela Overturf

# **September 11 Patriot Day - FLAGS!**

We will post flags at Sunset Memorial Park on September 11! Posting 6:45 and Striking 4:45. All are welcome!



Rotary Club of Nacogdoches - September 02, 2020: Johnny Cardenas, Head Coach of Lumberjack Baseball at Stephen F. Austin State University was guest speaker at a recent noon meeting of the Rotary Club of Nacogdoches. Mr. Cardenas provided an update of Lumberjack Baseball and covered progress of the SFA Pitching Lab Project currently nearing completion. Mr. Cardenas stated the new facility will be state of the art and a difference maker for our program in comparison to others in our conference. The program update and new facility progress report were greatly appreciated by all in attendance. Pictured left to right are Scott Bowyer, Program Chairman, Coach Cardenas, Ryan Ivey, SFA Athletic Director and Donna Finley, Club President.