

# 100+ YEARS OF ROTARY IN NACOGDOCHES

## The Rotary Club of Nacogdoches

Charter #892, 1 April 1921

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

-----borrowed



#2041 - District 5910

The 1st of September 2021

"Serve To Change Lives"



**Shekhar Mehta, President RI**  
**Home Club:**  
**Rotary Club of Calcutta-Mahanagar**  
**West Bengal, India**

Incoming Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta urged members to become more involved in service projects, saying that caring for and serving others is the best way to live because it changes not only other people's lives, but also our own.

Mehta, a member of the Rotary Club of Calcutta-Mahanagar, West Bengal, India, revealed the 2021-22 presidential theme, Serve to Change Lives, to incoming district governors on 1 February during the Rotary International Assembly.

### Program Today

**Keith Kiplinger**  
**Nacogdoches Fire Chief**  
**"Fire Department Master Plan"**

(Possible COVID update)  
Introduction by Scott Bowyer



Keith Kiplinger is a firefighter, paramedic and peace officer who has worked in local government for over 30 years. Keith has been Fire Chief for the City of Nacogdoches since 2006, as well as serves as the fire mutual aid coordinator for the State of Texas. Prior to his current position, Kiplinger worked for the City of Dickinson in Galveston County and for 12 years coordinated fire and life safety at the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Kiplinger received a BA in Public Safety Management from St. Edward's University in Austin. His wife Ashley is a Flight Attendant for Southwest Airlines and his daughter Peanut attends Texas A&M.



### Rotary Programs

#### September 2021 Programs

Scott Bowyer, Chairman  
Introduction by Scott Bowyer

- 8 September Coach Darren Allman  
Nacogdoches High School Football Coach and Athletic Director
- 15 September Gabe Trujillo, Superintendent, NISD  
2021-2022 School Year and Construction Update
- 22 September Ryan Ivey, Athletic Director, SFASU  
Moving to the WAC and Overall Sports and Construction Update
- 29 September Captain Jennifer Phillips, The Salvation Army  
An Overview of the Salvation Army

Contact a program monthly program chair, if you have a special program you believe is applicable for the club.

Monthly Program Chairs  
President-Elect Ray Mitchum

	2021		2022
September	Scott Bowyer	January	Patrick Lanmon
October	Ted Smith	February	Gary Ashcraft
November	Buddy Himes	March	Jimmy Mize
December	Mary Ann Bentley	April	Francis Spruiell
		May	Ron Collins
		June	Ken Deppisch

### SAVE THE DATE

**THE ROTARY CLUB OF NACOGDOCHES**  
**will meet at Banita Creek Hall October 20, 2021 and**  
**will have CC's Smokehouse cater.**  
**Should be a good revisit of the past!**

### Song Leaders Needed

We need more Rotarians serving as song leaders. If we are able to get twelve song leaders, each would serve for one month.

Please volunteer to serve!

### Last Week

President Miles McCall with the gavel, MaryAnn Bentley gave the Family of Rotary report, Kevin Langford led the singing and the Pledge, Sarah Grace Alders provided the music, Gregg Nichols gave the invocation, Buddy Himes introduced the guests and visitors, Paige Pattillo Brown was the greeter, James Standley and Todd Brown manned the Rotary table.

SFASU AD Ryan Ivey introduced SFASU Head Football coach Colby Carthel. Coach Carthel described his team members and outlined his expectations and goals for the 2021 football season.

### Guests

Gracie Alders, Accompanist, was the guest of the club, Charlotte Ashcraft was guest of Paige Pattillo Brown, Chris Bentley was the guest of Katie Blevins, Colby Carthel was the guest of the club, Michara DeLaney-Fields was the guest of Kathleen Belanger, Richard Forrest was the guest of Robert Flores, Patrick Newsome was the guest of Gregg Nichols, Justin Peacock was the guest of Miles McCall, Nathan Young was the guest of Farrar Bentley

### Visitors

No visiting Rotarians last week

### COVID PROTOCOLS

The Board discussed Club Covid protocols at our board meeting. We will continue to monitor data for the Nacogdoches area. We will ask the hotel to set up about 1/2 the tables as four people only so if you would feel more comfortable with additional social distancing you are free to choose one of those tables. If you would feel more comfortable wearing a mask, we encourage you to do so at your discretion. We will follow any additional guidelines provided by the hotel and monitor the situation as we move forward. Please make wise personal choices and stay safe.

Thank you for all you do for Rotary.  
Miles McCall

### Rotary Billing

If anyone has a Billing question, please contact:  
Lori Cotten 936-676-8266  
Email: [lori.cotten@rocketmail.com](mailto:lori.cotten@rocketmail.com)

### NEW MEAL CHARGES

The management of the Fredonia Hotel explained due to the rising cost of food and services, it will be necessary to raise the price for each weekly luncheon meal. After considerable negotiations, the cost per meal will be \$20.00 per week for our membership.

This will be effective October 1, 2021.  
If you have any questions, please feel free to speak to Treasurer Todd Brown.

### MDC Meetings

MDC Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at the NEDCO board room in the Old Mize Building on North Street. These meetings are led by Tim Bisping and he asks for all new member proposals be sent to him at: [timbisping@yahoo.com](mailto:timbisping@yahoo.com) or by snail mail at this address: 576 CR 2163, Nacogdoches, TX 75965.

Thank you in advance for your commitment to Rotary.

### Satellite Rotary Club From Jim Roberts

This message is for ALL active Nacogdoches Rotary Club members!

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Even though you may not be part of the Satellite Group, YOU ARE ALWAYS INVITED! Second Tuesday of the month, 5:30 p.m. You are welcome to order food and drink, or just enjoy the fellowship along with the program. Please contact Jim Roberts at 936-559-1400(call/text) or at [jimtheinsuranceguy@gmail.com](mailto:jimtheinsuranceguy@gmail.com) for more information concerning the meeting location.

### Leadership Tips

"Prejudice is based on experience in the past. The problem is that it prevents you from making discoveries."

— Abraham "Avi" Loeb, American theoretical physicist, astrophysicist, cosmologist, and professor in the Department of Astronomy, Harvard University, as quoted in "Have Aliens Found Us? A Harvard Astronomer on the Mysterious Interstellar Object 'Oumuamua," by Isaac Chotiner, The New Yorker, January 16, 2019.

"We all have within us this capacity for wonder, this ability to break the bonds of ordinary awareness and sense that though our lives are fleeting and transitory, we are part of something larger, eternal and unchanging."

— Philip E. Simmons, 1957-2002, American author and professor; from his book published in 2000, Learning to Fall: The Blessings of an Imperfect Life.

"Despite our failings of national character, Americans were the fortunate few at the front of an eight-billion-person line, saved by stockpiles

of quickly developed vaccines that poor countries around the world have struggled to access. We were among the first of our entire species invited to receive a tremendous feat of modern science into our blood — a choice that hundreds of thousands of Covid-19 victims, who died before vaccines were available to them, did not live to make. Those of us who get the vaccines, current data tells us, will almost certainly survive this pandemic and even a lifetime of seasonal, endemic Covid-19 outbreaks.

Maintaining that perspective can be hard when staying healthy requires keeping track of case counts, changing guidelines, the science of booster shots and the safety rankings of face masks. So when all else fails, if your anger at 'the unvaccinated' feels unbearable, focus less on those whose actions are beyond your control. Remember how you felt last spring, at a city stadium or a suburban pharmacy or a rural community building, when you got a shot. How will you remember its blessing? What will you do with the life that it saved?"

--- Sara Smarsh, American journalist, non-fiction writer, and author of the 2018 book, Heartland: a Memoir of Working Hard and Being Broke in the Richest Country on Earth. The quote is from her recent NYT guest essay, "What to Do With Our Covid Rage."

"The journey home is never a direct route. It is, in fact, always circuitous. And somewhere, along the way, we discover that the journey is more significant than the destination, and that the people we meet along the way will be the traveling companions of our memories forever."

— Nelson Richard Demille, American novelist; from his 2002 novel, Upcountry. Demille was born this day, August 23rd, 1943, in New York City.



### Rotary Club of Nacogdoches -August 25, 2021:

Colby Carthel, Head Coach of Stephen F. Austin State University Lumberjack Football was guest speaker at a recent noon meeting of the Rotary Club of Nacogdoches. Coach Carthel is entering his third year as Head Coach of the Lumberjacks and is continuing his work in building our football program into a national power. His recruiting classes at SFA have continued to be highly ranked nationally among all FCS programs. Coach Carthel encouraged the purchase of season tickets to see the Lumberjacks and provided information about this year's team and the upcoming season step up to the Western Athletic Conference (WAC). The program was informative and appreciated by all in attendance. For more information regarding season tickets, those interested should contact Chris Bentley, General Manager of Ticketing with SFA Athletics at 936-468-5504 or email at [chris.bentley@sfasu.edu](mailto:chris.bentley@sfasu.edu). Pictured left to right are Ryan Ivey, Program Chairman, Coach Carthel, Mr. Bentley and Miles McCall, Club President.

### Find Opportunities that Interest you Ask about serving Remember: Each Rotarian has a talent!

Adopt-a-Highway Trash Pick-up	Contact: Milton Moorer	552.1994
Bike Ride	Contact: Ray Mitchum	554.8156
	Juan Gonzales	903.530.1727
	Ryan Blackburn	558.7820
Calling on Rotarians	Contact: MaryAnn Bentley	569.7447
	or	556.0268
Greeting==	Contact: Demond Jackson	281.847.9880
High School Exchange Program	Contact: Dave Wallace	371.3033
	Mikhail Kouliavtsev	267.235.3489
	Matt Lindsey	903.262.8043
Literacy Committee	Contact: Barbara Qualls	972.351.7078
Meet the Jacks Fish Fry	Contact: Ed Pool	564.2622
Mobile Library	Contact: Ed Pool	564.2622
	Larissa Philpot	554.9980
Posting and Striking the Colors	Contact: Larry Stanaland	554.8738
Interact/Rotaract	Contact: Robin Thacker	806.729.1066
	Sam Smith	956.369.6824
Rotary Readers	Contact: Sherry Morgan	444.9924
RYLA Drivers	Contact: Ray Mitchum	554.8156
Rotary Scholarship Applications	Contact: MaryAnn Bentley	569.7447
	or	556.0268
Salvation Army Kettle Drive	Contact: Tom Lostracco	564.9608
Skeet Shoot	Contact: Arthur Speck	569.0021
Speakers and Programs	Contact: Ray Mitchum	554.8156
Field of Honor	Contact: Greg Williams	559.8201
	Matt Turner	234.0975