

The Rotary Club of Nacogdoches

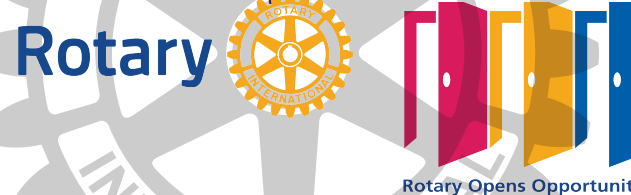
"Nacogdoches is more than a place in space,
Nacogdoches is a drama in time"

—borrowed

#2041 - District 5910

The 6th of January 2021

The 12th day of Christmas



Happy New Year!

"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."

**Prayers for a
Blessing-Filled New Year!**

**Program Today
Patrick Lanmon, Chairman**

**The Honorable Travis Clardy
The Texas House of Representatives
Introduction by Patrick Lanmon**



Travis Clardy is currently serving his fifth term as state representative for House District 11, which includes Cherokee, Nacogdoches, and Rusk counties. He is a member of Homeland Security and Public Safety as well as Human Services Committees in the 86th Texas Legislature. In past sessions, he served as

Vice Chair of the Local & Consent Calendars Committee, as well as was a member of Energy Resources and Higher Education Committees. Mr. Clardy is a partner with the law firm of Holland and Knight. He has over 30 years of experience in civil litigation and is licensed to practice law before the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals and the U.S. Supreme Court. He and his wife, Judy, reside in Nacogdoches where they raised their 4 sons. They are now relishing their new role as grandparents to four grandsons – Liam, Jackson, Nolan Travis and Henry Augustus.

**2020-2021 Program Leaders
If you have a suggestion for a
speaker/program, please contact
Miles McCall or the monthly
program leader.**

13 January	Keith Kiplinger Fire Chief, City of Nacogdoches Introduction by Patrick Lanmon
20 January	Nacogdoches County Outlook Nacogdoches Cty Judge Greg Sowell
27 January	Medical Care in Nacogdoches Jeff Patterson, CEO Medical Center Health Network Gary Stokes, Interim CEO, Nacogdoches Memorial Hospital

Rotary Program Leaders - 2021

February	Gary Ashcraft
March	Jimmy Mize
April	Francis Spruiell
May	Ron Collins
June	Ken Deppisch

Last Meeting - 23 December 2020

Masks and Distance Seating – Week 27

President Donna Finley with the gavel, Club Secretary James Standley served as the Sgt-at-Arms, greeter, and manned the Rotary table. MaryAnn Bentley gave the family of Rotary report and led the singing and the Pledge to the Flag. Emily Alders Farrell provided the music, Charlie Colgan gave the invocation, and Lisa King introduced the guests and visitors. The Rotary luncheon was opened with a video of the Raguet Choir performance keeping with our 76 year tradition of their Christmas participation with our Rotary Club.

December Program Chairman MaryAnn Bentley introduced our speaker, the Rev. Karl Griswold-Kuhn, Rector of Christ Episcopal Church. Karl's message was based on the Biblical message in the Rotary Four-Way Test. Karl referenced the Four-Way Test text to Scripture.

Rotary Billing Questions

If anyone has a Billing question, please contact:
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If you are unable to contact Bob, please call or email the RCN Book Keeper: Lori Cotten
936-676-8266
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Kent Ferguson, MDC Chairman

MDC Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at the NEDCO board room in the Old Mize Building on North Street. Kent asks for all new member proposals be sent to him at wkent-ferguson@gmail.com, or by snail mail at this address: 3490 CR 258, Nacogdoches, TX 75965
Thank you in advance for your commitment to Rotary.

Appreciation

A special "Thank You" to Larry Stanaland for the Christmas-themed art work and color for the December Rotary Bulletins .

Satellite Rotary Club

The Satellite Group will meet again at Napoli's Tuesday, December 8th at 5:30pm and have plenty of room for social distancing, etc. You are welcome to order food and drink, or just enjoy the fellowship and the program. If you need it beforehand, here's the link to Napoli's menu:
<http://napolisitalianrestaurants.com/nacogdoches/>

We will have our usual brief agenda and I know that you will enjoy our program this week. It will be very "educational" (pun intended). Our guest speaker is Igor Gussyakov, a Principal at Nacogdoches High School. He's going to talk about the current state of life at the high school campus and the status of construction throughout the district. Come listen, learn and ask him all the hard questions.
No need to RSVP. Just show up!! Napoli's has agreed to give us as much room as we need. And, YES, please do invite a friend.

Our Guests on the 23rd December

Charlotte Ashcraft was the guest of Gary Lee Ashcraft, Wendy Colgan was the guest of Charlie Colgan, Christa Coulter was the guest of Jimmy Mize, Craig Ireland was the guest of Charlie Colgan, Anthony Jones was the guest of Demond Jackson, and Lily Phon was the guest of Jimmy Mize.

Fredonia Rotary Cub Visitors

Charlotte Ashcraft was visiting from the Fredonia Rotary Club, Lily Phon was visiting from the Fredonia Rotary Club.

January

Old English, from Latin Januarius (mensis) "month of Janus," the Roman God who presided over doors and beginnings.

BILL TEAGUE

**24 October, 1937 – 25 December, 2020
Bill Teague of Nacogdoches,
passed away peacefully at his home
Friday, December 25, 2020.
He was 83 years of age.**



Bill Truman Teague (age 83) passed away peacefully at his Nacogdoches home on December 25, 2020. Bill was born October 24, 1937, in Freer, Texas, to Carl Leroy Teague and Gladys Ethel Wade Teague, who both preceded him in death. He grew up in Abilene, Texas; attended Abilene Senior High School; and graduated from Hardin Simmons University with a BS in Medical Technology in 1960 and a commission in the US Army. A lifelong professing Christian, Bill was an active member of First United Methodist Church in Nacogdoches. He served on the Missions Committee; as a member of the FUMC Day School Board; and as a Sunday school teacher. While living in Houston, Bill was active on many levels at St. Luke's United Methodist Church. Upon completion of his military obligation, Bill moved to Galveston, TX, where he enrolled in the Blood Bank Specialty course at UTMB. Bill excelled in the program and was soon attracted to Ortho Diagnostics in Raritan, NJ, where he worked with the team that developed RhoGam, the vaccine for Rh negative mothers that would protect their unborn babies. Bill's gift of leadership propelled him quickly up the professional ladder with administrative stops in Florida and Austin, TX, before being hired in 1975 by the Harris County Medical Society as the founding CEO of Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center in Houston, a position he held until his retirement in 2006. Upon his retirement, he was named President Emeritus of Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center. As a committed Rotarian, Bill believed in the Rotary motto of "service above self" and lived that creed in all he did. While in Houston, Bill served the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo as a Lifetime VP; as a

member of the Harris County Sports and Convention Board; a past President of the Rotary Club of Houston and was instrumental in seeing Rotary House International become a reality. On a professional level Bill was one of the few non-physicians to serve as President of the American Association of Blood Banks. Upon retirement Bill and Lynn moved to Nacogdoches, TX, where Bill continued his desire to serve others. He quickly became involved in community activities through the Nacogdoches Rotary Club; the Nacogdoches Booster Club; the SFASU Foundation Board and the Nacogdoches County Chamber of Commerce, where he served as interim President and CEO while the search for a permanent CEO was conducted. Bill's passion beyond his family and his professional life was hunting, fishing, and his deep love for the sport of competing with his beloved Labrador retrievers. Bill approached this hobby with the same vigor and commitment as he did his professional career. In addition to hunting with and competing with his dogs, he was a Past President of the Master National Retriever Club and the current President of the MNRC Foundation.

Bill is survived by his wife, Lynn, with whom he shared almost 38 years of travel, adventure, and joy; his sons, whom he loved with all his heart - Tim Teague (Melissa Roberts) of Corpus Christi and Jim Teague (LeaAnn) of Baton Rouge, LA; and Pop's greatest joy, his grandsons Wade and James also of Baton Rouge. He is also survived by mother-in-law Ruby Russell of Little Rock, AR and brothers-in-law Mike Russell (Melissa) of Jonesboro, AR, Phil Russell (Melinda) of Germantown, TN, and Steven Russell (Tina) of Little Rock, AR. Additional survivors are his aunt Althea "Pinky" Wade Milby of Edna, TX, numerous cousins, nieces, nephews, and his beloved dog "Cinder".

Bill's family wishes to express deep appreciation for the care given by NMC, MDACC, Drs. Gerard Ventura, Mark Cline, Lloyd Whitley, John Nguyen and Courtney DiNardo, The Hospice of East Texas, and Rhonda and Tenny, who made his last days more comfortable. A service celebrating Bill's life will be held at a later date as will interment. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to First United Methodist Church of Nacogdoches, 201 E. Hospital Street, Nacogdoches, TX 75961; The Blood Center of East Texas, 3520 N. University, Nacogdoches, TX 75965, or The Master National Retriever Club Foundation, P.O. Box 444, Columbia, TN 38402-0444.

**So remember,
"All days are good,
some are just better than others."
~Bill Teague**



Rotary Club of Nacogdoches -December 23, 2020:

The Reverend Karl Kuhn, Rector at Christ Episcopal Church in Nacogdoches was speaker at a recent noon meeting of the Rotary Club of Nacogdoches. Reverend Kuhn provided the club's traditional Christmas message which was enjoyed and appreciated by all in attendance. Pictured left to right are MaryAnn Bentley, Program Chairman, Reverend Kuhn and Donna Finley, Club President.