

## The Rotary Club of Nacogdoches

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

---borrowed

#2041 - District 5910

The 24th of February 2021  
Peace and Conflict Resolution Month

Rotary



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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

### Program Today

Sharon Ninness, PhD  
HOPE – Helping Other People Eat  
Introduction by Gary Lee Ashcraft

Dr. Sharon Ninness currently serves on the Board of Nacogdoches HOPE Food Panty, which is a partner agency of the Nacogdoches Area United Way and the East Texas Food Bank. This organization provides supplemental food and nutrition information to Nacogdoches County residents with food insecurity. At HOPE, Sharon is the manager of Jo's Diner—A Kitchen of HOPE, the coordinator of the evening food distribution, and the director of a new Pantry Expansion Project. Dr. Ninness also serves as the chair of the Nacogdoches County Hunger Relief Coalition, which sponsors countywide produce drops and community resources roadshows. In addition, Sharon teaches doctoral courses at Texas A&M University--Commerce in the Department of Educational Leadership as an adjunct instructor, conducts educational research, and writes journal articles and grants. Her awards include the Phi Delta Kappa TAMU-C Chapter Service Key Award, the Phi Delta Kappa SFA Chapter Service Award, Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges, and Who's Who in American Education. She has presented research at state, national, and international conferences—many of these studies have been published in journals and books. Dr. Ninness also serves on the Board of Solid Foundation.

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

### March 2021 Programs Jimmy Mize, Program Chmn

3 March	Alaina Chafin – Planner for the City of Nacogdoches – Planning the Future of Nacogdoches
10 March	Bill Plunkett – Lake Officer Lake Naconiche Lake Update and Needs for the Future
17 March	Shannon Conklin, Jon Hughes & John Hasbun HCH Aviation partnering with SFASU to offer flight training in the Fall of 2021
24 March	Amanda Johnson – The Helping House Program Update and Upcoming Needs
31 March	The Rev. Brian Tyre – New Hope Church An Easter Message

### 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.

	2021
April	Francis Spruiell
May	Ron Collins
June	Ken Deppisch

### Last Week

President Donna Finley with the gavel, Farrar and MaryAnn Bentley served as the greeters. All the ladies were presented with a Valentine red carnation. Sgt-at-arms Jim Stallworth prepared for the meeting, MaryAnn Bentley gave the "Family of Rotary" report, Larry Stanaland led the singing and the Pledge, Emily Alders Farrell provided the music, MaryAnn Bentley gave the invocation, and Lisa King introduced the guests and visitors. President Donna Finley introduced our newest Rotarian, Carol Gandy.

Program Chairman Gary Lee Ashcraft introduced our Valentine Program, Nita Hudson, faculty member in the SFASU department of Music.

Nita and her three students presented these 1950s romantic classics:

"Some Enchanted Evening" Rogers and Hammerstein  
"Secret Love" from Calamity Jane, 1953  
"Be My Love" Mario Lanza  
"Someone to Watch Over Me" George Gershwin

### Our Guests Last Week

Charlotte Ashcraft was the guest of Miles McCall, Shauna Attaway was the guest of James Attaway, Chris Bentley was the guest of Farrar Bentley, Anne Bentley was the guest of Farrar Bentley, Mary Ann Derby was the guest of Jim Stallworth, Cindy Himes was the guest of Buddy Himes, Lisa Mize was the guest of Jimmy Mize, Tina Nelson was the guest of Jack Nelson, Jiny Preble was the guest of Floyd Dobbs, Debbie Wages was the guest of George Wages, Jessica Williams was the guest of Hans Williams, Mary Ann Young, guest of John Young.

### Fredonia Club Visitors

Charlotte Ashcraft  
Michael Caldwell

## New Rotarian Carol Gandy

Raised in Woodville, Texas by Max and Joan Graham, Carol loved being active in the community. She was a part of the Dogwood Festival Historic Play each year and when she was a senior, she was chosen as Lady in Waiting to the Dogwood Queen. Carol moved to Longview area in 1986. She worked as a secretary for Satterwhite Log Homes and Ronny Wall Inc. until her children were older, then started back to school at Kilgore College to pursue her dream of becoming a nurse. While working at Good Shepherd Medical Center, in many different departments, Carol earned her Associate of Nursing Degree from Kilgore College. She went to work in the Emergency Department. When her parents needed her to help them, she moved back to Woodville and worked in the Emergency Department at Jasper Memorial Hospital as a charge nurse. She learned that the physicians from Good Shepherd Medical Center were opening a Freestanding Emergency Room in Nacogdoches, she quickly applied for a prn RN position. Because they knew her and her work history, they offered her the position of Facility Administrator. Excel ER opened in June of 2015 and she has loved becoming part of the Nacogdoches community. Carol is married to Barry Gandy and combined they have four children. Carol has two daughters, Leigh Anne Carver, the Community/Employer Relations Manager at Nacogdoches Medical Center and husband, James Carver is a Coach/Teacher at Center High School. They have two children, Max 4 and Birdie 4 months. Morgan Rogers is the Director of Sales/Events at the Fredonia and husband Cody works at Storer Services. Barry has a son, Dillan Gandy and wife Devan in Lake Charles, and daughter, Bayleigh Rigdon, husband Gyth and daughter Ivy Ray in Moss Bluff, Louisiana. They enjoy riding motorcycles and spending time with family. Carol's husband Barry has a business, Thunder's Millworks and Custom Furniture which keeps them busy.

### Rotary Billing

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 [wkentferguson@gmail.com](mailto: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.

### Satellite Rotary Club

This message is for ALL active Nacogdoches Rotary Club members!

Even though you may not be part of the Satellite Group, YOU ARE ALWAYS INVITED!

Second Tuesday of the month, 5:30 p.m., Napoli's Restaurant

Communication from Jim Roberts:

The Satellite Group will meet again at Napoli's Tuesday, February 9th at 5:30pm and we have plenty of room for social distancing, etc. You are welcome to order food and drink, or just enjoy the fellowship along with the program.



WEATHERBUG  
NACOGDOCHES  
TUESDAY,  
FEBRUARY 16  
7:53AM

## YOU'RE A GRAND OLD FLAG

You're a grand old flag  
You're a high-flying flag  
And forever in peace may you wave  
You're the emblem of  
The land I love  
The home of the free and the brave  
Ev'ry heart beats true  
Under red, white and blue  
Where there's never a boast or brag  
But should old acquaintance be forgot  
Keep your eye on the grand old flag



### Rotary Club of Nacogdoches - February 10, 2021:

Nita Hudson, Lecturer and Instructor of Voice and Opera in the School of Music at Stephen F. Austin State University provided a special Valentines Program at a recent noon meeting of the Rotary Club of Nacogdoches. Ms. Hudson and SFA Students, Cole Jones, Senior Music Major and Anthony Perez, Junior Music Major accompanied by SFA Staff Pianist Mary Cooper performed a number of Valentines themed selections. The program displayed some of the great musical talent existing at SFA and was enjoyed by all in attendance. Carol Gandy, RN and Facility Administrator of Excel ER in Nacogdoches was introduced as a new member of the club by Kent Ferguson, Rotary Membership Chairman. Pictured left to right are Gary Ashcraft, Program Chairman, Ms. Hudson, Mr. Perez, Mr. Jones, Ms. Cooper, Ms. Gandy, Mr. Ferguson and Donna Finley, Club President.

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

Adopt-a-Highway Trash Pick-up Bike Ride	Contact: Milton Mooror _____ 552.1994 Contact: Ray Mitchum _____ 554.8156 Juan Gonzales _____ 903.530.1727
Calling on Rotarians	Contact: MaryAnn Bentley _____ 569.7447 or _____ 556.0268
Greeting Committee High School Exchange Program Literacy Committee Meet the Jacks Fish Fry Mobile Library	Contact: Kent Ferguson _____ 281.847.9880 Contact: Dave Wallace _____ 371.3033 Contact: Barbara Qualls _____ 972.351.7078 Contact: Ed Pool _____ 564.2622 Contact: Ed Pool _____ 564.2622 Larissa Philpot _____ 554.9980
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