



Noel A. Bajat & Sis
Rotary International Vice President 2011-2012
Rotary International Director 2010-2012
Rotary Foundation Trustee 2013-2017

Noel earned a BS degree in Business Administration, majoring in Finance, from the University of Southwestern Louisiana and is currently a Director of Abbeville Building & Loan. He retired in 2013 after serving as President and CEO of Abbeville Building & Loan for 23 years. He has been a member of four Rotary Clubs and is currently a member of the Rotary Club of Lafayette South. He served as District 6200 Governor in 1998-99. Noel is a Navy veteran whose service included action during the Cuban Crisis.

He is the recipient of the Rotary International "Service above Self" Award, the Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service and the Rotary Foundation Distinguished Service Award.

Noel has served Rotary in many capacities at the District and Zone Level and has also been active at the International level of Rotary having served as a National Advisor to the Permanent Fund and Zone Leader/Coordinator for various Rotary International Task Forces.

Noel was a Delegate to the 2004 Council on Legislation, Member of the Executive Committee for the Osaka International Institute and an International Training Leader at the 2004 and 2005 Rotary International Assemblies. He has also served as a Discussion Facilitator at the 2006 Malmö-Copenhagen International Convention the 2007 Salt Lake City International Convention and the 2011 New Orleans International Convention. Noel and Sis served as Senior Leader Sergeant at Arms to R.I. President D.K. Lee and Young at the 2008 International Convention in Los Angeles.

He also served as Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator for the 2006 – 2009 Rotary years and has been a guest speaker at numerous clubs, District PET's, District Assemblies, District Conferences and International Institutes in several states and in England, Japan & Canada. He also was given the honor of opening the International Convention in Bangkok, Thailand.

Noel served as a Director of Rotary International and as a member of the Rotary Foundation PolioPlus Committee for the 2010-2012 Rotary years. He also served as the Liaison Director to the Rotary International Finance Committee during the 2010-2011 Rotary year.

He served as the Vice President of Rotary International for the 2011-2012 Rotary year and was elected to serve as a Trustee to the Rotary Foundation in 2012 for the 2013-2017 Rotary years.

Noel served on numerous committees during his term on the Rotary Foundation.

He and his wife Sis are Major Donors, Benefactors and Charter Members of the Bequest Society of the Rotary Foundation. They have four grown children and ten grandchildren. Sis is also an Honorary Rotarian.