

Monday, July 22, 2024

Leslie Thompson Named President-Elect



Club president Sue Bowman (above right) last week announced that Communications Committee chair Leslie Thompson has been named President-Elect of the Lewisville Noon Rotary. Leslie took over her late husband Craig's membership after his passing in 2018 and has played an active role for several years, previously serving as Membership chair and managing club communications since 2021-22. Her fellow Rotarians are excited to celebrate her future leadership role and wish her much success in 2025-26.

Interact Students Speak to the Impact of RYLA

Four Interact club officers from Lewisville High School (LHS) last week shared the podium as featured speakers for the Lewisville Noon Rotary's weekly meeting, telling the audience about their experience participating in the recent Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) camp.

RYLA is organized by Rotary clubs and districts to help students develop skills as a



Club Meetings

The Lewisville Noon club meets at Bistecca - An Italian Steakhouse
2300 Highland Village Rd.
Highland Village, TX 75077
Wednesdays at 12:00 PM

Events

August 3rd
Adopt A Spot August 2024

August 23rd
Special Abilities North Texas Ice Cream Social

Years of Service

John Kazor
06-30-2009
15 Years
Thomas R. Emmet
07-14-2021
3 Years
Jim Baker
07-07-2022
2 Years

Birthdays

Audrey L. Stansbury
August 1st
Melanie Robinson
August 4th
Sue Bowman
August 8th

KTLA is organized by Rotary clubs and districts to help students develop skills as a leader while having fun and making connections. The Lewisville Noon club sponsors students each summer and the Rotarians very much enjoy hearing how the participants engage in individual and team leadership building activities.



L to R Interact's™ new sponsor and Rotary liaison, Julie Williams, Ashlynn Duckworth, Julianna Narvaez, Rotary President Sue Bowman, Hazel Hamilton, Patricia Thang, and Rotarian Allison Starrey. [Click photo to open full-size image.](#)

LHS Interact president Patricia Thang (pictured below) spoke about the Shelterbox program and her experience with the initiative that helps people who have been displaced by a natural disaster.



Matt Michel
August 8th
Mike Ball
August 11th
Nina Hernandez
August 16th

Speakers

Club Officers

Sue Bowman

President

Melanie Robinson

Secretary

Eyad Salloum

iPast President
Treasurer

Steven Cox

Rotary
Foundation
Chair

Dwayne Middleton

Membership
Chair

Leslie

Thompson

Communications
Chair &
President-Elect

Rachel Roberts

Sergeant-at-
Arms

Kathy M

Travis

Youth Services
Chair

LHS Interact Treasurer Hazel Hamilton said she learned an important lesson from a game called Promises Promises, in which students were assigned a country and had to negotiate with other "countries" In the current political climate, "It's better to see what the other person is saying rather than making an opinion," she noted.

Julianna Narvaez, LHS Interact Community Service Officer, spoke on a community service project and the value of environmental stewardship. She also witnessed how even a small project could make a very positive impact in the community.

LHS Interact Vice President Ashlyn Duckworth said RYLA was one of the best experiences she and her peers have had. "There's so much I could say," she commented, adding that everyone at the three-day event was welcoming. Even though the students experienced some tense moments during a few of the activities, "We learned you're not going to get along with everybody in life, but you learn to navigate around that," she said. She also was impressed by seeing so many people with a passion for service come together with a common purpose.

Club president Sue Bowman also introduced Julie Williams as the new Interact sponsor/Rotary liaison from LHS. We look forward to working with Julie to support the program and seeing these young leaders put the lessons learned at RYLA into practice in the new school year. They are sure to achieve great things in our community through Interact!