

# THE COGWHEEL

## Rotary Club of Lafayette



### Rotary Club of Lafayette Meeting

Petroleum Club Lafayette  
Thursdays at NOON

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### MAY 23, 2024 GUEST SPEAKER WARREN PERRIN

Warren Perrin graduated from Henry High School in 1965, USL in 1969 and LSU Law School in 1972 and is currently a Skills' professor at Loyola Law School in New Orleans.

He has received several awards and recognitions. The French-American Chamber of Commerce honored him on January 20, 2004, with a special Cultural Achievement award.

In 1994, Governor Edwards appointed him as President of CODOFIL, the Council for the Development of the French, and was re-appointed by three other governors; Foster, Blanco and Jindal.

Perrin has worked tirelessly to promote the francophone culture. He has developed new initiatives, programs and organizations to involve the African-Americans, the Creoles, and the Houma native people of Louisiana in the movement to restore pride in their unique cultures. In recognition, he was the recipient of the "Cajun of the Year" award by the Cajun French Music Association.

From 1979 until 2003, Perrin was an adjunct professor at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Further, he was the co-founder of the Francophone Section of the Louisiana Bar Association and the Babineaux International Civic Law Symposium. In recognition of those efforts, he was given the award of *L'École de Droit* by the University of Moncton in 1991. Presently, he serves as Chairperson of the Francophone Section.

From 1993-94, Perrin served as President of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette Alumni Association. In recognition of his services to his alma mater, Perrin was named by President Ray Authement to serve in the Professional Services Division of the university's Centennial Campaign. He founded the Human Rights Conference held in conjunction with *Festival International de Louisiane*, which annually presented programs dealing with cultural and minority rights.

In 1987, he was inducted into UL of Lafayette's Athletic Hall of Fame for his athletic achievements: he was a member of the USL Weightlifting Teams that won the National Collegiate Weightlifting Championships in 1966, 1967 and 1968.

In 1979, Perrin was named by LSU to head its Alumni Fund drive in Acadiana. He served on the Board of Directors of "Friends of French Studies" at LSU and has been a panelist for legal seminars at the LSU Law Center.

He is married to Mary Lenny Broussard, and they have three children: daughter Rebecca Perrin Ouellet, married to Jean Ouellet; son Andrew Perrin, married to Coree Perrin; and son Bruce Perrin. Perrin has four grandchildren.



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Vocational Service Director



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iPast President  
Past President

## District

Ken Firmin  
District Governor  
Craig Walling  
DG-Elect  
Chris Duhan  
DG-Nominee

## Birthdays

Susan M. Sewall  
May 26th  
Mary B. Neiheisel  
May 30th  
W. Donner Mizelle  
June 1st  
Michael J. Breaux  
June 2nd  
Michael J. Grimsley  
June 7th

## Club Member Anniversaries

W. Donner Mizelle  
06-01-1984  
40 Years  
Quincy C. Hilliard  
06-02-1994  
30 Years  
Stella C. Theriot  
05-23-2002  
22 Years  
Gabriel Delhomme  
05-22-2003  
21 Years  
Joel A. Fruge  
05-26-2011  
13 Years  
Geremy A. Garcia  
06-02-2022  
2 Years  
Ahmed Khattab  
06-01-2023  
1 Year  
Erran Matter  
06-01-2023  
1 Year

## Recap of May 16, 2024 Meeting - Ms. Rubye Noble Evans

Ruby Noble Evans, co-founder of The Extra Mile, a Louisiana-based non-profit community model that serves the mental health community of Louisiana was the May 16, 2024 guest speaker. Ms. Evans spoke on three major areas: mental illness, mental health, and advocacy. She presented a brief story of her brother's struggles with mental illness and how she has been his advocate for many years. She provided information on the three severe mental illnesses (schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, and clinical depression) and cited unique challenges and statistics of mental illness. She feels that mental health care and advocacy are vital for mental illness, which is a treatable brain disease.



## ARCH KLUMPH SOCIETY RECOGNITION

Dr. Don and Mrs. Cindy Mizelle were recently recognized for their generosity to the Rotary Foundation by receiving the Arch Klumph Society Award. The award recognizes the foundation's highest tier of donors. Presenting the award to Dr. Don and Mrs. Cindy is past district governor and District Foundation Chairman Greg Landry.



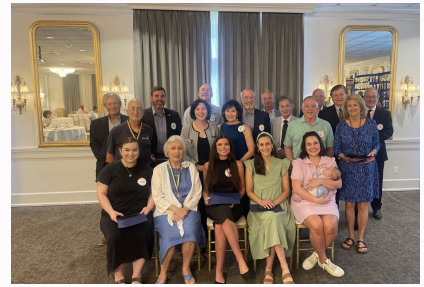
## MAJOR DONOR RECOGNITION

Mr. Stan Messinger and his wife Ann have achieved Rotary Foundation Major Donor status. Recognizing Stan and Ann with Major Donor pins is District Governor Ken Firmin.



### PAUL HARRIS FELLOW RECOGNITION

The Lafayette Rotary weekly meeting recognized several new Paul Harris fellows. Pictured here is the latest recipients. Thanks to all for your generosity!



### Proposed New Member

The following has been proposed for membership in the Rotary Club of Lafayette. If no written objection, stating reason(s) for the objection, is received within seven (7) days, he will be eligible to be inducted into the club. Written objections can be sent to Executive Secretary Loretta Tauzin at [tauzin@cox.net](mailto:tauzin@cox.net) or President Kay Theunissen at [ktheunissen@mandllaw.com](mailto:ktheunissen@mandllaw.com).

Name: Mark Barton  
Classification: Engineering - Petroleum  
Proposed by: Paula Mendoza



### LOUISIANA WOMEN ARTISTS' EXHIBIT

From July 13 through 27, 2024, FAITH HOUSE will be sponsoring the fourth annual Louisiana Women Artists' Exhibit. Items for bid will be placed on display during the month of July and bids may be placed at that time. The event will be held at the Acadiana Center for the Arts, 101 W. Vermilion Street, Lafayette, La.

For more information, please contact Jaik Falk at the ACA at 337-233-7060 or Mary Neiheisel at 337-278-4241.



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR -- UPCOMING EVENTS

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JUNE 27 INSTALLATION BANQUET

IN THE WORKS/DATES TBD:

- May/June - more Rotary Point work days
- June/July - William's Brothers Diaper Drive

-MORE POP-UP SOCIALS: WINE TASTING, VISIT TO ROTARY ARCHIVES AT UL LIBRARY AND THEN COCKTAILS, TAP ROOM WHEN SEAN TRCALEK PLAYS, BRUNCH  
-DINNER WITH FAMILY PROMISE  
-POP-UP COFFEE AT HUB CITY DINNER RE ROTARY MENTORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES  
STAY TUNED!..



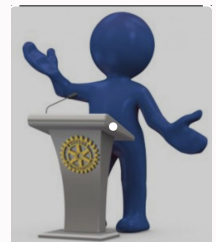
### UPCOMING GUEST SPEAKERS

May 30, 2024-LSU Eunice-Chancellor Nancy Sorenson

June 6, 2024-Media in the 21st Century-Sean Trcalek

June 13, 2024-Vaccines-Brent Prather

June 20, 2024-Hearing the Deaf-Nancy Nicholson



### HYBRID MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

This week's meeting will be a hybrid meeting with in-person lunch at the Petroleum Club at noon, and the meeting will also be broadcast via Zoom.

Log-in information for attending via Zoom is listed below:  
Using a computer/laptop you can simply click the link below:

Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74976622814?pwd=WGc1dnFmZlRCVjVUNzFlU0hGdS9zdz09>

Dial by your location  
+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)  
Meeting ID: 749 7662 2814  
Passcode: 044754

### THE FOUR WAY TEST

*Of the things we think, say, or do.*

Is it the Truth?  
Is it Fair to all Concerned?  
Will it Build Goodwill and Better Friendships?  
Will it be Beneficial to all Concerned?