

# **Guest Speaker - Neil Anthony**



BORN IN FRANKLIN, LOUISIANA NEIL ANTHONY THIBODAUX ROSE TO THE RANK OF SEARGENT THIBODAUX IN THE UNITED STATES AIRFORCE IN BITBURY GERMANY SERVING FROM 1979-1982. F-15 STRIKE EAGLE MECHANIC AND HELPED WIN THE COLD WAR AGAINST SOVIET UNION. **DEPLOYMENTS TO** ITALY CREATED A LOVE FOR ITALY AND ALLOWED HIM TO RESIDE IT ITALY FOR 13 YEARS. THERE LEARNING THE ITALIAN, SICILIAN METHODS AND INGREDIENTS OF REGIONAL COOKING, EARNING THE NAME CHEF NINO. RETURNING TO THE USA IN 2004 STARTED AS A CHEF ENTREPRENEUR. WORKING WITH **ROUSES AS** MARKETING CHEF FOR 15 YEARS, WGNO NEW

ORLEANS ABC 4 YEARS, AND FOX 10 MOBILE FOR 4 YEARS, AND HUMANA FOR 12 YEARS. NOW EXCLUSIVELY WITH HUMANA AND OCSHNER TEACHING COOKING CLASSES AND FILMING NATIONAL VIRTUAL CLASSES. CHEF ENTERTAINMENT AND PERFOMANCES AND CLASSES NUMBERING WELL OVER 3000 EVENTS IN 20 YEARS. CREATOR OF 4 SPICE BLENDS, ADRENALINE CAJUN SEASONING, MAKE IT MEXICAN, MAKE IT CARIBBEAN, AND MAKE IT ITALAN, CAN BE BOUGHT AT A FEW HUNDRED LOCATIONS. MIDDLE AUGUST HIS BOOK HOW TO START A CIRCUS, SHARING HIS 20-YEAR JOURNEY, OF HOW TO START A BUSINESS WITH JUST AN IDEA!

# **ROD - Mary Aucoin**

Mary Aucoin Joined Rotary in 2022 and was proposed by Stacy Solet.
Retired Supervisor of Special Education and 504 Programs for Terrebonne Parish School District.
Hobbies include gardening, decorating, cooking, and, of course, shopping.
Married to Bryan, and have two adorable poodles, Jacques and Gigi.
Why Rotary? After helping children and adults for over 39 years as an educator, I found a void in my life when I retired. I missed interactions with others at the beginning of my retirement, and was extremely bored. I felt like I still had a lot left to give, and wanted to give back to my hometown and community. Rotary gives me the opportunity to volunteer at community events, and I have met many new friends through weekly meetings and volunteering!



# Weekly Words of Wisdom - Julia Child

"In cooking you've got to have a what-the-hell attitude." - Julia Child

### Announcements: The Annual Club Cast Iron Cook-Off March 15, 2025

Saturday, March 15, 2025, Houma Rotary Cast Iron CookOff - Downtown Houma

## Weekly Luncheon - January 15, 2025

Cabbage Roll and Grilled Pork Chops Gratin potatoes and Roasted Potatoes Seasoned Corn and Black Eyed Peas Salad, Dessert, and Coffee

# Rotary Club of Houma - InterAct and EarlyAct activities



Hey club members, the 2024/2025 school year is upon us! That means the start of our activities with HL Bourgeois High School InterAct Club and the EarlyAct Clubs with Coteau Bayou Blue Elementary School, St. Mathews School and Mulberry Elementary School are under way. Please join us throughout the year by engaging in the activities our club gets involved with to assist these young student leaders of Terrebonne Parish.

Schedule of meeting dates:
HL Bourgeois High School meetings are from 12:00 p.m. to 12:25 p.m. on 1/23, 2/6, 2/20, 3/13, 3/27, 4/3, 4/17, 5/1 Coteau Bayou Blue Elementary School meetings are from 7:30 a.m. to 8 a.m. on 1/14, 2/4, 3/11,

4/1, 5/6
Mulberry Elementary School meetings are from 7:30 a.m. to 8 a.m. on 1/22, 2/19, 3/19, 4/16, 5/21

#### **Events**

No Events found

#### **Years of Service**

### **Birthdays**

Miles Forrest January 15th Travis Lavigne January 18th Aubrey Orgeron Jr. January 30th Mary P Aucoin January 16th Mary Lynn Bisland January 24th Seth Guidry January 16th Chamon L Williams January 29th

### **District Officers**



<u>Craig Walling</u> District Governor



Chris Duhon DG-Elect



Margaretta Mayes DG-Nominee

### **Club Officers**



<u>Craig Hebert</u> President



John K. Tipton Jr. President-Elect



<u>David M Ohlmeyer</u> Secretary



Katie L Portier Treasurer



Brenda M. Faucheux Club Executive Secretary

### **Club Meeting**

Houma Meets at Plantation Inn - Houma Plantation Inn 1381 W Tunnel Blvd Houma, LA 70360

Time: Wednesday at 12:00 PM