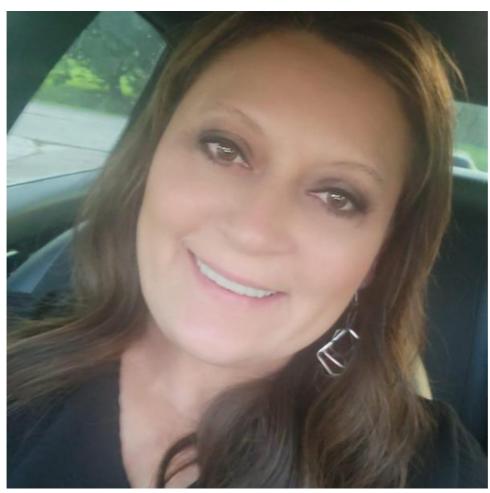


Guest Speaker - Racquel Parfait - START Corporation - Veteran Peer Support



Racquel Parfait -START Corporation-Veteran Peer Support Specialist & Outreach Coordinator Active Volunteer Work & Membership: ? LaPAAC-Louisiana Peer Action Advocacy Coalition ? VFW Raceland Post 3665- Senior Vice Commander & State Board for Women Veterans ? People's Patriot Project-Community Outreach Director ? American Foundation for Suicide Prevention-Louisiana Board of Directors & National Veteran Advisory Committee ? American Legion Post 31 ? Disabled American Veterans Chapter 9 ? Houma Elks Lodge 1193- Veterans Committee Member? Bayou Beer Society ? Region 3 Mental Health Coalition Member US Army Veteran, mother of 3 daughters, have 7 grandchildren, huge advocate for Veterans and Suicide Prevention, I am a Louisiana Recognized Peer & Family Peer Support Specialist through the LA Department of HealthOffice of

Behavioral Health and also a SafeTalk Suicide Prevention trainer.

ROD - Derek Chaisson

Rotarian of the Day Name: Derek Chaisson

Year you joined Rotary: 2012

Name of Rotarian who proposed you to join the Rotary Club of Houma: Louis "Spunky†Routier

Employer/Company and your position: United Community Bank Senior Vice President Commercial Lending

Hobbies: Hunting, Fishing, Coaching youth shooting, anything outdoors

Family information that you would like to share:

Since graduating from Nicholls State University in 1999, Derek has been in the finance/banking industry. Derek is married to Angela Rhodes Chaisson, and they have 4 children, ages 25, 24, 22, & 13. His hobbies include hunting, fishing, coaching youth shooting, and just about anything outdoors.

A brief statement explaining why you accepted the invitation to become a Rotarian:

Derek decided to join Rotary because he wanted to make a positive difference in his community. He realized that the Rotary Club of Houma does just that, and he has been very active in serving on the board, various committees, and community projects. Derek has a passion for the work of Rotary and its commitment to our community and the world.



Announcements: Hurricane Helene Relief



September 27, 2024

RE: Hurricane Helene Relief (Florida & Georgia)

Good morning,

Now that the storm has passed and the devastation of Hurricane Helene is beginning to be realized, our Foundation has begun to reach out to our Rotary District to determine how we can assist those affected Rotarians and their communities. With that said, we will have a "can shake" on Wednesday during our luncheon for any of our members who might be interested in making a personal donation, in addition to our club's efforts.

We all know from our own experiences the reality of what these communities will deal with as they begin the clean-up today, and the knowledge that as they begin to re-build, that the recovery will be years in the making. So, I hope you will join me in lifting our fellow Rotarians and Americans in prayer for the lives lost, the businesses shuttered, and the homes destroyed.

I thank you for letting me reach out to you this morning, and I hope you all have an amazing weekend. Enjoy the cooler weather!!

Sincerely,

Craig Hebert

Rotary Club of Houma - President

Weekly Luncheon - October 2, 2024

Cabbage Rolls and Grilled Pork Chops Tater Tot Casserole and Fried Rice Green Beans and Mixed Vegetables 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 10/3, 10/17, 11/7, 11/21, 12/5, 12/19, 1/9, 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 10/8, 11/12, 12/10, 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 10/16, 11/13, 12/11, 1/22, 2/19, 3/19, 4/16, 5/14

St. Mathews School meetings are from

Events

Years of Service

Christian D Lapeyre 1 Year Janie A. Cypret 0 Years Chamon L Williams 1 Year John P Sherk 0 Years Chad M Adams 1 Year

Birthdays

Ashlee Esther Champagne October 2nd Robert S. Utley October 13th Carroll Parr October 31st John P Sherk October 5th Stacy V Solet October 23rd Mark Hudson Lee October 6th Darryl K. Christen October 26th

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



<u>Katie L Portier</u> 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