

# ROTARIPOST

APRIL 18, 2023



## KAREN JOHNSON

Karen Johnson moved to the Shreveport area in 2009 and began investing in residential rental properties later that year. She sold her Accounting Practice in Baton Rouge before moving to NW Louisiana, and was ready to expand her horizons. One of her favorite games is “Monopoly” and she says that investing in rental properties is like playing Monopoly with real money. Karen obtained her Real Estate License in 2019 primarily for her own investment activities. In 2020 she decided to become an active Realtor offering her services to home buyers and investors in NW Louisiana.

Karen holds a degree in Accounting from McNeese State University and an MBA from Louisiana State University-Shreveport. In her first career as a CPA, Karen was exposed to the complicated compliance issues in real estate when she served as an Internal Auditor in the Banking Industry. She was also the Loan Accounting Manager for a large regional bank, exposing her to the loan process from beginning to end. Karen also continues to serve business clients in her role as Executive Business Coach and Corporate Trainer. Her passion is helping others achieve their dreams. Serving as a Realtor allows her to help friends and neighbors find the home of their dreams.

Karen joined the Shreveport Rotary Club in September, 2015. She is a former member of the Capital City and Bossier City Clubs. Karen was the Assistant District Governor 2018-2019; District Governor Elect 2020-2021; District Governor 2021-2022. Karen is a Paul Harris Fellow +8 and a Major Donor, Level 2. Karen is a devoted and involved Rotarian.

Karen has been married to her soulmate, Kirk, since 1997. She has three grown children. Karen Johnson was raised in Sugartown, Louisiana. Her career as a CPA took her to San Antonio, Texas and then to Baton Rouge, Louisiana. She comes from a background of almost 40 years in business and brings her accounting and coaching skills to bear when working with her real estate clients.



## ROTARIANS SERVING OTHERS:

GREETER: [MEG GOORLEY](#)

RAFFLE TICKETS: [MARK CREWS](#)

LUNCH MONEY: [JAMES ADAMS](#)

INVOCATION: [ROBERT MCGOWEN](#)

ZOOM PILOT: [KRISTEN POWERS](#)

MUSIC: [ROSS SMITH](#)

## PAUL HARRIS FELLOW

**Justin Lord** is an Assistant Professor at LSU Shreveport. He has a Ph.D. in Administration- Health Services from the University of Alabama at Birmingham and a Bachelor's and Master's Degree from Jacksonville State University. He is a devoted father of two: Emily and Ethan!



## PAUL HARRIS FELLOW

**Chris Holoman** surprised **Coach Dawson** by making him a Paul Harris Fellow after his presentation. A well-deserved honor as we are certain Coach Dawson will make quite the impact in the Shreveport-Bossier Community through the Centenary Football Program!

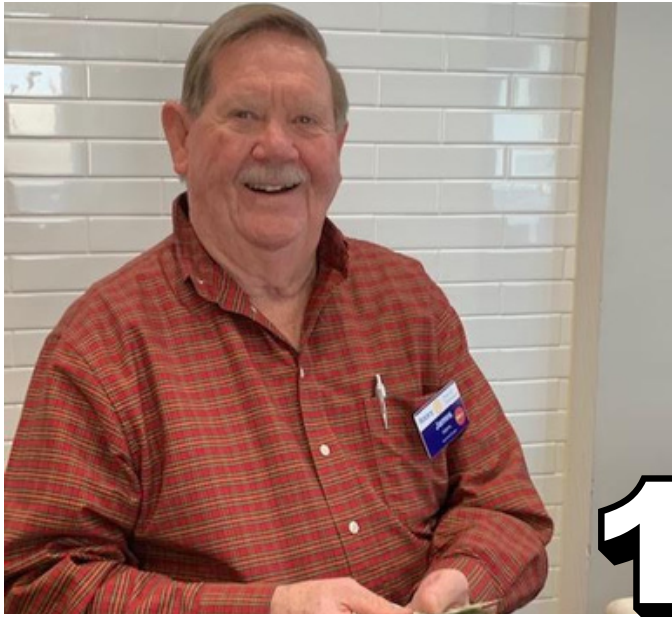


## CENTENARY + ROTARY

Centenary College group from left: Coach Byron Dawson; Archer Frierson; President of Centenary, Chris Holoman; George Nelson; and Wishy Nolan. Archer Frierson is Chair of Centenary Board of Trustees. George is past Chair of the Board of Trustees and current Secretary of the Board. Wishy Nolan was just awarded an Honorary Doctorate from Centenary.



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1. We are so happy to have James Adams back at the money table! You're the best, James!
2. Robert McGowen with a question for coach.
3. Jesse Gilmore with a question for coach.
4. Steve Aiken, Ross Smith, and L.A.E. belting out God Bless America!
5. Chris Holoman and his lovely wife Connie.
6. Joe Littlejohn and his guests Dr. Barbara Davis and John Davis.

Upcoming Program: April 25, 2023

LATORI THOMAS, UNITED WAY, DOLLY PARTON BOOK CLUB

# Remembering **GRADY GOLDEN**

January 1, 1940 - April 9, 2023

[Click here to read the entire obituary.](#)



Grady Golden became a Rotarian on January 1, 1968. The positive impact he made on our club and our community through his 55 years of service will never be forgotten.



## APRIL 11TH RAFFLE WINNERS

- TRF Raffle:
  - Larry Evensky
- Rose Neath Flowers:
  - Gene Richardson
- Eggs from Andy Shehee's Hens:
  - Robert McGowen
- I ❤️ Shreveport Mug from Tom Arceneaux:
  - Charlie Henington



*Leigh Anne Evensky*

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