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**SM – Sustaining Member**

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### Honorary Members

Cassius Clay PH	Gilbert Lyon, Jr.
Ken Daniel	Mary Sue Lyon
Archie Duplechain PH	Ronnie Oustalet
Jay Fear PH	

## Make-ups

Club	Day//Time	Location
Crowley	T Noon	Crowley Town Club
Eunice	W 12:10	Ardoin's
Jennings	T Noon	Walkers: Holiday Inn
Kaplan	Th Noon	KC Hall
Kinder	T Noon	UMC Annex
Greater Lake Charles	W Noon	Reeve's Uptown
Lake Charles	T Noon	Pioneer Club
Mamou	W Noon	Mamou Teen Center
Oakdale	Th Noon	Beth's Restaurant
Sulphur	W Noon	Frasch Park Rec.
Sulphur	F 7:00	West Cal-Cam Hospital
Sunrise		
Westlake	Th Noon	Farraday's

Club Members are encouraged to make up meetings at the above clubs, to promote fellowship and increase attendance. If you are traveling out of the area, ask JIMBO or BECKY to locate a club for you in your area of travel.

# THE THRESHER

THE ROTARY CLUB OF WELSH

ESTABLISHED – JUNE 6, 1936



September 16, 2010

**Ray Klinginsmith**  
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**Jim Wright, President**  
**Kyle Todd, President – Elect**  
**Becky Hudson, Secretary Treasurer**

## Today's Program

Sam Fontenot presents

**Dr. Linda LeBert Corbello**

Director of Jeff Davis Parish Libraries

# JIM'S JAB...



We welcome our guest speaker, **Dr Linda LeBert Corbello**, who has recently published a very interesting book, *In the Shadow of My Brother's Cold Blood*. Please welcome her to our club.

**Becky** and **I** had a great time at her 50<sup>th</sup> class reunion visiting with old friends and watching the Rockies play the Padres. Thank you **President-Elect Kyle** for doing such a terrific job presiding and taking charge of **'Roasting with Rosie'** Fundraiser. Kudos to the **club** and **you** for putting Service Above Self.

Today we welcome our 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade **September Students of the Month** from Welsh Roanoke Junior High and their guidance counselor, Beth Hebert.

## Upcoming Programs and Events

If you see your name here, please call **KYLE** with your program as early as possible **734-4606** or **409.656-0441**.

September 23 - Jim Wright - State Senator Dan, "Blade" Morrish and Representative Johnny Guinn

September 30 - Mary Gaudin

October 7 - Arlene Heinen

October 14 - Paul Guillory

## Rotary clubs remain committed to Katrina recovery effort

*Humanitarian group's international convention in New Orleans, delayed four years by the storm, will pump millions into the local economy in May of 2011*

Five years ago, the devastation wrought by Hurricane Katrina made it impossible for New Orleans to host the Rotary International convention as planned in June 2007.

But even as they coped with their own personal and professional losses and pitched in to rebuild their communities, New Orleans area Rotary club members remained determined that the humanitarian organization's most important annual meeting would return when the city was ready. Their dream will be realized May 21 through 25, 2011, when more than 17,000 Rotary members from around the world will convene in the Crescent City for the first time in 35 years, injecting a much needed infusion of at least \$20 million into the local economy.

After Katrina ravaged New Orleans and the Gulf Coast on August 29, 2005, Rotary members worldwide raised more than \$19 million in donations and grants for relief and recovery efforts throughout the region. This includes a special Katrina Relief Fund that eventually exceeded \$1.9 million, with support from Rotary clubs as far away as Australia, Japan, Sweden, Panama, the United Kingdom and the Netherlands.

New Orleans Rotarians were particularly involved in the restoration of Warren Easton High School, which was severely damaged by the floodwaters that inundated much of the city. Rotary clubs in CA, FL, KY, MA, PA, NY and Germany helped raise \$60,000 for repairs. Rotary volunteers from CA

and other states joined their New Orleans counterparts during the sweltering



summer of 2006 to get the school ready for its

reopening. Project coordinator Henry Lowentritt, of the Rotary Club of New Orleans, said opening the city's schools was crucial to the overall recovery. "Teachers, parents, and kids who have left New Orleans won't be back without quality schools," he said.

In the immediate aftermath of the hurricane, the UK-based charity ShelterBox, supported by Rotary clubs worldwide, provided shelter kits benefiting 13,200 people. Rotary clubs launched and continue to support scores of humanitarian and educational projects throughout the region, such as re-supplying a library and establishing low-income housing in Pass Christian, MS.; and providing a van for a senior center in Slidell, LA to help with the influx of new clients.

Looking ahead to the 2011 New Orleans convention, Rotary's volunteer service again will be front-and-center as registrants can opt to participate in a local housing project and a wetlands restoration effort immediately before and after the sessions.