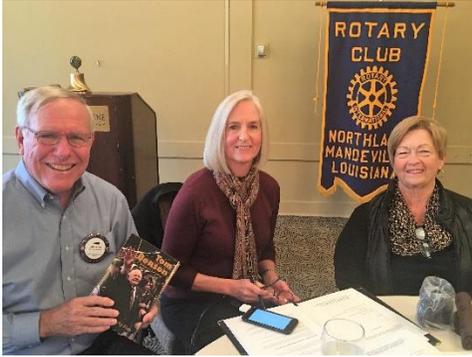


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WHAT'S HAPPENING? - The Weekly Newsletter of Northlake Mandeville Rotary - Vol. 1 No. 10



THERE WAS NO SNOW ON THURSDAY when our speaker *Kathy Finn signed copies of her book - Tom Benson: A Billionaire's Journey - for John and Kathy.*

Ms. Finn's presentation was very interesting. She told about Mr. Benson the bookkeeper, who made a huge fortune in the car business without ever selling a car (except maybe one or two by accident). Her unauthorized biography tells of some good things and bad things the San Antonio native did to get enough money to buy the New Orleans Saints. That turned out to be a very wise investment. Unfortunately, some of his very bad decisions with regard to his granddaughter caused a terrible family split. (The Saints lost Thursday night, but that had nothing to do with it!)



FIRST IT BLEW, THEN IT SNEW all day Friday. (Fun until the electricity went off for eight hours.)



Here are "during" and after shots of my place. There was still a lot of snow on the roof when I returned from mass on Sunday.



AND THEN THE SNOW VILLAGE is what you can see if you want to drop by the Aquarius Pools Building on the corner of Lafitte and Gen. Pershing Streets, just in case the real thing was not enough for you. Folks are looking at the display every night from 5:30 until 10:30 p.m.



What a nice thing for the kids and their parents Mandeville Rotarian Russ Cannizzaro and his Elves created again this year! After 20 years, it seems to be more popular than ever! Be sure to drop by with whatever kids you can recruit. (You can make out like you're not really interested in looking at it, and you are just doing it for them.)



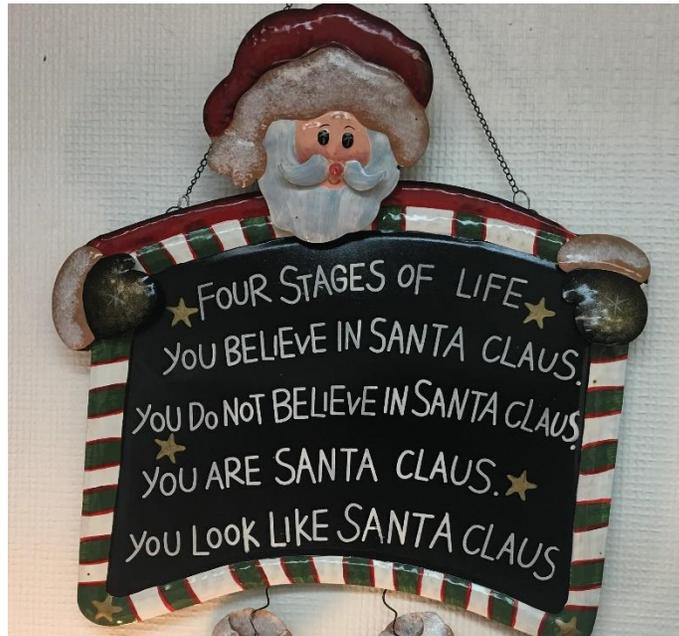
THE BOARD OF NORTHLAKE MANDEVILLE ROTARY MET MONDAY NIGHT

at Ted Ditmer's Office. All of our members are welcome (and even encouraged) to attend monthly Board meetings! Ben Motion showed up this time with a plan that will have Mandeville Rotary funding Micro-Grants for Teachers. The Board voted unanimously to begin a pilot program with the Chatta Ima School in Lacombe immediately. The hope is that this first one will be successful, and we can spread it to more parish schools down the road. We will start with a budget of \$1,000 per year, and the initial grants will be in the range of \$25 to \$50 for books, or special classroom materials, etc.



NO MEETING AT BEAU CHENE THIS THURSDAY! GREAT FUN!!

Mandeville Rotarians will gather for our Annual Christmas Party at the lovely home of Dianne and Tom Quinn Thursday evening - 6-9 p.m., 2316 Jefferson. See you there!



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