

Chris Cochran

Chris Cochran, owner of S&L Office Supplies, is a strong believer in doing his part to improve quality of life in Hancock County. Chris has served two years as a Rotary board member and is currently on the board of the Hancock Chamber. A graduate of Leadership Hancock, he leads his employees by modeling an exemplary work ethic. Through his business, Chris donates printing to various organizations and supports CASA with "Carts4Kids," which funds school supplies for underprivileged children. He participates in many Rotary and Chamber functions, including a new affinity program that supports the work of the small business community.

Jason Edwards

As Pastor of the Diamondhead Community Church, Rev. Jason Edwards impacts the lives of many residents on a daily basis. He is a husband and father as well as a church leader who provides spiritual guidance to those in need. He helps with the sick, youth, the grieving and poor. He is always ready to serve, sometimes without even being asked, and provides counseling for whatever the need may be. He leads numerous youth programs supporting and encouraging our youth. A true community leader, he builds harmony and fellowship with his daily actions.

David Hilbert

David Hilbert has served on the Hancock County Tourism Bureau board for six terms. In 2017 and 2018, he helped lead the efforts to continue funding and complete the transition of the Bureau in to the new Coastal Mississippi three county tourism bureau. He is a member of the board for Rotary and is a member of the Waveland Civic Association, serving as their Grand Marshal in 2018. A graduate of Leadership Hancock, he has volunteered with various civic associations and festivals to promote tourism. For the past 12 years, he has served as marketing manager at the Silver Slipper Casino and Hotel.

Alan E. Hodges

Alan Hodges is the Chief Executive Officer at Ochsner Medical Center-Hancock. He has more than 32 years of healthcare experience, most recently serving as the Chief Operating Officer for Ochsner Health System-Northshore Region. He serves on the Hancock Chamber board and is a member of Rotary Club, Gulf Coast Business Council, Partners for Stennis & Michoud, the Mississippi Hospital Association Medicaid Advisory Committee and the American College of Healthcare Executives. He is a graduate of Leadership Hancock, and his experience and leadership were vital to the successful transition of Hancock Medical to an Ochsner Health System facility.

Ann Madden

Ann, a professional photographer, is co-owner with Sandy Maggio of Smith & Lens, a creative hub in Old Town Bay St. Louis. Ann and Sandy have been instrumental in creating new events for the Bay. Dolly Should and Frida Fest draw spectators and participants from the entire region, who come to the celebrations and leave with a real appreciation of the community. She has been on the board of the Old Town Merchants Association and the Bay Ratz Marching Battery, and is active with The Arts, Hancock County. By creating and contributing to events and the arts, Ann is creating an even more inviting city.

Nikki Moon

A graduate of Leadership Hancock, Nikki Moon is a recognized visionary leader at the local and regional level. After Katrina, she rebuilt Bay Town Inn, which has been a catalyst for driving visitors to the Old Town area. As goodwill ambassador for the Coast, she has hosted corporate executives and travel writers from across the globe, resulting in new investments and priceless publicity fueling area businesses. An advocate for small businesses and downtown development, she is the current President of the Hancock Chamber and has served on the boards of the Old Town Merchants Association, the Krewe of the Mystic Seahorse, the Library Foundation, Hancock County Tourism and is the incoming Chair of the Coastal Mississippi Board of Commissioners.

Tami Munsch

Raised in the Kiln community, Tami Munsch returned to Hancock County after practicing law in Jackson for eight years. Tami is actively involved in the community as President of the Rotary Club. She is a member and Past President of the Mississippi Women Lawyers' Association and serves on the boards of the Mississippi Talent Education, HYPE, Ruth's Roots, and is President Elect of the Hancock County Library Foundation. She has been a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) in Hancock and Harrison County. A graduate of Leadership Hancock, she was named a Leader in the Law and Top 50 under 40 by the Mississippi Business Journal.

Sarge Washington

Sarge Washington was carrying on a family tradition when he built a bus stop in Waveland on family property at the corner of Herlihy and Hart. His mission: to provide a safe place for school children. The new facility was dedicated in memory of his father, Charlie, who helped build the original bus stop in the 1980s, and in honor of his mother, Earllean, who asked that it be rebuilt. The community project was funded by Sarge and his wife, Rebecca. Waveland Mayor Mike Smith calls Sarge “a great young man who has been following in his dad’s footsteps of caring for his community.”

Karen West

Karen West’s boundless enthusiasm for costumes is matched by a willingness to volunteer her time and talent to help just about any community organization in town. She started out volunteering with Friends of the Animal Shelter, St. Rose de Lima and the Historical Society and has since joined in to help The Arts, Hancock County, CASA’s gala and the Raw Oyster Marching Club. She got the Witches Walk Halloween fundraiser off to a roaring start and recently was among the volunteers who spear-headed the Cinco De Mayo meal for Kings Kitchen. Karen is a true ambassador for Hancock County helping those in need.