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PROGRAM FOR THIS WEEK

OUR SPEAKER WILL BE THE REVEREND ELWOOD J. BIRKELBACH, PASTOR OF ST. PAUL'S METHODIST CHURCH OF BEAUMONT.

Subject

A THANKSGIVING MESSAGE

Program Committee: Wayne Brown, chairman; Doyle Moreman, Charles Blosser, Brack George, E. O. Heinrich and Steve King.

Thanksgiving

WHEREAS, it is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits and humbly to implore His protection and favor . . .

NOW, THEREFORE, I do recommend . . . that we may all unite in rendering unto Him our sincere and humble thanks—for His kind care and protection of the people of this country—for the signal and manifold mercies and the favorable interposition of His providence—for the great degree of tranquility, union and plenty which we have enjoyed—for the civil and religious liberty with which we are blessed . . .

AND also that we may unite in most humbly offering our prayers and supplications to the great Lord and Ruler of Nations and beseech Him to pardon our national and other transgressions . . .

—Proclamation issued by
George Washington in New York City
October 3, 1789

While our Thanksgiving program for which **Wayne Brown** is Program Chairman is in process, Wayne will be in Maggie Parker's Tea room in Bryan at the Bryan Club meeting with **Homer Fort** who will give a Thanksgiving Message there, as one of our Intercity Activities of which **John Gray** is chairman. Complicated, isn't it?

We are sorry to learn of the death of H. T. Phippen, father of Rotarian Clark Phippen, in Binghamton, N.Y., November 7th.

Board Action

At a meeting of the board of directors held at Hotel Beaumont on Tuesday, November 16, the following action was taken:

Elected to membership, subject to the ten-day period during which Rotarians may make comment: **Wayne W. Guest**, branch manager for National Biscuit Company and successor to D. H. Brewster, retired, under the classification, "Biscuits & Cakes Distributing"; **Raymond Hawa**, manager A. B. Dick Products for Wilson Stationery Co., "Duplicating Machines Retailing"; **Merle Kelly**, city freight agent, Southern Pacific, "Railroad Transportation", additional active to Howard Dennis.

Approved classification changes: **Keller Maier** from Veterinary Medicine to Reinforced Steel Fabricating, effective December 1st; **Doug DuBois** from Beer Distributing, additional active to **Ed Hamm**, to Paper Distributing; **Matt Racki**, from Consulting Engineering, additional active to **George Schaumburg**, to Civil Engineering.

Promoted to active classifications, these additional actives whose actives have taken Senior Active classification: **Winston Procter**, Drugs Distributing; **Cappy Rix**, Automobiles Retailing; **Dr. Geo. Gill**, Orthopedic Surgery; **Lee Wheat**, Industrial Relations; **C. R. Balcom**, Plumbing Distributing.

Reminding you of the Beaumont Symphony Society's first concert of the season, Tuesday, November 23 (the day you read this), city auditorium, with **Rotarian Jay Dietzer** conducting. A few tickets are still available—a true bargain, five concerts for \$5. The Society maintains desk space on the mezzanine, Hotel Beaumont, just outside the Rotary Office. Phone Louise Milligan, 2-0617 for tickets for the family to hear during the season the San Antonio, Minneapolis and Beaumont Symphonies.

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Program Review

Invocation Paul Hilliard
 Introductions Rufus Mills
 Sweetheart Sherry Ann Griffing

Dale Leggett, an excellent vocalist, but above all a capable, resourceful, and imperturbable "Emcee", stepping into the program breach caused by the congested parking conditions which delayed the arrival of the Lamar Tech Choir, saved the situation for all concerned. Dale and the rest of the "Dreamers Quintet" were on hand early, and these five youngsters — Mildred Smith, Ann Manry, Bill Cupit, Bill McDermard, and the redoubtable Dale — relieved Judge Johnson and President George from having to read "Rotary in 45 minutes" in addition to the Four Way Test, by giving a spirited and entertaining rendition of "Button Up Your Overcoat" and "Juke Box Saturday Night." The successful execution of a tricky change of pitch in the first number was particularly noteworthy.



Bill Campbell
 Reviewer

George Parks, head of the Music Department at Lamar Tech, directed about 40 members of the Choir in a program which was neither "long hair" nor jazz—perhaps a "page boy" cut would describe it—but, like the bed of the smallest of the three bears, "just right" for the taste of Rotarian listeners. This musically ignorant scribe liked best of all the modern, but not offensively modernistic, "Waters Ripple and Flow", and the a capella rendition of "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones." Also drawing enthusiastic applause were "Hello, Young Lovers" and "If I Loved You", from recent popular Broadway shows. Bill McDermard was the capable accompanist. Every number on the program served to emphasize anew the contribution which Lamar Tech and its faculty and students are making to the cultural life of our community, and to bring forcibly to attention the desirability of complete support of the college by our citizens.

Rotary honored itself by giving special recognition to our own beloved Nancy Strong, whose wise head, scintillating personality, brilliant organizing

ability, unselfish devotion to the cause of music, and tireless efforts towards making good music available to all, have conferred immeasurable benefits upon our community.

W.H.C.

R.I. CONVENTION

Request your hotel reservations NOW for Chicago in May by filling out the blank found on page 53, December issue, The Rotarian Magazine, and watch articles in the magazine for pre-convention news; rumor says the top man might be there. You can count on this, many top men will be there.

Are We Too Well Organized?

"It was disapopinting to me to see so many of our Rotarians pour out of the Rose Room today just because the program was a little late." It was a Rotarian speaking to another Rotarian last Wednesday after the Lamar College Chorus had arrived at the Rose Room door six minutes later than scheduled. "You know, it was an opportunity for us just to visit and have a little off-scheduled fun. We are a perverse bunch. Most of the time we can't bear **not** to visit with our table mates when the program is going on, but when the program isn't going on we don't want to visit. We've got to get through that Rose Room Door. Sometimes I wonder if our meetings aren't too well organized. I think it's good for us sometimes to have more informality. Where are we hurrying to . . . ULCERS?"

Rotary Office To Be Redecorated

The Rotary Office will be closed Friday and Saturday following Thanksgiving Thursday while **Bob Schieble's** staff redecorates.

ROAMIN' ROTARIANS -- They Didn't Forget

SOUTH PARK (meets Monday): Dahmer, McGregor, Honig, Faber, Hamm, Hotchkiss, Thompson, Sharfstein, Blieden, Lockwood, Wright, Lynch, Mooney, G. Gill, Phippen, Chenier, Ellis, Ney, W. M. Montgomery, Coburn, Balcom, Baker, Stedman, Jr., Kyburz, Carey.

WEST END (meets Tuesday): Withers, J. Montgomery, B. Lamb, Ellis, Ross, Abell, Albert Klein, Huber, Winton, Williamson, Birdwell, McClancy, Sharfstein, Eisen, F. Stone, Meatyard, Hopp, Evans, Massman, Waldo, Willis Thames, Kennedy, Catalano, Feray, Jr., Adams.

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