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Holiday Party—Tuesday, December 17th

Make your plans now to attend our Holiday Party on **Tuesday, December 17th** from 11:30 to 1:30 at the Beaumont Country Club, by reservation only.



Our thanks go to **Becky and Chuck Mason** who have been finalizing the plans and signing up reservations.

The **Rotary Chorus** will be well-practiced and in fine voice, and will be joined by **Galen Wixson** and **Earl Hines'** talented wife Betsy to present the entertainment.

Please make reservations for yourself and your spouse, friends and family.

Call (842-1913), fax (842-5613) or e-mail (rotarybmt1@yahoo.com) the Rotary office to reserve your tickets now.

Once again, we will collect new, unwrapped toys to be distributed by the Salvation Army.



Our thanks to **Ron Baumer** and his staff from Beaumont Travel Consultants who hosted the December 11th Pre-Meeting Mixer and provided information about the 4-Day Rotary Goes to Sea Carnival Cruise to Cozumel, Mexico departing April 10th from Galveston.

Please call his office (866-7022) for more information or to make your reservations.

Menu

Green Salad
Sirloin of Beef
Garlic Mashed Potatoes
Fresh Vegetables

Pecan Ice Cream Ball
With Hot Fudge Sauce

Lamar Basketball
 Pre-Game Reception & Game
 Saturday, January 4th
 Call Rotary Office for tickets
 842-1913


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 \$25 per person

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Future Programs

December

25th No meeting

January

1st No meeting
 8th Dan Lambe
 15th Oliver Luck
 22nd Congressman Kevin Brady

Makeups

Monday:

No. Port Arthur.....Holiday Inn Hwy 69
 Vidor.....Hibernia National Bank

Tuesday:

Spindletop.....Holiday Inn 11th St.
 Orange.....Sunset Grove
 Port Neches.....Pompano Club

Wednesday:

Groves.....Pompano Club

Thursday:

Port Arthur.....Holiday Inn Hwy 69

Friday:

Nederland.....Garden Tea Room

Program Review

Investing in the stock market today requires us to suppress our fear and look beyond the negativity, Financial Advisor Dave Morrow told Rotarians Wednesday.

He pointed out that the U.S. economy is growing at a 2% annual rate; the Federal Reserve Board is being helpful by keeping interest rates low; and the government in Washington is committed to pro-business activity.

Dave said that the market's woes have been caused by corporate malfeasance, Wall Street scandals and the attack of September 11, among other things.

But he said we should learn several lessons from this downturn, including the importance of diversification, the necessity of financial advice and the fact that markets don't go up all the time.

In the end, Dave said, our country, our economy and our stock markets will be stronger after we get through this difficult period.

Admitting that there are a few bad apples among financial advisers, he stressed that most people who work in the financial industry are honest, ethical and knowledgeable

A financial advisor himself with UBS Paine Webber, Dave hosts a radio show from 9 AM until 10 AM each Saturday morning on KLVI.

He suggested that we "look to the future, learn from the past, and stay in touch with your financial advisor."

In answer to a question from Rotarian **Jerry White**, he said the job of a financial advisor is much broader today than just picking stocks. Specifically, he mentioned investment allocation and estate planning as areas of involvement.

Whether judged on content or brevity, Dave was an excellent speaker, completing the Q&A session at 12:50.

New Members

Please welcome three new members who joined us on December 11th:



Max Duplant
 Finance Officer, City of Beaumont
 "Government – City Finance"
 Proposed by **Brad Brown**



Rodney Martin
 President/CEO, Beaumont YMCA
 "Associations – YMCA"
 Proposed by **Terry Bourdier**



Kristie Young
 Executive Director, Camp Fire USA Southeast Texas Council
 "Associations – Camp Fire"
 Proposed by **Alexine Boutin**

Board Action

Your Board of Directors met Wednesday, December 11th and approved to following requests:

Leave of Absence:

Lynn Jelinek - 11/20/02 – 5/20/03

Resignations:

Steve Bonzcek - change of employment
Larry Brock - business pressures
Kim Carroll - business pressures
Larry DuBose - business pressures

New members will be announced at this week's meeting.

Basketball!!!



The Rotary Club of Beaumont invites you to a Reception before the Game
 Lamar University Cardinals vs. Southeastern Louisiana Lions

Saturday, January 4, 2003 6:00 – 7:00 pm
 Cardinal Club Room - Montagne Center

Call the Rotary office, 842-1913, to make your reservations today.



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Birthdays



18th Cathy Long (02)
Branch Claims Manager, Crawford & Company. Born in Shreveport, Louisiana, she is a graduate of North-east Louisiana University.

Cathy and her husband Buzz are the parents of Vance and Scott. Cathy volunteers with the American Heart Association and is active in the Cardinal Club at Lamar University.



18th Robert Peavey (00)
President, Pump Tex. A Beaumont native, Robert and his wife Dana are the parents of Kaitlin and Marlie. Robert enjoys scuba diving, paint ball, fishing and spending time with his family.



18th John Quigley (83)
Partner, Wells, Peyton, Greenberg & Hunt. Born in Orange, he is a graduate of Loyola University, Roosevelt University and the Uni-

versity of Houston. He and his wife Andy are the parents of Ann Marie, Kate and Mandy. He enjoys tennis, chess, fantasy football and playing with his grandchildren. John is a Paul Harris Fellow.



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Last holiday season, members of our Rotary Club and the Beaumont Rotary Foundation responded generously and provided 240 all-terrain wheelchairs through the Wheelchair Foundation's international campaign. President Harland and this year's Board have endorsed the Wheelchair Project again this year and request your support.



19th David Hitt (76)
Executive Vice President /Trust Officer, Hibernia National Bank. Born in New York City, he is a graduate of American Uni-

versity and Southern Methodist University. He and his wife Patricia Ann are the parents of Dwayne and Dawn, and are members of First Christian Church. He enjoys playing tennis and golf. David is a Paul Harris Fellow.



20th Chuck Eye III (99)
President, Bank One. Born in Kansas City, Missouri, he is a graduate of Lamar University and the University of Colorado.

He and his wife Leslie are the parents of Chris and Kendle. He enjoys the beach, snow skiing and travel.



22nd Kristie Young (02)
Executive Director, Camp Fire Southeast Texas Council. Born in El Paso, she is a graduate of Texas A&M University.

She and her husband Rodney are members of the Church of Christ. Kristie enjoys cooking, archery and snow skiing.



24th Jerry Duty (88)
Retired from the financial industry. Born in Lufkin, he is a graduate of Stephen F. Austin State University. He and his

wife Kathie are members of Calder Baptist Church. Jerry enjoys jogging.



27th Dan Phares (02)
President/Owner, Beaumont Title Company. Born in Port Arthur, he is a graduate of the University of Texas at San Antonio.

Dan and his wife Angie are the parents of Johnsa, Denar, Amber, Whitney and Austin. Dan enjoys bicycle road rides, travel and sports of all kinds.



27th Ellen Rienstra (98)
Violinist, Symphony of Southeast Texas. A Beaumont native, she is a graduate of Lamar University. She is the mother of

Judy and Allen, and is a member of St. Marks Episcopal Church. Ellen enjoys writing.



*Sorry
No Photo*

28th Tracy Hughes (01)
Owner, On Stage Hair Design. A Beaumont native, Tracy and her husband Virgil are the parents of Tyler and Alex, and are members of Calvary Tabernacle UPC.



29th Frank Eastman (81)
President, Royalty Corporation of Beaumont. Born in Shreveport, Louisiana, he is a graduate of the University of Colorado.

He and his wife Jeanne are the parents of Ross, and are members of St. Marks Episcopal Church. Frank enjoys playing golf, hunting and travel.



29th Peg Towers (87)
Retired Executive Director, United Way Beaumont. A Beaumont native, she is a graduate of the University of Texas. She

and her husband James are the parents of Jim, Jr. and Mary Jane, and are members of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church. Peg enjoys volunteering in the non-profit sector.



30th Ray Pregeant (98)
Director of Customer Service, Entergy Texas. Born in New Orleans, Louisiana, he is a graduate of Louisiana State University. He and his wife Hope are the

parents of Criss, Andrew and Casey. Ray enjoys playing golf, fishing and hunting.

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