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Huntley began his career with SBC Southwestern Bell in 1994, and has held a series of increasingly significant positions in wireless operations, mergers and acquisitions, data operations and other areas.

Prior to his reassignment to Houston he served as general attorney and assistant general counsel for SBC Communications in San Antonio. In that position he served as chief counsel for company procurement, real estate, intellectual property and information technology matters. Prior to joining SBC, he was a corporate associate with the law firm of Locke Purnell Rain Harrell in Dallas.

A native Texan, Huntley holds a juris doctorate from the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law in New York City and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Southern Methodist University in Dallas.

He is married to Tracey Nash-Huntley and they have their two young sons. His hobbies include reading, tennis and hunting.



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Future Programs

November

20th Van Richey(ACIPO)
27th Vocational Excellence Awards

December

11th Dave Marrow

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

Past president **Charlie Weinbaum** introduced guest speaker General Joe Ashy and his wife, Sue. As Charlie noted, in past introductions he usually introduced the speaker with "having known their father." In this particular introduction, that statement was very appropriate as Charlie and the General's father used to meet to discuss Rotary business when he and his brother were small boys .

Having recently returned to Beaumont after 40 year absence, General Ashy served 34 years of active duty in countries around the globe. In paying tribute to his wife's alliance as a military wife with all of its obligations and trappings, the General stated that she had earned five-stars at his side and outranked his four stars.

Currently, General Ashy travels to remote regions of the globe as a "Senior Mentor" to one-star Admirals and Generals. He said that visiting locations such as Pearl Harbor, Midway, Wake, Hill 182 in Korea, Okinawa, Vietnam, and the Barbary Coast confirm the great sacrifices made by U.S. Veterans to insure liberty and freedom.

General Ashy expressed his delight in speaking to Rotary to honor and pay tribute to the numerous veterans, past and present, who have served our nation in the armed forces.

He said he never understood the tears in his mother's eyes at Arlington National

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Ramblings

Terry Bourdier made it a point to welcome soon-to-be outgoing Chamber Chairwoman **Bessie Chisum** back to Rotary. One week and counting, **Bessie** will assume the post of past chairperson after a full year of tremendous gains made by the Chamber. Fellow Rotarian **Nancy Bealieu** and **Bessie** are the only women to serve as Chairs during the organization's 99 year history. We hope to continue seeing **Bessie** at Rotary meetings in the future.

Rotarians were buzzing about the recently unveiled The Big Day collection published by the Spindletop 2001 Commission. The handsomely bound book was masterfully assembled by fellow Rotarian **Evelyn Lord**, Chairman of the Commission and President of the Friends of Spindletop. Many Rotarians took leadership roles in planning and executing the celebratory event.

Paula Bothe's narrative, in tantalizing detail, retold the events of the 100th anniversary celebration on January 10, 2001 at Gladys City where she served as Coordinator of "The Big Day."

Angela Baker, served gracefully as Executive Director of the Friends of Spindletop keeping all the balls in the air and everyone informed.

Helping to make it an event not to be forgotten were **Sina Nejad** who masterminded the engineering of the Lucas Gusher and **Chuck Mason** who made the replica derrick a reality and permanent fixture of Gladys City.

Robert Robertson, who served as Vice President of the Spindletop 2001 Commission, was heavily involved with a project that took the story of Spindletop into classrooms and the big screen. **Ryan Smith**, a member of the Commission, served as secretary of Friends of Spindletop and as Chairman of the Film Symposium which showed popular movies having Texas oil as their themes.

"The Big Day" started with a prayer breakfast with **Mark Viator** serving as Program Chairman of the event that filled the Montagne Center. Under the leadership of **Camille Mouton** and former Rotarian Patricia Adams, dignitaries attended a VIP Coffee Reception at Lamar.

On hand to greet guests was **Dr. Jimmy Simmons**, President of Lamar University. **Larry Beaulieu** insured proper decorum was followed as the preliminary Master of Ceremonies for the event.

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Review - cont.

Cemetery in Washington, D.C. during a childhood visit to the two war memorials dedicated to unknown soldiers until he grew up and realized the many sacrifices made by our nation's present and past military.

He reiterated the oath made by military personnel that *"a soldier's pledge is the bedrock of our nation's freedom to defend freedoms guaranteed us in the constitution."* He added, *"Freedom is not free"* and *"unselfishness is a trait of veterans."*

In conclusion, General Ashy outlined four points in respect to building a stronger America:

1. We should recommit ourselves as Americans.
2. We should influence younger people to serve.
3. We need to remember to support and thank our Armed Forces around the world.
4. We need to thank current and past veterans for their service that has insured our country's continued freedom.

We thank General Ashy for his timely message as we celebrate Veterans Day this week.

We hope he and Mrs. Ashy enjoy their retirement in Beaumont and that they will be frequent visitors to our club.

Birthdays



15th Jay Derrick (99)
CEO, Derrick & Derrick
General Contractors. A
Beaumont native, Jay and
his wife Gloria are the par-
ents of James, Thomas and
Samantha. He enjoys fishing, golf, base-
ball and softball.



17th Ralph McBride (95)
Owner/President, Fox
News 1340 KOLE. A Beau-
mont native, he is a Lamar
graduate. Ralph and his
wife Cynthia are the par-
ents of Carissa and Kyle, and are mem-
bers of First Baptist Church, Orange. He
enjoys playing tennis.



19th Jeff Beaver (94)
Vice President, Schaum-
burg & Polk. A Beaumont
native, he is a Lamar
graduate. Jeff and his wife
D'awn are the parents of
Robert, Jeffrey, Lauren, John and Jo-
seph, and are members of St. Jude
Thaddeus Catholic Church. He enjoys
camping, snow and water skiing and
spending time with his family.



20th Richard Funchess
(98) Vice President, Hiber-
nia National Bank. A Beau-
mont native, he is a gradu-
ate of the University of
Texas. Richard and his wife
Becky are the parents of Allison, Jenni-
fer and Ric, and are members of Trinity
United Methodist Church. He enjoys
hunting and playing golf.

In Memorium



We mourn the passing of
Jack Turner on October
26th. A member of our club
since 1968, he celebrated
his 95th birthday on August
3rd.

His family graciously requested that
memorial contributions in his name be
made to the Rotary Club of Beaumont.



20th Jim Broussard (88)
Funeral Director, Brous-
sard's Mortuary. A Beau-
mont native, he is a gradu-
ate of the Commonwealth
College of Mortuary Sci-
ence. Jim and his wife Paula are the
parents of James and Jayme. He enjoys
raising cattle.



20th Tim Gaddis (02)
Vice President, Wells Fargo
Bank. A Beaumont native,
he is a Lamar graduate.
Tim and his wife Sherrie
are the parents of Katie and
Tyler, and are members of Calvary Bap-
tist Church. He enjoys running and
reading

*Also, we didn't want these birthdays to
pass unnoted:*



Oct 21st Janelle Frazier
(02) Director of Sales, Holi-
day Inn Atrium Plaza. A
Beaumont native, Janelle
has two children, Christo-
pher and Chelsea, and is a
member of Wesley United Methodist
Church. She enjoys reading, fishing, old
classic movies and antique shopping.



Oct 30th Lynn Jelinek
(97) Owner, Lynn Jelinek &
Associates. A Beaumont
native, she is a Lamar
graduate. Lynn and hus-
band Mike are the parents
of Chris, Allison and Pat, and are mem-
bers of Trinity United Methodist Church.
Lynn enjoys fishing, traveling and play-
ing with grandbabies.



Oct 31st Toby Castro (02)
Sales Manager, Texas Cof-
fee Company. A Beaumont
native, he is a Lamar
graduate. Toby and his
wife Diane are the parents
of Sara and Colby, and are members of
St. Anthony's Catholic Church. He en-
joys playing jazz, hiking and camping.

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