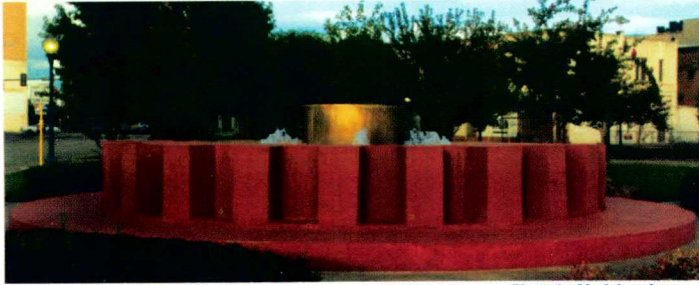


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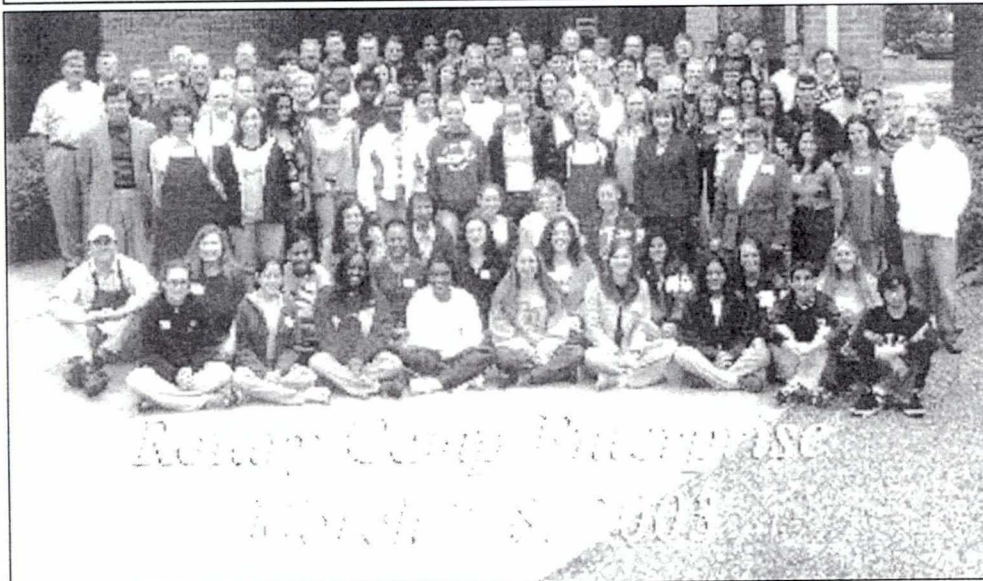
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CAMP ENTERPRISE - Get in the Picture!!!



Our club proudly hosts Camp Enterprise for the 24th year! Students from sixty-four high schools throughout our district have been invited to participate this year.

Please join our camp participants and other Rotarians on Friday, March 5th for lunch at noon:

Holy Family Retreat Center
 9920 North Major Drive

We will pose for the group photo and then have lunch, compliments of the

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REMEMBER! - WE WILL NOT RETURN TO THE HILTON UNTIL WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17TH

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Future Programs

March
 10th No meeting
 17th Traveling in Ireland-Gene Hughes

Make-ups

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

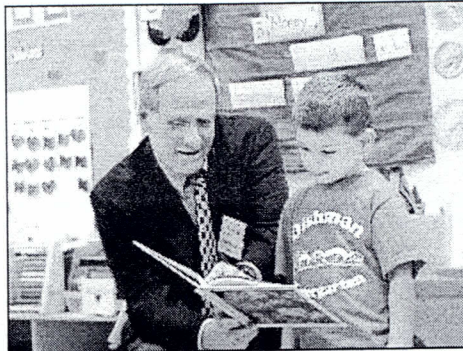
Friday:

Nederland Garden Tea Room

On-line: www.rotary5450.org/eclub
 (limit 3 times in each quarter)

Program Review

Last week our Rotarians brought a bit of sunshine on a very cold and rainy day to nearly 1,700 Beaumont kindergarten students at 24 local public and private schools. They distributed and read personalized story books to the students.

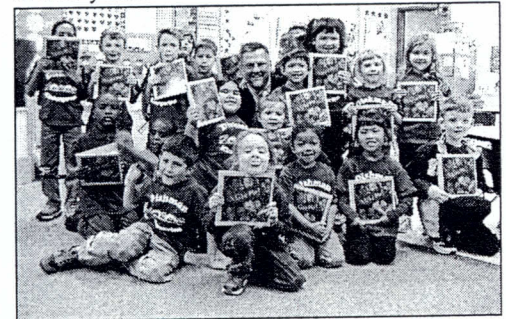


Alan Sampson shared a few minutes with a Dishman Elementary student and his new book. For some of these children, this will be the only book their family owns.

In 1996 SBC Pioneers, an industry-based volunteer organization made up of Southwestern Bell employees,

came up with the idea of distributing personalized readers to kindergarten students at Homer Elementary. The project was so well received that they decided it would be a good idea to expand the project.

Their goal was to provide personalized readers to every kindergarten student in Beaumont, but they lacked the funds and the manpower to do so. Four years ago they turned to the Beaumont Rotary Club for help. Most Rotarians who have participated in this program say it is one of their favorite Rotary activities of the entire year.

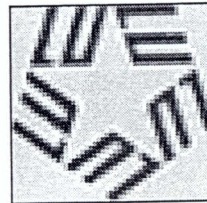
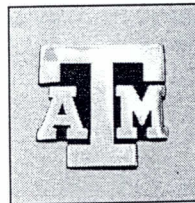


Roger Newton surrounded by students.

Take Me Out to the Ballgame!

News Flash!

Tracy Byrd is scheduled to sing the National Anthem and throw the first pitch at the Texas A&M/Lamar baseball game. We have invited him to join us at our tailgate party as well.



Plan to bring your family and join your fellow Rotarians on Tuesday evening, March 16th, at Lamar University's Vincent Beck Stadium to root for your favorite baseball team when Lamar hosts Texas A&M at 7:00.

Tickets are \$2 per person (half of the regular general admission cost) and can be purchased from Henry Strait before and after the next Rotary meeting or call him at 838-6261, or call the Rotary Office.

Come an hour early at 6:00 and join us for a Rotary tailgate party in the left field picnic area. Chad Blanchard and Munro's will provide free hamburgers, hot dogs and all the trimmings. Beaumont Coca Cola Bottling Company and Henry's Southeast Texas Water Conditioning and Culligan will provide the beverages.

Aggies and Cardinals, come on out and cheer your favorite team to victory!

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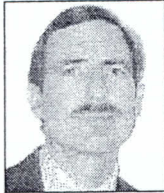
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New Member



Please welcome **John Thomasson** who joined our club on February 18th as a transferring member from the Rotary Club of Springboro, Ohio. John was previously a member of the Cambridge, Ohio, Rotary Club also.

John is the Human Resources Director for Brock Enterprises and his classification is "Human Resource/Personnel Management". He is sponsored by **Alexine Boutin**.

A native of Douglas, Arizona, John is a graduate of the University of Arizona. He and his wife Donda are the parents of Elise Carol and Melanie Jan. John enjoys playing golf, running and martial arts.

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Beaumont Rotary Foundation, **Carole Reeves** and her kitchen volunteers.

Camp Enterprise Committee Co-Chairs **Jamie Hogge** and **Robert Peavey** have been working diligently to assure this year's campers a memorable and exciting experience. Our Rotarians will serve as guest speakers, panelists and facilitators representing a wide cross-section of views on topic discussions. Student teams will work on a hypothetical project and each team will make a presentation of its project for evaluation on Saturday afternoon. Camp Enterprise offers students an opportunity comparable to Boys and Girls State, Presidential Classrooms and Future Problem Solving Workshops.


A special "THANK YOU" to our Rotarians at the February 18th meeting for donating nearly \$750 in cash for Camp Enterprise door prizes!

Birthdays


6th Scott Hall (03)

Manager of Engineering & Development, Lower Neches Valley Authority
 Born in Beaumont, he is a graduate of Texas Tech University. He and his wife Melanie are the parents of Caroline, Abby, Jack and Sam, and are members of Trinity United Methodist. He enjoys his children, playing golf, camping, hiking, fishing and hunting.


7th Kyle Hayes (01)

City Manager,
City of Beaumont
 Born in Beaumont, he is a graduate of University of Texas and Trinity University. Kyle enjoys playing sports and traveling.

7th Tillie Hickman (01)


Principal,
Beaumont ISD
 Born in Lake Charles, Louisiana, she is a graduate of McNeese University and Lamar University. She and her husband Bennie are the parents of Robert and Robin, and are expecting grandchildren in April and September. They are members of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church. She enjoys reading, gardening and cooking

7th Paul Traylor (01)


Owner,
On Stage Hair Design
 Born in Beaumont, he and his wife Shann are the parents of Hank and Owen. They are members of Trinity United Methodist Church. He enjoys playing golf and photography.

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9th Kip Lamb (96)

The Law Office of Kip Lamb
 Born in Beaumont, he is a graduate of Baylor University and Baylor Law School. He and his wife Isabel are the parents of Isabel and Nicholas. He enjoys scuba diving, traveling, bicycling and motorcycles.


10th Leonard Juncker (79)

Partner, Wathen DeShong & Juncker
 Born in Beaumont, he is a graduate of the University of Texas. He and his wife **Sharen Kirksey** are members of Trinity United Methodist Church. He is the father of Jill and Brian. He enjoys playing golf and tennis and building models. Leonard is a Paul Harris Fellow.

12th Rod Carroll (02)

President, Stat Care EMS
 Born in Yonkers, New York, he is a graduate of Texas A&M University. He and his wife Kate are parents of Matthew and Brooke.

13th Rich Bennett, Jr. (63)

Retired Professor, Lamar University
 Born in Orange Grove, he is a graduate of Texas A&M University and the University of Texas. He is the father of Richmond and Vicki Lynn, and is a member of Trinity United Methodist Church. He enjoys hunting, fishing and boating.

13th Rix Garey (83)

General Sales Manager, KFDM-TV
 Born in Milford, Delaware, he is a graduate of the University of Tennessee. He and his wife Brenda are the parents of Angela and Susan. He enjoys gardening and playing the guitar.

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