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T. Kelsey Lamb, Sr. Award for Business Ethics Guest Speaker - Ramon L. Rodriguez, Jr.



Ramon Rodriguez will be our guest speaker for our T. Kelsey Lamb, Sr. Award for Business Ethics program.

Ramon has served as Jefferson County's Assistant Criminal District Attorney since 1984. A graduate of the University of Texas and the University of Texas School of Law, he was the 1998-99 president of the Jefferson County Bar Association.

He is a graduate of the Career Prosecutor Course at the National College of District Attorneys; the National Law In-

stitute at the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia; the Advanced Trial Advocacy Course at the National Advocacy Center of the National District Attorney's Association; and Leadership Beaumont of the Beaumont Chamber of Commerce.

Ramon has also served as President and on the Board of Directors of the Beaumont Habitat for Humanity, on the Board of Directors of the Beaumont Community Players, as a member of the Publicity/Promotions Committee Jefferson Theater Restoration and on the Board of Directors of the Southeast Texas Hispanic Culture and Education Center.

Head Table



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GUEST INTRODUCTION
ROBERT THOMPSON

Chicken Tarragon & Lasagna



"Glory"
 Thursday, Feb. 17 • 7:00 P.M.

"Do The Right Thing"
 Friday, Feb. 18 • 7:00 P.M.

Join the Jefferson Theatre as they pay tribute to the accomplishments to the African American Community in this special film series highlighting Black History Month



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Future Programs

February 23

Centennial Celebration

March 2

Camp Enterprise

Make-ups

Monday:

No. Port ArthurHoliday 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.....Sanderson's

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Program Review

Past President and Assistant Governor **Roger McCabe** reminded us why "Service Above Self" is so critical to our community, our nation, our world. Roger presented an informative overview of "Rotary In Action-The Rotary Foundation For Funding Charitable Contributions."

The Rotary Foundation's mission is to achieve world understanding and peace through international humanitarian, educational and cultural exchange programs. During these trying times, Rotarians fight "The War of Terror" through the Foundation and its three main objectives.

The Foundation was created in 1917 as an endowment fund for Rotary "to do good in the world." There are two types of Funds:

The Annual Fund is like a checking account. A portion of your "Service Above Self" contributions go into this fund. See below for information about the Beaumont Rotary Foundation.

The Permanent Fund is like a savings account. The Permanent Fund's goal is to grow the endowment fund to \$1 Billion dollars to provide stability for the continued Foundation's efforts.

The Foundation's Humanitarian Programs fund international Rotary club and district projects to improve the quality of life and providing health care, clean water, food education and other essentials primarily in developing countries. One of the major Humanitarian Programs is PolioPlus, which seeks to eradicate the polio virus worldwide. The Foundation provides funding for approximately 1,200 students to study abroad each year. Grants are also awarded to university teachers to teach in developing countries.

The Foundation's slogan is "Every Rotarian, Every Year!" The United States ranks fourth in its contributions.

Thank you, Roger for the informative program and your tireless efforts. Remember "Every Rotarian, Every Year"!!!

Some Foundation Facts

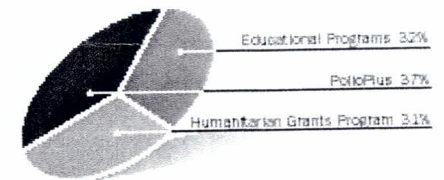
Your Service Above Self contribution goes directly to the Beaumont Rotary Foundation to fund Camp Enterprise for Southeast high school juniors, *A Book About Me* personalized readers for every kindergarten student in public and private schools in Beaumont, four-year college scholarships and our Annual Fund contribution to the Rotary Foundation (TRF). You can specify how much you want to fund our local projects and how much to go to TRF.

Our Annual Fund contributions to TRF are invested for three years by the Foundation. The interest on the investment goes to cover TRF's administrative expenses. Excess interest is added to the principal. At the end of three years, the principal is split 50/50 between TRF and our Rotary District to fund Ambassadorial Scholarships,

Summary statistics

	2003-04	Cumulative
CONTRIBUTIONS	\$106.0 million	(\$1.562 billion)
Annual Programs Fund	\$70.5 million	(\$1.108 billion)
Permanent Fund	\$29.3 million	(\$105.3 million)
PolioPlus Fund	\$26.2 million	(\$349.7 million)
PROGRAM AWARDS AND EXPENSES	\$86.7 million	(since 1947: \$1.469 billion)
MAJOR DONORS	757	(5,633)
BEQUEST SOCIETY MEMBERS	698	(3,761)
BENEFACTORS	3758	(64,348)
PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS	48,219	(906,601)

2003-04 Program Awards and Expenses — \$86.7 million



The Rotary Foundation, www.rotary.org

Group Study Exchange, Simplified Matching Grants and Matching Grants for international projects. TRF's share funds Educational Programs, PolioPlus and the Humanitarian Grants Program.

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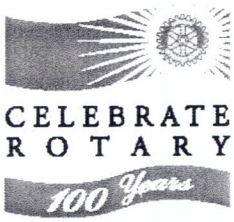
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The 10 Rotary Clubs of Jefferson and Orange County are hosting the Rotary International Centennial Celebration

Beaumont Civic Center

Wednesday, February 23rd

Tickets (\$25 each) will be available at all Rotary meetings

Welcome, New Members!

Please welcome two new members who joined our club on February 9th:



Jim Bass

Senior Pastor,

Wesley United Methodist Church
Born in Bartlesville, Oklahoma, he is a graduate of Southwestern University and Southern Methodist University. He and his wife Debbie are the parents of Jeremy and Jason, and are members of Wesley United Methodist Church. He enjoys computers and sports activities. Jim is sponsored by **Steve Lucas**.



Melody Petitt

Owner,

Melody Petitt, Attorney at Law
Born in San Antonio, she is a graduate of Texas A&M - Commerce and Baylor University School of Law. Her husband is Wayne Petitt. She enjoys reading, swimming and "training my Brittany spaniel". Melody is sponsored by Mark Ferris.

Birthdays

16th Bruce Walker (98)
General Sales Manager,
Time Warner Cable Advertising



Born in Houston, he is a graduate of Stephen F. Austin State University. He and his wife **Kathryn** are the parents of Jennifer and Tyler, and are members of Trinity United Methodist Church. He enjoys hiking, traveling, biking and playing tennis and golf.

17th David Holstead (04)
Vice President,
Wells Fargo Bank



Born in Port Arthur, he attended Lamar University. He and his wife Reva are the parents of Theresa and Karen, and are members of Calder Baptist Church. He enjoys hunting, travel and antiques.

17th Ben Orgain, Jr. (93)
Vice President,



Hibernia National Bank
Born in Dallas, he is a graduate of Southwestern University. He and his wife Katharine are the parents of Darby, Will and Meggie, and are members of St. Marks Episcopal Church. He enjoys fishing and playing golf. Ben is a Paul Harris Fellow.

20th Rufus Mills (51)
Retired



Born in Woodville, he is a graduate of the University of Houston. He and are the parents of Rufus, Jr., James Thomas, and Stacie, and are members of Trinity United Methodist Church. He enjoys playing golf, tennis and bowling. Rufus is a Paul Harris Fellow.

22nd Gary Underwood, Jr. (01)
Time Warner Cable



Born in Canton, Ohio, he is a graduate of Southwest Texas State University. He and his wife Julie are the parents of Sydney. He enjoys playing golf, cars and

music.

Thank you, Everyone!

As most of you noticed at last week's meeting, I was "tickled pink" with your rendition of "Happy Birthday" that I will not soon forget! Thank you so much for the surprise and for your birthday wishes.



Self-proclaimed "longest red badge holder" **David Teuscher** presented me with a special surprise earlier that day - his completed Service Activities Log. He will receive his blue badge for his birthday at this week's meeting!

Alexine

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