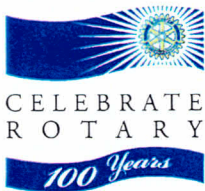


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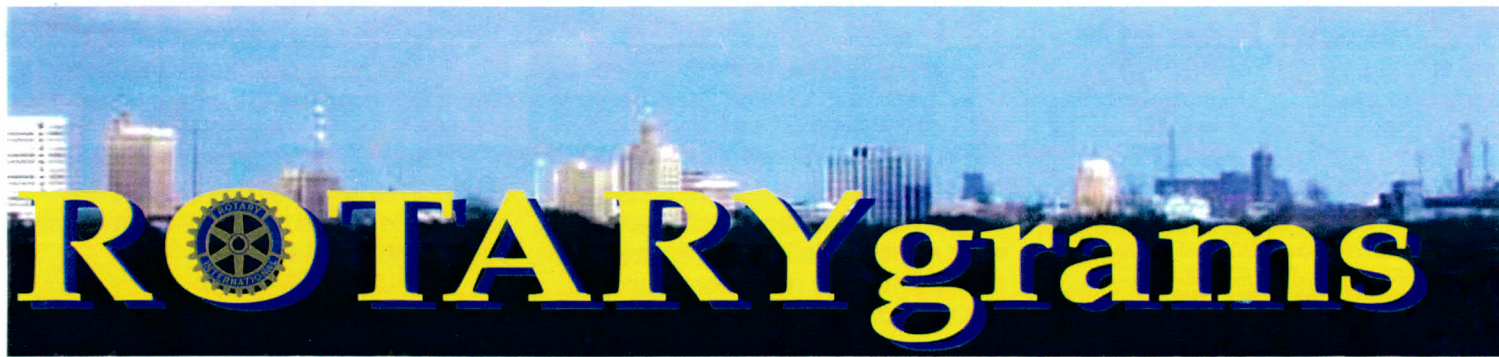


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Emken Linton, District 5910 Governor



Emken is a native of Texas City and a graduate of Texas A&M University with a degree in accounting. Following graduation he returned to Texas City and has served as president of his family's business, Emken-Linton Funeral Home, since 1971.

He is a second generation Rotarian and a member of the Rotary Club of Texas City, serving as President in 1974-75. He has served as District Chairman of The Rotary Foundation Committee from 1997 until 1999 and the Polio Eradica-

tion Committee during 2002-03. He is also a member of the District Roll of Fame.

A former City Commissioner in Texas City, he has held leadership positions with various church and civic organizations including District Lay Leader for the Houston East District of the United Methodist Church and President of the Texas City - La Marque Chamber of Commerce.

His wife Sherilyn is a Paul Harris Fellow and recipient of the Jean Harris Award. They have two sons, Fred and Emken, Jr.

Head Table



INVOCATION
JEFF DYSON



PLEDGE
MARK THEOBALD



4-WAY TEST
PAULA O'NEAL



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MELINDA MCNEELY

From the chef: Chicken a la King

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August

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Program Review

Local radio personality Al Caldwell began his program by mentioning some of the things that have been in the headlines in recent months regarding radio: indecency, consolidation and the new Clear Channel initiative "Less Is More". He spoke about the First Amendment concerning Free Speech and mentioned that was what he was giving us today, a "free speech".

He talked about the Shock Jocks and the fact that Clear Channel had paid a large fine and taken steps not to have any Clear Channel station in the future step over the line. He also talked about the fact that Cable and Satellite Radio are not governed by the FCC and therefore not subject to the indecency issue.

Al told us that consolidation has been very beneficial to the people that now work in the Radio Industry from the standpoint of the retirement plans, health insurance and other benefits that were not enjoyed by people working in the "Mom and Pop" stations.

He told some stories that caused his then bosses to threaten to fire him that point up the differences in what has

become acceptable and what was acceptable then. He also mentioned the thousands of dollars in public service announcements, interviews and programs that Radio stations perform.

Al told us some stories that would not be the same without his delivery, like the record that got stuck and played the same two words over and over for an hour before he was able to get to the station and fix the problem. The computers he uses today don't get stuck. He also told several stories involving his long time sidekick, Jack Pieper. Like the time John Wayne offered to pose for picture with Jack and he refused.

He also touched on the new "Less is More" initiative that is Clear Channels plan to cut down on the amount of clutter in the form of commercials that run too long and too much talk between the records. This is an effort to improve the experience for the listener and make the advertising more effective.

All in all it was a fun experience and if you missed the meeting, you missed some jokes and stories about Beaumont Radio that were interesting.

Thank you, **Vesta Brandt**, for arranging last week's program.

Board Action

Your Board of Directors met Tuesday, July 20th, and approved the following:

New Members:

Frank Alegria
Senior Pastor
First United Methodist Church
"Religion – Methodist"
Proposed by **Maurine Gray**

Vernon Pierce
Director of Customer Service
Entropy
"Electrical Ind. & Electronics –
Light & Power Service"
Proposed by **Bessie Chisum**

Returning Member:

Cheryl Carson
Sales Manager
Beaumont Hilton Hotel
"Hotel Management – Sales"
Proposed by **Alexine Boutin**

Unless written objections to the Board of Directors are received by Friday, August 6th, the candidates listed above will be considered elected to membership.

Leave of Absence:

JoAnn Block – 7/1 – 12/31/04
Family illness

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Konica TOSHIBA SHARP

Welcome, New Members

Please welcome these new members who were inducted into the club on July 21st:

Christina Baum

Proposed by **Russ Schultz**
"University - Library Services"
Dean of Library Services,
Lamar University



Born in Fulton, Kentucky, she is a graduate of Illinois State University and the University of Kentucky. She enjoys tennis, gardening and sporting events.

Ron Clark

Proposed by **Roger McCabe**
"U.S. Government - Federal Judicial"
Federal Judge,
U.S. District Court



Born in Caripito, Venezuela, he is a graduate of the University of Connecticut and the University of Texas School of Law. He and his wife Joanna are the parents of David and Kevin, and are members of St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church. He enjoys fishing, hiking and camping.

Jim Cook

Proposed by **Maurine Gray**
"Veterinary Medicine"
Owner,
Delaware Animal Clinic



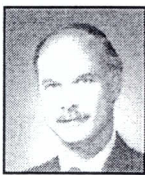
Born in Fort Worth, he is a graduate of Texas A&M University. He and his wife Linda are the parents of Travis and Amy, and are members of St. Marks Episcopal Church. He enjoys skiing, archery, outdoor activities and exercise.

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Birthdays

29th Pat Parsons (85)

President & Chief Operating Officer,
Texas State Bank



Born in Lufkin, he is a graduate of Southern Methodist University and the University of Houston. He and his wife Melody are the parents of John Pat Jr., and are members of Trinity United Methodist Church. He enjoys old sports cars and gardening.

30th Macon Ware (94)

Family Dentist,
E Macon Ware, D.D.S.



Born in Corpus Christi, he is a graduate of Southwestern University and Baylor School of Dentistry. He and his wife Judy are the parents of Christi,

Becca and Patrick, and are members of St. Marks Episcopal Church. He enjoys sailing and fishing.

31st Scot Quintel (02)

Resource Development Director,
United Way of Beaumont



Born in Lansing, Michigan, he is a graduate of Michigan State University. He and his wife Judy are the parents of A.J. and Nelson, and are members of

First United Methodist Church. He enjoys first auto racing, hockey and reading.

31st Kathryn Walker (96)

Bret Davis

Proposed by **Travis Brewer**
"Federal Government - FBI"
Supervisory Senior Resident Agent,
FBI



Born in Houston, he is a graduate of Park University and St. Mary's University School of Law. He and his wife Patricia are the parents of Grant,

Cali and Will, and are members of Calvary Baptist Church. He enjoys coaching youth sports.

District Manager,
Social Security Administration

Born in Logansport, Louisiana, she is a



graduate of Stephen F. Austin State University. She and her husband **Bruce** are the parents of Tyler and Jennifer, and are members of Trinity United Methodist

Church. She enjoys travel, reading and cooking.

31st Harvey Warren III (02)

Attorney at Law

A Beaumont native, he is a graduate of



Southern Methodist University and the SMU School of Law. He and his wife Brenda are the parents of John and James, and are members of Calvary Baptist

Church.

2nd Jack Schenck (95)

Retired

Born in Morgantown, West Virginia, he



is a graduate of Michigan State University. He and his wife Rita are the parents of Erik. He enjoys skiing, scuba diving and foreign languages.

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Resignation accepted with regret:

Jim Ellis – transferred to Shanghai, China

Invocation Leaders Needed

The Prayer, Pledge, & 4-Way Test Committee would like to develop a list of members who are comfortable leading the invocation.

Please contact Emily Compton at 838-9911 ext 306 or emily@goodwillbmt.org if you would like to be on the list. Thank you.

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