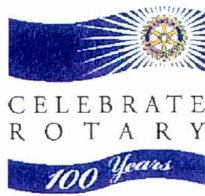


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## 2005 Camp Enterprise

2005 Camp Enterprise, held on March 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup>, was an overwhelming success! Sixty-two students from twenty-one high schools throughout our Rotary district participated, an increase of 50% from recent years. We also in-

vided ten senior counselors who participated as juniors last year

Co-Chairs **Carole Reeves** and **Robert Peavey** led several committees responsible for various aspects of plan-

ning and running the camp.

The Executive Committee met many times since last summer revamping the program: **Carole** and **Robert** were

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**Future Programs**

**March**

23<sup>rd</sup> Theresa Simpson - Lamar University  
 29<sup>th</sup> Jay Spencer

**Make-ups**

**Monday:**

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

**Tuesday:**

Spindletop ..... Holiday Inn 11th St.  
 Orange ..... Sunset Grove  
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**Wednesday:**

Groves ..... Pompano Club

**Thursday:**

Port Arthur ..... Holiday Inn Hwy 69

**Friday:**

Nederland ..... Sanderson's

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 (limit 3 times in each quarter)

**Rabbi Jack Segal**



Rabbi Jack Segal, a nationally recognized author, is Rabbi Emeritus at Congregation Beth Yeshurun in Houston.

He holds a BA in physics from New York University and a BS in mathematics from the University of Pittsburgh as well as a Rabbinics degree from Mesivta Rabbi Chaim Berlin and a DHL from Hebrew Union College. He also earned an M Ed and an MA from Oregon State University and an Ed D from the University of Houston. He served as Rabbi of Congregations in Pennsylvania and Oregon as well as Houston.

He has written articles for several publications and published three books: *Modern Problems - Some Jewish Solutions*, *When Man Closes Doors, God Opens Windows* and *Focus on the*

**Head Table**



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GUEST INTRODUCTION  
**ROBERT THOMPSON**

**Pasta Primavera with Chicken Sliced Ham**

*Bagel, Not on the Hole.* Currently he is completing his fourth book, *Remember What You Still Have, Not What You Have Lost.*

**Program Review**

John A. Barton, District Engineer for the Texas Department of Transportation, enlightened us with his informative presentation, "Transportation in Roads."

In December 2003, John was named to his current position as District Engineer for the Beaumont District. As District Engineer, John oversees all TxDOT activities in southeast Texas related to the design, construction, maintenance, and operation of a large and diverse transportation network that spans eight counties.

TxDOT's mission is "To provide safe, effective, and efficient movement of people and goods." Their vision is "To provide roadways that are safer, more reliable, less congested, and better maintained."

Total road construction for the Beaumont District is \$366,908,000. Of that amount, Jefferson County's share is \$37 million, Orange County - \$130 million and Hardin County - \$10 million.

The major ongoing transportation projects are:

Jefferson County

Major Drive - Humble Rd to IH10 - reconstruct 2 to 5 lanes. Estimated completion date is May 2005.

Orange County

IH10 - Neches River to North Dewitt - from 4 lanes to 6 lanes. Estimated completion date is August 2006.

The upcoming projects involve improving all of IH10 that is in the Beaumont District with the exception of a section of

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joined by **Russ Schultz**, **Henry Venta**, **Becky Mason** and **Chuck Mason**. **Ann Scoggin** chaired the Chaperone Committee, **Chad Blanchard** chaired the Food Committee, **Jim Rich** chaired the Business Field Trips Committee, **Jamie Hogge** chaired the Registration Committee and **Scot Quintel** chaired the Clean Up Committee.

The Committee Chairs wish to thank the following volunteers whose work made the entire project possible:



**Pat Anderson**, **Gene Arnold**, **Danny Babineaux**, **Twila Baker**, **Rick Barrilleaux**, **Donna Birdwell**, **Terry Bourdier**, **Alexine Boutin**, **Travis Brewer**, **Candace Broucher**, **Alex Broussard**, **James Broussard**, **Jim Broussard, Jr.**, **Steve Buser**



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**Jack Schenck**, **Michele Snider**, **Jay Spencer**, **John Thomasson**, **Ed Turner**, **Chuck Wall** and **Matt White**



## Good News

**Nikki Chargois** married **John Allen** on January 29<sup>th</sup> and will be hyphenating her last name to **Chargois-Allen**. **Nikki** joined our club last June and is the Executive Director of **IEA**. Our best wishes go to the newlyweds!

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highway between **Beaumont** and **Winnie**. **Mr. Barton** stated plans are being developed for that section also. Improvements such as enhancing **IH10** in the **City of Vidor**, reconstruct the **Neches River Bridge**, rebuild the **Trinity River Bridge** and increase to **6 lanes**. The estimated costs of these projects are **\$187 million**. The estimated completion date of these projects is **2010**.

**John** also congratulated **Chester Jourdan, Jr.** and his staff at the **South East Texas Regional Planning Commission** for developing a plan to conform to new air quality standards. Their work resulted in our area being the first region in **Texas**, and only the second region in the country, to receive their plan's approval from the **Environmental Protection Agency** to proceed with major road projects that

## Birthdays

**17<sup>th</sup> Bobbie Applegate (94)**

Partner,  
Brooks, Applegate & Wickland



Born in **Morrison, Illinois**, she is a graduate of **Bradley University**. She and her husband **Joe** share their home with **Xena**, a beautiful golden retriever. She enjoys reading and traveling. **Bobbie** is a **Paul Harris Fellow**.

**17<sup>th</sup> Jimmy Simmons (86)**

President,  
Lamar University



Born in **Beaumont**, he is a graduate of **Memphis State University**, the **University of Houston** and **McNeese University**. He and his wife **Susan** are the parents of **Jennifer**, **Mike** and **Matt**. He enjoys jogging, racquetball and playing the clarinet and saxophone. **Jimmy** is a **Paul Harris Fellow**.

**18<sup>th</sup> Paula Nichols (04)**

Director of Distance Education,  
Lamar University



Born in **Houston**, she is a graduate of **Baylor University** and the **University of Houston**. She and her husband **Kenneth** are the parents of **Bart**, **Adam**, **Neal** and **Luke**, and are members of **St. Andrews Presbyterian Church**. She enjoys rose gardening and playing the piano.

**22<sup>nd</sup> Bessie Chisum (91)**

Owner,  
Chisum Resource Management



Born in **Mississippi**, she is a graduate of the **University of Mississippi** and **Louisiana State University**. She and her husband **Stewart** are **St. Andrews Presbyterian Church**. She enjoys traveling, gardening, antiques and historic building restoration. **Bessie** is a **Paul Harris Fellow**.

may have been delayed by the stricter air quality standards enacted in 2004.

Thank you, **John**, for the informative presentation and **Kal Kincaid** for arranging the program.

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