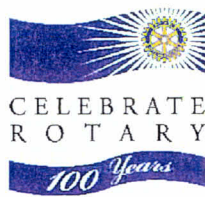
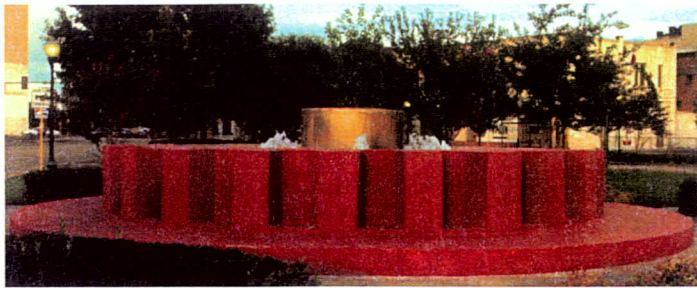


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Jay Spencer - GO Center



Jay Spencer, owner of Go 4 It Resources, will discuss the GO Center.

Texas needs 300,000 additional students to have completed higher education by 2015 to maintain the economic health of our state in order to attract more business to Texas and we need to get our post secondary student enrollment rates up. In order to address this issue, the Texas Legislature has signed on to a campaign to provide information to the general public about higher education.

The strategy is for colleges in the area agree to partner with schools to provide information to students who are not already committed to attend college. A Go Center is an information booth where students can come and learn about grants, scholarship and applications and will be established in every school that wants one.

The center will be manned by college students and student leaders who will be trained to help interested students.

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Head Table



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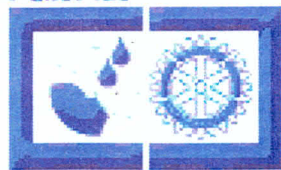
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GUEST INTRODUCTION
STEVE MCGRADE

Chicken Parmesan & Lasagna

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Program Review

Director Quincy Martin III and Coordinator of Career Development Teresa E. Simpson told Rotarians about the "extreme makeover" of the Lamar University Career Center that has resulted in an exponential increase in student participation in career center events, programs, workshops and appointments.

They told us that in the past the Career Center had offered the traditional basic career services including career counseling services, testing services and on and off campus recruiting with fair student participation.

A new image was needed to get to the present new level of interest and participation. How did they do it? They assessed the needs of all of the career center's constituents including faculty, staff, students, alumni and the community. They also launched an ambitious and proactive public relations and marketing campaign targeting students and employers and they developed a working relationship with all of the media. They developed an ongoing relationship with Lamar University alumni to provide student mentors.

The needs assessment showed the way to new programs and community involvement. Outcomes of the needs assessment included establishing the Corporate Leadership Conference which takes interested students for an on-site visit to a Fortune 500 company. This visit can lead to internships and cooperative job placements for the participants.

Other programs initiated include "Dinner with 12 Strangers" in which a business executive has dinner with 10 students and a faculty member, the Career Service Intern program that provides students with paid experience within the Career Center, the Cardinal Career Connection workshops which bring in company representatives to present workshops, and "Interfase," an on-line registry for students and companies.

Interfase allows companies to register opportunities for cooperative jobs, internships and jobs. Students can submit resumes to be critiqued and can see job opportunities and events as well as tracking interest in their resumes. Interfase has tripled the number of on-campus interviews.

Another new program is the Cardinal Career Invitational, a career expo to be held on March 31st from 5:30 to 9:00 PM at the John Gray Library for top students with at least a 3.4 GPA and 75+ credit hours. This program will feature 36 companies with 25 booked so far. Contact the Career Center if you would like for your company to participate.

Quincy and Teresa invited Rotarians to be part of the Career Center's future success. The Lamar University Career Center is located in the Gallopway Building Room 102. Their phone number is 409-880-8878.

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For more information, visit
www.collegefortexans.com or
www.education-gogetit.com.

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Welcome, New Members!

Please welcome three new members who joined our club on March 23rd:



Marvin D. Brailsford
Lieutenant General,
U.S. Army (Retired)

Born in Burkeville, he is a graduate of Prairie View A&M and Iowa State University. He and his wife June are the parents of Marvin, Jr., Keith and Cynthia, and are members of Antioch Baptist Church. He enjoys playing golf and bridge. Marvin was a member of the Rotary Club of Davenport, Iowa from 1987 to 1990. He was proposed by **Earl Hines**.



Jarren Garrett
Vice President - Business
Development,

Memorial Hermann Baptist Hospital
Born in Nederland, he is a graduate of Lamar University. He and his wife Jill are the parents of Jenna, Jace and Jake, and are members of Stonegate Church of Christ. He is transferring from the Rotary Club of Nederland where he served as 2001-02 President. Jarren is a Paul Harris Fellow. He was proposed by **David Teuscher**.

Birthdays

30th Juan Zabala (03)
Director, Office of Alumni Affairs,
Lamar University



Born in Chihuahua, Mexico, he is a graduate of Sul Ross State University. He and his wife Peggy are the parents of Christine and Kevin. He enjoys karate and coaching Special Olympics.

1st Floyd McSpadden (83)
Partner,
Benckenstein, Norvell & Nathan



Born in Houston, he is a graduate of Southwestern University and Southern Methodist University School of Law. He and his wife Patti are the parents of Jenni and Fuller, and are members of First Methodist Church. He enjoys traveling and snorkeling. Floyd is a Paul Harris Fellow.



Leenette Wilke
Real Property Manager,
U.S. General Services
Administration

Born in Andrews AFB, Maryland, she is a graduate of Sam Houston State University. She is the mother of Samantha and Miriam, and they are members of Westgate Memorial Baptist Church. She enjoys biking, travel, ESL tutoring and spending time with her family. She was proposed by **Carolyn Howard**.

2nd John Saladin (88)
President,
Saladin Pump & Equipment
Company



Born in Charleston, West Virginia, he is a graduate of Louisiana State University. He and his wife Frances are the parents of Meredith and John Jr., and are members of Trinity United Methodist Church.

2nd Cheryl Williams (99)
Executive Director,
Rape & Suicide Crisis Center



Born in Lafayette, Louisiana, she is a graduate of Southern University in Baton Rouge. She and her husband Claude are the parents of Kerston, Koren, Kyle and Kendrick, and are members of St. Pius Catholic Church. She enjoys wholesaling.

4th Stewart Chisum (89)
President,
R.O. Williams & Company



Born in Winnsboro, Louisiana, he is a graduate of Louisiana State University. He and his wife **Bessie** are members of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church. He enjoys sailing and skiing. Stewart is a Paul Harris Fellow.

Good News!

Michael Lohr is recovering from bypass surgery and says he feels better than he has in years. He hopes to return to Rotary meetings soon.

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