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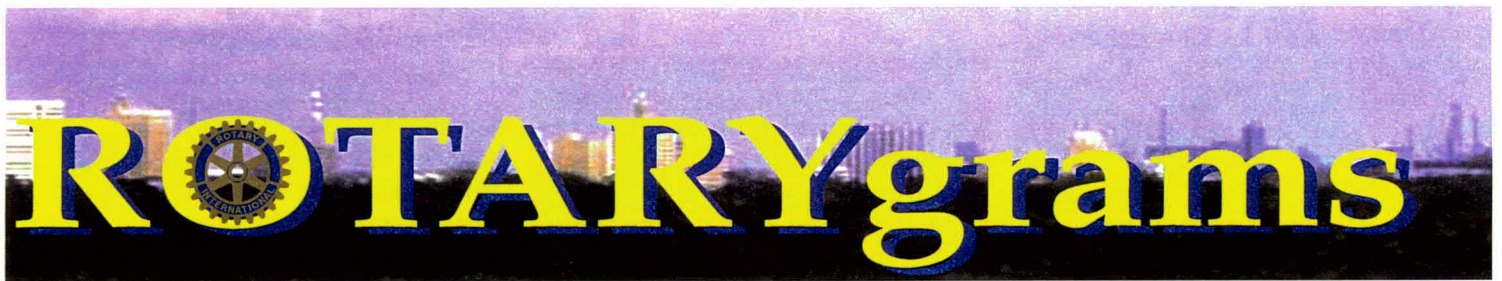


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SHAWN WILLIAMS - EAGLE ACADEMY

"My name is Shawn Williams and I am the principal of Eagle Academy of Beaumont. Prior to Eagle, I taught in Northside ISD as a Special Education teacher at John Jay high school. I received my undergraduate degree from the University of North Carolina and post graduate degree from Houston Baptist University. Being a principal affords me the opportunity to help shape young lives, equipping them to be productive citizens. It is both a rewarding and daunting task.

"I have a beautiful wife named Gerri and we will have been married for

nine years as of June 7, 2006. We are both originally from North Carolina and are transplant Texans. We are members of Triumph Church of Beaumont and serve in various ministry capacities. We also founded and launched a new campus ministry this semester at Lamar University: Career College Connections (C3). Our hope is to inspire future professionals to pursue their true vocation instead of cash.

"Ultimately, we desire to develop and establish our own university some day."

HEADTABLE



INVOCATION
SCOTT HALL



PLEDGE
CAROL FLATTEN



4-WAY TEST
THOMAS WILLIAMS



GUEST INTRODUCTION
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3rd Rotary Goes to Work
10th Youth Day
17th Gladys City's 30th Anniversary

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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.....Sanderson's

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REVIEW

"If you are proud to be an American, show your colors." That was the theme of last week's meeting at which our club's Show Your Colors Flag Project was explained, lauded, and dissected by some of our leading Rotarians.

Members of the project committee presented the program with President Elect-Elect **Angela Baker's** invocation, **Leonard Juncker** leading the pledge, **Sharen Kirksey** leading the Four Way Test and **Vesta Brandt** introducing the guests.

Barbara Knight, with help from the godfather of the project **Roger McCabe**, and **Charlie Cox, Sarah Wannarka, Karen Weller** and **Guy Crabtree** then presented a very moving word-by-word analysis of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jamie Hogge reminded us that she had been asked to sing "God Bless America" at our first club meeting after September 11, 2001. She then invited all of us to join her in singing that patriotic "prayer". For those of you who have heard us sing together in the past, this time we did surprisingly well.

President **Terry Bourdier** reminded us that most Rotary Clubs have numerous fund-raising projects, often requiring a lot of work to raise only a little money. Show Your Colors is our club's only such project, he said, and it brings in \$30,000 a year, with more to come.

Terry, with help from President-Elect **Gerald Condon** and a PowerPoint presentation prepared by **Barbara** and **Scot Quintel**, ex-

plained that the money is used for some of our projects, such as "A Book About Me" for kindergartners, Camp Enterprise and eight college scholarships each year, as well as a portion of the proceeds go to the Three Rivers Council of the Boy Scouts.

Roger outlined some details of the project, including the virtues of rebar as compared to the pipes we buried in the ground when the project started 2 ½ years ago. He said we started with 85 subscribers, which grew to 120 at the end of 2004; 220 by June, 2005; and 361 today.

Angela listed a number of the schools, city offices, libraries and other institutions which currently are given complementary flags.

Barbara, who heads the marketing of the flags, detailed some of the methods her committee has used, including televised public service announcements, yard signs, banners, door hangers and letters. She also explained that we've recently had Rotarians out on street corners handing out publicity about Show Your Colors. Sarah and her team of Guy, Charlie, **Pat Anderson, Jason Armstrong, Roy McClaney, Jack Tenner** and **Leenette Wilke** had handed out hundreds of flyers to commuters at the corner of Gladys and Lucas just that morning. **Randy Fluke** will head up the next "street corner rally" in a couple of weeks and is looking for volunteers. She encouraged all Rotarians to help sell the flags, signing up their businesses, their own homes, their friends and neighbors, or their favor-

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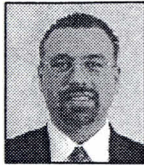
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BIRTHDAYS

28th **Doug Conner** (05)
Radiologist,
Radiology Associates



Born in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, he is a graduate of St. Anselm College and the Medical College of Georgia. He enjoys aviation.

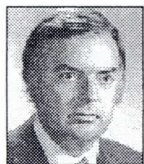
28th **Kari Fenner** (03)
Program Director,
I Have a Dream



Born in Beaumont, she is a graduate of Lamar University. She and her husband Gavin are members of New Life Tabernacle.

She enjoys scrapbooking, sewing, travel, reading and animals.

29th **Bill Clark** (74)
President,
Bill Clark Pest Control



Born in Ben Wheeler, Texas, he is a graduate of Texas A&M University. He and his wife Casey are the parents of Cullen and Chase, and are

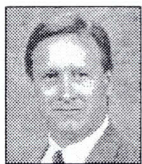
members of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church. He enjoys hunting, travel and horticulture. Bill is a Paul Harris Fellow.

ROTARY GOES TO WORK

Committee Chair **Neal Baker** has lined up eleven Rotarian locations for this year's program. The sign-up sheets will be available again before this week's Rotary meeting.

Remember: we will not have a regular meeting on May 3rd so make sure you sign up and attend this popular program.

29th **Guy Goodson** (04)
Partner,
Germer and Gertz



Born in San Angelo, he is a graduate of the University of Texas and Southern Methodist University School of Law. He and his wife

Kimberley are the parents of Mary Claire and William Neil, and are members of St. Stephens Episcopal Church. He enjoys hunting and fishing.

30th **Bruce Hoffer** (01)
Attorney,
Law Office of Bruce A. Hoffer



Born in Houston, he is a graduate of the University of Texas and Suffolk School of Law. He and his wife Carey are the parents of Wesley,

Sarah and Rebekah, and are members of Temple Emanuel. He enjoys refereeing kids' soccer and softball, playing tennis, scuba diving, fishing and hunting.

30th **Carolyn Howard** (92)
Executive Director,
Beaumont Main Street



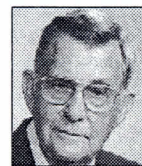
Born in Dallas, she is a graduate of Baylor University and a member of Trinity United Methodist Church. She enjoys vocal performance.

Carolyn is a Paul Harris Fellow.

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ite church or school. Everyone agreed that our goal is to have 500 subscribers and, judging by the fervor and patriotism on display at Wednesday's meeting, that is a very attainable target.

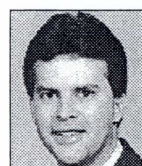
30th **George Schaumburg** (46)
Retired



Born in Reading, Pennsylvania, he is a graduate of Lehigh University. He is the father of George Jr., and is a member of St. Andrews Presbyterian

Church. He enjoys woodworking and gardening. George is a Paul Harris Fellow.

30th **Don Thompson, Jr.** (89)
Owner,
Thompson Telecommunications



Born in Beaumont, he is a graduate of Lamar University. He and his wife Judy are the parents of Sarah and Trey, and are members of Wesley

United Methodist Church. He enjoys horses, 4-H, cattle, playing golf, hunting and fishing.

1st **Lupe Flores** (84)
Judge,

Jefferson County Court of Law #2



Born in New Gulf, he is a graduate of Lamar University. He and his wife Nancy are the parents of Andrea and Jamie. He enjoys reading, hunting

and fishing.

2nd **Steve Buser** (98)
President/CEO,
Partnership of SE Texas



Born in Kansas City, Missouri, he is a graduate of Louisiana State University. He and his wife Linda are the parents of Vicky, Shawn and

Charles, and are members of North End Baptist Church. He enjoys music, computers and photography.

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