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Paula O'Neal and Lee Freeland with some of the toys we collected at last year's holiday party.

ROTARYgrams

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CYNTHIA TAUSS GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



Cynthia Tauss of League City, serves as the Gulf Coast Regional Representative for the Office of the Governor, Economic Development and Tourism division.

She was appointed and served on the Texas General Services Commission in 2001 and Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles

from 1995 - 2001. Cynthia has worked as a consultant and fundraiser for state legislative candidates and a lobbyist during the 78th Legislative Session.

An active community volunteer, Cynthia is the recipient of first "Distinguished Service Award" given to a citizen by the League City Police Department. In 1999, she was awarded the prestigious Senator Ralph Yar-

borough Allied Professional Award for her commitment and service to Texas victims of crime.

Cynthia has two married children: Erika and Gerhard. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in American Jurisprudence from the University of Houston.

BBQ Brisket & BBQ Ribs

2005 Holiday Party

Wednesday, December 14th at noon - Beaumont Country Club
Please make your reservation at Rotary meetings or call the Rotary Office, 842-1913
Bring an unwrapped toy to place under the tree
Guests welcome!

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Future Programs

December
 7th Dean Conwell—Tourism
 14th Holiday Party

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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 (limit 3 times in each quarter)

BOARD ACTION

Your Board of Directors met Tuesday, November 22nd and approved the following:

New Members:

Roy McClaney
 General Manager
 Holiday Inn Beaumont Plaza
 "Hotel Management"
 Proposed by **Dean Conwell**

Mary Patton
 Head, Academy of
 Leadership & Humanities
 Lamar University
 "Education – University –
 Humanities"
 Proposed by **Peg Towers**

Returning Member:

Karen Weller
 Executive Manager,
 Commercial Insurance
 Accounts
 J. S. Edwards & Sherlock
 "Insurance – Commercial
 Lines"
 Proposed by **Terry Bourdier**

Unless written objections to the Board of Directors are received by Friday, December 9th, the candidates listed above will be considered elected to membership.

GOOD NEWS

Kathryn and Bruce Walker welcomed their third grandson into their family on October 26th. John Andrew Spurgin (Jack) was born in Irving to their daughter and son-in-law, Jennifer and John Spurgin

Resignations accepted with regret:

John Aikin
 Business transfer

Howard Bundy
 Health

Paul Davidson
 Business transfer

Gary Linthicum
 Business conflicts

Rodney Martin
 Business transfer

LOCAL ROTARIANS AT WORK

Local Rotary Clubs are continuing to help our area recover from Hurricane Rita. Assistant Governor Linda and Jerry Brown, both members of the Port Arthur Rotary Club, have coordinated with the Sunset Rotary Club of Paramus, New Jersey. Four of their Rotarians will arrive on December 6th to join restoration efforts in Sabine Pass for a week.

The Bryan Rotary Club sent several truckloads of building supplies to the Golden Triangle on November 5th. Gene Bouillion and the Orange Rotary Club will store and distribute the supplies.

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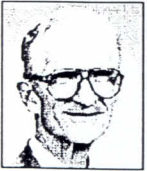
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BIRTHDAYS

Dec 3rd Louis Beard (63)
Partner,
Wells, Peyton, Greenberg & Hunt



Born in Beaumont, he is a 1943 graduate of the University of Texas School of Law. He and his wife Carrie Marie

are the parents of Rebecca, Robert and Bonnie, and are members of Calder Baptist Church. He enjoys playing golf. Louis is a Paul Harris Fellow.

Dec 4th Lauren Brooks (01)
Partner,



Brooks, Applegate & Wickland
Born in Fort Worth, she is a graduate of Lamar University. She enjoys gardening, cooking, canning and crochet.

Lauren is a Paul Harris Fellow.

Dec 4th Jim Fuller (94)
Senior Pastor,
Calder Baptist Church



Born in Muncie, Indiana, he is a graduate of Illinois State University, Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He and his wife Jo Baker are the parents of Jennifer and Jessica, and are members of Calder Baptist Church.

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Dec 5th Don DeMartino (03)
President,
DDM Marketing & Consulting
Born in New Orleans, Louisiana,



he is a graduate of the University of Texas. He and his wife Rebecca are the parents of Taylor and Devin, and are members of Infant Jesus Catholic Church.

Dec 6th Chad Blanchard (02)
General Manager,
Munro's Uniform Services



Born in Beaumont, he is a graduate of Stephen F. Austin State University. He and his wife Chelle

are the parents of Beau and Katie, and are members of St Mary's Catholic Church of Fannett. He enjoys hunting, fishing, and playing golf.

Dec 6th Fred Kristiansen (74)
Production Control Manager,
Eastham Forge



Born in Chicago, Illinois, he is a graduate of Texas A&M University. He and his wife Barbara are the parents of Kimberly and Kristin, and are members of First Baptist Church. He enjoys, softball, tennis and the beach. Fred is a Paul Harris Fellow.

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Dec 6th Brenda Nichols (01)
Dean,
College of Arts & Sciences,
Lamar University
Born in Henderson, Kentucky, she is a graduate of the University of Evansville and Indiana



University. She and her husband Harry are the parents of David, Christopher and Andrew. She enjoys reading, riding horses and traveling.

Dec 6th Jolene Ortego (95)
P.R. Director/Communications,
Beaumont I.S.D.



Born in New Orleans, Louisiana, she is a graduate of the University of Southwest Louisiana and Lamar University. She and her husband Dale are the parents of Dale Jr., Leah and Bobby, and are members of St. Anne Catholic Church. She enjoys playing tennis, reading, theater and old movies.

Dec 6th Robert Turner (02)
President,
JK Chevrolet-Isuzu



Born in Marshall, he and his wife Michelle are the parents of Daylyn, Robert, Kyle and Mycah, and are members of Antioch Baptist Church. He enjoys fishing and horseback riding.

GOOD NEWS

After spending some time in the intensive care unit, **Jack Scott** is recuperating at Christus St. Elizabeth Hospital and hopes to be home soon. We've missed Jack selling tickets at meetings.

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