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DR. JOHN LILLEY - BAYLOR UNIVERSITY



Dr. John M. Lilley was unanimously elected the 13th president of Baylor University by the Board of Regents on November 4, 2005, and assumed the presidency on January 1, 2006.

A native of Louisiana and the son of a Baptist minister, Dr. Lilley earned three music degrees from Baylor: bachelor of music education degree in 1961, a bachelor

of music degree in 1962 and a master of music degree in 1964. He went on to earn his doctorate in music from the University of Southern California in 1971.

Prior to returning to his alma mater, Dr. Lilley served for more than four years as the 14th president of the University of Nevada, Reno. He led the major research and land-grant institution through a comprehensive strategic planning process that incorporated the best ideas of

faculty, staff, students and mends. He presided over an expansion of the institution's external funding, created new research centers and institutes to further its scientific outreach, and strengthened the leadership team to create a more responsive, more nimble team that focused on the academic mission of the university.

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REVIEW

The speaker last week was our very own hometown success story, Joe Tortorice. While he was working for the Texas Department of Human Resources, he started helping his father Joe Tortorice Sr. make sandwiches in a deli inside a laundry mat called Jay's.

In 1976 he started his first Jason's deli in the Gateway Shopping Center on College. Today he has 160 Jason's Delis throughout the South and Southwest with immediate plans to venture into Chicago and California.

He seemed genuinely proud to be from Beaumont as he expresses his pleasure of speaking to people in his home town. He says he still has ties here and continues to do business with local banks, insurance companies and others.

Joe was very modest when he gave credit to six great men who contributed significantly to his success. They were his father, Ben Rogers, V.J. Coco, Charles Montalbano and Cary Cartwright. He also thanked the local business community and customers who stuck by him during his early years in business.

Another key to his success he contributes to good employees. Along the way, he thought he

was in the food business, then in the money business, but finally learned he was in the people business. From this he developed his mission statement which is "People Serving People". And he extolled good employees as the most valuable asset you can have on your balance sheet.

In pursuing this belief, he created the Leadership Institute. Here he teaches his employees such things as honesty, integrity, trust, humility, ethics and other life skills. Joe believes a good employee is one without stress.

In the Q & A session we learned that the company was named after his son Jay, his number one store was on the campus of the University of Texas and he prepared 157,000 sandwiches for workers during hurricane Rita. Joe has received many honors for his success and needless to say, the people of Beaumont are proud of Joe and the notoriety he has brought to our town.

Joe's wife Shelley, parents Margaret and Joseph Sr., daughter Ashley and granddaughter Georgia Margaret were on hand to cheer him on.

Our thanks go to **James Broussard** for arranging the program and introducing the speaker.

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Before assuming the presidency at Nevada - Reno, Dr. Lilley was the head of Pennsylvania State University - Erie. Over a 21-year period, he led the four-year and graduate campus through a period of dramatic growth. During his tenure, enrollment doubled, admissions standards rose, and the college's physical campus grew from 400 to 750 acres. Under his leadership, the institution

BIRTHDAYS

2nd H.F. Weatherly (83)
Retired



Born in Garrison, he is a graduate of Stephen F. Austin State University. He and his wife Dorothy are the parents of Jana, and are members of First Baptist Church of Beaumont. He enjoys woodworking, leather craft and photography.

created four-year and/or graduate programs in science, engineering, and business, created an honors program, secured a \$20 million private endowment for the School of Business, and helped to found the Allegheny Mountain College Conference for athletics. He also led in the creation of thirteen research centers for economic development and a 200-acre campus research park.

Dr. Lilley began his academic career as a faculty member at the Claremont Colleges in California and later served as assistant dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Kansas State University.

While a student at Baylor and USC, Dr. Lilley, a licensed Baptist minister, served as minister of music at four Baptist churches. He and his wife, Geraldine (Gerrie), have four grown children and three grandchildren. Dr. and Mrs. Lilley are members of First Baptist Church, Waco.

5th Keith Giblin (05)

Magistrate Judge,
U.S. District Court - Eastern
District Texas



Born in Beaumont, he graduate of Lamar University and South Texas College of Law. He and his wife Joyce are the parents of Aubrey, Alex, Andy and Anthony, and are members of All Saints Episcopal Church. He enjoys serving as an assistant scout master for the Boy Scouts, fishing and hunting.

5th Ramona Hutchinson (05)

Archivist/Assistant Professor,
Lamar University



Born in Denver, Colorado, she is a graduate of Colorado State University. She is the mother of Erin Elizabeth and Abigail Anne. She enjoys comics, skiing and horse-back riding.

6th Scott Hall (03)

Manager of Engineering and
Development,
Lower Neches Valley Authority



Born in Beaumont, he is a graduate of Texas Tech University. He and his wife Melanie are the parents of Caroline, Abby, Jack and Sam, and are members of Trinity United Methodist Church. Presently he enjoys children, children, children, and playing golf, camping, hiking, fishing and hunting.

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