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## ROTARY GOES TO SCHOOL

If you didn't sign up but can participate, please find a school below that needs you and go!

Rotarians, please plan to:

- Bring your driver's license for identification in the school office
- Arrive at your assigned campus before 11:30 Wednesday morning, January 31<sup>st</sup> and check in at the school office to sign in and learn your assigned classroom
- If you are joining your class for lunch, go to the school cafeteria
- Go to assigned classroom, introduce yourself to your teacher and verify that the correct books are in the classroom
- Introduce yourself to the students
- Explain the importance of learning to read
- Hold up a book and explain that the books are for the students to keep forever and are provided by the Rotary Club of Beaumont
- Read the first 2 pages aloud and see if a student recognizes his/her name
- Pass out all books to the students (If any student does not receive a book, apologize to the student, get student's name and teacher's name and give to your Campus Coordinator. There should be a book for every student enrolled in the class before September 30<sup>th</sup>)
- Interact with students and then say your good byes.

**REMEMBER!**  
**NO REGULAR MEETING**  
**THIS WEEK**

### AMELIA

565 South Major Drive - 866-2244  
 4 classes - 70 students

Angela Baker	Steve Lucas
Doug Conner	Paula O'Neal
Maurine Gray	Jim Tarbett
Roy Huckaby	

### BINGMAN

5265 South Kenneth - 838-5259  
 3 classes - 42 students

Sue Denosowicz	Ted Moor
Ron Baumer	Ann Scoggin
David Heinz	

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**Future Programs**

February  
 7<sup>th</sup> Ann Culver - transportation  
 14<sup>th</sup> Dr. Carrol Thomas - BISSD

**Make-ups**

**Monday:**

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

**Tuesday:**

Spindletop.....Elegante' Hotel  
 Orange.....Sunset Grove  
 Port Neches.....Pompano Club

**Wednesday:**

Groves.....Pompano Club

**Thursday:**

Port Arthur.....Holiday Inn Hwy 69  
 Hardin County... Red Onion, Lumberton

**Friday:**

Nederland.....Holiday Inn Hwy 69

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 (limit 3 times in each quarter)

**REVIEW**

Last week's speaker was Tom MacLennan, a member of the RodeoHouston's speaker's committee, who spoke to us about its history and mission - to benefit youth and support education, currently providing more than 300 \$10,000 scholarship yearly. By a show of hands, just about everyone in the room had attended at least one of these events in the past.

The first Houston Fat Stock Show and Livestock Exhibition was held in April, 1932 in the Houston Convention Hall and in 1938 the Sam Houston Coliseum became its venue. Gene Autry was the first entertainer to be featured in 1942 and in 1952 the Saltgrass Trailride was introduced. Both entertainment and trail rides have become annual traditions.

In 1961 the name was changed to the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo and in 1965 the venue was moved to the new Astrodome. The next year the livestock exhibition hall moved to the Astrohall.

Elvis Presley was the featured entertainer in 1970 with the largest audience ever of 43,614, a record which stood until George Strait broke it eight years later.

In 1996 the name changed once again to "RodeoHouston" and in 2001 it moved to Reliant Stadium.

Since its founding by James W. Sartwelle and six volunteers, the organization now has more than 17,000 volunteers and a local economic impact of more than \$386 million.

Tom also addressed the history of barbed wire and its economic impact on

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**BLANCHETTE**

2400 Lela Street - 842-1230  
 3 classes - 41 students

Jenna Davis Mary Ellen Robertson  
 R. J. Demahy John Thomasson  
 Ralph McBride

**CALDWOOD**

102 Berkshire Lane - 835-3818  
 5 classes - 89 students

Travis Brewer Evelyn Lord  
 Rix Garey Sam Lord  
 Ramona Hutchinson Steve McGrade  
 Jack Koch Leenette Wilke

**DISHMAN**

3475 Champions Drive - 840-5656  
 6 classes - 118 students

Pat Anderson Beverly Hatcher  
 Alexine Boutin Bruce Hoffer  
 Scott Childers Paula Nichols  
 Gerald Condon George Pate  
 Ed Edson III

**DUNBAR**

825 Jackson Street - 832-7617  
 3 classes - 62 students

Paula Bothe Gene Hughes  
 James Broussard Ryan Smith  
 Carol Flatten

**FEHL**

3350 Blanchette Street - 835-3871  
 3 classes - 58 students

Richard Bothel Harland Merriam  
 Marcia Crone Jack Tenner  
 Sharon McCabe Janet Walker

**FIELD**

4315 Concord Road - 892-1661  
 2 classes - 37 students

Ryan Harkey Barbara Knight  
 Carolyn Howard Brian Schlesinger

**FLETCHER**

1055 Avenue F - 833-3831  
 2 classes - 44 students

Robert Edgar Fred Kristiansen  
 Lupe Flores Uliana Trylowsky

**FRENCH**

3525 Cleveland Street - 832-6631  
 2 classes - 44 students

Alex Broussard Carole Reeves  
 Robert Peavey

**GUESS**

8055 Voth Road - 892-9702  
 6 classes - 117 students

Bobbie Applegate Mike Ireland  
 John Barton David Locke  
 Lauren Brooks David Pecora  
 Allison Golias Ben Thacker

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# FELLOWSHIP EVENT

Toby Castro and Laurie Ritche of the Fellowship Committee have arranged our first fellowship event the evening of Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup> at Lamar University's Montagne Center. There will be a cocktail reception with appetizers and a no-host bar followed by the Lamar basketball game with the Cardinals playing Nichols State.

Tickets will be \$20.00 per person including game tickets or \$12.00 per person if you are a season ticket holder.

Toby will have sign-in sheets available before Rotary meetings or you can call or email your reservations to the Rotary office:

842-1913 or  
rotarybmt1@yahoo.com

Please plan to attend this wonderful, fun opportunity to bring your family and friends and enjoy an evening of food, friendship and basketball.

Toby and his committee are planning another Rotary outing soon - a night at Ford Arena to watch the Beaumont Wildcatters Hockey game

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## HOMER

8950 Homer Drive - 892-9420  
3 classes - 39 students

Toby Castro            Mary Randall  
Michael Lohr            Thomas Williams  
Floyd McSpadden

## LUCAS

1750 E. Lucas Drive - 892-9683  
3 classes - 66 students

Earl Brickhouse    James McNicholas  
Eric Lawrence      Charles Regenbrecht  
Scott Mann          Joy Regenbrecht

## MARTIN

3500 Pine Street - 835-3115  
4 classes - 67 students

Van Greer            Cindy Westfall  
Ivory Harrison      Cheryl Williams  
Robert Thompson

# BIRTHDAYS

31<sup>st</sup> Marvin Brailsford (05)  
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.

1<sup>st</sup> Smythe Shepherd (39)  
Retired



Born in Beaumont, he attended Texas A&M University and Industrial Engineering in Illinois. He and his wife Dolores are the parents of Anne and Bill, and are members of Trinity United Methodist Church. He enjoys playing golf, hunting and fishing. Smythe is a Paul Harris Fellow.

3<sup>rd</sup> Don Cotten (06)

Executive Director,  
Sponsored Program Development,  
Lamar University



Born in Huntsville, Alabama, he is a graduate of Copiah Lincoln Community College and the University of Southern Mississippi. He and his wife Catherine enjoy playing golf, running and travel.

4<sup>th</sup> Arthur Martin (98)  
Commercial Escrow Officer,  
Jefferson County Title Company



Born in Orange, he is a graduate of Lamar University. He and his wife Carolyn are the parents of Matthew and Christopher. He enjoys computers, classic cars & physical fitness.

4<sup>th</sup> Galen Wixson (06)  
Executive Director,  
Symphony of Southeast Texas



Born in Hutchinson, Kansas, he is a graduate of Wichita State University and Carnegie Mellon University. He and his wife Dana are the parents of Alyssa. He enjoys playing the cello, chamber music and jogging.

5<sup>th</sup> Scott Cook (91)

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Born in Beaumont, he is a graduate of the University of Texas. He and his wife Genie are the parents of Carson and Lilly Kathryn, and are members of Trinity United Methodist Church. He enjoys traveling, playing racquetball and fishing.

## OGDEN

2300 Victoria Street - 833-2313  
3 classes - 53 students

Jason Armstrong    Blair Foxworth  
Vesta Brandt        Charlie Foxworth  
Joe Fisher, Jr.        Bob Harris

## PIETZSCH/MACARTHUR

4301 Highland - 835-2505  
6 classes - 130 students

Neal Baker            Bonita Elias  
Twila Baker          Randy Fluke  
Donna Birdwell      Kevin J. Roy  
Chad Blanchard      Henry Venta  
Don Cotten

## PRICE

3350 Waverly Street - 842-3757  
3 classes - 34 students

Brad Brown            George Perrett  
Phil Dunlap            Alan Sampson  
Max DuPlant            Michael Wolf

## REGINA HOWELL

5850 Regina Lane - 892-5045  
13 classes - 154 students

Larry Beaulieu        Russ Schultz  
Michael Clayton      Chuck Wall  
Chuck Heare            Bruce Walker  
Dorothy Henges        Charlie Weinbaum  
Sharen Kirksey        Karen Weller

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For more information, contact Jack Koch  
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