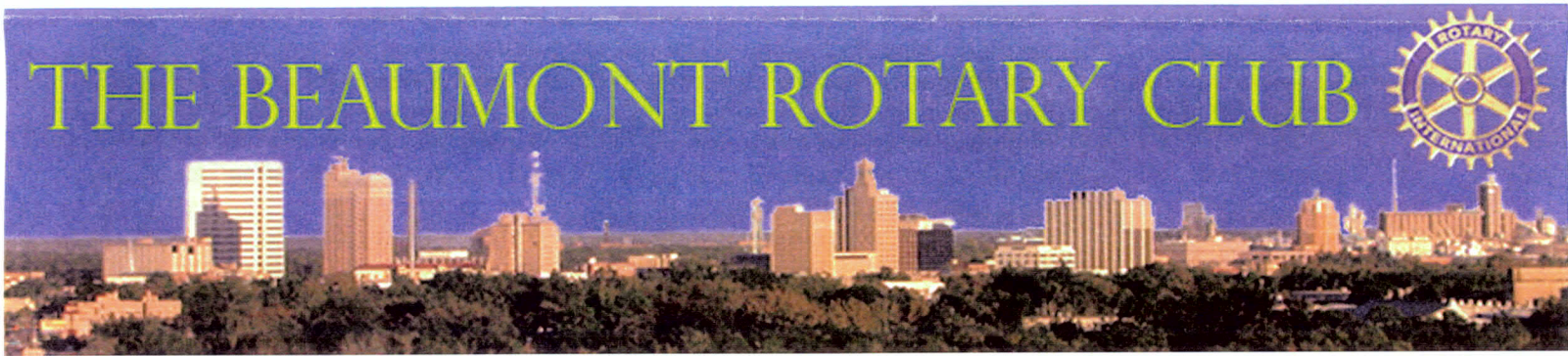


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2002, John was responsible for the negotiation of both the naming rights agreement with Ford Motor Company and the pour rights agreement with Coca-Cola.

Prior to joining Ford Park, John's career focused on the development of consumer marketing strategies for some of the world's most recognizable brands, includ-

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30-Somethings will meet 8/30 at 0730
 Host: John Neely, Jefferson County
 Council On Alcohol and Drug Abuse
 4675-C Washington Blvd.

REVIEW

The health care industry seems to be booming these days as more of us turn to the medical profession to address our ailing and aging bodies. Last week's presenter is responsible in part for ensuring that qualified doctors and health care providers are available to meet these ever increasing demands. Dr. William L. Henrich, MD, MACP, is Dean of the University of Texas School of Medicine at San Antonio (UTSOMSA), which serves all of south Texas and much of north Mexico. Dr. Henrich spoke to us about several important health care issues facing our communities and challenged us to take a stronger interest in investing ourselves and our resources into medical education and research.

Dr. Henrich shared with us that a health care crisis is facing our state and nation. The cost of health care has steadily increased over the past several years, while the quality of the medical services available to most Texans has begun to decline. Texas, once a national leader in quality health care, now faces an acute shortage of physicians, ranking 42nd among all states in terms of physicians per capita. Texas also leads the nation in uninsured residents with 25% of all Texans being uninsured. Contrary to popular belief, 80% of these uninsured Texans are employed. This growth in uninsured citizens cripples our ability to provide preventive medical treatment for these individuals, which ultimately results in higher medical costs to treat advanced illnesses.

To address this crisis Dr. Henrich stressed the importance of having

an effective and well funded health care education program. Unfortunately, while the need for well trained medical professionals is at an all time high, funding for medical training and research is being reduced. Texas ranks 48th among states in funding for medical education. State funding decreased by 6% during the past legislative session, which equates to a 30% reduction when the effect of inflation is considered. Consequently, medical students in Texas universities accumulate an average of \$120,000 - \$150,000 of debt by the time they graduate. In addition to this, funding at the federal level for research supported through the National Institute of Health was cut for the first time in history in the last federal budget.

In spite of these problems, the best of our best continue to gravitate toward the medical profession. Students entering medical education programs represent the top 1% of Texas high school students. The UTSOMSA is also growing their facilities and programs, reaching out to many communities within south Texas. Dr. Henrich considers his work at UTSOMSA a privilege allowing him to work for and around the best and brightest of our state that are called to this prestigious profession.

Thank you, **David Teuscher**, for providing this week's program and for introducing Dr. Henrich.

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BIRTHDAYS

29th Anthony Toups (03)
General Sales Manager,
Classic Chevrolet



Born in Palestine, he attended Lamar University. He and his wife Kerri are the parents of Sondra, Tonya and Ethan, and are members of North End Baptist Church. He enjoys hunting, fishing, bowling, playing golf and softball.

30th Jeff Dyson (04)
President,
M & D Supply



Born in Beaumont, he is a graduate of Lamar University. He and his wife Patricia are the parents of Scott, Brent, Melissa and Brooke, and are members of Calder Baptist Church. He enjoys bicycling, reading, the beach, their children's activities and their grandson Wesley.

30th Keith Rogers (06)
President,
Expert Leadership Solutions

Born in Freeport, He is a graduate of Michigan State University and Texas A&M University. He and his wife Janet are the parents of Will and Elizabeth, and are members of St. Anne's Catholic



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ing Hard Rock Cafe, American Express, MTV & VH1, PepsiCo, and Motorola.

John was born and raised in Nederland. After spending much of his early professional life in the hustle and bustle of New York City, Los Angeles, and Orlando, John, along his wife and their three children, once again call Nederland home.

Church. He enjoys playing golf, hunting and camping.

30th Ann Scoggin (98)
Owner,



Coldwell Banker Southern Homes
Born in Mexia, she attended Shasta College. She and her husband Sam are the parents of Sammy, Angela and Glenn, and are members of Calvary Baptist Church. She enjoys playing tennis.

Aug 31st Karen Weller (05)
Insurance - Commercial Lines,
J.S. Edwards & Sherlock



Born in Beaumont, she attended Lamar University. She is the mother of Emily, Todd and Kyn-dale, and is a member of St. Marks Episcopal Church. She enjoys playing tennis and golf.

Sept 2nd Maurine Gray (95)
Retired



Born in Galveston, she is a graduate of Northeast Louisiana State University and North Texas State University. She is a member of First United Methodist Church. She enjoys antiques, her pets and civic work. Maurine is a Paul Harris Fellow.

Sept 3rd Sheri Arnold (99)
President,
Coldwell Banker Commercial -
Arnold & Associates



Born in Orange, she is a graduate of Sam Houston State University. She and her husband **Eddie** are the parents of Holly and Carolann, and

are members of Forest Park Methodist Church. She enjoys playing golf and racquetball. Sheri is a Paul Harris Fellow.

Sept 3rd Sharen Kirksey (89)
Designer,
Ethan Allen



Born in Dayton, she is a graduate of the University of Texas and Parson's School of Interior Design of New York. She and her husband **Leonard Juncker** are members of Westgate Church of Christ. She enjoys traveling and entertaining.

Sept 3rd Polly Matlock (98)
Administrator,
Horizon Health Care Services



Born in Silsbee, she is a graduate of Lamar University. She and her husband Robert are the parents of Kristi Ann and Derrick Lee, and are members of Westgate Memorial Baptist Church.

Sept 3rd Steve McGrade (03)
Owner,
Able Fastener



Born in Pasadena, he and his wife Nancy are the parents of Harris and Zan, and are members of St. Mark's Episcopal Church. He enjoys hunting, fishing, skiing, hiking, family and church.

Our **Show Your Colors Flag Project** needs volunteers to put out flags on Tuesday, September 11th. Contact Chair **Pat Anderson** (833-8618) to participate (remember, it counts as a make up!).

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