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Commander Ogrzydziak has served in the Coast Guard over 28 years. He is currently the Executive Officer of Marine Safety Unit Port Arthur, where he leads 288 active duty, reserve, and civilian personnel. He is responsible for supervising five departments, which handles all port security, response and port operations, marine investigations, and marine inspections for the Captain of the Port (Port Arthur) Zone, and oversees the operation of Vessel Traffic Service Port Arthur.

Commander Ogrzydziak holds a Master of Public Health degree specializing in Occupational and Environmental Health from the University of Hawaii and a Bachelor of Science degree from Wayland Baptist University. His previous Coast Guard assignments during the last 28 years include: Engineering Watch Stander on the Coast Guard Cutter RUSH, home ported in San Francisco, California; Facility Maintenance and Repair Supervisor at Coast Guard Base Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Sal-

vage Diver on the Coast Guard National Strike Force Dive Team based in Elizabeth City, North Carolina; Oil and Hazardous Material Response Team Leader at Marine Safety Office Honolulu; Chemical Division Response Officer and Operations Officer for the Coast Guard Pacific Strike Team in Novato, California; Marine Inspector at Coast Guard Marine Safety Office Honolulu; Safety and Environmental Health Officer for Coast Guard forces throughout Hawaii, Guam, American Samoa, Japan, and Singapore; and Chief of the Response and Security Department at Coast Guard Marine Safety Unit Port Arthur, Texas.

Commander Ogrzydziak's awards include the Coast Guard Commendation Medal (2 awards), the Coast Guard Achievement Medal (3 awards), the National Defense Service Medal, and the Humanitarian Service Medal.

Commander Ogrzydziak resided in Nederland, Texas with his wife, the former Kristine Kremer, and four boys; Vaughn (16yrs), Noah (13yrs), and twins Sumner & Cole (12yrs); Go Bulldogs!

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Next Week's Program

2/06 Jim Kite-Hope and Relief
 International- Children of the Dump

Make-ups

Monday noon:

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

Tuesday noon:

Spindletop Elegante' Hotel
 Orange Sunset Grove
 Port Neches Pompano Club

Wednesday noon:

Groves Pompano Club

Thursday 7:30 a.m.:

Hardin County
 Cowboy Reds, Lumberton

Thursday noon:

Port Arthur Holiday Inn Hwy 69

Friday:

Nederland Holiday Inn Hwy 69

On-line: www.rotaryclubone.org
 (limit 3 times in each quarter)

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Rotary at the Rink

Thursday, January 31st at 7:05
 Proceeds of ticket sales go to the Rotary Foundation

Beaumont Rotary Club
 Fellowship
 Beaumont Chamber
 of Commerce Business
 After Hours

Verlo Mattress Factory Stores of
 Southeast Texas
 Grand Opening Party
 Feb. 5th

**Operation Green Streets
 Coming February 9th
 Be Ready!**


Rotary Women Build!
 Habitat for Humanity
 Saturday, February 16th
 Contact Uliana Trylowski to
 participate - 832-5853 or
 uliana@beaumont Habitat.org

Judge Keith Giblin and
 Leenette Wilke will co-host the 30-
 Somethings here at the Jack Brooks
 Federal Building on Thursday Febru-
 ary 21st, 7:30 –8:30 am.

Thanks for your participation in the
 Rotary at the Rink program! Bobbie
 Applegate will be in contact with you
 shortly as she is working very hard to
 finalize plans for the pregame fellow-
 ship event. In the meantime, I just
 wanted to take a moment and let
 everyone know how best to receive
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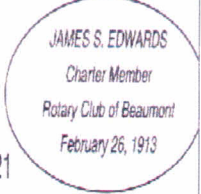
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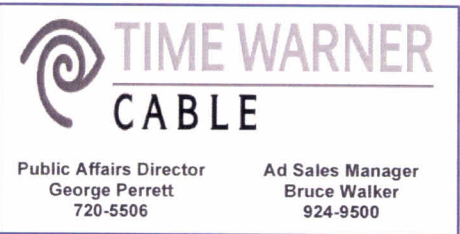
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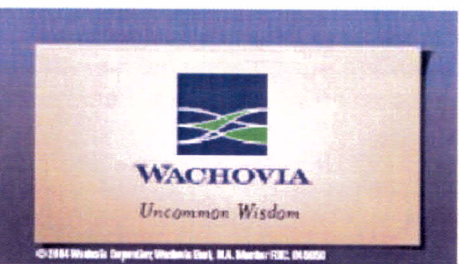
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REVIEW FOR JANUARY 23RD

Our speaker for the meeting was **Brian Littlefield**, UPS Director of Sales for the Southeast Texas District. Brian was introduced by Jason Armstrong, The UPS Store.

Brian gave an excellent overview of the history of UPS which celebrated its 100th anniversary in August, 2007. UPS began in Seattle in 1907 as a local messenger service called American Messenger Company. Founder Jim Casey started the company in his basement with a \$100 investment.

Over the next 20 years the company expanded along the West Coast and moved into delivery of retail packages. UPS installed its first conveyor belt system in 1924 and made its first air service shipment in 1929. Air service was quickly terminated

when the stock market crashed and the Great Depression began. During WWII, UPS hired many women workers to keep shipments going. The ladies adopted the nickname "Brown Bettys". UPS continued to grow, resuming air service in 1953 and eventually expanded nationwide. UPS remained a privately owned company until 1999 when it went public with a \$4 billion IPO. The money from the IPO was used to fund a series of 20 acquisitions over the next 8 years to allow UPS to operate globally. Brian quoted some interesting statistics which point out how vast UPS has become. UPS has 1,788 facilities handling 15.6 million documents and packages every day. UPS also has 282 airplanes making them the 8th largest airline in the world!

Committee News

Dear Rotarians:
In my eagerness to start this Ball park project, I mistakenly scheduled a work day on Feb. 3, Super bowl Sunday! Obviously, everyone else knew that date but me, please cancel this date (if you already haven't) from your "things to do list. Instead relax, have fun and enjoy the game. I am resetting the work day for **Saturday, Feb. 8th at 8:30 a.m.**

Be sure to email me with your availability.
Thank you
Gerald Condon

Beaumont Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours together with Beaumont Rotary Club Fellowship invites you on **Feb. 5th** to join **Verlo Mattress Factory Stores of Southeast Texas** to celebrate with our rotary member **Eric Lawrence** and his wife Phyllis on the Grand Opening of th business.

Join us for food, soft drinks, beer and wine while our mattress craftsmen demonstrate the skills and equipment used to produce a fine quality mattress.

Special Bonus: All guests will receive a FREE memory foam travel pillow.
(limit please, one pillow per family.)



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