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PROGRAM PREVIEW JUNE 18TH

Member Recognition – a special program all about our members! We will recognize perfect attendance, Paul Harris Fellows, new members and so much more.

JUNE 18TH HEAD TABLE and LUNCH MENU

* Invocation, Harland Merriam, St. Andrew's Presbyterian * Pledge, Michael Wolf, Wolf Bunt & Associates * 4-Way Test, Phil Dunlap, Wells, Peyton, Greenberg & Hunt* Introduction of Guests, Vesta Brandt, Clear Channel Communications

*Elegante Menu will be **Chicken Fried Steak** food selections*



BREAKING NEWS



**Your Invitation to a Cookout & Club Assembly on Thursday, June 26th
Munro's Community Room at 6:00 p.m.**

**It has been sometime since the club has gathered for fellowship and
discussion in advance of a new program year.**

**The 2008-2009 board of directors and President-Elect Jim Rich cordially invite
you and your spouse to a cook-out.**

**Come join us for great food, courtesy of Munro's; entertainment, and
information about the new program year.**

Dress is business casual.

**Please sign up so we can plan for enough food and refreshments or call Rotary
office at 409-842-1913 to make your reservation. For questions, contact Jim**

at jimrich@bmtcoc.org or

409-838-6586 ext. 101

ARE YOU A PAUL HARRIS FELLOW?

We want to recognize you. At our Member Recognition meeting on June 18, we ask that you wear your Paul Harris pin and/or medallion. This is an opportunity to let others know about this special honor. We will be presenting some very special Paul Harris Fellows at this meeting.

By the way, where is your Rotary Membership Pin? You know....the pin that was given to you in your Indoctrination Packet? We encourage you to wear your pin at Wednesday meetings.

■ **UPCOMING PROGRAMS** _____

**June 18 – Member Recognition Day:
Perfect Attendance, Paul Harris
Fellows, New members**
**June 25 – President Angela’s Swan
Song**
**June 26 – Club Assembly at
Munro’s
Community Room on MLK at 6pm**
July 2 – NO MEETING
July 9 – New Presidents Installation

■ **PROGRAM REVIEW JUNE 11th**

Our speaker for the meeting was Dan Mikolay, Resident Agent in Charge of the Beaumont office of ICE (US Immigration and Customs Enforcement). Dan was introduced by Brian Schlesinger, State Farm Insurance. ICE was formed in March 2003 and is the largest investigative arm of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). ICE is responsible for eliminating vulnerabilities in the nation’s border, and with economic, transportation and infrastructure security. Dan gave an overview of ICE operations as well as some specific examples of the cases handled by the Beaumont office. The Beaumont office is part of the Office of Investigations (OI) within ICE. Dan explained that OI uses its legal authority to investigate issues such as immigration crime, human rights violations, and human smuggling; narcotics, weapons and other types of smuggling; and financial crimes, cyber crime and export enforcement issues. ICE special agents also conduct investigations aimed at protecting critical infrastructure industries that are vulnerable to sabotage, attack or exploitation. The Beaumont office is very active with 6 special agents in addition to Dan. During FY 2007 the Beaumont office initiated 50 criminal prosecutions and seized over \$2,100,000 in illegal currency. For more information about ICE you can go to their website at www.ice.gov.