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Future Speakers

Jan 14 2009
The Honorable Al Price
"MLK Day Commemoration (January 19th)"

Jan 21 2009
Marlee Kingsley
"Ambassadorial Scholar 2008-2009 (Australia)"

Jan 28 2009
Dr. Kathryn Bommer
"Lone Star Challenge Blood Drive "

Feb 4 2009
Dr. George C. Wright, President, Prairie View A&M

Feb 11 2009
Bmt. Mayor, The Honorable Becky Ames

Feb 18 2009
Paula O'Neal
"Vocational Excellence Awards"

Upcoming Events

30 Something - LIT - Jan 15th
Jan 15 2009

Rotary "After Hours - D'Vine Wine Jan 29th
Jan 29 2009

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PROGRAM PREVIEW JANUARY 14th

The Honorable Al Price Commemorates Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Over the course of his career, Al Price has served his community at the local, state, national and international levels. However, his roots have always been firmly planted in Southeast Texas. A 1946 graduate of Hebert High School in Beaumont, he graduated with honors from Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia where he was a school mate of Martin Luther King, Jr. Our speaker enlisted in the U. S. Air Force in 1951, completed Officer's Candidate School and served in the Strategic Air Command as a B-47 pilot. He received an Honorable Discharge in 1963, having attained the rank of Captain.

Returning to Beaumont in the early '60's, Mr. Price became involved in the politic al and civic life of the community. He made 3 unsuccessful attempts to be elected to represent the people of Jefferson County in the Texas H ouse of Representatives. Twelve years later in 1976, Price was successful, after the Court case which resulted in Court-mandated Single-Member Districts fo r the Texas Legislature. He subsequently served 11 terms in the Texas House of Representatives. In 1980, President Jimmy Carter appointed Texas State Repre sentative Price to the official U. S. Delegation attending the Independence Day Ceremonies in Zimbabwe.

Al Price was hired by American Airlines in 1966 and immediately was able to utilize his Certification as Navigator to ferry military equipment to Vietnam. Duri ng his career, he was stationed in Chicago, New York and Dallas, flew the Boeing 707, 727, 767 airplanes extensively in the Far East, Eu rope and the Caribbean and retired from American in 1990.

In 1992, Mr. Price founded the Southeast Texas Save-Our-Sons (SOS) Association, Inc. to work with "at risk" students, incarcerated persons, ex-offenders and their families. In recognition of this work in this area, the Texas State Juvenile Correctional Facility located in < st1:placename w:st="on">Jefferson County was re-named the Al Price State Juvenile Correctional Facility in 2001.

Currently, Mr. Price is chairman of the board of the Southeast Texas Community Development Corporation, Inc. (SETCDC), a community-based organization founded by Mr. Price in 1993. The mission is to empowe r low-to-moderate income families to achieve a better quality of life. SETCDC has rehabilitated appr oximately 30 homes, built over 80 new homes and constructed 19

Give Blood. Save Lives. Feb 4th & 25th
Feb 4 2009

2009 "Rotary Large Club Conference" Oklahoma City
Feb 8 2009

Presidents Day February 16th
Feb 16 2009

Vocational Excellence Awards Feb 18th
Feb 18 2009

T. Kelsey Lamb Ethics Award
Mar 4 2009

Rotary "Goes To School"
Mar 18 2009

Lone Star P.E.T.S March 27-29th 2009
Mar 27 2009

District 5910 Conference "2009"
Apr 24 2009

Memorial Day May 25th
May 25 2009

PHF's to be given away before July 09
May 27 2009

Perfect Attendance Pins before July 09
Jun 3 2009

Flag Day June 14th
Jun 14 2009

2009 "RI Convention" Birmingham, England, UK
Jun 21 2009

Independence Day July 4
Jul 4 2009

Patriots Day September 11th
Sep 11 2009

Veterans Day November 11th
Nov 11 2009

News

NEED TO MAKE-UP A MEETING?

EVERYDAY POSITIVE THINKING FOR THE WEEK - Who Said It?

units of multi-family housing. He is the proud father of Anita, a graduate of Harvard, and Jamie, a Rice University and Howard University School of Law (Washington, DC) graduate and his three grandchildren. **Rotary member General Marvin Brailsford (US Army Ret)** will int roduce our speaker.

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JANUARY 14t h HEAD TABLE AND LUNCH MENU

*Invocation ; Bruce Hoffer, Owner of Law Office of Bruce A. Hoffer

*Pledge ; Kim Tompkins, Owner of Kim's Hair Studio

*Introduction of Guest ; Ken Arola, Associate of Community Chiropractic

Elegante Menu will be Chef's choice

JANUARY 14TH MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE BALLROOM

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*******CONGRATULATIONS*******

TO OUR

PRESIDENT-ELECT FOR 2010-2011

ROBERTA "BOBBIE APPLEGATE"

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE OF ROTARY PAST PRESIDENTS MET FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF IDENTIFYING A PROSPECTIVE ROTARY PRESIDENT-ELECT.

AT OUR JANUARY 7TH MEETING PAST PRESIDENT ANGELA BAKER ANNOUNCED OUR NEW PRESIDENT-ELECT FOR 2010-2011...ROBERTA "BOBBIE" APPLEGATE.

THANK YOU PAST PRESIDENT ANGELA BAKER & PRESIDENT ELECT KEVIN ROY FOR PUTTING THIS TOGETHER & A BIG THANKS TO A LL PAST PRESIDENTS FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THIS SELECTION.

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"30 SOMETHING"

COMING UP

JANUARY 15TH FROM 7:30-8:30AM

LIT @ MPC (MULTI-PURPOSE CENTER) ON EAST LAVACA & UNIVERSITY DRIVE; 802 EAST LAVACA STREET in Beaumont

PAUL SZUCH, PRESIDENT OF LIT WILL BE HOSTING. ARRANGMENTS MADE BY PAUL KOESTER, GENERAL MANAGER OF MUNRO'S DRY CLEANING

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ROTARY "AFTER HOURS"

COMING UP

JANUARY 29TH AT 5:30PM UNTIL

D'VINE WINE ON PHELAN IN BEAUMONT

CAROLYN OLIVER, OWNER OF D'VINE WINE WILL BE HOSTING. ARRANGEMENTS MADE BY DEAN CONWELL, DIRECTOR OF CITY OF BEAUMONT CONVENTION OF VISITORS BUREAU

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Give Blood .

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Save Lives .

The LifeShare Blood Center of Beaumont is hosting a blood drive at the MCM Elegante Hotel February 4th and February 25th. Show your support by signing up to give blood.

Donations begin at 10:30 a.m. and end at 2:30 p.m. It takes about 30 minutes for eac h member, so be sure to make time to donate!

Contact Ivy Pate, Chairperson at 899-7593 or email her @ ivy.pate@christushealth.org for additional information. There will be a sign up sheet starting January 21st right outside the Ballroom.

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VOCATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS

TO BE GIVEN OUT TO ROTARIANS OR NON-ROTARIANS ON FEBRUARY 18, 2009

DEADLINE TO TURN IN NOMINATION FORM IS FEBRUARY 12th

Paula O'Neal, Chairperson says on February 18th the Beaumont Rotary Club will recognize those who have exhibited Vocational Excell ence in their chosen profession. Nomination forms for those to be honored first appeared on the lunch tables at the January 7th meeting. Please be thinking of those you come in contact with in your daily living that enhance your lives by the services they render. This is an excellent way to say "thank you" to those who serve us on a regular basis....We look forward to g etting your nominations....thank you from the Vocational Excellence committee. Please contact Paula O'Neal at 832-7976 or email her at paulaoneal1@sbcglobal.net

Note: the Vocational Excellence forms will continue to be on the lunch tables up until February 11th.

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PAUL HARRIS FELLOW

ATTENTION MEMBERS:

ANYONE THAT HAS CONTRIBUTED AT LEAST $1000 TOWARDS A PHF WILL BE ANNOUNCED BEFORE OUR JULY 09 MEETING

MAKE YOUR DONATIONS NOW TO ROTARY FOUNDATION. MAIL CONTRIBUTION TO THE ROTARY OFFICE

The Paul Harris Fellowship is named after Paul Harris, who founded Rotary with three business associates in Chicago in 1905. The fellowship was established in his honor in 1957 to express appreciation for a contribution US$1,000 to the humanitarian and educational programs of The Rotary Foundation.&nb sp; Those programs include an array of projects that save and invigorate the lives around the world and enhance international friendship and understanding. Foundation programs provide educational opportunities, food, potable water, healthcare, immunizations, and shelter for millions of persons . These activities are funded, implemented and managed by Rotarians and Rotary Clubs around the globe. Rotarians also designate a Paul Harris Fellow to recognize another person whose life demonstrates a shared purpose with the objectives and mission of The Rotary Foundation to build worl d understanding and peace.

For as little as $87.00/month you too can become a Paul Harris Fellow.

DON'T FORGET, THIS IS TAX DEDUCTIBLE

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SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Any events happening in the lives of our Rotary Club members, whether it be happy or sad, where a Congratulations or Sympathy is needed contact our Chairperson Karen Weller at&nb sp;409-782-0374.

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ATTENTION MEMBERS

This is the website link to the NEW ClubRunner Website: www.clubrunner.ca/beaumont. Once we finish the new website, we will no longer have the old one. PLEASE MAKE A NOTE OF THE NEW WEBSITE.

NEW INFORMATION

MEMBERS: IF YOU HAVE TROUBLE GETTING INTO CLUBRUNNER TRY THIS...

1. CLICK ON LOGIN

2. CLICK ON FORGOT YOUR PASSWORD

3. CLUBRUNNER WILL EMAIL YOU STEP BY STEP INSTRUCTIONS.

PLEASE READ BELOW - VERY IMPORTANT

NOTE: THE ROTARY OFFICE WILL BE CALLING ALL MEMBERS THAT HAVE NOT COMPLETED THEIR PROFILE. OUR GOAL IS TO GET ALL INFORMATION NEEDED BY END OF JANUARY AND HAVE EACH OF YOU A MEMBERSHIP ROSTER BY FEBRUARY 2009

PLEASE MAKE NOTE THAT ANY CHANGES YOU MAY HAVE NEED TO BE CHANGED IN "EDIT MY PROFILE" BY YOU.

ANY CHANGES PERTAINING TO YOU CHANGING BUSINESSES NEEDS TO BE CALLED INTO THE ROTARY OFFICE ASAP SO THE CLASSIFICATIONS COMMITTEE CAN ASSIGN YOU A NEW CLASSIFICATION AND WE CAN CHANGE YOUR BADGE AND OUR RECO RDKEEPING.

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SPONSOR PINS

All club members who have sponsored a new member since July 1, 2008 will be awarded a Sponsor pin starting in January 2009.

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OUR REVIEW FOR ROTARY SPEAKER ROBERT E. PLEDGER THAT SPOKE AT OUR JANUARY 7TH MEETING WILL BE ADDED TO OUR NEXT ROTARYGRAM DATED JANUARY 14TH