



The Beaumont Rotary Club

Club No. 72 - Founded February 28, 1913



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If you have any comments or questions, email the editor.

Future Speakers

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

Beaumont Mayor, The
Honorable Becky Ames

*"And a Memorial Resolution for
Maurine Gray"*

Feb 18 2009

Paula O'Neal

*"Vocational Excellence Awards/
Sponsor Pins"*

Upcoming Events

**Bd Meeting at Neches Rm on
Crockett Jan 27th- noon**

Jan 27 2009

**Indoctrination for New
Members Jan 28th at 10:30am**

Jan 28 2009

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

Jan 29 2009

**Rotary Dist 5910 Mid Year
Assy. @ LSC, Montg 1-31**

Jan 31 2009

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

Feb 4 2009

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Preview of

Dr. Kathryn Beth Bommer



Dr. Kathryn Beth Bommer is the medical director of laboratory services for CHRISTUS St. Elizabeth and St. Mary Hospitals. She is a native Texan, growing up in Victoria, Texas and a graduate of Texas A&M University. She earned her medical degree at Medical College of Georgia and returned to Texas to complete post graduate work at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Texas. Dr. Bommer is board certified in anatomic and clinical pathology and joined the staff of CHRISTUS in 1995. She has special interest in transfusion medicine and is the director of the local CHRISTUS hospital blood banks. Dr. Bommer's presentation is the kick-off of the Rotary Club of Beaumont Blood Drive Campaign, a statewide initiative among all Texas Rotary Districts called the Lone Star Challenge. Appreciation to Ivy Pate for speaker arrangements and coordinating our club's participation in the Challenge with LifeShare before and after the Wednesday meetings on February 4th and February 25th.

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JANUARY 28th HEAD TABLE AND LUNCH MENU

*Invocation ; Randon Clark, Pastor, Triumph Church

*Pledge ; Ann Scoggin, Owner, Coldwell Banker Southern Homes

*Introduction of Guest ; Albert Smith, Retired

Elegante Menu will be Chef's choice

JANUARY 28th MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE BALLROOM

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
Sponsor Pins to be given at the Feb 18th meeting Feb 18 2009
Rotary After Hours - Suga's 2-26-09 Feb 26 2009
Scholarship Application deadline March 1 2009 Mar 1 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

ARE YOU ADVERTISING WITH US YET OR THINKING ABOUT IT?

NEED TO MAKE-UP A MEETING?

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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 AND VISITORS BUREAU

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A BIG THANKS TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS

WHO USE THEIR VALUABLE TIME TO HELP ROTARY WHENEVER ASKED

WE COULD NOT DO IT WITHOUT U

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GIVE BLOOD & 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 am and end at 2:30 pm** It takes about **30 minutes for each member**, so be sure to make time to donate!

Contact Ivy Pate, Chairperson at 899-7593 or email her @ <mailto:ivy.pate@christushealth.org> for additional information call the Rotary office. There will be a sign up sheet starting January 14th right outside the Ballroom. You will be able to sign up until February 4th.

AS OF JANUARY 21st

WE HAVE A TOTAL OF (16) SIGNED UP TO GIVE BLOOD ON FEBRUARY 4TH. WOW!!!!!!

Gerald Condon, Donna Qualls, Jillian Day, Jim Rich, James Grant, Carole Reeves, Karen Weller, John Weitzel, Michael Clayton, Larry Beaulieu, Chris Ayers, Doug Conner, George

EVERYDAY POSITIVE THINKING FOR THE WEEK -Who Said It?

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Pate, Patty Williams, Richard Bothel & Lois Cornwell

WE HAVE A TOTAL OF (6) SIGNED UP TO GIVE BLOOD ON FEBRUARY 25TH. GREAT!!!!

Mary Ellen Robertson, Bruce Hoffer, Floiran Estrada, Travis Brewer, Cindy Westfall & Roger McCabe

WE STILL HAVE 20 SPOTS LEFT FOR FEBRUARY 4TH AND 30 SPOTS LEFT FOR FEBRUARY 25TH.

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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 Excellence 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 getting 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.

COME ON NOW MEMBERS, PAULA HAS ONLY RECEIVED (2) NOMINATIONS SO FAR. YOU HAVE TO KNOW SOME GOOD PEOPLE OUT THERE :):):)

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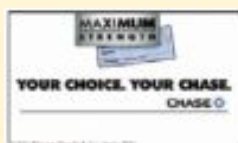
PAUL HARRIS FELLOW

ATTENTION MEMBERS:

ANYONE THAT HAS CONTRIBUTED AT LEAST \$1000 TOWARDS A PHF WILL BE ANNOUNCED BEFORE OUR JULY 2009 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. Those



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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 world 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

CALL PHIL DUNLAP, OUR LANE CHAIR OR JOHN NEWHOUSE, OUR CHAIRMAN OR THE ROTARY OFFICE TO FIND OUT HOW CLOSE YOU ARE TO GETTING A PAUL HARRIS FELLOW. HAVE YOU CHECKED LATELY? YOU MAY BE CLOSER THAN YOU THINK!

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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 409-782-0374.**

ATTENTION MEMBERS

This is the website link to the NEW ClubRunner Website: www.clubrunner.ca/beamont. 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 NEEDED, WILL 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 ADJUST OUR RECORDKEEPING.

HAVE YOU READ THE "HOME PAGE" LATELY??

SPONSOR PINS

All club members who have sponsored a new member since July 1, 2008 will be awarded a Sponsor pin starting in February 18, 2009.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO CINDY CHERRY

WOW!!!!



AT THE JANUARY 21st MEETING, CINDY WAS PRESENTED A DIPLOMA FROM ROTARY UNIVERSITY AND WAS HANDED A BLUE BADGE TO REPLACE HER RED ONE BY CHAIRMAN CHAD BLANCHARD OF ROTARY UNIVERSITY. SHE IS THE FIRST IN OUR CLUB TO RECEIVE A **MASTERS** OF ROTARY SCIENCE DEGREE FOR COMPLETION OF REQUIRED STUDY.

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PROGRAM REVIEW FOR

JANUARY 21st

Marlee Kinglsey, a former Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar for Beaumont, was introduced by Teresa Simpson of Lamar University.

Ms. Kingsley graduated summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, from Texas A&M University and has also received a postgraduate diploma in

Teaching English as a Second Language from the University of Canberra.

Her presentation included pictures that allowed a comparison of Australian terrain and Texas. It was easy to see that it depends on what part of the state or country you are visiting as to what you would be likely to see. She also pointed out that if you are looking for a place to visit, Australia should be one of the countries you consider, since the U S dollar is strong over there right now.

During her year long stay she kept very busy volunteering, getting to know the people of the country and teaching English as a second language. It was easy to see that Marlee formed an attachment to Australia and its people and it is a country she will probably visit again.

Marlee's trip was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Beaumont-Spindletop and she was hosted by the Rotary Club of Ginninderra in District 9710.