



The Beaumont Rotary Club

Club No. 72 - Founded February 28, 1913



Sunday, May 10, 2009

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

Future Speakers

May 13 2009

Youth Day

"RYLA, S.A.S, Youth Scholarships, Rotaract Annual Presentation "

May 20 2009

Dr. Carroll Thomas

"BISD Bond Construction Update"

May 27 2009

Sam Haskell III

Jun 3 2009

Dr. Renu Khator New
Chancellor/President

Jun 17 2009

President Jim Rich

"Member Recognition Day "

Jun 24 2009

Paula Bothe

"President Jim's Swan Song"

Upcoming Events

District Assembly 5-16-09

Liberty, Texas

May 16 2009

Spindletop Soap Box Derby 5-16 & 5-17, 2009

May 16 2009

Sponsor pins to be handed out 5-20-09

May 20 2009

Changes to By-Laws 5-20-09

May 20 2009

"30 Something" 5-22-09 M&D Supply 7:30-8:30am

May 22 2009

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PROGRAM PREVIEW

MAY 13, 2009

~YOUTH DAY~

Rotary Club of Beaumont is recognizing outstanding youth in the community with the following award presentations:

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards)

YOUTH SERVICE ABOVE SELF AWARDS

YOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS

ROTARACT ANNUAL PRESENTATION

RGTS (Rotary Goes To School) Doug Chase

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May 13th HEAD TABLE AND LUNCH MENU

***Invocation;** Harland Merriam, Pastor, St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

***Pledge;** Melissa Hurd, Development Coordinator Sr., Lamar University Foundation

***Introduction of Guest;** Sam Lord, Retired

Elegante Menu will be creole pork chops, fried fish & Chef's choice of vegetables

Memorial Day 5-25-09 FLAG PROJECT

May 25 2009

Board Meeting 5-26-09 at the Neches room

May 26 2009

Indoctrination of New Members 5-27-09

May 27 2009

Rotary after Hours 5-28-09 from 5:30 until

May 28 2009

Rotary University Awards given out on 6-10-09

Jun 10 2009

New Paul Harris Fellows 6-10-09

Jun 10 2009

Flag Day 6-14-09 - FLAG PROJECT

Jun 14 2009

Perfect Attendance Pins to be given 6-17-09

Jun 17 2009

Paul Harris Fellows; Sapphires & Rubys 6-17-09

Jun 17 2009

Indoctrination 6-17-09

Jun 17 2009

"30 Something" 6-18-09 Hotel Bmt 7:30-8:30am

Jun 18 2009

2009 "RI Conv." Birmingham, Eng. 6-21 through 6-24

Jun 21 2009

Board Meeting 6-23-09

Jun 23 2009

Spirit of Rotary Award 6-24-09

Jun 24 2009

Rotary After Hours from 5:30pm until on 6-25-09

Jun 25 2009

Independence Day 7-4-09 - FLAG PROJECT

Jul 4 2009

Patriots Day 9-11-09 FLAG PROJECT

Sep 11 2009

Veterans Day 11-11-09 FLAG PROJECT

Nov 11 2009

News**May 13th MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE BALLROOM**

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WE NEED PICTURES FROM THE FOLLOWING LIST OF MEMBERS:**IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER;**

Nelson Alter	Tom Barras	Candice Broucher
James Broussard Jr.	Bill Brown	Andy Burns
Bob Burns	Rod Carroll	Mike Carter
Bobby Celli	Chris Colletti	Doug Conner
R.J. Demahy	Ken Dollinger	Dale Dowell
Vernon Dunn	Frank Eastman	Robert Edger
Lum Edwards	Lori Falk	Sam Fazio
Donna Ferchak	Richard Funchess	Tim Gaddis
Guy Giesecke	Scott Hall	Robert Hambright
Ryan Harkey	Kyle Hayes	Dorothy Henges
Carolyn Howard	Benny Hughes	Mike Ireland
Kathleen Jackson	John Johnson	Leonard Junker
Azim Keramati	Sharen Kirksey	Tommy Lamb
J.D. Landes	Frank Maida	Arthur Martin
Ralph Martin	Polly Matlock	James McNicholas
Jerry Nathen	Ben Orgain	Hubert Oxford
Ben Parker	John Polk	Larry Porter
John Prewitt	Russell Rand	Ron Reed
Dessie Richard	Ken Ruddy	Elaine Shellenberger

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NEED TO MAKE-UP A MEETING?

EVERYDAY POSITIVE THINKING
FOR THE WEEK -Who Said It?

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HONORARY MEMBERS

Marie Broussard

Nell Phillips

JoAnn Polk

Smythe Shepherd

Jimmy Simmons

Margaret Turner

Betty Wells

Rosine Wilson

NEW MEMBERS

Rudy Beeching

William Denman

Frank Fuller

David Harris

Dennis Keene

Kerry Moncla

Mary Scoggin

Raymond Troy

Mike White

Email your **colored head shot** in jpg, jpeg, bmp or gif format to
admin@beaumontrotaryclub.org or have your picture taken at the next
meeting.

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LOOKING FOR VOLUTEERS

SOUTHEAST TEXAS ALL AMERICAN SOAP BOX DERBY

(A SERVICE PROJECT OF BEAUMONT SPINDLETOP ROTARY CLUB)

IS COMING UP SOON!

MAY 16th & 17th

For further information contact Paul Koester at pkoester@munrosinc.com



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HAVE YOU LOOKED AT OUR PHOTOS LATELY?

JILLIAN HAS A GOOD TIME PUTTING THESE PICTURES IN THE ROTARYGRAM.

CHECK THEM OUT. GO TO THE HOME PAGE AND CLICK UNDER PHOTO'S TO SEE OUR LAST DISTRICT CONFERENCE, ANGELA'S SWAN SONG, MEETINGS, 30 SOMETHINGS, ROTARY AFTER HOURS, MEETINGS, MEETINGS, 30 SOMETHINGS, ROTARY AFTER HOURS, DISTRICT CONFERENCE, MEETINGS ETC.....

HAVE YOU EVER CHECKED OUT OUR "ROTARIANS OF THE DAY"?

GO TO THE HOME PAGE AND CLICK ON "ROTARIAN OF THE DAY".

CHECK OUT OUR "PAST PRESIDENT'S MINUTE".

GO TO THE HOME PAGE AND CLICK ON "PAST PRESIDENT'S MINUTE".

DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE IN THE ROTARYGRAM?

CALL THE ROTARY OFFICE TODAY.

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FLAG PROJECT

MAY 25th, MEMORIAL DAY

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED !!!!!

CONTACT PAT ANDERSON AT patrick@beckerprint.com

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WHAT DOES THE ROTARY FOUNDATION ACCOMPLISH WITH YOUR GIFT?

Contributions to The Rotary Foundation support our goal of advancing international understanding, goodwill, and peace. Your participation in the PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY is an especially meaningful and significant commitment.

Your annual contribution of US\$1,000 can help provide:

- A well for clean water to a community in India
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Equipment for a children's library in Ecuador

- Polio vaccine for numerous children
- Playground equipment, musical instruments, and therapeutic toys for rehabilitating orphans and other children in the Czech Republic
- Eyeglasses for needy adults in the Philippines
- Funding for a portion of a Group Study Exchange

These programs can only be sustained with the ongoing support of dedicated Rotarians. Thank you for making The Rotary Foundation your charity of choice.

ABOUT PAUL HARRIS

The Paul Harris Society is named after Paul P. Harris, founder of Rotary International. Paul Harris formed the world's first service club, the Rotary Club of Chicago, on 23 February 1905. His intention was to recapture in a professional club the same friendly spirit he had felt in the small towns of his youth. Today, Paul Harris Society contributions to The Rotary Foundation support a wide range of humanitarian grants and educational programs that enable Rotarians to bring hope and promote international understanding throughout the world. Become a member of the Paul Harris Society today and make a lasting difference.

TO LEARN HOW YOU CAN GET YOUR FIRST PAUL HARRIS FELLOW, CONTACT A BOARD MEMBER LISTED ON THE HOME PAGE OR CALL THE ROTARY OFFICE.

DOING GOOD IN THE WORLD !!!!

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HAVE YOU CHECKED YOUR ATTENDANCE LATELY?

WE WILL BE GIVING PERFECT ATTENDANCE PINS AWAY JUNE 17, 2009 TO THE MEMBERS THAT HAVE MADE 100% ATTENDANCE FROM:

JULY 1st, 2008 TO JUNE 30th, 2009

Go into your profile & click on "My attendance". See if you are going to get a perfect attendance pin. If you find a discrepancy, please call the Rotary office so we can fix it so you will not be left out.

If you don't quite have perfect attendance but are very close, do any of the following make-ups so you will be recognized for perfect attendance this year & for years to come;

- **Visit another Rotary club;** go to the home page to find out where & when
- **Go on-line to "e Club One";** go to the home page to find email

address

- **Go to a "30 Something"**; this is usually the NEXT To The Last Thursday of each month. You visit a Rotarians business from 7:30-8:30am. Read the RotaryGram or go to our weekly meeting to find out where it will be.
- **Go to a "Rotary after Hours"**; this usually happens on the LAST Thursday of each month. It starts at 5:30 pm until...Read the RotaryGram or go to our weekly meeting to find out where it will be.
- **Volunteer to work a project such as the "Flag Project"**. We have 6 special holidays that the flags are delivered in Beaumont. Read the RotaryGram or go to our weekly meeting to find out when the next one will be. You start at approximately 5:30am to 7:30am. You can also contact Pat Anderson @ patrick@beckerprinting.com for more information on where to meet.
- **Go to a "Rotary goes to School"**; this happens annually. You go to an assigned elementary school to read a book to a first grader. You start approximately 11:30am - 12:00pm.
- **Go to a monthly Board Meeting**; This happens the LAST Tuesday of each month. It is from 12:00 noon to 1:00pm. Read the RotaryGram to find out where it will be.
- **Go to a "Rotary goes to Work"**; this happens annually. You go to an assigned Rotarians business which usually starts at 11:30am to 12:30pm.
- **Go to a "Rotary goes Home"**; this happens annually. You go to an assigned Rotarians home for Dinner.
- **Volunteer to sit at the Head Table** each week to do the Invocation, Pledge or Introduction of Guests. Read the home page under Rotary Forms & Lists. Click on Lane Chair list to find out who handles this or anything else you may be interested in.
- **Volunteer to help at the weekly meetings**; Be a greeter, work the credit card machine, take pictures of the meeting, sit at the registration desk, scan members badges, count plates, work the lap top when a speaker needs it, unload the buggy, reload the buggy to go up to the Rotary office.
- **Volunteer in the Rotary office**; The Rotary office is open to anyone to come visit or to volunteer from 8:00am to 5:00pm M-F. We can always find something for you to do.

NOTE: The above make-ups are very easy and can be used whenever you need to make-up for a day you couldn't make it to the meeting. You will find that you will get to know fellow Rotarians better when you volunteer or go to any of the above things.

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ATTENTION RED BADGES

Are you ready to get rid of that red badge and get you a blue badge? Well, this is how you can do it.....

Go to the Home Page under Forms & Lists and then click on Rotary University to find out how you can get a **BLUE BADGE** before you know it. You can also contact Chad Blanchard @ cblanchard@munrosinc.com or the Rotary office.

Degree requirements:

Requirements for the degrees are listed below. When you have completed the requirements for your Bachelor's Degree, have your form approved by the Club President and fax or email it to the Rotary office. The office will prepare your Degree Certificate and badge sticker and send them to the President for presentation at the weekly meeting. Keep the same form and continue to work on your Master's and Doctoral Degrees.

BACHELOR OF ROTARY SCIENCE DEGREE -

I. Maintain 100% attendance consecutively for 2 months. See home page for more information on this degree.

MASTER OF ROTARY SCIENCE DEGREE -

I. Maintain 100% attendance consecutively for 4 months. See home page for more information on this degree.

DOCTOR OF ROTARY SCIENCE DEGREE -

I. Maintain 100% attendance consecutively for 6 months. See home page for more information on this degree.

NOTE: If you received your **RED BADGE BEFORE July 1, 2008**, then all you need to do is volunteer for 10 hours total, fax your sheet showing how you volunteered to the Rotary office at 409-842-5613 and you will become a **BLUE BADGE**. These were the requirements **BEFORE** we started Rotary University.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the Rotary office.

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**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY
TO ALL OUR ROTARIANS !!!**

Thank you Tommy Hebert for those beautiful Red Roses and those beautiful miniature Roses. What a nice surprise!

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"ROTARY GOES HOME"

A message from Vernon Pierce

Rotary Goes Home was a new event that President Jim Rich asked our club to try. Originally scheduled for October, but due to Hurricane Ike it was rescheduled for April. Seventeen Rotarians volunteered to host a dinner in their home for 80 Rotarians and their spouses. These small groups were able to fellowship with each other and in the end got to know Fellow Rotarians better. All the host said that it was a successful event.

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Rotary Review for May 6, 2009

Rotarian Vernon Pierce introduced speaker **Chris Hebert** to the members. With a B.S. in meteorology from Texas A&M and 27 plus years of forecasting experience Mr. Hebert is Impact Weather's lead hurricane forecaster.

Impact Weather serves as a full-time, full service weather department for hundreds of organizations nationwide including Entergy, area petrochemical companies and local governments.

Mr. Hebert focused on lessons learned and how best to use new experience and new tools to carry us forward more safely into the 2009 tropical storm season.

Mr. Hebert along with Impact Weather meteorologist Bob Weinzapfel developed the Hurricane Severity Index, a new measurement which incorporates not only the intensity of the winds but the size of the area the winds cover. A new way of estimating hurricane destructive potential. It gives values for well-known hurricanes at landfall from Carla in '61 up to Ike in 2008.

The Saffir-Simpson scale assumes that all hurricanes are alike and is based only on maximum winds. According to Mr. Hebert this scale has problems in that storm surge is more related to a hurricane's size and this scale does not consider the size and scope of a hurricane's wind field. It doesn't consider tropical storms and does not give a good estimate of potential damage. Ike's storm surge was 20 feet and could have been 6 to 8 feet higher if it hadn't contracted as it did which would have resulted in most of the refineries along the Gulf coast out of commission for a minimum of a year. Waves were 50 to 80 feet and the Bolivar Peninsula was cut off. According to Mr. Hebert there are still hundreds of people unaccounted for in that area.

Damage comparison: Ike in 2008 at 110 mph Cat 2, Damage \$28.1 plus billion. Alica in 1983, 110 mph a Cat 2, damage 4.8 Billion. More than 5 million households in the Houston area were without power after Ike.

Impact Weather is forecasting a less active hurricane season in 2009 as compared to the 2008 season however they think that there may be an elevated risk of an impact across the southeast U.S. this season. The primary threat region will be located along the eastern Gulf coast from Florida to the Carolinas. Three named storms are predicted over the Gulf of Mexico however the most concern will be over the Florida Peninsula.

For 2009 the forecast is for 12 named storms, 7 of which will become hurricanes and 3 of those hurricanes could become major according to the Saffir-Simpson scale.

Predictions indicate that there is a possibility of a weak El Nino developing in the Pacific Ocean in late summer or early fall.

Hurricane season begins June 1.

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HAVE YOU PROPOSED A MEMBER TODAY?

Go to the Home page under Rotary Forms & Lists, then click on "How to propose a new member", print it out and fax to the Rotary office.