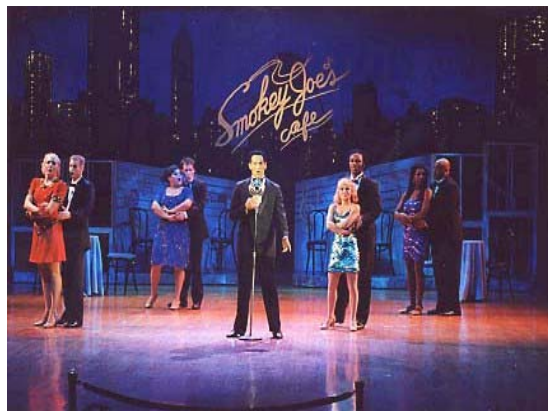


THE BEAUMONT ROTARY CLUB



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PROGRAM PREVIEW SEPTEMBER 3RD



“**Smokey Joe’s Café**” – baby, that is Rock and Roll. Paula Bothe, the Director, will present some impressions from the **Beaumont Community Players’** first production of the season. The show opens September 5th and plays the 6th, 12th, 13th, 18th, 19th & 20th at the Betty Greenberg Center for Performing Arts. “Smokey Joe’s Café” presents the works of two of Rock and Roll’s greatest composers, Leiber and Stoller – two guys who practically invented the art form. You may not know their names, but you will know not only the names of all the songs, but you’ll remember the tunes and the words. The two wrote “Jailhouse Rock,” “Love Me,” “Yakety Yak,” “On Broadway,” “Young Blood,” “You Ain’t Nothin But a Hound Dog,” and dozens of other hits that featured artists including Elvis Presley and the Coasters. Take a trip down memory lane with the hits of the sixties and get ready to head for “The Betty” and lively entertainment in Beaumont’s newest theatre. Rotary gets the first peek.



SEPTEMBER 3RD HEAD TABLE and LUNCH MENU



*Invocation, **Twila Baker, Lamar University**, *Pledge, **Patty Williams, Communities in Schools**
* Introduction of Guests, **Karen Newton, Shorkey Center**

Elegante Menu will be Chef’s choice

September 3rd meeting will be held in the BALLROOM

ATTENTION NEW MEMBERS

Remember it is your responsibility to turn in your hours to the Rotary office by email, fax or in person to receive your **blue badge.**

Just as a reminder, points are earned towards your **blue badge by participating in events and any Service Projects such as helping at the Wednesday meetings, attending “30 Something Meetings”, “Fellowship After Hours” & “**Rotary Goes Home**”, to name a few.**

ROTARY “GOES HOME”

Rotary “Goes Home” is very similar to Rotary “Goes to Work”, except Rotarians get to visit someone’s home; and it does count as a make-up meeting. We need 30 Rotarians to be Host Families for this event. The cost is to be split among the Rotarians that visit the Host Family’s home. Selection of which Rotarians visit which Host Family will be done by drawing names out of a hat.

The Host Family’s responsibility:

- pick the date of your Rotary “Goes Home”
-- any date between September 29 to October 3, 2008.
- provide the home and meal
- send invitations to Rotarians (& spouses) assigned to Host Family’s Rotary “Goes Home” communicating **the date, time, location, and cost**.

This will be a great way to get to know a fellow Rotarian better and show off your home.

To Host Family Volunteer: Please complete the information below and leave it on the table.

Yes, I would like to be a Host Family.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____

BUSINESS PHONE #: _____

CELL PHONE #: _____

HOME PHONE #: _____

If you have any suggestions, please call:

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(409)896-2108 (home)
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**IF MANDATORY
EVACUATION IS CALLED,
THE SEPTEMBER 3RD
MEETING WILL BE
CANCELLED PER
PRESIDENT JIM RICH**

ATTENTION CLUB MEMBERS

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY....NO ONE IS TO BE BILLED FOR THEIR LUNCH OR A MEAL TICKET BOOK. WE WILL GLADLY TAKE CASH, VISA, MASTERCARD OR CHECK.

■ **UPCOMING PROGRAMS**_____

September 3 – “Smokey Joe’s Café,” a Broadway musical theatrical revue **or Hurricane Gustav**

September 10 – Texas State University System Chancellor Charles R. Matthews, Austin

September 17 – Rotary 5910 District Governor Roger McCabe & Memorial Resolution for George J. Shaumburg

September 24 – “What can *YOU* Do For Beaumont?”

WAY TO GO ROTARIANS!!!!!!!!!!

THE MAJORITY OF YOU HAVE ENTERED YOUR PROFILE INFORMATION IN CLUBRUNNER. (SOME HAVE EVEN ADDED YOUR COLORED PICTURE).

FOR THOSE OF YOU THAT HAVEN'T ENTERED YOU'RE PROFILE, INFORMATION IS ESSENTIAL!!!
SOON THE NEW ROTARYGRAM E-BULLETIN WILL BE EMAILED DIRECTLY TO ALL MEMBERS WEEKLY.
YOUR CORRECT EMAIL ADDRESS IS NEEDED.

"PAST PRESIDENT'S MINUTE" (REFLECTIONS OF DAYS-GONE-BY)

Chairman of "Past President's Minute" is Larry Beaulieu.

(See the REVIEW of "Past President's Minute" for the year so far in ClubRunner under PPM's).

(All reviews will stay in ClubRunner for you to go back & read)

Floyd McSpadden	(1999-00)	August 20th (see review in Club Runner)
James Broussard	(1984-85)	August 27th (see review in Club Runner)
TBA		Sept 3 rd
Terry Bourdier	(2005-06)	Sept 10 th

REVIEW OF PAST PRESIDENT FLOYD MCSPADDEN HISTORY MINUTE FROM AUGUST 20TH

For Rotary the year of Y2K quickly became the year of the 4 Way Test. On July 14, 1999 our club began to recite the 4 Way Test as part of our weekly meeting agenda. Not all were pleased. The Ramblings column in Rotary Grams reported that Nancy Beaulieu and friends were reciting the 4 Way Test from a laminated card she had prepared. Nancy was quoted as saying the card was a "memory aid" not a cheat sheet. During this year the Rotary Minute also became a part of our weekly agenda. In a brief statement a Rotarian shared part of Rotary International history or its organizational components with our club. 1999-2000 was the third year of efforts to complete the ill fated Southeast Texas Nature and Wildlife Center in Tyrrell Park. The project was affectionately known as the "bird hospital". Thanks to dedicated Rotarians a busy agenda was planned and executed. A Club Assembly, Rotary Goes to School, Rotary Goes to Work, Vocational Awareness Awards, Service above Self Awards, the Holiday Party and a Golf Tournament were all part of an active Rotary year. Camp Enterprise celebrated its 7th Anniversary with 100 students and dozens of Rotary volunteers. Our Rotary Club hosted a visiting Group Study Exchange Group from India and participated in the District Conference at Lake Conroe. Past President Dan Hallmark was selected to receive the T. Kelsey Lamb Award for Business Ethics from our club. Notable programs for the Rotary year included President Jimmy Simmons (after one month on the job as President of Lamar University), Dr. Larry Faulkner, President of UT-Austin, and Chancellor Harold Graves of the Texas A&M System. County Judge Carl Griffith made a presentation on the proposed Southeast Texas Entertainment Complex and freshman legislators Joe Deshotel and Alan Ritter reported to the club on upcoming issues to be considered by the State Legislator. The last and most memorable program for me was the Swan Song on June 28, 2000. The Club confronted me with their own version of the Four Way Test. With a cast of usual suspects I was roasted and then escorted out of the meeting on back of a Harley Davidson. Our friend and Past President Maurine Gray played an angel, how fitting. 1999-2000 marked the end of succession for 3 lawyer presidents in a row. How relieved was the Club to welcome Chuck Mason as our new President. Thanks to fellow Rotarians 1999-2000 was a productive and positive year for our Club.

REVIEW OF PAST PRESIDENT JAMES BROUSSARD HISTORY MINUTE FROM AUGUST 27TH

We started out the year still meeting at the Sheraton with our offices in the Petroleum Building downtown. Our programs included presentations by our own Bill Graber and Mark Stiles and Ben Love, CEO of Texas Bancshares. In August our meal prices increased to \$5.50 and we welcomed our Rotary Fellow, Steve Gardner back from France. We had a little reminder of the Four Way Test in that we served more meals than tickets in the basket. We also had nearly 70 scooters at one meeting. September programs included Carl Parker and James Adams, president of Southwestern Bell. The highlight was the Rotary Trade Fair in the Civic Center that was open to the public. We had over 45 exhibitors and some 60 door prizes. John and Sandra Williams won the grand prize of a trip to the Mexican resort of their choice. The big story in October was the first visit of a delegation from our sister city Beppu City, Japan which was the culmination of many months work by the late Robert Swerdlow and his committee. We moved to the Hilton in November in a deal negotiated by Charlie Weinbaum. Our first meeting was an open house with a pickup lunch and music by the Lamar Jazz Band while touring the new facilities. We also began the choice of a hot buffet or soup and sandwich meal format. We closed out the calendar year with a family day program that featured Paul Driscoll, nationally known illusionist and magician. In January, George Irish, publisher of the Enterprise and Linn Draper, Executive vice president of Gulf States brought us up on affairs of local interest. Tipton Golias of Helena Laboratories, Joe Luce of the Chamber of Commerce, Richard Blakington

of Bethlehem Steel and labor leader Elmer Ashcraft rounded out our programs for February. In March we learned about space weapons, law enforcement use of dogs, Lamar president Billy Franklin and police Chief John Swan. April proved to be the busiest ever. We hosted a very successful district conference chaired by Tommy Polk and welcomed a G.S.E. team from India. If that wasn't enough, we pulled off another great Camp Enterprise under the leadership of Larry Beaumont. At our last meeting of the month we welcomed our secretaries to a piano concert by Beaumont's own Keith Albright and our daughter, Karen, was announced as our Neches River princess. After a very busy April, we slowed down a bit, but had some great programs. The Lamar Brass Quintet, a talk about trademark violations and counterfeiting our products, the president of Southwestern University and Representative Al Price. As our year came to an end, we heard presentations by a banker, the director of the U.S. Marshalls Service and the co-chairman of M.D. Anderson Hospital. Our first exchange student, Yasuko Ito, from Beppu City was announced. Finally, an Irish wake was held for me at Mother's Pub with Margaret Cherb as Mother, Larry Beaulieu in his returning role as the widow Rosbelle, Alex Broussard as Father O'Quinn, Ray Riley as lawyer Madigan, and Jerry Nathan as sex therapist Dr. Ruth. However, I survived and passed the gavel to Jim Stokes. Incidentally, the club received a thank you note from Queen Karen.

Chairman of "Rotarian of the Day" is Brian Schlesinger

"ROTARIAN OF THE DAY"

Michael Perez - Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club (August 27th)

Joy Regenbrecht - Children's Home (Sept 3rd)

Anthony Touns - Classic Chevrolet (Sept 10th)

Angela Baker - United Methodist Church Committee on Relief (Sept 17th)

DUTY ROSTER FOR AUGUST 27th MEETING

Please contact Steve Lucas or Vernon Pierce to volunteer

■ **LOOKING AHEAD** _____

Sept 11th - "Patriot Day" Flag Project
Contact Pat Anderson at
Patrick@beckerprint.com

Week of October 1st - "Rotary Goes Home" (offsite). Contact Vernon Pierce to host evening dinner in your home for club members during this week.

**Review of
“ROTARY AFTER HOURS”
(August 28th)**

Our first “Rotary after Hours” fellowship at Easy’s was a success. President Jim said there was a great turnout. When asked the next day how things went, Chairman Dean Conwell who put this together, said “some of our Rotarians may still be there.” There was a total of 17 participants including spouses and friends. The following Rotarians were there:

President Jim Rich, Dean Conwell, Chad Blanchard, Paul Szuch, John Weitzel, Albert Smith, Kathryn Walker, Patty Thompson, David Teuscher, Bruce Hoffer, Randy Fluke & Cy Jenkins

**THOUGHT OF THE WEEK – REMEMBER; GOD, FAMILY & WORK
(IN THAT ORDER)**

**ATTENTION CLUB MEMBERS
TIME HAS CHANGED.
OUR WEDNESDAY MEETINGS
WILL START PROMPTLY AT 12:15 PM.**



REVIEW FOR AUGUST 27TH PROGRAM – CONGRESSMAN KEVIN BRADY

Congress named him “Hero-of-the-Taxpayers”, but Rotarians called him Kevin Brady, the Congressman from the 8th District of Texas in the U.S. House of Representatives, FRIEND. After a warm introduction by Vice-President, Bessie Chisum, Congressman Kevin Brady, former executive with the Beaumont Chamber of Commerce in the mid-80’s, recognized Rotarians in the audience who were his neighbors, Chamber board members and volunteers. Coincidentally, Club President James Broussard (1984-85) offered the “Past President’s Minute” which was the same timeframe when Congressman Brady lived in Beaumont. Congressman Brady complimented Southeast Texas for the way all pull together when times call for unity. Representative Brady immediately began discussing one of the main topics of interest to every person in the room and that is the quest for energy and what can be done to ease the financial crisis America finds itself facing. Kevin Brady takes the stand for the United States to explore and seek the energy resources available here at home. Congressman Kevin Brady emphasized that Washington does not fully understand the financial impact that higher gasoline prices is having on families. Even the stimulus check paid for more gasoline. All products are affected and prices are rising everywhere. The country is seeing a severe depletion of funding in two necessary areas of public safety (police departments) and education (schools). The burden of fuel prices has left little for much needed programs and valuable personnel. Congressman Kevin Brady is calling on Speaker Pelosi to bring the members of the House of Representatives back to Washington from the Congressional recess to take responsibility and vote on exploration for more energy sources and do it now. Congressman Kevin Brady does not mince words and he definitely takes a stand. For more information about Congressman Kevin Brady and the 8th District, please visit rep.brady@mail.house.gov or call 1-877-441-5700.