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THERE WILL BE NO MEETING AT THE MCM ELEGANTE' THIS WEEK.

**PROGRAM PREVIEW
December 5, 2012**

"Rotary Goes to Work"



**Barry Bryant
Chairman**

Instead of gathering at the usual meeting place, Rotarians will be scattered across the city for "Rotary Goes to Work" meetings. Started as a tradition in the spirit of the practices of the founding fathers of Rotary, Rotary Goes to Work is eagerly anticipated. Rotarians enjoy learning about another's profession and their day-to-day business practices.

With enthusiasm, the hosts for the lunches volunteered and over 100 Rotarians were quick to sign up and are eager to share in the fellowship event. Everyone is anxious to see pictures of the gatherings. Enjoy!

CALENDAR OF ROTARY EVENTS

(and make-up opportunities)

December 3	Lunch at the Lake, 11:00am-2:00pm, at the Event Centre'
December 5	ROTARY GOES TO WORK; No meeting at the Elegante'
December 5	Orange Leaf Yogurt fundraiser benefitting the Playground project; come between 4:00 and 8:00 p.m., Orange Leaf shares the profits with Rotary.
December 6	Rotary Chorus rehearsal, 5:30 p.m. at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

- [Rotary Youth Leadership Awards \(RYLA\)](#)
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Jan 22, 2013 11:45 AM
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A History in Photos

- [11-28-12 Robert J. Robertson, Club History](#)
- [11-14-12 Dr. Al Sacco, Jr., former Astronaut](#)
- [11-07-12 Captain Joe Paitt, Veterans Salute](#)
- [11-02-12 District Governor Brenda Walker Visits](#)
- [11-02-12 Benefit Lunch at Carrabba's](#)
- [10-31-12 Rebekah Maxwell, Ambassadorial Scholar](#)
- [10-25-12 Interact Club at Kelly High School](#)
- [10-25-12 Rotary After Hours at Goodfella's](#)
- [10-24-12 Ruth Ann Rugg, Texas Museums Assn.](#)
- [10-17-12 Vocational Excellence Awards](#)
- [10-10-12 Dr. Jimmy Simmons, Lamar University](#)
- [10-03-12 Debbie Reynolds, Texas Wines & Vineyards](#)
- [09-28-12 Kelly Interact Smashing Pumpkins](#)

December 10	Rotary Chorus rehearsal, 5:30 p.m. at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church
December 12	No meeting at noon at the Elegante'; evening Centennial Holiday Party counts as meeting
December 12	Rotary Centennial Holiday Party, 6:30 p.m. at the Mary and John Gray Library; make your reservations by linking through the event listing
December 12	Orange Leaf Yogurt fundraiser benefitting the Playground project; come between 4:00 and 8:00 p.m., Orange Leaf shares the profits with Rotary.
December 19	New Member Orientation at 10:45 a.m. in the Embassy Room.
December 19	Meeting at the MCM Elegante'; moved to the Fountainview Room
December 19	Orange Leaf Yogurt fundraiser benefitting the Playground project; come between 4:00 and 8:00 p.m., Orange Leaf shares the profits with Rotary.
December 26	Happy Holidays! No meeting this week.
December 26	Orange Leaf Yogurt fundraiser benefitting the Playground project; come between 4:00 and 8:00 p.m., Orange Leaf shares the profits with Rotary.





Join us at Orangeleaf!!!
Each Wednesday in December
4:00-8:00

A portion of the night's proceeds will be donated to help us build the area's first all-inclusive playground!



Deck the Halls!


The Rotary Centennial Holiday Party will be on the evening of Wednesday, December 12 at the Mary and John Gray Library on the campus of Lamar University. (There will not be a Noon meeting on December 12.) It will be the perfect evening of holiday fun, warm fellowship, delicious food, and beautiful sounds of the season.




Make a reservation for yourself and your spouse or guest by linking here and accept the invitation on the leftside. If you prefer, you can call the office at 842-1913 to make your reservations.

- [09-26-12 McCabes & Brett Bertles on Nicaragua](#)
- [09-20-12 Rotary After Hours at Event Centre](#)
- [09-19-12 Robert Horry, Jr. - NBA Great](#)
- [09-12-12 Joe Mayer, Lockheed Martin - Future Space](#)
- [09-05-12 Timothy Charcois, BISD](#)
- [08-29-12 Week: Rotary Goes Home](#)
- [08-22-12 Robert Floyd, Texas Vietnam Veterans](#)
- [08-16-12 Rotary After Hours with Symphony of SETX](#)
- [08-08-12 John Hazen, J.D. Power & Associates](#)
- [08-16-12 30 Something meeting](#)
- [08-15-12 Ted Poe, Congressional District 2](#)
- [08-01-12 Ray Woodard, Lamar Football](#)
- [07-26-12 Rotary After Hours](#)
- [07-25-12 Annual Club Assembly](#)
- [07-18-12 Jason French, Cheniere Energy](#)
- [07-11-12 Installation of Centennial Leadership](#)

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REVIVAL OF THE ROTARY CHORUS



Music will fill the air at the annual Holiday Party! We will enjoy the sounds of the Symphony of Southeast Texas with a special holiday sing-a-long led by the **Rotary Chorus.**

The Rotary Chorus will have practices at St. Andrew's Church on Thursday, December 6 and Monday, December 10 from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Anyone who would like to join in performing is invited to rehearsals under the direction of Craig Escamilla. He promises there will be no auditioning, just lots of laughs and fun!

What Did You Do for Lunch?

Sure hope you were able to make it to the last Lunch at the Lake. We promoted the Beaumont Rotary Centennial Playground with much success. Thank you to Craig Lively for taking the lead on this project and to all who helped by working a shift at the events.



Lunch at the Lake

We'll provide the music, seating, and scenery. You grab lunch from one of our onsite food vendors, or bring a menu item from your favorite local eatery.

WHEN
Mondays from 11-2 | Nov. 19, Nov. 26, Dec. 3

WHERE
Event Centre Plaza | 700 Crockett St.

LUNCH
 Big Bo's barbecue
 Charles Brewer barbecue
 Katharine & Co. (*pre-orders only)
 Rno's pizza & gelato
 Terrell's ice cream
 Wise Guys Grill burgers and fries
 Zummo's sausage & boudain

* To pre-order from Katharine & Co., call 409-833-9919

Public Relations Committee Busily Promoting Playground



Come see our kiosk at Parkdale Mall! Located at the main mall entrance, the Public Relations Committee has a display promoting the playground project. Use of the display area was arranged and donated by Rotarian Kurt Lundgreen of CBL Properties/Parkdale Mall. Thank you, Kurt!

We are most grateful to Suburban TV for donating the television needed in the display. Thank you to the PR Committee for the hard work in getting this arranged and set up.

TILE PROJECT FOR A CHILD YOU KNOW - or the Kid in You

The Public Relations Committee has developed a promotional project for the playground: kids (and kids-at-heart) may paint decorative tiles for use in the finished playground. The first painting event will be at the annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Art Museum of SETX on Thursday, Dec. 6 from 3-5pm at AMSET's parking lot, 500 Main St., Beaumont.



Interested in being a sponsor?

[Download the website sponsorship guide](#)



The tree ceremony includes art activities from many different museums and organizations, entertainment, and the annual lighting of Beaumont's giant Christmas tree!

This project is made possible by generous donations from M & D Supply, the Art Museum of Southeast Texas, The Ceramics Store of Houston and by the Rotary Club Public Relations Committee.

New Members are Welcomed

Two new members were introduced at the meeting on Wednesday. The newest members of the Rotary Club of Beaumont are **Scott Penaluna and John Worthington**.

Scott Penaluna is new to Beaumont and assumed to position of Branch Manager for Blue Bell Creameries just a short time ago. A native of Nacona, TX, he was in McKinney prior to coming to Beaumont. Scott and his wife, Shelly, have four children and he enjoys golfing and snow-skiing.

John Worthington was born in Beaumont and graduated from Lamar twice - with a BBA in Finance and MBA. He is Account Representative for Classic Forms & Products, Inc., and enjoys travelling in his spare time. We welcome them both in this Centennial year!



Pictured left to right: Travis Brewer, Scott's Mentor; Scott Penaluna; Michael Perez, Membership Development Chairman and John's Mentor; John Worthington; Centennial President Becky Mason.

Rotarian Norman Lee is Remembered

A highlight of the meeting on November 28, was the reading and presentation of the Memorial Resolution for our friend and fellow Rotarian Norman Lee. Joe Domino shared the Resolution of his dear friend who had proposed him for membership years earlier.



Election of 2013-14 Board of Directors and Foundation Trustee



Rotarians voted and the results are in. The new members of the Board of Directors are Barry Bryant, Lynn Castle, Craig Escamilla, and Craig Lively. Joining the Foundation Board as a Trustee will be Uliana Trylowsky.

The new Board members will take their seats on July 1, 2013.



TO OUR GUESTS

Welcome to our guests and visitors at the weekly meeting.
We were pleased to have you with us and invite you to come again when you are able.

- Myrtle Lee**, guest of **Cynthia Wolf**
- Norm Lee**, guest of **Cynthia Wolf**
- Barbara Driver**, guest of **Cynthia Wolf**
- Bill Ray**, guest of **Cynthia Wolf**
- Sharon Mistrot**, guest of **Ed Edson**
- Lum Edwards, Jr.**, guest of **Robert J. Robertson**
- Lum Edwards, III**, guest of **Robert J. Robertson**
- Jerry Nathan**, guest of **Robert J. Robertson**

THANK YOU, ROTARY BELL RINGERS!

Community Service Chairman John Weitzel recruited volunteers for the traditional Salvation Army Red Kettle project and they reported for duty on Saturday, December 1. There was a large number of volunteers. We will name each one and have pictures to share with you in the next RotaryGrams.



BEAUMONT ROTARY CENTENNIAL PLAYGROUND

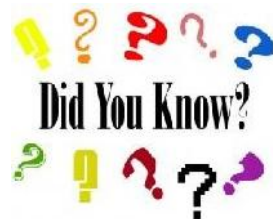
Have you made your gift? We need YOU to reach the 100% goal!

Make your contribution by credit card directly to the Beaumont Rotary Foundation by linking here.

Enjoy this video of the latest playground plans and design elements.



If your employer, or you as an employer, has a matching gift program, please remember to submit the paperwork as that doubles your donation.



Along with the delicious food and wonderful seasonal music, the Club's President-Nominee will be announced at the Holiday Party. You don't want to miss it!



Outstanding Quotes from Rotary International Presidents

"Rotary takes ordinary (people) and gives them extraordinary opportunities to do more with their lives than they ever dreamed possible."

-1978-79 International President Clem Renouf, Rotary Club of Nambour, Queensland, Australia

in acceptance address at the 1977 International Convention, San Francisco, CA

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Louis Beard
December 3



Lauren Brooks
December 4



James Fuller
December 4



John Weitzel
December 4



Chad Blanchard
December 6



Fred Kristiansen
December 6



Joshua Smith
December 6



Robert Turner
December 6



Jason Kuchera
December 7



Chris Ayers
December 8



Evelyn Lord
December 8

PROGRAM REVIEW

November 28, 2012

"The Rotary Club of Beaumont: A Powerbase for Civic Leadership Since 1913"



President Mason introduced Past President Robert Robertson to speak about the history of the Rotary Club of Beaumont. Mr. Robertson mentioned that Charlie Weinbaum, despite his comments to the contrary, was NOT actually at the first meeting of the Rotary Club of Beaumont. Although Rotary was founded in Chicago with self interest for the growth of its founders' businesses, it very quickly became more greatly focused on public service and contributing to the greater good. Mr. Robertson emphasized the importance of Rotary as a source of public service and civic leadership through service activities and even weekly meetings.

The Beaumont Rotary Club was founded on February 26, 1913. Mr. Robertson listed a number of the founding members, discussing how they came to Beaumont and a little bit about what they did. Ed Emerson served as the first president of the Club. Mr. Robertson illustrated through quotes how much the Club's founding members were focused in developing the community and the future of Beaumont. Mr. Robertson also described some of the regional and community growth at the time of the Club's founding, specifically pointing out the expansion of the ship channel and it being a source of pride and development for Beaumont. Rotary members were important community leaders in the various civic and business organizations that were leading economic development at that time.

Early Beaumont Rotarians joined in support of Mayor B. A. Steinhagen denouncing Ku Klux Klan violence in Beaumont. The Club reached 350 members in 1973, diversified membership in 1972 with the first African American members, and again in 1987 with the first female club member, Margaret Cherb.

Ken Ruddy organized the Beaumont Rotary Foundation to fund local service projects. Mr. Robertson spent a few minutes talking about John Gray, former Lamar University President and President of the Rotary Club. John Gray became one of the most important community leaders who epitomized Rotary's motto of Service Above Self even beyond his work at Lamar. Mr. Robertson made it clear that John Gray's work was never done for any personal agenda...he truly wanted to improve all facets of community life in Beaumont.

As one Rotarian said, "Robert Robertson's presentation...was completely fascinating! I found myself wanting to hear MORE!"

Editor Craig Escamilla

If you have any comments or questions, please contact the editor.

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