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**THERE WILL NOT BE A MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21.**  
**Happy Thanksgiving!**



**The Rotary office will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday**  
**Wednesday, November 21 through Friday, November 23.**  
**Email and phone messages will be received and replies sent.**

**Club Events & Meeting Makeup Opportunities**

- [Board of Directors' Meeting](#)  
The Beaumont Club  
Nov 27, 2012 11:45 AM
- [Rotary Bell Ringers for the Salvation Army](#)  
Parkdale Mall  
Dec 01, 2012 10:00 AM - 08:00 PM
- [ROTARY GOES TO WORK](#)  
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- [Holiday Party](#)  
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- [Rotary Youth Leadership Awards \(RYLA\)](#)  
Jan 11, 2013 - Jan 13, 2013

**CALENDAR OF ROTARY EVENTS**  
(and make-up opportunities)

<b>November 21</b>	<b>No meeting; Happy Thanksgiving</b>
<b>November 27</b>	<b>Board of Directors meeting, 11:45 a.m. at the Beaumont Club</b>
<b>November 28</b>	<b>Election of 2013-2014 Board members and Foundation Trustee</b>
<b>November 28</b>	<b>Memorial Resolution for Norman Lee</b>
<b>December 5</b>	<b>ROTARY GOES TO WORK; No meeting at the Elegante'; see separate article about signing up</b>
<b>December 12</b>	<b>Holiday Party, evening, Mary and John Gray Library; watch for information about reservations</b>

**Rotary After Hours hosted by**

**BBB**  
Suga's  
Jan 17, 2013

**Board of Directors' Meeting**

The Beaumont Club  
Jan 22, 2013 11:45 AM

**Large Club Conference**

MCM Elegante' and city  
Jan 24, 2013 - Jan 27, 2013

**International Service:  
Nicaragua Layette Project**  
Broussard's Event Centre  
Feb 11, 2013

**Rotary Centennial Day on  
KVLU Radio**  
Feb 22, 2013

**Board of Directors' Meeting**  
The Beaumont Club  
Feb 26, 2013 11:45 AM

**Board of Directors' Meeting**  
The Beaumont Club  
Mar 26, 2013 11:45 AM

**Board of Directors' Meeting**  
The Beaumont Club  
Apr 23, 2013 11:45 AM

**Board of Directors' Meeting**  
The Beaumont Club  
May 28, 2013 11:45 AM

**Board of Directors' Meeting**  
The Beaumont Club  
Jun 25, 2013 11:45 AM



A History in Photos

[11-14-12 Dr. Al Sacco, Jr., former Astronaut](#)

[11-07-12 Captain Joe Paitl, 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](#)

[09-26-12 McCabes & Brett Bertles on Nicaragua](#)

[09-20-12 Rotary After Hours at Event Centre](#)

**What are you doing for lunch?**

Come have lunch at the Lake for the next two Mondays. We will be promoting the Beaumont Rotary Centennial Playground too. Rotarians were there today, November 19, and report a large crowd and many people interested in the Playground plans.



**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)
- Rao'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


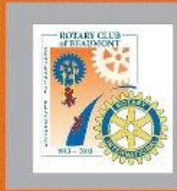
**Holiday Party: Calling all Vocalists!**

Chairman Kevin Roy has announced the 2012 Holiday Party. Mark your calendar for 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 that day.) It will be the perfect evening of holiday fun, warm fellowship, delicious food, and beautiful sounds of the season.




The Rotary Chorus will meet at St. Andrew's Church on Thursday, December 6 and on 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.

- [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](#)











**Join us at Oranleaf!!!**  
 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!



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**Save the Date!**  
**Thursday, April 11, 2013**

Plan to join us as the Rotary Club of Beaumont celebrates 100 years of service.

Join us at  
**The Event Centre of Beaumont**  
 and the  
**Beaumont Rotary Centennial Playground**



**Election of 2013-14 Board of Directors and Foundation Trustee**

On November 28, Rotarians attending the meeting will vote on new Club Directors and a new Trustee for the Foundation Board. A sample ballot is provided for you to begin considering how you will cast your vote. If you click on the image, a larger, more easy-to-read version will open in a new window.





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ROTARY CLUB OF BEAUMONT - 2013-2014 BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINEES

Please vote for 4 nominees.

 <p><b>Craig Lively</b> A member since January 21, 2011. City of Beaumont Classification: "Leisure/Recreation/Personal Development"</p>	 <p><b>Craig Escamilla</b> A member since June 30, 2000. Executive Director Complexity of Southeast Texas Classification: "Associational/Complexity of Southeast Texas"</p>	 <p><b>Ryan Smith</b> A member since September 30, 2002. Executive Director Technology Museum Classification: "Museum/Science &amp; Technology Museum"</p>
 <p><b>Sharon McCabe</b> A member since February 26, 2009. Volunteer Relief - Oura under Makeover Classification: "Science - Volunteer"</p>	 <p><b>John Neely</b> A member since July 11, 2003. Executive Director SETX Operations Alcohol &amp; Drug Abuse Classification: "Social Services - Drug &amp; Alcohol Abuse"</p>	 <p><b>Barry Bryant</b> A member since Jan 25, 2012. Sales &amp; Marketing Manager ML Tank Water Control, Inc. Classification: "Other call industry host from existing service"</p>
 <p><b>Carolyn McGuire</b> A member since September 23, 2009. Senior Escrow Officer Texas Regional Title Classification: "Real Estate Services - Escrow"</p>	 <p><b>Lynn Castle</b> A member since May 19, 2010. Executive Director All Museum of Southeast Texas Classification: "Associational - All Museums of Southeast Texas"</p>	<p><b>OPTIONAL WRITE IN</b> You may nominate up to <u>two</u> additional nominees not listed here for a total of 4 votes. (Please print legibly.)</p>

BEAUMONT ROTARY FOUNDATION - 2013-2014 BOARD OF TRUSTEES NOMINEES

Please vote for 3 nominees.

 <p><b>Ulana Trifunovic</b> A member since September 9, 2004. Executive Director Habitat for Humanity Classification: "Associational - Habitat for Humanity"</p>	 <p><b>Michael Wolf</b> A member since October 8, 1995. Partner Wolfburn &amp; Associates Classification: "Professional - Financial Consulting"</p>	 <p><b>Russ Schultz</b> A member since December 20, 1999. Dean of the College of Fine Arts &amp; Communications University of North Texas Classification: "Professional - Fine Arts"</p>
<p><b>OPTIONAL WRITE IN</b> - You may nominate one member not listed here for the Foundation Board of Trustees. (Please print.)</p>		

**ROTARY GOES TO WORK**

**Weekly meeting to be in Fellow Rotarians' Place of Work**

If you have not signed up for your meeting place for the December 5th meeting, please hurry. Chairman Barry Bryant reports that lists are filling quickly and it will be a very successful Rotary Goes to Work event. You can call Barry or the Rotary Office to see if space is still available at a convenient location. All meetings will begin at Noon.

YOUR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WILL YOU ATTEND YOUR MEETING ON DECEMBER 5?

(PLEASE MARK WITH YOUR PREFERENCES IN 1, 2, 3 ORDER.)

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|---|--|
| _____ Gene Arnold Enterprises<br>(Gene Arnold)  | _____ Munro's Cleaners<br>(Chad Blanchard)                               |
| _____ Beaumont Enterprise<br>(Bill Offill)      | _____ Parkdale Mall<br>(Kurt Lundgreen)                                  |
| _____ Better Business Bureau<br>(John Paschall) | _____ Post Oak Bank<br>(Tim Gaddis/Steve Lucas)                          |
| _____ Bill Clark Pest Control<br>(Buz Brown)    | _____ Southeast Texas Council<br>on Alcohol & Drug Abuse<br>(John Neely) |
| _____ City Hall<br>(Get Wright)                 | _____ Temple Emanuel<br>(Rabbi Taub)                                     |

**BE A ROTARY BELL RINGER!**

Community Service Chairman John Weitzel is busily signing up volunteers for the traditional Salvation Army Red Kettle project. Participants in the past report having a great time while helping with this project to benefit local families in need.

Rotarians will man the kettle at one of the main entrances from 10:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 1. If you would like, make it a family affair and bring your spouse, children or grandchildren.

Please call the Rotary office at 842-1913 or John at 781-2990 to volunteer. You can also email [admin@beaumontrotaryclub.org](mailto:admin@beaumontrotaryclub.org) and specify the hour you would like to work.



### PLAYGROUND FUND GETS BIG BOOST!



At the meeting on Wednesday, Centennial President Becky Mason and Centennial Chairman Jim Broussard were delighted to receive a huge gift toward the playground project. The Mamie McFaddin Ward Heritage Foundation presented a "big check" in the amount of \$10,000! Thomas Kelley was on hand from the Capital One Trust Department and made the presentation. Thank you!

### DISASTER RELIEF

Everyone along the Gulf coast can certainly understand the problems in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy. As we empathize with the people of the northeast, we are doing what we can to help by sending financial assistance. In a group effort with other clubs in District 5910, we are sending a \$1,000 contribution from our Foundation to the Rotary districts in the area for them to put into action as they determine the greatest need.



### 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.



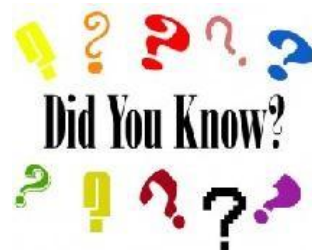
If your employer, or you as an employer, has a matching gift program, please remember to submit the paperwork as that doubles your donation.

### VISITORS AND ROAMING ROTARIANS ON NOVEMBER 14



The Rotary Club of Beaumont was delighted to welcome guests and fellow Rotarians to our meeting. Please come again soon.

- Dr. Al Sacco, Jr.**, speaker and guest of **the Club**
- Scott Penaluna**, guest of **Travis Brewer**
- Mary Ann Johnston**, guest of **John Neely**
- Brad Holts**, guest of **Chad Mason**
- Adrienne Ryherd**, guest of **Mary Ellen Robertson**
- Bel Lamb**, guest of **Mary Ellen Robertson**
- Jim Jordan**, guest of **Larry Beaulieu**
- Lane Olson**, guest of **Pat Anderson**
- Bob Williams**, guest of **Chad Mason**
- Cody McCown**, guest of **Troy Aaron**
  
- Jack Hopper**, visiting from Spindletop Club
- Jed Dollinger**, visiting from Spindletop Club



Ninety Rotarian cyclists from clubs throughout the United States took part in the El Tour de Tucson last Saturday in Arizona, raising more than \$320,000 for polio eradication.

Through Twitter, RI General Secretary John Hewko kept followers abreast of the riders' progress and reported that the Rotarians gathered together and finished the race as a group. [Read more about it by linking here.](#)



**Outstanding Quotes from Rotary International Presidents**

*"The entire world is attempting to climb from the bottomless pit of international rancor and strife...our only hope is the very thin thread of international cooperation."*

-1946-47 International President Richard C. Hedke, Rotary Club of Detroit, Michigan  
in "Nations Are People," *The Rotarian*, March 1947



**SPOTLIGHT ON ROTARIANS**

This week, the member spotlight is shining on Rotarian and President-Elect Chad Blanchard. Chad is President of Munro's Uniform Services. Munro's was recently named as recipient of the coveted Spindletop Award presented by the Greater Beaumont Chamber of Commerce.

Along with his contributions to Rotary, Chad is always busy with community service projects including the Salvation Army holiday coat and blanket drive. We congratulate Chad and Munro's.



(Pictured with Munro are three Rotarians. Left to right, Chamber President Jim Rich, Bill Munro, Chad Blanchard, and Chamber Chairman Robert Turner)

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**



Jeff Beaver  
November 19



Jim Broussard  
November 20



Tim Gaddis  
November 20



Craig Kearns  
November 20



Hsing-Wei Chu  
November 21



Kevin Dodson  
November 22



Carol Flatten  
November 22



David Locke  
November 23



Charlie Weinbaum  
November 23



Larry Beaulieu  
November 25



Carol Fernandez  
November 25



Eddie Arnold  
November 26

**PROGRAM REVIEW  
November 7, 2012**

**"Living and Working in Earth's Orbit - an Astronaut's Perspective"**



**Dr. Al Sacco, Jr.**  
Space Shuttle Columbia Astronaut  
Dean of the College of Engineering, Texas Tech University  
by Rotarian John Neely

Our speaker today was Al Sacco, Jr., Dean of Whitacre College of Engineering at Texas Tech University. Mr. Sacco was the **Payload Specialist on the Space Shuttle Columbia.** Dean Sacco was introduced by Larry Beaulieu who asked Rotarians, "Where were you on October 20, 1995?"

In 1995, Mr. Sacco was the Payload Specialist on the Space Shuttle Columbia, on Shuttle Mission STS-73. This 16-day Mission was focused on materials science, biotechnology, combustion, and fluid mechanics. Here is a picture of him with the crew of the STS-73.





Upon lift-off, Dr. Sacco stated that it felt like riding over railroad tracks, with VERY bad shocks, and kept referring to having a sense that an elephant was sitting on one's chest! Dr. Sacco said that 'take-off' was the equivalent of riding on a low-level nuclear blast and, once in flight, the Columbia was at 4,000 miles per hour. The pressure waves produced a beautiful rainbow.

During this Mission, the Columbia and its crew saw a sunset every 90 minutes. Yes, around the Earth in 90 minutes!

Dr. Sacco's presentation included a view, of Earth from the Columbia, with aerial photos of Boston's Not (North) End, Cape Cod, Italy, Israel, Egypt, Tibet, Thailand, Hawaii, and the West Coast.

During their mission, the Columbia crew grew proteins, which can help us to understand diseases. The crew actually grew the 1<sup>st</sup> food in space...potatoes!

Dr. Sacco stated that our Nation no longer seems to have a vision, much less the funding, for the continuation of manned space exploration. Re-emergence of a vision AND funding can occur one of two ways:

- 1) NASA-driven (preferably)
- 2) War-driven (sadly)

Dr. Sacco provided us with an 'actual' photo of PROOF that aliens have visited the great state of Texas.

Al Sacco will be remembered as a wonderful Centennial Speaker who travelled the farthest to be here and whose presentation was truly out-of-this-world!

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

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