



The Rotary Club of Beaumont

Club No. 72 - Founded February 26, 1913



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 Catholic Charities

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[Jane Burns, Chairman](#)
 Vocational Excellence Awards

Oct 24, 2012
[Ruth Ann Rugg, Texas Association of Museums](#)
 The Value of Museums to the Local Community

Oct 31, 2012
[Rebekah Maxwell, Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar](#)
 "My Global Education and Experience"

Nov 07, 2012
[Captain G. J. Paitl, Commander, US Coast Guard](#)
 Veteran's Day Salute

Nov 14, 2012
[Dr. Al Sacco, Jr., Former NASA Astronaut-Columbia](#)
 Payload specialist on the Space Shuttle Columbia mission STS-73 in 1995

Nov 21, 2012
 No meeting today
 Happy Thanksgiving!

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 "Pay it Forward Christmas Job Drive"

Dec 05, 2012
[Barry Bryant, Chairman](#)
 ROTARY GOES TO WORK

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Club Events & Meeting Makeup Opportunities

ROTARYGRAMS

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THE MEETING THIS WEEK WILL BE IN THE FOUNTAINVIEW ROOM.

PROGRAM PREVIEW

October 10, 2012

"Lamar University: Update on Progress"



**Dr. Jimmy Simmons
 President**

As Lamar University's 10th president, Dr. James M. Simmons has led the university into a new era of dynamic growth. Momentum has been the watchword of Simmons' administration, a period in which enrollment recorded its largest increase in Lamar's almost-90-year history. His name has become synonymous with Lamar University.

Simmons has announced he will retire as Lamar president on Jan. 31, 2013, in order to devote more time to his family. He and his wife, Susan, have a daughter and twin sons, as well as six grandchildren, with three more grandchildren - including twins - on the way.

As a fellow Rotarian, we are pleased to welcome Jimmy to this familiar forum for what will likely be his last address as Lamar President.

Jimmy will be introduced by Larry Beaulieu.

HEAD TABLE AND MENU FOR OCTOBER 10

- [Board of Directors' Meeting](#)
The Beaumont Club
Oct 23, 2012 11:45 AM
- [Board of Directors' Meeting](#)
The Beaumont Club
Nov 27, 2012 11:45 AM
- [Holiday Party](#)
Dec 12, 2012
- [Rotary Youth Leadership Awards \(RYLA\)](#)
Jan 11, 2013 - Jan 13, 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](#)
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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

- [10-03-12 Debbie Reynolds, Texas Wines & Vineyards](#)
- [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 Chargois, 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](#)



Invocation - Harland Merriam, Pastor, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church



Pledge to the USA & Texas Flags - Craig Lively, City Judge, City of Beaumont



Introduction of Guests - Tolbert Chisum, Trustee, The Modern Group

Menu: salad bar, entree' and sides to be chef's choice, assorted pastries and desserts, tea and coffee

CALENDAR OF ROTARY EVENTS

(and make-up opportunities)

October 18	30 Something at 11:45 a.m. in the Embassy Room of the Elegante'
October 23	Board of Directors Meeting at 11:45 a.m. at the Beaumont Club
October 24	New Member Orientation at 10:45 in the Embassy Room
October 25	Rotary After Hours, details to be announced

AMENDMENT SUBMITTED
Vote to be called on October 10

The Board of Directors has approved and submits to the membership for vote, a change of Article 3, Section 4 of the ByLaws.



This section deals with the process of selection of a President-nominee by the past presidents as is a tradition with this club. Basically, it prescribes that the meeting of Past Presidents should be called by the person who served as president three years earlier, rather than the current President-elect. This comes as a recommendation by the past presidents and is a reflection of how it had been handled for many previous years.

The proposed change is reprinted in the attachment by clicking on the link below. The vote by club membership on this change will take place on October 10 which is allowing for the 10-day notification period as prescribed in the ByLaws.

[Click Here](#)

VOCATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS

The Objects of Rotary set out the guiding principles of Rotary International. One of these is "High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition

[07-18-12 Jason French, Cheniere Energy](#)

[07-11-12 Installation of Centennial Leadership](#)

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of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society." The Vocational Excellence Award provides an opportunity for club members to recognize community and club members who indeed dignify their professions as an opportunity to serve.



Some refer to it as their favorite meeting of the year, and everyone looks forward to the annual presentation of the Vocational Excellence Awards. Circle the date October 17 on your calendar, and be sure to make it to the Rotary meeting that day when awards will be presented to those selected for this high honor.

If you are a nominator/presenter, please make sure you have reserved seats for your guests. Please phone the office (842-1913) before noon on Tuesday, October 16 to confirm your reservations.

BEAUMONT ROTARY CENTENNIAL PLAYGROUND

Make your contribution by credit card directly to the Beaumont Rotary Foundation by [linking here](#).



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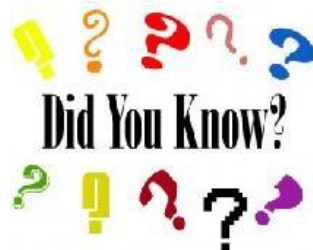
**VISITORS AND ROAMING ROTARIANS
 ON OCTOBER 3**



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

Patti Standley, guest of **Barry Bryant**
Jamie Heare, guest of **Chuck Heare**
Bel Lamb, guest of **Mary Ellen Robertson**
Kristin Lenoir, guest of **Chuck Mason**

Did You Know?



Our Layette project benefitting the soon-to-be-mothers and infants in Nicaragua is a cooperative effort our club and others do in association with an organization called Hope and Relief.

The bead bracelets we bought and sold last Christmas is another project that is coordinated through the efforts of this international group whose mission it is to help the children of Nicaragua who are living in extreme poverty.

At a recent meeting, the McCabes and Brett Bertles, President of Lamar Rotaract showed some moving pictures of the impact Rotary is having in this country through this joint venture with Hope and Relief.



Hope and Relief has just published a new website and, through it, you can learn much more about the good works being done. Go to: www.hopeandrelief.org.

Outstanding Quotes from Rotary International Presidents

"Friendship...the craving for which brought Rotary into existence is the thing that will keep Rotary a living, vital force in the world for all time, the very foundation of our organization."

*- by 1919-20 President Albert S. Adams, Rotary Club of Atlanta, Georgia
address to 1920 Rotary Convention, Atlantic City, New Jersey*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Robert Robertson
October 10



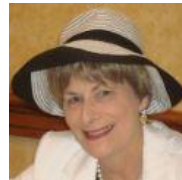
Ted Moor
October 13



Alan Sampson
October 13



Ivy Pate
October 14



Cynthia Wolf
October 14



Sammy Scoggin
October 15

**PROGRAM REVIEW
October 3, 2012**

"Texas Wines: Excellence Uncorked"



Debbie Reynolds
Executive Director
Texas Wine & Grape Growers Association
by Rotarian Bobbie Applegate

Ms. Reynolds presented an historic and interesting discussion of how grape growing and wine got to Texas and where the industry is today.

In 1659 Texas wine was born with the Spanish missionaries bringing grapes with them as they moved into our state. The first grapes were Black Spanish and even today it is Texas' number 1 wine. In 1883 the Val Verde Winery was established and was the only winery to survive prohibition. The wine that was made famous by the winery was the Gewurztraminer (or the "girls are meaner" if you can't say the German name).

In 1976 the Texas Grape Growers' Association was started by three professors at Texas Tech. (Some would say that one of our own club members went to Tech for that reason). Cabernet Sauvignon and sherry wines were developed after that and today Cabernet Sauvignon is the #1 wine in Texas. In 1986 Llano Estacado Winery received the first double gold award in the state at the San Francisco Fair. The Double Gold Award goes to the wine that every judge judges as a gold and it is quite a distinction.

Texas has eight grape growing regions with the largest in the Texas High Plains and the Hill Country. The Hill Country is the second most visited wine area in the nation. There are 11 different wine trails in the state. Texas is the 5th largest wine growing state with California being number 1. There are 257 TABC (Texas Alcohol and Beverage Commission) approved wineries in the state. Of that number, four wineries produce over 75% of Texas product.

The industry provides over 11 million jobs and sells 1.9 billion a year in product. Over 1.4 million visit Texas wineries, mostly in the Hill Country, and the tourist spin off is estimated to bring 438 million dollars into the state. Sales and local taxes paid amount to 88.6 million and federal taxes paid are over 100 million. Each year the state produces over 3.2 million gallons of wine.

Two bottles of Texas wine were raffled with the proceeds going to the Centennial Project.



Jane Burns and Randy Shelton are the lucky winners of the wines and \$330 went to the Centennial Playground project. Thank you all for being so generous.

Editor [Craig Escamilla](#)

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