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PROGRAM PREVIEW

January 15, 2014

**Connecting our Fitness Past
 with our Fitness Future"**



**Ogie Shaw
 President**

Speakers

Jan 15, 2014

[Ogie Shaw, Ogie Shaw Fitness](#)

Connecting our Fitness Past with our Fitness Future

Jan 22, 2014

[Tim Sudela, Cindy Cherry, Michael](#)

[Perez Jim Baxter](#)

It's All About RYLA!"

Jan 29, 2014

[Jeff Branick, County Judge](#)

An Update on Jefferson County

Feb 05, 2014

[Jane Burns, Chairman](#)

Vocational Excellence Awards Presentation

Feb 12, 2014

Andy Smallwood, Rotary International

Director

Feb 19, 2014

Nick Lampson

"The Village" Project

Feb 26, 2014

Floyd McSpadden, Jr.

T. Kelsey Lamb Award for Business Ethics Presentation

Mar 05, 2014

Kyle Hayes, City Manager

Update on City Plans and Projects

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Upcoming Events

Board of Directors Meeting

The Beaumont Club

Jan 28, 2014 at 11:45 AM

Rotary After Hours Visits the Art Museum

Museum of Southeast Texas

Jan 28, 2014 at 05:30 PM

Show Your Colors Flag Project

Feb 17, 2014 at 05:00 AM

Board of Directors Meeting

The Beaumont Club

Feb 25, 2014 at 11:45 AM

Layette Project for Nicaragua & Rotary After Hours

Broussard's Event Centre

Feb 27, 2014 at 05:30 PM

Sponsors



We never stop moving:



Southern Homes

Ogie Shaw Fitness

What is on your list of new years resolutions? Most surveys report that the most often made resolutions have to do with losing weight, getting fit, and improving one's health. If that is true for you, you will not want to miss hearing our speaker on Wednesday, January 15: Mr. Ogie Shaw, Owner and President of Ogie Shaw Fitness in Beaverton, OR.

Ogie has a diverse background and experiences. From being an accomplished musician to a former member of the military, he has also been a counselor with youth programs, and a newspaper columnist. He has given over 4,000 talks on fitness motivation, and was consultant and instructor for the Seattle Seahawks in the use of isokinetic-aerobic exercise.

Currently, Ogie is the Executive Director of Community Fitness Leaders, which is a training program for health and fitness professionals. He is President of Ogie Shaw Fitness located in Beaverton, OR.

Ogie is bringing his message which will provide solutions to three exercise concerns: confusion, time, and motivation. Come hear him. Bring it on!

Head Table & Menu

Head Table and Menu for January 15



Invocation:

Mary Poole
Marketing Director
Baptist Hospitals Southeast Texas



Pledges to the USA and Texas Flags:

Linda Williams
Director of Human Resources
Goodwill Industries



Introduction of Guests:

Ann Scoggin
Owner
Coldwell Banker Southern Homes



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Menu

- Salad Bar
- Chicken Tortilla Soup
- Fried Catfish
- Baked (bone-in) Chicken
- Broccoli
- Roasted Red Potatoes
- Desserts and Pastries
- Water, Iced Tea & Coffee

President's Initiative

President's Initiative: RING MY BELL!

Ever wish YOU had the opportunity to ring the opening bell at the meeting?

For a donation of \$25 to the Beaumont Rotary Foundation, you will be allowed to do just that. You will be called up to ring the bell to start the meeting.

When he rings the bell to conclude the meeting, President Chad Blanchard will match your donation with another \$25 donation to the Beaumont Rotary Foundation!

**Bell Ringer
on January 15**

TBA

**Please phone the
Rotary Office at
842-1913
to volunteer.**

Would you like to be the Bell Ringer at a meeting and support the Beaumont Rotary Foundation at the same time? Please volunteer by contacting President Chad Blanchard or the Rotary Office today.

Calendar of Events

CALENDAR OF ROTARY EVENTS

(and make-up opportunities)

NOW	January - June 2014 dues payment due.
January 26-29	Large Club Conference in Memphis
January 28	Board of Directors' Meeting, 11:45 a.m.
January 28	Rotary After Hours at the Art Museum
February 5	New Member Orientation, 10:45 a.m.

Board Action**BOARD ACTION**

The Board of Directors met on December 17.
The new member proposals were approved
and announced to the club by Board Member
Craig Escamilla on January 8.

Carol Eddins, Executive Director,
Foundation for Southeast Texas

Proposed by David Locke

Classification: "Association: Foundation for
Southeast Texas"

Jason Winfrey, Account Executive,
K-JAC NBC

proposed by Michael Perez

Classification: "Advertising - Broadcast
Media"



Kent Walston, Attorney, Branick, Walston
& Devenzio

proposed by Randy Fluke

Classification: "Law - Family Law"

**In accordance with our bylaws (Article 13, Section 8), please
submit written objections related to the aforementioned
proposals within 10 days (of January 8) to the board of
directors, stating the reason for your objection.**

VOCATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS**VOCATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS**

In recognition of "Service Above Self," the Rotary Club of Beaumont will recognize and honor individuals who exemplify a "service above self" attitude in their vocation on Wednesday, February 5, 2014. These awards are given annually to community citizens who demonstrate exceptional service, honesty, and friendliness in performing their jobs.



Please nominate a person who you believe meets these standards [by completing the form](#) and returning it to Jane Burns by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 24, 2014.

Strategic Planning

STRATEGIC PLANNING IS VITAL



A successful organization or business will find itself actively involved in the process of strategic planning. With a committee and the Board of Directors in the lead, the Rotary Club of Beaumont is in that process and it is imperative that the general membership take part as well.

As Strategic Planning Chair Craig Escamilla explained at the last meeting, a brainstorming session with a group the size of the Rotary Club of Beaumont would not be productive, so a survey has been developed to garner input from members.

We are calling on everyone to take part, whether you are a brand new member or one with the longest affiliation, a member who has never served on a committee or someone who is in the elite group of Past Presidents, we need your input.

[Click here to access the online version which can be completed and submitted electronically](#) (and you can go back and add to it or submit an entirely new form at a later time). Printed paper copies will be available at the meetings. Responses are requested by close of business on January 22.

[RYLA Huge Success](#)

Great Program with Successful Results

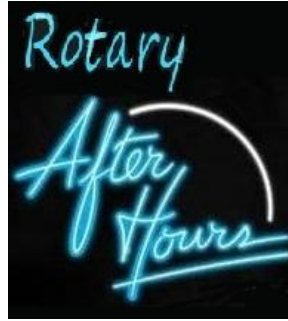


The entire meeting next week, January 22, will be about RYLA 2014 and we will hear and learn all about the fun leadership training event. Meanwhile, enjoy pictures the group posted on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/Rotary5910>

[Rotary After Hours](#)

Posted by Barry Bryant

Plan Now to Attend!



Save the date for this special evening of fun and fellowship at the Art Museum of Southeast Texas with Lynn Castle as the Host.

January 28, 2014
5:30 p.m.

Change of Project Date

SERVICE ABOVE SELF: Layettes



Please mark your calendar indicating a change of date for the Layette Service project. Doubling as a Rotary After Hours event, the date was changed from February 20 **to February 27** in order to accomodate members who would like to attend the Spindletop Club's Celebrity Roast (on the 20th) to do so without conflict. Thank you for supporting both events.

Birthdays

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Phil Long
January 13



Brenda Gray
January 15



Barry Bryant
January 16



Kathleen Jackson
January 17

Spotlight

SPOTLIGHT ON CLUB MEMBERS

from the Beaumont Enterprise, January 10, 2014

Judge Shelton earns justice award



Enterprise file photo Judge Randy Shelton received the 2013 Minnie Rogers Juvenile Justice Center Award.

Family court judge Randy Shelton received the 2013 Minnie Rogers Juvenile Justice Center Award for “outstanding achievement and contributions to the youth of Southeast Texas, and for making youth a priority in this community”

“I really feel invested in my decision-making about the kids,” said Shelton, judge in the 279th District Court. “I always give a lot and root for the kids when they’re successful. I’d like to think that (the decisions) make a difference in their lives.”

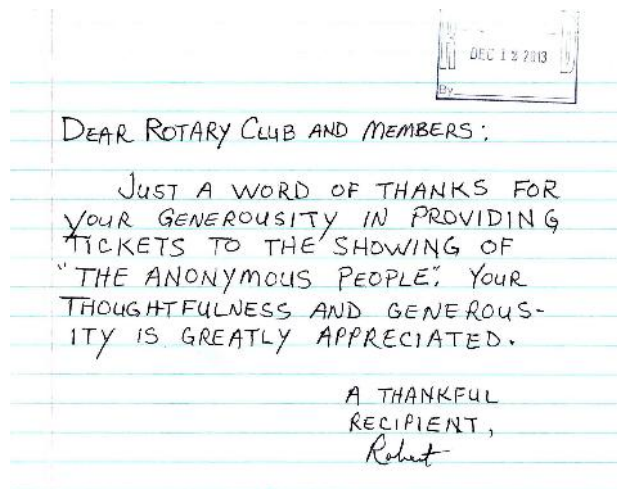
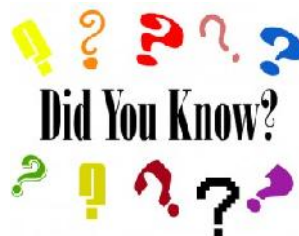
Shelton, who was first elected in 2006, said “it just means a lot to me” to win the award, which was presented by the Jefferson County Juvenile Probation Department.

Thank You**THANKS EXPRESSED**

You will remember when Cindy Cherry was Rotarian of the Day on November 13 and shared with us a video promotion of the showing of a film "The Anonymous People".

The film is a collection of stories from those in long-term recovery from drug and alcohol addiction. Cindy explained that there had to be a commitment of a minimum number of tickets sold before the showing could take place and it is now scheduled for February 20.

After the presentation Cindy made, several members were moved to underwrite several tickets to the event and the generosity did not go unappreciated. Thank you for all you do in "Service Above Self."

Did You Know?

The news from India is exciting. This January 13, 2014 news article from *The Times of India* provides a great update.

India marked three years since its last reported polio case Monday, meaning it will soon be certified as having defeated the ancient scourge in a huge advance for global eradication efforts.

Health minister Ghulam Nabi Azad, along with global groups who have been working to eradicate the virus, hailed Monday's anniversary as "a monumental milestone".

"We have completed a full three years without a single polio case and I'm sure that in the future there won't be any polio cases," Azad told reporters in the capital.

[Read full article by linking here.](#)



[This is a second good story on the progress in India.](#) It is from the BBC News. Follow the links for related stories as well.

[Program Review](#)

Posted by Neely, John

PROGRAM REVIEW

January 8, 2014

"Welcome to the Anayat House"



Mary Ellen Robertson

Phil Dunlap

Bel Lamb

**Anayat House Board Members
and Director**

by Rotarian John Neely

Phil set down the historical framework of Anayat House: its purpose, how it began, its creation and its mission. Anayat House is a hospitality house, created for people who have loved ones in the hospital and medical centers similar to the Ronald McDonald House. Created in 1994 by Mimi Danioli, Anayat has been serving Southeast Texas for 19 years. Mimi's personal experience, while visiting her father in a Houston hospital, inspired her to create the Anayat House. "ANAYAT" is Arabic, meaning 'Gift from God', and was the name of Mimi's father, Anayat Monjazeab. Phil then introduced Mary Ellen Robertson, fellow Anayat Board member.

Mary Ellen related, in a narrative-way, what "a week at Anayat House might look like." A 30-year old, hospitalized, in critical condition from Tyler, receives visitation from family who are having difficulty getting rest/sleep in the hospital waiting room and are informed by hospital staff that Anayat provides hospitality house services. While visiting their son, they notice a couple, looking ragged, visiting the premature new-born who is hospitalized for complications. They get connected to the wonderful people at Anayat House, and they tell people, who tell people, who tell people. Still, Anayat House is one of the best kept secrets in Southeast Texas.

Mary Ellen introduced Bel Lamb, Executive Director. Bel told Rotarians that the land for the new location (at Harrison & 14th) was donated by Christus Health. Nestled in a grove of oak trees, the new facility has 6-bedrooms, along with a common kitchen, living room, and garden. In 2013, the average length of stay was 7 nights. The cost is a most reasonable \$20 per night. For 19 years, the Anayat House has provided vital services in their original 1800 sq. ft. facility. The new facility is 6000 square feet. What a gem!

At the conclusion of the program, President Chad Blanchard announced that Mary Ellen Robertson was using this occasion to surprise and honor Phil Dunlap for his years of dedicated service to the Anayat House Board with presentation of a Paul Harris Fellow +4.

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