



Make your reservation(s) for the **Holiday Party** by going to the link to pay by credit card, pay at a meeting, or mail a check to the office.

You are needed! Volunteer to help with the Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign this holiday season.

Elections will take place on December 11.

Invoices for January - June 2014 dues will be sent Monday, December 16.

Speakers

Dec 18, 2013

Holiday Party

Bobbie Applegate, Chairman

Dec 25, 2013

No meeting

Jan 01, 2014

No meeting

Jan 08, 2014

Mary Ellen Robertson

"Welcome to the New Anayat House – a Virtual Tour"

Jan 15, 2014

Ogie Shaw, Ogie Shaw Fitness

Connecting our Fitness Past with our Fitness Future

Jan 22, 2014

Tim Sudela, Cindy Cherrv, 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

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ROTARYGRAMS

December 11, 2013

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Stories

[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 December 11



An Anonymous Donor In Service Above Self

[Election on Wednesday](#)

The election of four new Board members and one Foundation trustee will take place at Wednesday's meeting. Be in attendance

[This Week's Meeting](#)

PROGRAM PREVIEW

December 18, 2013

"2013 Holiday Party"

The meeting on Wednesday, December 19 will be in the evening at the Gray Library on the Lamar University campus instead of Noon at the MCM Elegante' Hotel.

As we celebrate the holiday season together, we will enjoy great food, music, and some very special and fun entertainment. Watch for pictures of the long awaited party!

[Head Table & Menu](#)

Head Table and Menu for December 11



Invocation:

Ann Scoggin
Owner
Coldwell Banker Southern Homes



Pledges to the USA and Texas Flags:

Kate Carroll
Executive Director
Baptist Hospitals of Southeast Texas Foundation

Introduction of Guests:

Paul Szuch
President

The Beaumont Club
Dec 17, 2013 at 11:45 AM

Holiday Party
Mary and John Gray Library
Dec 18, 2013 at 06:00 PM

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

Sponsors



We never stop moving:



Southern Homes



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[2013 Holiday Party](#)
Posted by Bobbie Applegate



Lamar Institute of Technology

Menu

- Salad Bar
- Cream of Potato Soup
- Barbecue Brisket
- Bone-in Chicken
- Okra & Tomatoes
- Baked Beans
- Cornbread
- Desserts and Pastries
- Water, Iced Tea & Coffee

CALENDAR OF ROTARY EVENTS
(and make-up opportunities)

December 17	Board of Directors Meeting; 11:45 a.m., The Beaumont Club
December 18	Holiday Party; 6:00 p.m. at the Gray Library, Lamar University
December 25	No meeting at the MCM Elegante'.
January 1	No meeting at the MCM Elegante'. Happy New Year!
January 1	January - June 2014 dues payment due.
January 8	First meeting of 2014

The annual election for Board of Directors and the Foundation Board of Trustees took place at the meeting on December 11, 2013. Those elected will begin the designated terms of service on July 1, 2014.

The new Board of Directors members are:



Steve Lucas



Sharon McCabe



Ryan Smith



Tim Sudela

Elected to the Foundation Board of Trustees was Harland Merriam.



Join us for the annual
Holiday Party
 of the
Rotary Club of Beaumont

Wednesday, December 18, 2013
 6:00 p.m.
 Gray Library - Lamar University

Dinner
 Entertainment
 Entertainment
 Cash Bar



Reservations are \$40 per person.
 Make reservations:
 - at any meeting
 - by mail
 phone: 409.847.1913
 - online at www.beaumontrotaryclub.org

To make your reservation online, click on the invitation or go to: <http://portal.clubrunner.ca/3775/Event/e2f66500-8ade-43b9-8b4e-507082f0f295>

Rotarians at Work

Posted by David Locke

Service Above Self



Rotarians were quick to say "yes" to the call to service for the Salvation Army Red Kettle drive. It got a little chilly as the cold front moved into the area but that did not stop Rotarians from helping out this massive effort for those in need. Thank you to all who helped: David Locke, Michael Perez, Chris Lamson, Larry Beaulieu, Linda Williams, Ted Moor, Tommy Hebert, Rob Glassey, Sylvester Hill, Travis Brewer, Twila Baker, Fred Kristiansen, Mary Ellen Robertson, John Weitzel, Glenn McWherter, Chad Blanchard, John Worthington, Jason Winfrey, Carolyn McGuire, Cindy Cherry, Mary Poole, Laura Miller, Pat Anderson, Larry Cooper, and Harland Merriam.

We will post photos on the website and some on Facebook too as they become available.

Thank you to Volunteers

Rotarians Share Time and Energy!

The annual H-E-B "Feast of Sharing" Holiday dinner took place last Friday, December 6 and we were proud to have Rotarians as volunteers. It is such a great feeling to be able to join with others in the community and lend a hand for a great effort. Leading the Rotarian volunteers was Angela Baker who reports everyone had a good time too! Joining her were:

- Rene Greenwald
- Claire Jackson
- Bel Lamb
- Ted Moor
- Lane Olson
- Connie Szuch
- Linda Williams
- Vic Zaloom

Non-Rotarians with our group included Ray Baker, Charlie Busceme, and Barbara Moor.





New Member Introduced

New Member is Welcomed



Sponsor Roy Huckaby proudly looks on as Glenn McWherter is welcomed to the club by President Chad Blanchard. Glenn is a Wealth Manager with JP Morgan Chase Bank. He resides in Vidor with his wife, Melinda, and three children - Jacob, Olivia, and Grant.

Welcome, Glenn!

Excited Blue Badges



Not only did the Dean don a holiday hat for the presentation, but Lynn Castle also entertained the crowd with a celebratory poem for the occasion! Receiving a Bachelor of Rotary Science degree and a Blue Badge were Kate Carroll and Scott Droddy.

Encore! Encore!

Did You Know?



Mandela helped launch the Kick Polio Out of Africa campaign later that year with 1996-97 Rotary President Luis Giay and Rotary Foundation Chair Rajendra Saboo. Almost immediately, Africa's polio eradication effort was back on track. Using soccer matches and

celebrity endorsements, the campaign raised public awareness of polio and helped spur more than 30 African countries to hold their first National Immunization Days.



[Read the entire article at rotary.org by linking here.](http://rotary.org)

Rest in Peace



Our sympathy goes to
Steve Lucas
on the death of his mother

Mary Lucas
June 4, 1930 - December 7, 2013

Information on services can be found at <http://broussardsmortuary.com>

Birthdays

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Derrick Barber
December 16



Joyce Hafford
December 16



Richard Bothel
December 17



John Quigley
December 18



Landon Newsom
December 19



Connie Szuch
December 21



Oney Fitzpatrick
December 22



Kristie Young
December 22

Program Review

Posted by John Neely

PROGRAM REVIEW
December 11, 2013

"The Life of a Trauma Surgeon"



Dr. David Parkus

by John Neely

Rotary Speaker for December 11th 2013 was Dr. David E. Parkus, Director of Trauma Surgery for Christus St. Elizabeth Hospital. Dr. Parkus was introduced by Ivy Pate.

Dr. Parkus stated that he last spoke to Rotary 16 years ago, and since he has not been invited back until now, he guessed his talk must have not been that good!

Dr. Parkus described for Rotarians a clearer picture of just what a trauma center was. He stated that 90% of injuries and medical conditions are not classified as trauma, and can be treated at 90% of our hospitals.

Dr. Parkus stated that 150,000 people die from trauma, every year, that it is the number one cause of death (up to age 44), and that it is the most expensive form of treatment.

Dr. Parkus spoke with pride of the Christus St. Elizabeth Trauma Center, which earned its designation in 1999.

Trauma Centers have 4 components:

- 1) Pre-Hospital
- 2) Definitive Care
- 3) Rehabilitation (Kate Dishman Rehabilitation Center)
- 4) Injury Prevention and Care

Trauma Centers are hospitals that provide critical care and have met rigorous standards. They provide the highest quality of care.

Dr. Parkus shared with Rotarians that since we are not in a 'hospital-designated' location, medical clinics can and have opened up all over our area, depleting critical revenues that major hospitals rely on. After all, hospitals are businesses.

Dr. Parkus shared some trauma-related experiences, as well as his recent appearance and participation on the TNT show "Hero." Dr. Parkus made it to the final round.

He informed Rotarians that "the Rock is a really big guy - 6'4" and 260 lbs."

Dr. Parkus is rightfully proud of our Trauma Center. He feels that he had created something that really makes a difference for our community.

Photos from the meeting are available online [through this link](#).

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