



The Rotary Club of Beaumont

Club No. 72 - Founded February 26, 1913



SPEAKERS

Dec 10, 2014

[Tucker Ferguson, P.E., Beaumont District Engineer](#)

TxDOT's Projects and Priorities in Southeast Texas

Dec 10, 2014

[Meeting will be held in the Fountainview Room](#)

Dec 17, 2014

[Holiday Party \(Evening\)](#)

No lunch meeting

Dec 24, 2014

[No Meeting](#)

Holiday

Dec 31, 2014

[No Meeting](#)

Holiday

Jan 07, 2015

[Lisa Boler, Harvest House Beaumont](#)

Does That Happen in Beaumont: Sex Trafficking?

Jan 14, 2015

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2015 Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

Jan 21, 2015

[Jeff Dyson, Director, MBA](#)

ROTARYGRAMS

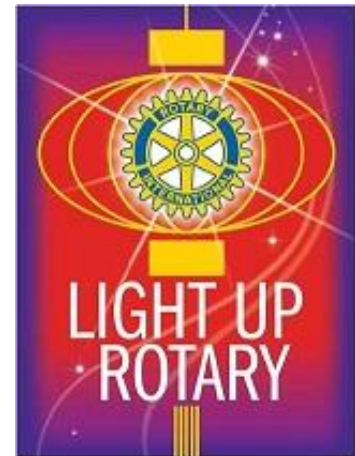
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STORIES

[This Week's Program](#)

THE MEETING THIS WEEK WILL BE IN THE FOUNTAINVIEW ROOM. ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS WILL PRECEDE THE SPEAKER'S PRESENTATION.

PROGRAM PREVIEW

December 10, 2014

"TxDOT's Projects and Priorities in Southeast Texas"

[Program at Lamar](#)

Employing Exemplary Business Practices

Jan 28, 2015

[Amanda Danning, Forensic Sculptor](#)

"Skeletons in My Closet"

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UPCOMING EVENTS

[Election Day](#)

Dec 10, 2014
12:00 PM – 12:30 PM

[Board of Directors Meeting](#)

The Beaumont Club
Dec 16, 2014

[Holiday Party](#)

Mary and John Gray Library, 8th floor
Dec 17, 2014 6:00 PM

[Board of Directors Meeting](#)

The Beaumont Club
Jan 27, 2015

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Tucker Ferguson **Beaumont District Engineer**

Why is that feeder road closed? What's going on with the overpass? How do I get from here to there? The person who can answer your probing questions about travel in Southeast Texas will be our speaker on December 10.

Tucker Ferguson, District Engineer for Beaumont District in Southeast Texas, will tell us of the high profile projects and initiatives for TxDOT in the Golden Triangle region. Tucker is responsible for the management, direction and administration of all highway and bridge delivery, design, construction and maintenance and operations programs for nearly 2,400 miles and 1,500 bridges in the eight county region of south east Texas (Chambers, Hardin, Jasper, Jefferson, Liberty, Newton, Orange and Tyler Counties).

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[Head Table & Menu](#)

Head Table and Menu for December 10



Invocation:
Lee Freeland
Owner
Occupational Health Consultants

Pledges to the USA & Texas Flags:
Janet Walker

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Executive Director
Family Services of Southeast
Texas



Introduction of Guests:
Randy Shelton
Judge
279th District Court



Introduction of Speaker:
Kal Kincaid
Division President
APAC-Texas, Inc.

Menu: salad bar, turkey and dressing, baked ham, mashed potatoes with gravy, buttered corn, assorted pastries and desserts, tea and coffee

Calendar of Events

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(and meeting make-ups)

December 9	Foundation Board of Trustees meeting, 11:30 a.m., Edison Plaza
December 10	Elections at weekly meeting; must be present to vote
December 16	Board of Directors meeting, 11:45 a.m. at the Beaumont Club
December 17	Special Projects Committee, 1:30 p.m. at Foundation for SETX Bldg.
December 17	Holiday Party, 6:00 p.m. at Lamar Library - no lunch meeting at the Elegante'
December 24	No meeting - Happy Holidays!
December 31	No meeting - Happy New Year!

Board Action

BOARD ACTION

The Board of Directors announces the following

membership changes approved:



New Member Proposal approved:

Sharae Reed, Senior Assistant City Attorney
Proposed by Bridget Johnson
Classification: "Municipal Government - Attorney"

In accordance with our bylaws (Article 13, Section 8), please submit written objections related to the aforementioned proposal within 10 days (of December 3) to the board of directors, stating the reason for your objection.



[Election of Members to Boards](#)

ELECTION on December 10











Election of Club Directors and one Foundation Trustee to serve 2015-2018 will take place on **Wednesday, December 10, 2014**, at the weekly Rotary meeting.

SAMPLE BALLOT

(click on image and it will open in larger view.)




ROTARY CLUB OF BEAUMONT - 2015-2018 BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINEES

Please vote for **4** nominees.

 <p>Allen Lea A member since July 27, 2011 Executive Director McJaddin-Ward House Museum Classification: "Museums - Historic Homes"</p>	 <p>John Neely A member since July 11, 2007 Executive Director South East Texas Foundation Alcohol & Drug Abuse Classification: "Social Services Drug & Alcohol Abuse"</p>	 <p>John Paschall A member since February 8, 2012 President/CEO Better Business Bureau of Southeast Texas Classification: "Associations - Better Business Bureau"</p>
 <p>Leonard Juncker A member since November 14, 1979 Partner-Retired Watson, DeShong & Juncker, LLP Classification: "Business Service - Auditing"</p>	 <p>Ron Borel A member since September 23, 2009 CFO Performance Pressure Pumping Services, LLC Classification: "Industry-Chief Financial Officer"</p>	 <p>Brenda Gray A member since April 29, 2008 Director of Sales Courtyard by Marriott, Miller Hotels & Resorts Classification: "Hotels - Sales and Services"</p>
 <p>Travis Brewer A member since August 14, 1987 Retired Blue Bell Creameries Classification: "Food Industry - Ice Cream Mfg. & Retail-Retired"</p>	 <p>Jane Burns A member since November 2, 2010 CPA-Paigine Watson, DeShong & Juncker, LLP Classification: "Business Service - Accounting"</p>	<p>OPTIONAL WRITE IN You may nominate up to two additional members not listed here for a total of 4 votes. (Please print legibly.)</p> <hr/> <hr/>

BEAUMONT ROTARY FOUNDATION - 2015-2018 BOARD OF TRUSTEES NOMINEES

Please write for **1** nominee.

 <p>Gene Arnold A member since November 1, 1993 Owner Gene Arnold Enterprises Classification: "Business Service-Small Business Development"</p>	 <p>Phil Dunlap A member since August 26, 1978 Partner Well, Boyton, Greenberg S. Hunt, LLP Classification: "Law-Tide Law"</p>	 <p>Joe J. Fisher A member since November 1, 1981 Senior Vice President Argent Trust Co., NA Classification: "Brokerage-Wealth Management"</p>
<p>OPTIONAL WRITE IN - You may nominate <u>one</u> member not listed here for the Foundation Board of Trustees. (Please print.)</p> <hr/>		

You must be present to cast a ballot; no mail in submissions will be accepted.

[2014 Holiday Party](#)

***Laissez
les bons temps rouler!"***



Wednesday, December 17

6:00 p.m.

Mary and John Gray Library

\$50 per person

(Advance reservation & payment required.)

Make your reservation(s) at a meeting or:

by accessing the
reservation page
through the event
listing on the left
sidebar of the
homepage

or purchasing
tickets directly
from the secure
payment page here

**or phoning the
Rotary Office at
409-842-1913**

Holiday Party Sponsors

Can You Help?

Two West Brook Interact Club members and their sponsor would like to attend the Holiday Party



and could use some assistance on the ticket cost.
If you would like to offer financial help, please let
Randy Fluke or Jacque know.

Salvation Army Red Kettle Drive

Posted by Shannon Williamson

Service Above Self



Thank you to the many Rotarians who gave a part of their Saturday in "Service Above Self" at Parkdale Mall as a Salvation Army-Rotary Bell Ringer: Rob Glassey, Glenn McWherter, Alan Sampson, John Quigley, Ashley Barber (and Blyss), Derrick Barber, Rosie DeLano, Tim Sudela, Doug Fair, Lynn Castle, Tommy Hebert, Mary Poole, Angela Baker, Jay Wilson, Steve Doblin, Charlie Foxworth (Blair, Sarah and Jay Foxworth), Rene Greenwald, Stephen McDonald, and Steve Gilbert.

A big thanks to **Shannon Williamson** for organizing and working throughout the day along with her children too. She sends much appreciation to everyone who took part and made it fun.

Lots of photos can be enjoyed on our Facebook page and the

website at: [Service: Bell-Ringing.](#)

Rotaract to Ring Bell

Beaumont Rotaract Offers Another Opportunity



If you are disappointed that you were unable to participate in the Bell-Ringing service project at Parkdale last Saturday, here's good news!

The Beaumont Rotaract Club is taking on the same challenge on Saturday, December 13.

If you would like to participate and help their club, contact Rebekah Maxwell by phone at 409-658-8089 or by email at Rebekah.d.maxwell@gmail.com.

Gift Idea

Holiday Gift Idea



Wondering what to give a friend or neighbor at this gift-giving time of the year? A subscription to "Show Your Colors" flag project is a perfect fit, and it will be enjoyed year-round!

Call the Rotary Office and we will help you with all the arrangements to get a subscription set up for 2015 delivery.

Another Gift Idea

A Gift to Honor a Loved One

The Layette Committee wants to expand the project to include a specially made bag for a mother and her baby in Nicaragua that will be a "gift" from you to honor or recognize a friend or relative.



Your \$50 donation to the Beaumont Rotary Foundation will underwrite a layette bag that will provide what is needed for healthy, loving care of an infant.

Please give your gift (checks payable to the Beaumont Rotary Foundation) and pick up a card you can give to the person you honor with your generous gift. If you prefer, you can pay online with your credit card by using the "Layette Bag" button [on the bottom of our donation page \(click here to access\)](#).

For questions, phone Bel Lamb or the Rotary Office.

[RYLA Students](#)

BISD Website recognizes Students



The students from BISD schools who were selected to attend RYLA 2015 are receiving recognition right on the homepage of the BISD website. Of course, this fun and impactful Rotary program is recognized at the same time.

Go to the website: www.bmtisd.com and watch for the logo and article to come up on the scrolling headline news. Special thanks go to Rotarian Nakisha Myles for her consistent help with communication and publicity.

[Birthdays](#)

★HAPPY★ BIRTHDAY!



Marcia Crone

December 12



Bert Smith

December 15



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[Family of Rotary](#)



We send wishes for a quick recovery to our friends and fellow Rotarians who have recently been ill. We hope you are better soon!

Tolbert Chisum
Chuck Kalkbrenner
Carolyn McGuire
Connie Szuch



Congratulations to

Craig Lively

on the birth of granddaughter, Molly Pratt. Described as "beautiful" by granddaddy, Molly entered this world at 1:45 a.m. on December 8 at a healthy 7 pounds, 10 ounces.



Please let us know of others who should be included in our weekly good wishes article.



[Sympathy Extended](#)



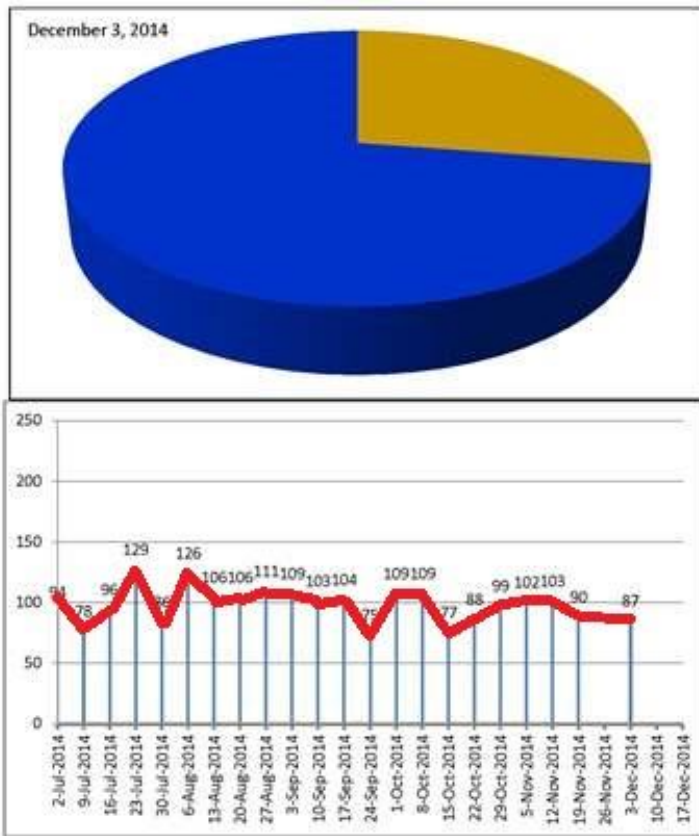
Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to

Dean Conwell
on the recent loss of his brother
Michael "Mike" Robert Conwell

[Attendance Report](#)

Grow Attendance to Grow Membership!

Take a holiday from work AT Rotary! Let's turn the downturn back to an upswing! Come to Rotary and bring a friend.



Mark your weekly calendar with a standing appointment of "Rotary meeting" on Wednesday and come enjoy lunch, fellowship and hear a great program!

See you at Rotary!

Program Review

PROGRAM REVIEW

December 3, 2014

"Will You Outlive Your Money"



Tommy Thompson

Associate Professor

Lamar University

by Rotarian John Neely

Our speaker, Tommy Thompson, Associate Professor at Lamar University, was introduced by Ted Moor.

Dr. Thompson's presentation was entitled "Preparation For Retirement."

In a Powerpoint presentation, Dr. Thompson presented his talk with the sobering title "Will You Outlive Your Money?"

Dr. Thompson briefly explained "Six Mistakes That People Make When Planning Retirement":

1. having no clue how much income is needed
2. having no clue how much you will spend
3. under-estimating the costs of healthcare
4. reacting rashly to Market-volatility
5. failure of NOT being fully diversified
6. failure to pay attention to fees, associated with retirement accounts

He posed four critical questions that everyone should answer:

1. Will I have more or less debt when I retire?
2. How much MORE traveling will I do once I retire?
3. Will my/our travel increase or decrease?
4. Am I aware of the 'out-of-pocket' costs in retirement associated with my healthcare?

Dr. Thompson then explained the importance of "Retirement Replacement Ratio Process":

1. How much pre-retirement income is needed?
2. How much of a tax-expense will I have (will it increase or decrease)?
3. How much will I be expending on shelter/home/property?

Additionally, he added the following areas to be seriously considered:


1. Will educational expenses increase or decrease?
2. Will the cost for apparel and services increase or decrease?
3. Will the cost of transportation increase or decrease?
4. Will the cost of healthcare increase or decrease?
5. Will the cost of utilities increase or decrease?
6. Will the cost of entertainment increase or decrease?

Most people do not maximize their capacity to contribute to their own savings/retirement/money market accounts. The rule of thumb is to FIRST contribute as much as allowed by law, especially when your employer matches ANY portion.

Match your employer's contributions by 100% if possible. Secondly, explore a Roth Account (discuss this option with your Financial Advisor). This includes any decisions regarding converting other plans into a Roth (Roll-over).

Dr. Thompson then fielded several questions from Rotarians.

Sponsor of the Week

<u>SPONSOR OF THE WEEK</u>	
<p>Sponsor ads appear on the website continuously and are included in the sidebar of the RotaryGrams each week. One will be spotlighted weekly to express our appreciation.</p>	

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