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PROGRAM PREVIEW

February 10, 2016

**"Jefferson County
and the James Commission:
A Hopelessly Unequal Contest"**

[Show Your Colors Flag Project-
Presidents Day](#)

Feb 15, 2016 5:00 AM

[Board of Directors Meeting](#)

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Feb 23, 2016 11:45 AM

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The Beaumont Club

Mar 22, 2016 11:45 AM

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Christina A. Wilbur
Instructor & Author
Lamar University

Christina Wilbur might be a Millennial but despite her youth, she certainly has an affinity for history, writing, and teaching. A look at her Vita confirms that she is well-respected in all those roles.

Christina is a teacher at both Lamar University and at Lamar State College-Port Arthur. At Lamar University, she actually teaches in both the History and Pedagogy departments. She has several works published and more underway. In **Sound Historian** (Vol.12, 2009), her article "*Lawless Leaders and a County Out of Control: Jefferson County and the James Commission, 1960*" surely hits close to home.

Christina's presentation to Rotarians will not only examine Beaumont during the infamous James Commission, but furthermore [the question of] what originally brought an unwanted investigation by the state along with national publicity to Jefferson County. Additionally, the local citizens' reaction to the investigation will be examined.

Sounds interesting? **You bet!** Be there!

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[Head Table](#)

Head Table for February 10

Invocation:



Josh Smith
General Manager
Bill Clark Pest Control, Inc.



Pledges to the USA & Texas Flags:

Kristie Young
Associate Director of Development
Lamar University



Introduction of Guests:

Uliana Trylowsky
Development Officer
Lamar University



Introduction of Speaker:

Robert J. Robertson
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Calendar of Events

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(and meeting make-ups)

FEBRUARY	
February 10	Membership Committee meeting; following Rotary meeting; Ballroom D
February 10	Project Selection Committee; following Rotary meeting; room tbd
February 15	Show Your Colors Flag Project for Presidents Day
February 17	Service Day at Rotary! All hands on deck to complete layettes and other community service projects; bring prospective members and friends.
February 23	Board of Directors meeting; 11:45 a.m. at the Beaumont Club
February 26	Service Project Proposals due by

	5:00 p.m.
February 29	Reservations needed for Wednesday, March 2 meeting

Flag Project

Posted on Feb 10, 2016

Show Your Colors Flag Project for Presidents Day on February 15



We are hoping you can volunteer to help with the "Show Your Colors" Flag Project for Presidents Day on Monday, February 15. We need you!

If you own or have access to a truck or large SUV, we need you as a route driver too.

Pat is out-of-town this week. Please call Jacque at the Rotary Office at 842-1913 to volunteer as soon as possible!

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR TIME AND ENERGY! We are working to re-assign the flag routes so the number of flags per route are more evenly balanced. Look forward to running a new route!

Thanks for being great Rotarians and giving Service Above Self to the Club and your Beaumont neighbors.

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Looking Ahead

**LOOK
WHAT'S
AHEAD!**



February 17 is designated as the annual "Rotary Has Heart!" Day of Service! We will enjoy a quick lunch and basic

meeting business but then....it will be time to roll-up your sleeves and get to work! We need everyone and friends to come give less than an hour to our main service project, assembling 200 layette bags for women and children in Nicaragua. We will also help local charitable agencies with some hands-on projects for their community service work. Last year was a lot of fun and this year will be the same. Bring friends and prospective members, or come alone, but whatever you do, don't miss it!



February 24 will be another favorite program with the presentation of the T. Kelsey Lamb, Sr. Award for Business Ethics. This is a much anticipated announcement each year and you will not want to miss hearing an excellent speaker and the news of the award recipient firsthand.



2015 T. Kelsey Lamb, Sr. Award Recipients

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Service Projects Selection

WHAT PROJECT WILL WE TAKE ON NEXT?



The Service Projects Selection Committee is again opening the process for submission of new service project ideas with which the club can become involved. We have done some good work at local agencies that needed some assistance. It was fun and very rewarding, and it's time to do more!

Now it is time to look ahead and consider where and how the Club can contribute to another hands-on project that can have an impact on our community. Give it some thought, talk to others and submit a proposal for consideration.

[Download the brief form here](#) and submit by
February 26.

International Women's Day 2016


PLEASE LET US HEAR FROM YOU, WHETHER YOU ARE COMING OR NOT!

In recognition of
International Women's Day,
 the **Rotary Club of Beaumont**
 proudly presents

A celebration of
Women in Rotary

Wednesday, March 2nd
12:00 pm.
MCM Eleganté Hotel
& Conference Center





Special Guest Speaker



Past Rotary International Vice President
Anne Matthews

Ms. Matthews was the first woman elected to both The RI Board of Directors and The Rotary Foundation Board of Trustees.

A published author, an education accreditation commissioner, and a public speaker, Anne Matthews has spoken and/or consulted in all 50 states, Puerto Rico, and thirty foreign countries on the topics of educational issues and The Rotary Foundation.

Lunch tickets are \$18 per person. To ensure appropriate seating and food, kindly make a reservation by calling the Rotary Club of Beaumont at 409-842-1913 or email: admin@beaumontrotaryclub.org

Reservations are requested by **Monday, February 29 at 5:00 pm.**

We need to know how many people to plan for.
PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE OR ARE NOT
GOING TO ATTEND SO WE CAN MAKE PROPER
ACCOMMODATIONS FOR ALL OUR GUESTS!

THANKS!

Respond here for call the office at 842-1913.

Reservations for International Women's Day ~ March 2 ~ Noon

There are two key ingredients for a good Rotary meeting - plenty of food and plenty of places to sit! In order for us to properly arrange for both, please make a reservation if you will be attending. Please also include names of any guests you will be

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Rotary After Hours: Cruise on the Neches

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Rotary After Hours: A Lovely Evening on the Neches!



Whether this is your first trip or you've been many times, you are sure to enjoy this Rotary After Hours which will take you on a cruise down the Neches River on a pleasant early spring evening.

Mark your calendar and plan to reserve your spot on the Ivory Bill on **Thursday, March 24** for a two-hour tour. Snacks and drinks will be available. Tickets are **\$10** per person and we can only take 35 people (spouses and guests are welcome), so don't delay.

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS 8:00 A.M. on TUESDAY, MARCH 15. FOUR SPOTS ARE RESERVED TO DATE. WITHOUT 35 PAID RESERVATIONS, WE MUST CANCEL THE TRIP.

[A sign up is online; link to it here.](#)

Family of Rotary



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

Lee Freeland

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

Birthdays



Daniel Jeans



Teresa Simpson

February 9



Nakisha Burns

February 11



Chris Lamson

February 14

February 9



Charles Foxworth

February 14



David Teuscher

February 15

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Program Review

PROGRAM REVIEW

February 3, 2016

**"Five Things You Probably Don't Have
Enough of in Your Business: Soft Skills
of Management and Leadership"**



**J. Paul Oxe, P. E.
Managing Director**

McDaniell, Hunter & Prince, Inc.

by Bobbie Applegate

"Nothing makes sense out of context" began the presentation of Mr. Oser, an engineer by career. Changes in business and career building have been on a rapid scale from 1970 to present. The structures of power have changed and at this time we are adding somewhere around 50% more data each year to the management of business.

The five points that follow are related to how each one of us views our business and what is happening in the business and employee world.

- The adaptability of decision-making and organizing for change is important. Most decisions take about a year to be implemented and the business that can make the change happen and still be ahead of the forecast of the future will be ahead. The capacity to predict important changes that are in the future is of value. Agreement to change in a large group no longer means consensus of everyone but an agreement to resolve a problem that meets the changing landscape.
- The learning speed of employees and employers is on a curving timeline as it develops to the top. This is good but it makes it very difficult to change a job structure that has been developed by someone else. Time is needed to work and train employees to changing systems.
- Empathy is necessary to understand the attitudes of others. This is a powerful quality in a leader as well as necessary as groups work toward positive problem solving situations.
- Intellectual diversity and tolerance are necessary as people work towards understanding others' thought processes and how that understanding can be put to the best use. Different cultures do have different processes of thinking.
- Be aware of what you see or don't see. It takes energy and skills when interviewing prospective employees and listening to what they are or aren't telling you, and trying to figure out how they might fit in your structure. Keep your mind open to new things.

This shortened* presentation had a lot of value to members.

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*Mr. Oser willingly shared his entire presentation with us.
[Link to it here and continue to learn more.](#)

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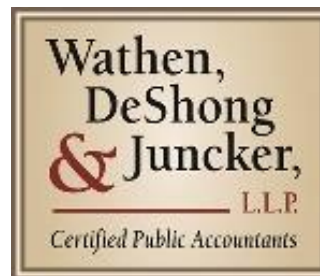


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