



SPEAKERS

Nov 25, 2015

[NO MEETING AT THE ELEGANTE](#)

Happy Thanksgiving!

Dec 02, 2015

[Ray Woodard, Head Football Coach, Lamar University](#)

Highlights of the 2015 Cardinal Football Season

Dec 09, 2015

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

Dec 09, 2015

[Sgt. Ken Carona, Port Arthur Police Department](#)

The Feared Question: What Do You Do When You Face an Armed, Active Shooter?

Dec 15, 2015

[Holiday Party \(Evening: note NO meeting 12-16\)](#)

Becky Mason, Chair

Dec 16, 2015

[NO MEETING AT THE ELEGANTE](#)

Dec 23, 2015

[NO MEETING AT THE ELEGANTE](#)

Happy Holidays!

Dec 30, 2015

[NO MEETING AT THE ELEGANTE](#)

ROTARYGRAMS

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PROGRAM PREVIEW

November 25, 2015

"With Thanks for our Members"



There will NOT be a Rotary meeting this week.

Happy New Year!

Jan 13, 2016

[RYLA Team of Sudela, Cherry, Perez, Pierce, & more](#)

Inspirational Moments and Wonderful Memories from RYLA 2016

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UPCOMING EVENTS

[Board of Directors Meeting](#)

The Beaumont Club

Dec 15, 2015 11:45 AM

[Holiday Party](#)

Mary & John Gray Library, Lamar University

Dec 15, 2015 6:00 PM

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& Juncker,
L.L.P.



Interested in being a sponsor?

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**President Pat Anderson
and the
Board of Directors
wish you a happy Thanksgiving.**

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(and meeting make-ups)

| NOVEMBER | |
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| November 25 | NO MEETING AT ELEGANTÉ |
| December 1 | New Member Orientation; 4:00 p.m.; Eleganté Room 218 |
| December 2 | Foundation Board of Trustees; 1:00; Diplomat IV |
| December 4 | Service Project workday on "Brush with Kindness" project with Habitat for Humanity; 8:00 - 4:00 |
| December 5 | Salvation Army Bell-Ringing at Parkdale Mall |
| December 9 | Election of Board Members and Foundation Trustee |
| December 15 | Board of Directors meeting; 11:45 am; The Beaumont Club |
| December 15 | Holiday Party at Lamar Library; \$50 per person (advance reservation only) |
| December 16 | No meeting at the Eleganté |
| December 23 | No meeting at the Eleganté |
| December 30 | No meeting at the Eleganté |

[Office to Close](#)



The Rotary Office will be closed beginning on November 25 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

We will return on Monday, November 30.

Please send an email or leave a voice message to be returned as soon as

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possible. Thank you.

[DONE IN A DAY Project Helping Habitat for Humanity](#)

SCHEDULED!



The next project work the Club will undertake on **Friday, December 4** is "Brush With Kindness" for Habitat for Humanity. This wonderful effort will involve building a wheelchair ramp for someone who needs better and safer access to their home.

With enough people, it should be a "Done in a Day" project. Good feelings for your work will be priceless and will last much longer than one day!

Chair Shannon Williamson asks you to plan now to give "Service Above Self" to someone who needs you. [Please indicate when you can work by signing up here.](#)

Watch this video from Lincolnshire on their involvement in the "Brush With Kindness" program. It will convince you to come out and help with our first Habitat "Brush with Kindness" project, rescheduled for **Friday, December 4!**

Salvation Army Red Kettle Drive**Call to "Service Above Self"**

Rotarians are committed to Service Above Self and what better way to give service to our community than by taking part in the traditional Red Kettle Drive of the Salvation Army.

Let's do it! Let's join together and staff a day of bell-ringing at a kettle at Parkdale Mall. Chair **Michele Cobb** is asking for you to volunteer for a shift on Saturday, December 5. Bring friends, bring family - it's a great time to bring a prospective new member as well and have a good time doing something good for others!

Sign Up

Give a Gift**Give a Gift to Someone You'll Never Meet**

That's right. You can personally underwrite the donation of a layette bag for a mother and child



in Nicaragua and though you will never meet them, you can be assured that your gift is much appreciated.

For only a \$50 donation per bag, we will purchase all the required items and see that it reaches someone who needs a hand up.

Make your donation at a meeting and we will supply a gift card so you can let someone know you made the donation in their honor this holiday season!

Thanks for your support!

2015 Holiday Party

Make Your Reservation for the Holiday Party!



HOLIDAY PARTY 2015

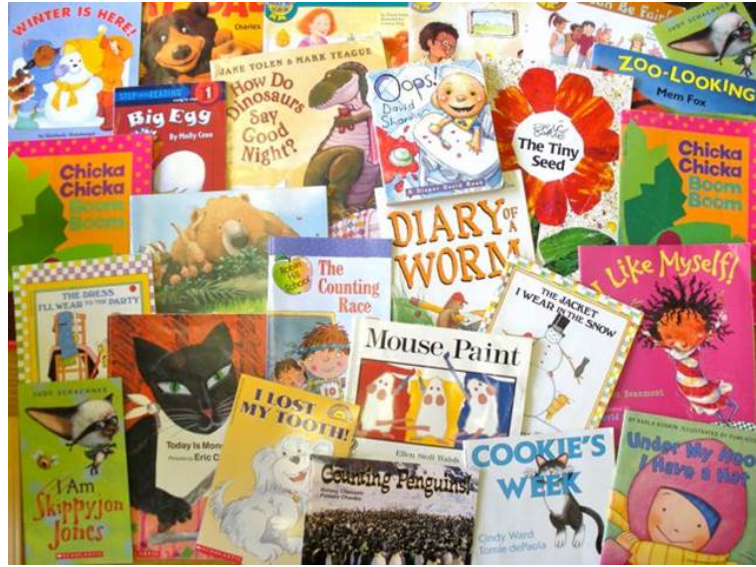
BE A GIFT TO THE WORLD!

The Holiday Party will be **Tuesday, December 15 at the Lamar University Reception Center, Mary & John Gray Library, 8th Floor**. Social will begin at 6:00, followed by dinner at 6:30 and an entertaining program. Tickets will be \$50 per person and are on sale now [through the online reservations \(click here\)](#). Of course, you may also make your reservations and purchase tickets at any upcoming meeting.

As is the custom, the President Nominee will be announced on this special occasion. **Mark your calendar now for this "don't miss" event to celebrate the holiday!**

Holiday Gift-Giving

Give the Gift of Books this Holiday!



The holiday season puts everyone in the gift-giving spirit and you, too, can contribute a valuable gift to young people in our community.

When you attend the Holiday Party (or before if you cannot attend) bring a new book as a gift for a child. It can be any reading level up to about grade 5. We will collect the books and donate to the Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club for their after-school program when children are encouraged to do their schoolwork and have the opportunity to read or play.

You will be putting a smile on a child's face and share the love of reading!

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Amazon Smile

Holiday Shopping



We encourage "shopping local" whenever you can but if this holiday finds you doing some online shopping and you plan to purchase through Amazon, please sign up and use an Amazon Smile account.

Anything purchased through AmazonSmile earns 0.5% for the Beaumont Rotary Foundation.

It's easy to start a "Smile" account. Go to: <https://smile.amazon.com/>. Afterwards, when you start ordering, make sure you log-in through smile.amazon.com instead of Amazon.com for your purchases to add to the

Foundations's credits.

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Rotary After Hours

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Rotary After Hours at the Art Museum of Southeast Texas was one that shouldn't have been missed! Despite some rainy weather, the group was large and engaged with the exhibits at the outstanding museum. The food and drink provided by our host, Lynn Castle, was delicious! Many, many thanks to Lynn who is always happy to host Rotary and rolls out the red carpet for us!



On this, and so many more occasions, the stealthy photographer has been Tim Sudela. We are very grateful for Tim's talents behind the lens and his generous gift of time in helping to record the Club's history in photos. [See more photos taken at Rotary After Hours here.](#)

Interact-Rotaract Mixer

INTERACT-ROTARACT-ROTARY MIXER



District Interact Club chair Sally Andrews from the Vidor club put together an all-club meeting for the students of all

District Interact and Rotaract Clubs. The District provided pizza and the Beaumont Club assisted by providing drinks.

Students and club sponsors listened intently as speakers addressed the too prevalent issue of human trafficking in our local area. They hung on every word the professionals had to share.

Then, they got up and did something to help. They took the donated toiletries and put together packages that might help an individual who was rescued from the situation. Each wrote an inspirational message on a card to be given to the young girl too.

Jim Baxter, Sheree Pierce, and Cindy Cherry were on hand to help and had a good time visiting with the students and sponsors of both Beaumont Interact clubs at West Brook and Monsignor Kelly.

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!

Bobbie Applegate
Lee Freeland
Sylvester Hill
Craig Lively

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

Birthdays



David Locke
November 23

Lee Dula
November 24

Larry Beaulieu
November 25

Charlie Weinbaum
November 23

Glenn McWherter
November 24

Carol Fernandez
November 25

Eddie Arnold

November 26

Margaret Cherb

November 27

Kenneth Ruddy

November 29

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Provide Exemplary Service"****Vocational Excellence Awards**

by Chris Ayers

Rotarians were pleased to make the annual presentation of the treasured Vocational Excellence Awards. The 2015 Recipients were:

Lori Hobbs

Third Coast Bank
nominated by Bel Lamb

Heather Kugler

Mason Construction, Ltd.
nominated by Chad Mason

Annalya Sandoval

Courtyard Marriott
nominated by Brenda Gray

Jay Lavergne

Triangle Blueprint
nominated by Cynthia Wolf

Doug Saunders

Jefferson County Emergency Services
nominated by Rod Carroll

Sun Bell

The Grill
nominated by Regina Lindsey

Albert and John Davids

Quality Shoe Repair
nominated by Michael Wolf

Kelly Boggs

HEB
nominated by Lynn Castle

Helena Carter

Habitat for Humanity
nominated by Shannon Williamson

Solida Hang

Happy Donuts

nominated by Vernon Pierce

Patsy Hadnot

CVS Pharmacy

nominated by Connie Szuch

Also recognized but unable to attend was:

Nancy McMillan

Better Business Bureau

nominated by John Paschall

Unanimously, all recipients were described as kind, thoughtful, hard-working, diligent, caring, personable, honest, joyful, considerate and compassionate. It is nice to know that Beaumont has such fantastic people who are so dedicated to exemplary performance in their job! Congratulate them when you patronize their place of employment.

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