



Speakers

Nov 09, 2016

[Colonel Brad Bane, Commanding Officer](#)

842nd Transportation Battalion, Port of Beaumont

Nov 16, 2016

[Mike Boone, Game Warden](#)

Television Personality on Lone Star Law

Nov 23, 2016

[NO MEETING](#)

Happy Thanksgiving!

Nov 30, 2016

[Bridget Johnson, Chair](#)

Vocational Excellence Awards: "Thankful for Exemplary Performance in the Workplace"

Dec 07, 2016

[West Brook High School Choir, Jimmy Robertson, Dir](#)

Catch the Holiday Spirit! [MEETING WILL BE IN THE FOUNTAINVIEW ROOM]

Dec 07, 2016

[ANNUAL ELECTIONS OF BOARD MEMBERS](#)

Dec 13, 2016

[Past President Chad Blanchard](#)

Holiday Party [NOTE: This is Tuesday evening; no meeting at the Elegante on Wednesday]

Dec 14, 2016

[NO MEETING AT THE ELEGANTE](#)

The 2016 Holiday Party on December 13 replaces this meeting

Dec 21, 2016

ROTARYGRAMS

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PROGRAM PREVIEW

November 9, 2016

**"The Port of Beaumont:
The Nation's Military Support Center"**



Lt. Col. Brad Bane
Commander

842nd Transportation Battalion

Just days before November 11, it is appropriate that we pause and bring deserved attention and honor to veterans

NO MEETING

Happy Holidays!

Dec 28, 2016

NO MEETING

Happy New Year!

Jan 04, 2017

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who are members of our Club and enjoy a presentation by the Commander of the Army's 842nd Transportation Battalion at the Port of Beaumont.

The 842nd Transportation Battalion is part of the Army's Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command. This command has been at the forefront of our nation since September 11, 2001, serving to deploy and redeploy military units overseas for combat operations.

The Port of Beaumont is recognized as the No. 1 military cargo port in the world. In the past two years, the command has been equally busy receiving equipment returning from war that will be refurbished and reset to meet any future contingency operations for our nation.

The unit contracts with commercial rail and truck activities to move military cargo back to home stations and Army depots. The unit is comprised of service members and civilians working with the Port of Beaumont and commercial stevedores to get the job done.

Interesting fact: there are approximately 23.2 million military veterans in the United States, and 1.7 million of those men and women currently call Texas home.

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Head Table for November 9



Invocation:

Barry Bryant
Sales & Marketing Manager
Bill Clark Pest Control, Inc.



Pledges to the USA & Texas Flags:

Buz Brown
Retired



Introduction of Guests:

Nancy Stretcher
Department Chair-Business
Technologies
Lamar Institute of Technology



Introduction of Guest Speaker:

W. L. Pate
President
Pate Resources Group

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS (and opportunities for meeting makeups)

November 11	"Show Your Colors" Flag Project for Veterans Day, meet at 5:00 a.m. at the Dishman Scout office (Fannett Road at Cardinal Drive)
November 14	Deadline for Vocational Excellence Award Nominations
November 15	Board of Directors meeting, 11:45 a.m., the Beaumont Club
November 21	Service Project at Nutrition & Services for Seniors: 4:00-6:00 p.m.; assembly of box meals
November 23	NO MEETING: Happy Thanksgiving! (meeting makeup is not necessary)

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LOOK WHAT'S AHEAD!



Residents of this state enjoy hunting and fishing year-round. Those involved in these activities know the Game Wardens enforce the rules and regulations that keep everyone safe. Come meet Mike Boone, Hardin County Game Warden **on November 16.**

**NO MEETING ON
WEDNESDAY,
NOVEMBER 23.**

Happy Thanksgiving!



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Veterans Day celebrates the service of all U.S. military veterans. It is a time to honor and recognize the sacrifice made by these men and women, and their valor and unselfish courage.

In honor of veterans, the Rotary Club of Beaumont will put flags at homes and businesses on Friday, November 11. Volunteers and trucks are needed. Please bring gloves and a hammer. With an early start to the day, your route will be done, and you will be at work before you know it!

**Please call Pat Anderson
(409-782-4057) or Gary
Moncla (409-781-3778)
and volunteer soon!**

**We want you!
We need you!**



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**Deadline announced!
Nominations for 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, November 30.

These coveted awards are given annually to **community members who demonstrate exceptional service, honesty, and friendliness in performing their jobs.**

Some past recipients describe receiving this honor as "a treasure," "very special," and "the only time I've received anything like this."

With the chosen date immediately following Thanksgiving, it will be a wonderful time to give thanks for the good work of others in our community.

We appreciate your support of this honor with your nominations of deserving people who you have come in contact with through your business transactions. Please submit your nomination to Bridget Johnson at email ladybmj@gmail.com by **Friday, November 11, 2016.**

[Link here to the document and submit your nomination now.](#)

DONE IN A DAY PROJECT

Time to step up to the plate again! Almost literally! This quarter's service project, to be "Done in a Day," is an opportunity to help those who rely on delivery of meals from Nutrition and Service for Seniors.

When holidays make it impossible for volunteers to deliver hot meals to home-bound clients of the non-profit, they plan ahead and deliver a shelf-stable box dinner that will meet nutritional needs of those they serve.



Rotarians are needed to assemble as many box dinners as possible in advance of the two major holiday periods ahead.

Plan to come and help; drop by after leaving work and give an hour or two of your time. You are certain to enjoy your Thanksgiving lunch a good deal more knowing you helped provide a meal to someone else. (You do not have to be signed up to attend but it will help us to know how many people to expect.)



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NOMINATE A NEW MEMBER THIS WEEK!

[Link to proposal form here.](#)

Interact Clubs Need Donations



The Interact Clubs are again collecting supplies to create gifts for others. They request toilet paper rolls to fill with goodies, trinkets, and treats for local nursing homes and hospitals. They can also use left over gift wrapping paper, ribbons and yarn to tie the ends of these treats. Please bring to the Wednesday, November 9 meeting or to the Rotary Office before November 10 for delivery to the Interact Clubs.

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Congratulations to Newest Blue Badges!



Yes, it was another great day at Rotary as two members "graduated" from Rotary University! Earning the coveted

blue badge were Nancy Stretcher and Stephanie Shoemaker, pictured here with President Ted Moor and our Dean [Lynn P. Castle](#).

In case you are not aware, even long-time Rotarians can earn advanced degrees. Who is the next Master or Ph.D. degree candidate?



Congratulations to Rotarian Ken Ruddy & Classic Southeast Texas Auto



The Spindletop Award was presented to Kenneth Ruddy and the Classic Southeast Texas Auto Group. The Beaumont Business Journal article included this photo of Ken with Rotarian Ivy Pate. The article went on to say:

As an active supporter of the local Catholic Church and Diocese, Ruddy's respect for strict ethical and moral standards influence both his personal life and his managerial duties. He is also a Paul Harris Fellow and has been a member of the Beaumont Rotary Club for more than 50 years.

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Spotlight on Becky & Chuck Mason

It's no secret that Rotarians Becky and Chuck Mason have generously supported the work of Rotary International and the Rotary Club of Beaumont for many years. Moreover, they generously give and underwrite many local charitable projects and events.

On Friday, it will be announced that the Masons have graciously underwritten a Lamar initiative which will have a major impact on the College of Education in preparing young men and women to teach in the STEM field. Rotarian friends are invited to attend.


A community of donors changing lives at Lamar University

Please join
PRESIDENT KEN EVANS
 and
DEAN BOB SPINA
 College of Education and Human Development


for an important announcement
 vital to Lamar University's efforts to improve
 STEM education in Texas and across our nation

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2016
1:30 PM • REAUD BUILDING FOYER

Lamar University thanks
 alumni **CHUCK AND BECKY MASON**
 for their generosity in
 making this new initiative possible.



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Do you know of a young lady who will take part in the 2017 Neches River Festival as a princess?

If your daughter or granddaughter is a student at a Beaumont school, graduating in May, and planning to take part in the annual NRF festivities, perhaps she could be sponsored* by the Rotary Club of Beaumont.

Please submit the young lady's name by calling the Rotary Office at 842-1913. The Board of Directors will consider all those proposed.

**(Please note: This is a sponsorship in name only. The financial obligation is the responsibility of the family.)*

FAMILY OF ROTARY



We send wishes for a quick recovery to our friends and fellow Rotarians who have been ill, had or are facing surgery, or just need our thoughts and prayers. We hope you are better soon!

Bobbie Applegate

James Broussard
Lee Freeland
Jay Johnson
Cheryl Williams

Please let us know if you or another Rotarian should be included in our weekly good wishes article!

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John Worthington
November 7



Chuck Mason
November 8



Joe Domino
November 13

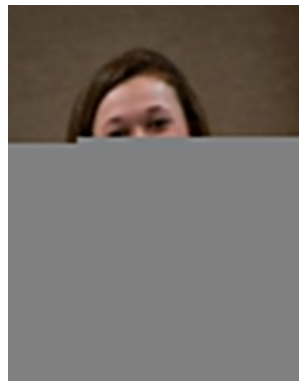
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PROGRAM REVIEW

November 2, 2016
"Celebrating World Interact Week"



Jim Baxter
Youth Service Lane Co-Chair



by John Neely

Our program for Rotary today was “Celebrating World Interact Week” and was facilitated by Rotary’s own Jim Baxter, Director of RCIA, St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church.

Jim opened the program with a video, which highlighted Interact International members with the theme, “My Best Days of Service.” Interact members described their “Best Days...”, recounting their participation in a multitude of projects and events in their community and around the world.

Jim first introduced the President and Vice President of West Brook High School Interact Club, Peyton Parchmont and Bassam Syed. They were accompanied by the West Brook Principal, Dr. Diana Valdez. West Brook Interact was started in October of 2009. Together they talked about some of the

projects that they were involved in and an annual event they hold:

- o Pennies For Polio
- o The Ghostbuster Project
- o The (upcoming) School Supply Drive for Honduras

Their membership has recently been increasing.

Jim then introduced the Kelly Interact Club, along with a number of Junior officers since the Seniors had to attend a separate event. The students were accompanied by Principal and Rotarian Roger Bemis. Jim introduced Sarah Asta, Rae Guidry, Claire Strassburger, Marleigh Harken, Lily Knowles, Chinye Nwaobi, Kennedy Simon, and Hannah Tweedel who shared about some projects and events at Kelly:

- o T-Shirt Fundraiser...\$20.00 each...proceeds go to a Christmas gifts for Buckner's
- o Homecoming Week events
- o Seasonal costumes and visitation at Calder Woods
- o The Giving Field Project - for better nutrition, and
- o The Club Mixer

World Interact Week is celebrated during the 1st week in November, fostering the idea of Interact service projects and events. We were pleased to share in the celebration at the Club meeting and happy to have so many students with us.

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