



Speakers

Sep 21, 2016

[Robert J. Robertson, Historian](#)

Judge Lamar Cecil and the 1956
Desegregation of Lamar Tech - the 60th
Anniversary

Sep 28, 2016

[Dr. Msonthi Levine](#)

"Living Healthy and Loving Life"

Oct 05, 2016

[\[No Meeting today: members should
attend WDWR\]](#)

Attend or help with Wine Down With Rotary
on October 6 as the meeting obligation of the
week

Oct 12, 2016

[Texas Ranger](#)

[MEETING WILL BE IN THE
FOUNTAINVIEW ROOM]

Oct 19, 2016

[Regina Lindsey, President, Bmt
Chamber of Commerce](#)

Forecast for Beaumont

Oct 26, 2016

[Jim Clark, Lutchter Theatre](#)

A Peek into the 2016-17 Season

Nov 02, 2016

[William "Bill" Grace, Library
Manager](#)

The Tyrrell: Beaumont's Historical Library

Nov 09, 2016

[Brian Babin, US Representative](#)

Serving Texas' 36th District

Nov 16, 2016

[Mike Boone, Game Warden](#)

ROTARYGRAMS

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PROGRAM PREVIEW

September 21, 2016

**"Judge Lamar Cecil
and the
60th Anniversary of the
Desegregation of Lamar Tech"**



Robert J. Robertson
**Author, Historian &
Lamar Adjunct Professor**

"During 1955 and 1956, U.S. District Judge Lamar Cecil presided over two civil rights cases in Courtroom No. 1 in the federal courthouse..."

Television Personality on Lone Star Law

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Upcoming Events

[Rotary After Hours](#)

Jerry Nelson's Hill Country Grill
Sep 22, 2016
5:30 PM – 7:30 PM

[The 2nd Annual "Wine Down With Rotary"](#)

The Event Centre
Oct 06, 2016

[Rotary After Hours:Renovated Courtyard/Fairfield](#)

Courtyard & Marriott
Oct 27, 2016
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

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On the 60th anniversary of the historic desegregation of Lamar Tech, you need to hear the history of the key figure in this decision...Judge Lamar Cecil. No one can better tell the story of Lamar Cecil, who significantly changed the dark and disgraceful time of discrimination, than historian and author Robert J. Robertson.

Robert is quick to say that his career is in insurance. He is an Agent and Risk Manager with J. S. Edwards & Sherlock. Yet, he is actively engaged and involved as an historian, author, Rotarian, and Beaumont resident.

Robert Robertson is Past President of the Rotary Club of Beaumont, serving 1975-76. He teaches American history classes at Lamar University and has two published books to his credit.

This will be an inspiring presentation that will be remembered for quite a long while. Don't miss it.

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Head Table for September 21



Invocation:

Pat Anderson
Sales
Becker Printing



Pledges to the USA & Texas Flags:

Nancy Stretcher
Business Technologies Department
Chair
Lamar Institute of Technology



Introduction of Guests:

Gary Moncla
President
Moncla Properties



Introduction of Guest Speaker:

Alan Sampson
Partner
Benckenstein & Oxford, LLP

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(and opportunities for meeting makeups)

September 22	Rotary After Hours, 5:30-7:30 p.m.; Jerry Nelson's Hill Country Grill
September 27	Board of Directors



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meeting, 11:45 a.m., the
Beaumont Club

Spindletop Club Extends Invitation to Meeting

The Spindletop Rotary Club presents...

THE POLIO YEARS IN TEXAS:

At the regular weekly meeting of the Spindletop Club on September 20, the guest speaker will be Heather Wooten, author of the book, *The Polio Years in Texas*. While we tend to think of polio as the disease in other countries, a world away from here, Spindletop Club President Karen Chapman invites you to attend and hear this moving presentation about the impact of the dreaded disease on this region and the state.

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LOOK WHAT'S AHEAD!



We are all in search of good health. How to maintain it? How to achieve it? Local internal medicine physician and expert on healthy living, Dr. Msonthi B. Levine, will speak to the



Club on September 28, sharing some of his tips and advice on the subject.

NO MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5



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Jerry Nelson's Hill Country Wood Fired Grill in the Gateway Shopping Center

Thursday, September 22, 2016 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Hosts: Angela Baker & Brandon Spears

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COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT AT THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

On Monday, September 19, a good number of Rotarians and other volunteers visited the Beaumont Children's Museum and spent the morning helping to create a Maker Space.



With the addition of an entire wall, a very large space was divided into a special creative space for learning, exploring, and experimenting. The six-foot tall wall was framed and secured, panels added, and a coat of paint. Others worked on assembling storage cabinets and shelving which will be equally useful in the area.

Thank you to the volunteers: Kathleen Alsup, Larry Beaulieu, Denise Berry, Mellie Bevilacqua, Mark Hall, Karyn Hawkins, Fred Kristiansen, Chuck Mason, Gary Moncla, Michael Perez, Mahdi Safa, and Dana Timaeus. Tim Sudela's son, Michael, helped also along with several volunteers from the Museum team including the job foreman, Tim Schreck.

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Two Weeks Until Wine Down With Rotary!



The second annual "**Wine Down With Rotary**" fundraiser will be on Thursday, October 6. **There will NOT be a Rotary meeting on October 5 so this event will substitute for the meeting of the week.**

Get your tickets to attend and some to sell to friends and co-workers at the meeting this week or phone the Rotary Office. You will taste six wonderful wines as selected for your

enjoyment by a panel of wine experts, an appetizer pairing for each of the wines selected, jazz music by Toby Castro and his combo, an opportunity to take a chance on winning some fabulous raffle items and some of the best fellowship in town! It will be an awesome, not-to-be-missed event!

This year, Wine Down With Rotary will be a celebration of the Centennial of The Rotary Foundation. We will recognize the good works of Rotary through the 100 years of the Foundation.



**Plan to be a part of this very special event!
Please plan to turn in money for ticket sales and
any unsold tickets by Thursday, September 22!**

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UNDERWRITERS WELCOMED!

New Sponsors this week: Sharon & Roger McCabe and Scot Babineaux Insurance

To make the Wine Down With Rotary fundraiser truly successful, we need financial support from donors who will sponsor and help to underwrite one of the expenses of the event. Please consider at which level you would like to help and make a tax-deductible donation to the Beaumont Rotary Foundation as a sponsor.

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Auction Items and Essentials Needed



The Wine Down With Rotary committee is expanding the raffle held at the event. Some wonderful items have already been secured. If you can contribute, **please bring items** to a meeting or to the Rotary Office.

We also **need some baskets, filler, wrap and ribbons** to complete the display of items.

If you have any size or style of basket or some of these other

items that you do not have a use for, please consider donating them also. Thanks.

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Members Welcomed to the Club!

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Last week's meeting was exciting as we welcomed 2 new members to the club.



Meet **Jerre Croley** who was proposed by Michael Perez. Jerre is Location Manager with PV Rentals, Inc. Prior to this position, she was with Fast Signs for 16 years. Jerre's favorite thing is simply spending time with her husband and young son.



Brandon Spears, proposed by friend and co-worker Mike Stankovich, is a Loan Officer with Texas Farm Credit. He loves traveling and is, admittedly, a baseball "fanatic." A Lamar graduate, Brandon and his wife, Lenee, have three young children.

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Congratulations to Newest Blue Badges!



This Club isn't known for singing (for sure!) but there was a rousing musical chorus led by Rotary University Dean Lynn Castle as she awarded a Bachelor degree to two Rotarians. President Ted Moor joined her in presenting the coveted Blue Badge to Pat Calhoun and Rebekah Maxwell. Congratulations!

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

Cindy Cherry
September 20

Sharae Reed
September 21

Tolbert Chisum
September 22

Mark Hall
September 24

Robert Hickman
September 24

Twila Baker
September 25

Butch Cherry
September 25

Hubert Oxford
September 25

John Paschall
September 25

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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!

Kate Carroll
Lee Freeland
Jay Johnson
Mary Poole
Cheryl Williams

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

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PROGRAM REVIEW

"The Business of Music and the Rotary Four Way Test"

**Chelsea Tipton, II
Maestro & Music Director**

by John Neely

Our speaker today was none other than the Maestro! YES, it was Maestro Chelsea Tipton, Music Director for the Symphony of Southeast Texas.

The Maestro was introduced by Doug Fair, Executive Director of the Symphony of Southeast Texas. What a team!

"The Business of Music"

Chelsea recalled the first time that he actually got paid to play his clarinet with the Rochester Symphony. He was very excited. This provided a 'new stage' for young Chelsea, and provided an atmosphere wherein the symphony could actually fix its own problems which apparently is a luxury in the philharmonic business.

Chelsea stated that he came to realize that symphonies are comprised of several different groups of participants:

- 1) Participants who have a passion for being a part of something greater than themselves;
- 2) Participants who view their membership as more of a job;
- 3) Participants with a mix of #1 and #2.

Maestro Tipton asked the question:

When we talk about and promote the symphony, what are

we trying to sell? The answer is “providing an atmosphere where the viewer will experience something that has the ability to affect and/or change those attending to be a part of something "larger than life" by getting immersed in the music.

"... and the Four Way Test"

Chelsea also equated every step of the process of designing and planning a successful symphony season using the Rotary 4-Way Test while constantly challenging themselves to bring the highest level of performances, while reaching out to the entire region, establishing connectivity and inclusion.

Upcoming events include four Classic Series Concerts, two Pops Concert Events, and more.

In the Classic Series:

- September 17th – Cirque de la Symphonie
- November 19th – Triumphant Tchaikovsky
- March 11th - On The Beautiful Blue Danube
- April 1st - Symphonie Fantastique

In the Pops Series Concerts:

- October 8th – Oh What A Night!
- February 18th – The Best of Byrd

Others:

- October 16th – Symphony at Shangri La
- October 22nd – Chamber Musicians of SOST
- December 4th – Home For The Holidays
- July 4th – July 4th Concert

Be there! Be a part of your Symphony of Southeast Texas!

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