



The Rotary Club of Beaumont, TX, is a large and diverse fellowship of inspired business, professional, and civic leaders with significant community connections that foster the ideals of Service Above Self and high ethical standards.

MISSION STATEMENT

Speakers

Feb 21, 2018

[Dean Adams and Sam Bethea, Entergy Texas](#)

Transmission Lines, New Generation Plant in Texas, and Smart Meters

Feb 21, 2018

[THE MEETING TODAY WILL BE IN THE FOUNTAINVIEW ROOM](#)

Feb 28, 2018

[Liz Fredrichs; President/CEO of the BBB](#)

Marketplace Ethics & T. Kelsey Lamb, Sr. Award for Business Ethics presentation-Jim Broussard, Chair

ROTARYGRAMS

February 21, 2018

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**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**

Rotary will meet in the Fountainview Room at the MCM Elegante on February 21.

PROGRAM PREVIEW February 21, 2018

Entergy: Powering Life!



Entergy.

Dean Adams
Grid Manager
and
Sam Bethea
Customer Service Manager

Indeed, Entergy powers life as we know it! And, for the most part, we give it no thought at all. You plug a device into the outlet and it works, and you turn a switch and lights turn on. Thankfully, there are those who think about it most of the time. They are the professionals who respond to our calls when something interrupts the flow of power and those who devise the plans to maintain an adequate supply of electrical power for our future needs.

Mar 07, 2018

[Sylvia Whitlock](#)

"Women Also Serve": Celebrating
International Women's Day - Rebekah
Maxwell, Chair

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Mar 14, 2018

[Lamar University Rotaract officers](#)

World Rotaract Week 2018

Mar 21, 2018

[Scott Hall, Director, General Manager, LNVA](#)

Update on LNVA: The Water Supply in Texas

Mar 28, 2018

[Trey Fielder, NATGasoline](#)

Apr 04, 2018

[Marilyn Manson-Hayes and Company](#)

Preview of "1930's Beaumont Voices," a
program of the Lamar Center for History and
Culture

Apr 11, 2018

[Karen Bell, Office of British Consulate-General](#)

International Trade with the United Kingdom

Apr 18, 2018

[Youth Day!](#)

Celebrating Youth Day!: Interact Clubs,
Scholarships, YSAS Awards

Apr 25, 2018

[Lynae Sanford, Managing Director, Lutch Theatre](#)

A Taste of Broadway in Southeast Texas

May 02, 2018

[Chris Hebert, StormGeo](#)

2018 Hurricane Season Forecast

May 09, 2018

[Chris Draths, Director, Magnolia Garden Club](#)

A Birds-Eye Look into the Cattail Marsh

May 16, 2018

[John Ross, US Attorney's Office](#)

Reintegration of Felons Into Society After
Release

Two of those professionals will speak to the club on
Wednesday. Dean Adams, Grid Manager. will talk about hurricane
recovery. Sam Bethea, Customer Service Manager, will speak about
our new meters that will soon be installed and the benefits they will
provide.

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Head Table for February 21

Invocation:

**Chris Ayers**

Associate

Ayers-Patton and Associates

Pledges to USA & Texas Flags:

**David Shoemaker**

BPEX Maintenance Manager

ExxonMobil

Introduction of Guests:

**Bob Spina**

Dean of the College of Education
and Human Development
Lamar University

Introduction of Guest Speakers:

**Vernon Pierce**

Retired

*Would you like to take part in the weekly meetings in a more active
role? Don't wait to be asked. Volunteer for one of the weekly
assignments! Choose your role and a date that is convenient.
Contact Barry Bryant at 409-656-4108 or
bbryant@billclarkbugsperts.com.*

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[View entire list](#)

Upcoming Events

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

Feb 19, 2018 5:00 AM

[Rotary After Hours](#)

TBA

Feb 22, 2018

5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

[Board of Directors Meeting](#)

Art Museum of Southeast Texas

Feb 27, 2018 11:45 AM

["Women Also Serve" by author Dr. Sylvia Whitlock](#)

MCM Elegante Grand Ballroom

Mar 07, 2018 12:00 PM

[Board of Directors Meeting](#)

Art Museum of Southeast Texas

Mar 27, 2018 11:45 AM

[Interact Clubs Spring Mixer](#)

West Brook High School cafeteria

Apr 12, 2018

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

[Board of Directors Meeting](#)

Art Museum of Southeast Texas

Apr 24, 2018 11:45 AM

Sponsors

We never stop moving:



Southern Homes



CALENDAR OF ROTARY EVENTS

(Club events & opportunities for meeting makeups)

20

Strategic Planning Committee, Suite 216
MCM Elegante, 4:15 p.m.

22

Rotary After Hours, 5:30-7:00; Wine
Styles on Dowlen Road

28

Deadline to make a reservation to hear Dr. Sylvia Whitlock at the Rotary meeting on March 7 (Anticipating a larger crowd, we need a headcount for seating and food please.)

"WOMEN ALSO SERVE"

Don't miss this opportunity! In celebration of International Women's Day 2018, the Rotary Club of Beaumont will welcome Dr. Sylvia Whitlock to Beaumont to speak at the March 7, 2018 meeting. Sylvia travels extensively, sharing her story of the first Rotary Club in the world to open its membership to women, even before the International organization had officially approved women in the male-only organization. Not only were the women welcomed, Sylvia became the first woman to hold the office of President within her club. Come hear her story - from her!

IN CELEBRATION OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

COME JOIN US!

MARCH 7, 2018

NOON

ROTARY CLUB OF BEAUMONT
MCM ELEGANTE HOTEL

\$18

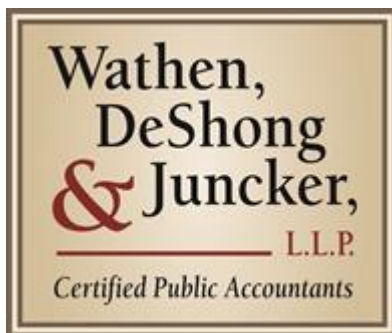


Dr. Sylvia Whitlock will share the story of
"Women Also Serve"

about the emergence of women into Rotary International and her experiences as she became a Rotarian and the first woman to serve as President of a Rotary Club in the entire world.

Reservations may be made and tickets purchased online at the Club's website (beaumontrotaryclub.org, see Upcoming Events listing) <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/3775/Event/quot-women-also-serve-quot-by-author-dr-sylvia-whitlock> or phone 409-842-1913.

Kindly make reservations by 2/28.



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Sylvia Whitlock



Members will be asked to make a reservation for this meeting as we are expecting a large number of visitors and Rotarians from other clubs. We need reservations in order to have adequate seating and meals prepared. Guest meal tickets are \$18; [click here to make a reservation and purchase by credit card.](#) **February 28** is the deadline to purchase tickets and make reservations, please.

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THANK YOU, FLAG VOLUNTEERS!

With 494 flags to distribute in a short amount of time, it takes a large group of capable volunteers, and we are lucky enough to have them - at the ready, every time they are called to duty.



A sincere thank you to our fantastic team led by Pat Anderson and Gary Moncla:

Larry Beaulieu
 Roger Bemis
 Mellie Bevilacqua
 Brad Brown
 Pat Calhoun
 Kris Castle

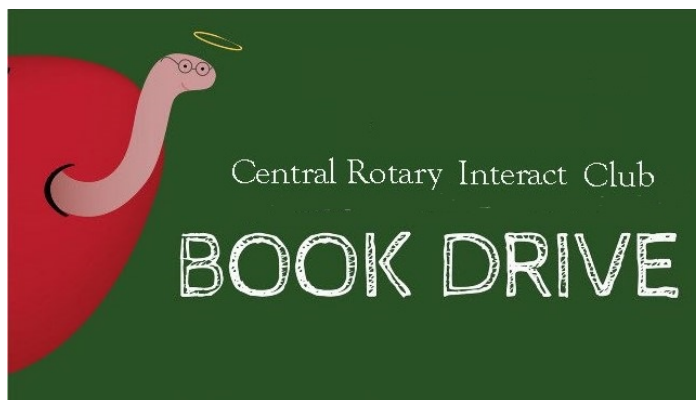
Chuck Heare
 Gary Hidalgo
 Allan Higgins
 Lynn Hill
 Sylvester Hill
 Karen Husbands and Ronnie

Cindy Cherry	Leonard Juncker
Tony Clark	Sharen Kirksey
(member soon) Ty Coudrain	John Neely
Charlie Cox	Lane Olson
Joe Domino	Sean Perrodin
Deborah Drago	Vernon Pierce
Phil Dunlap	Mahdi Safa
Shedrick Evans	Alan Sampson
Carolyn Fernandez	David Shoemaker
Rob Glassey	Stephanie Shoemaker
Rene Greenwald	Tim Sudela
Jennifer Gregory	Dana Timaeus
Scott Hatcher	Linsi Walker

Thank you to each of you!

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The Central Interact Book Drive was a success and culminated tonight, February 19, with Literacy Night at Mae Jones-Clark School. Rotarians donated a whopping **349** books to the Interact Club!



Thank you to all the Rotarians who donated: Kathleen Alsup, Denise Berry, Cindy Cherry, Robert Turner and especially to Scott Hatcher who brought two very large boxes of books donated by his wife, Erica.

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Gethrel "Get" Williams-Wright

July 10, 1939 - February 17, 2018
Rotarian since 2004

Services are pending at the time of this document.

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Gigi Mazzola
February 20



Sheree Pierce
February 22

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We send wishes for a quick recovery to our friends and fellow Rotarians who are ill, are anticipating or recovering from surgery, or just in need of encouragement and support.

Jay Johnson
Roger McCabe
Joshua Taub

We were happy to see Rotarians back at the meeting last week after undergoing surgery recently. Please continue with prayers and good wishes for them.

Jane Burns
Mahdi Safa
Vic Zaloom

If you know of others who should be added to this list, please advise the office staff at 409-842-1913.

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Do you know of a young lady who will take part in the 2018 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, **but we need to hear from you by Noon on Tuesday, February 20.**

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

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PROGRAM REVIEW
February 14, 2018

"Rotary Has Heart"



**Linda Williams
Layette Chair**

**Deborah Drago
Service Day Chair**

There were bags, bags and more bags as Rotarians got to work assembling the items into Rotary zippered bags! The women and children at Casa Belen in Nicaragua will benefit greatly by having the resources provided by our layette bags.



Hope & Relief International
*Rotarians from many regions . . .
working to break the cycle of extreme poverty
in Nicaragua and beyond*

January 25, 2018

Beaumont Rotary Foundation
2355 IH 10 South
Suite 213
Beaumont, Texas 77705

Dear Fellow Rotarians:

On behalf of Hope & Relief International Foundation, Inc., I would like to acknowledge your generous donation of \$1800.00. As requested these funds will be used to purchase cloth diapers. The diapers are made by the students at Betania, the trade school, so this gives them needed sewing practice.

The layettes that are given to the mothers at Casa Belen enable them to better care for their babies. These mothers are so excited to receive the Rotary layette bags. It makes it so much easier for them to care for their baby.

Again, thank you for your support of Casa Belen.

Yours truly,

Sandy Kite
Treasurer

Help us "Lend a Hand"
Hope and Relief International Foundation, Inc.
10700 Gerke Rd., Brenham, TX 77833-8959, USA

In service to others, once the layette assembly was completed, members got busy helping four local non-profits which needed a hand with some tasks for their agency. Service Day chair, Deborah Drago wrote this synopsis of the Club's accomplishments in Service Above Self:

Four local nonprofits benefited from the caring and supportive efforts of Rotarian members during the Rotary Has Heart Service Day.



George Hartsfield and Amanda Diaz of Boys' Haven brought materials to be assembled for mailing for their 33rd Annual Crawfish Food & Music Festival in May. Three hundred mailers were stuffed and sealed. Task accomplished.



Rotarian Norma Sampson and Mark Guzman brought more than 650 Men's Health and Prostate Cancer Screening materials back to the Julie Rogers "Gift of Life" Program office after a fast-paced assembly line prepared the blue stadium cups filled with information to heighten awareness of prostate cancer and other chronic diseases prevalent in Southeast Texas. Another mission accomplished.



Juanita Hockett represented Catholic Charities of Southeast Texas. Rotarians assembled 192 snack bags containing juice and 4 to 5 food items to be distributed to patrons of the Hospitality Center in Port Arthur to help provide sustenance until the next hot meal served at the Center. All supplies were used so task accomplished.



Lastly, Rotarian Alicia McKibbin was excited to have all 500 invitations stuffed for an event to be held at the Chambers House in March. Alicia and her staff have to finish addressing the invites and they'll be ready to mail!

Thank you Rotarians and guests who participated in the Rotary Has Heart Service Day and for sharing your hearts

with those that serve our community.

▶ **START SLIDESHOW**

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