



Rotary 
Club of Beaumont

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

Apr 18, 2018

[Youth Day!](#)

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

Apr 25, 2018

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

Reintegration of Felons Into Society After Release

Apr 25, 2018

[ROTARIAN OF THE DAY: Elaine Shellenberger on the](#)

Nutrition and Services for Seniors Deliver the Difference Luncheon

May 02, 2018

ROTARYGRAMS

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**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**

PROGRAM PREVIEW

April 18, 2018

"Celebrating Youth"



[Chris Hebert, StormGeo](#)

2018 Hurricane Season Forecast

May 02, 2018

[ROTARIAN OF THE DAY: Dan Jeans](#)

HOW Center Alumni Golf Tournament

May 09, 2018

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

A Birds-Eye Look into the Cattail Marsh

May 16, 2018

[Becky Ames, Mayor of the City of Beaumont](#)

"It's a Great Day in Beaumont!"

May 23, 2018

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

A Taste of Broadway in Southeast Texas

May 30, 2018

[Reverend Anthony "Tony" Clark](#)

Moral Injury: The Hidden Wound of the Soldiers' Soul

Jun 06, 2018

[Ira Wilsker, Business Professor, LIT](#)

Jun 13, 2018

[Dr. John Frossard, BISD Superintendent](#)

Students, Schools and Successes!

Jun 20, 2018

[Dr. Ken Evans, President, Lamar University](#)

Think Lamar University!

Jun 26, 2018

[Replaces the meeting on June 27](#)

A Toast to President Tim Sudela

Jun 27, 2018

[NO MEETING AT THE ELEGANTE](#)

Jul 04, 2018

[NO MEETING AT THE ELEGANTE](#)

Independence Day Holiday (after "Show Your Colors" Flag Project)

Jul 11, 2018

[Installation of President Lynn Castle](#)

Passing of the Gavel and Installation of Club Leadership

Many members consider this traditional meeting to be one of their favorite programs. We come together to hear about and celebrate the many Rotary projects and programs which recognize and celebrate the next generation of Rotarians!

Members will hear about the activities of all four of the Interact Clubs we sponsor. The Monsignor Kelly High School, West Brook High School, Ozen High School and Central High School Interact Clubs have each planned a fun presentation about the many activities and accomplishments of the year.

The announcement and introduction of the two recipients of the Rotary Scholarship will be made at this time and they will each share a little about his/her higher education goals and future aspirations.

It will be a great celebration of Rotary Youth! Don't miss this opportunity to be proud and inspired by them!

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Head Table for April 18**Invocation:****Ty Coudrain**

Owner

Ty Coudrain Aflac Insurance Agency

Pledges to USA & Texas Flags:**Mitch Templeton**

Partner

Templeton & Brinkley

Introduction of Guests:**Pat Calhoun**Executive Director of Workforce Education
Lamar University

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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CALENDAR OF ROTARY EVENTS*(Club events & opportunities for meeting makeups)*

[View entire list](#)

Upcoming Events

[Board of Directors Meeting](#)

Art Museum of Southeast Texas
Apr 24, 2018 11:45 AM

[Board of Directors Meeting](#)

Art Museum of Southeast Texas
May 22, 2018 11:45 AM

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

May 28, 2018 5:00 AM

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

Jun 14, 2018 5:00 AM

[Rotary International Convention 2018](#)

Air Canada Centre and Metor Convention Centre
Jun 23, 2018 – Jun 27, 2018

[Board of Directors Meeting](#)

Art Museum of Southeast Texas
Jun 26, 2018 11:45 AM

Sponsors

We never stop moving:



Southern Homes



| APRIL | |
|--------------|--|
| 18 | Quarterly Service Projects committee meeting, following Noon Rotary meeting |
| 20 | Rotary Goes to School - Summer Reading at Martin Elementary; 8:00 a.m. |
| 24 | Board of Directors meeting, 11:45 a.m., Art Museum of Southeast Texas |
| 24 | OPEN meeting (all invited) of the 2018-19 Program Committee, 5:15 p.m.; location changed to: 620 20th Street |
| 26 | Rotary After Hours, 5:30-7:00 p.m.; location TBA |
| 27-29 | District Conference in Palestine, TX |

LET'S PLAN THE NEXT

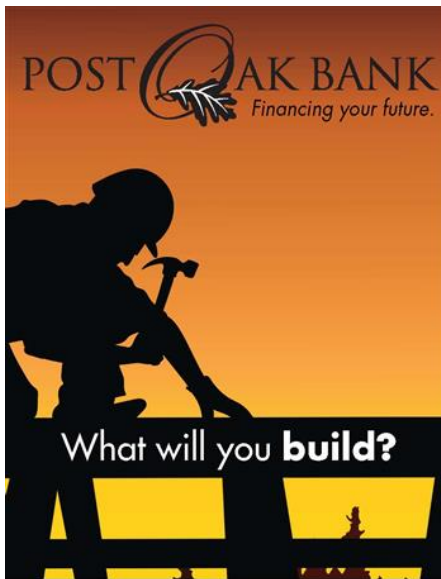
QUARTERLY COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

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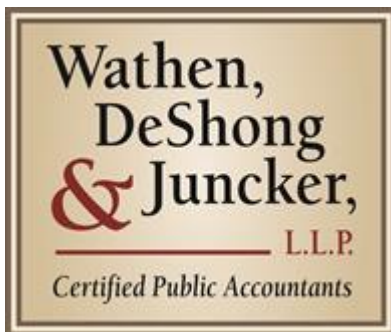
Committee will meet on
Wednesday, April 18
1:00 p.m.
Diplomat Room IV

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Rotarians will again **"Go to School"** with a new idea and design! How exciting!



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According to research, students without access to books during the summer months fall behind in reading when compared to those who have easy access to books in their homes and/or visits to the local library. That theory readily asserts that children need to own books that they can read and enjoy when school is not in session and they have limited access to books. This idea caused the Board of Directors to design our next literacy project: to GIVE students of Martin Elementary books to read to keep their love of reading alive during the long summer months. The Principal of the school has eagerly agreed to have the first grade students benefit from this project which is being funded by the Beaumont Rotary Foundation and a matching grant from Rotary District 5910.

On Friday, April 20, a group of Rotarians will assist all first grade students at Martin Elementary School while they select books for their own personal home library. Chair Matt McCallon is organizing this project and once the students have selected the books they would like and the order is placed, other dates will be set for Rotarians to place labels inside each book, personalizing the book for the child, and packaging them to go home during the last week of the school year.

We need volunteers to assist the students as they select their books and we record each child's priority list of those they choose. We plan to arrive at 8:00 a.m. and begin seeing students at 8:30. With enough volunteers we should be able to complete our work with the children around 12:30 p.m. Can you help?

Please sign up to volunteer at the online site: [SIGN UP](#).

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Have you ever been curious about how someone becomes a speaker at one of the Club meetings? Have you heard someone make a presentation at a meeting or a workshop that really captivated the audience? If you are interested, you could be an excellent member of the Program Committee which selects and secures speakers for the weekly meetings. Plan to attend an open meeting of the committee with Chair Pat Calhoun to begin planning programs for the 2018-2019 Rotary year.



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Those members present at the meeting on April 11 learned what this teaser was all about. Strategic Planning Chair Craig Escamilla made the exciting announcement that the Committee is steadily making significant progress towards their goals.

The next step in their plan is to learn more from YOU, our members, about why you became a Rotarian and about why you stay in the club.

- Is it the many opportunities for service?
- Is it the interesting speakers?
- Is it the opportunity to network with other community leaders?
- Is it because of the many friendships?
- Is it for some other reason?

If you didn't complete a survey yet, please complete the online version which you will find accessible through this [LINK](#).

Put your name on your responses only if you wish to be entered in the drawing for a \$100 gift certificate to Debb's Liquor. The drawing will only take place on May 2 if we have 40% or more of our members answer the survey by April 30.

Encourage your fellow Rotarians to respond; as of this date we are getting close but not to 40% yet!

Questions? Call the office at 409-842-1913.

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Soap Box Derby Pit Crew Needed!

Want to enjoy a great morning enjoying the beautiful weather? We've got the perfect opportunity for you to do that while you provide a great service! The Rotary Club of Beaumont has traditionally helped the Spindletop Rotary Club by providing food and beverages to the members of their club as they hold the annual Soap Box Derby.



Allan Higgins, Chair of this year's Pit Crew, is asking you to come out and enjoy providing a real service to fellow Rotarians on **Saturday, May 5 and Sunday, May 6**. Only a few people are needed in the early morning hours to serve a light breakfast, with a larger group needed for the lunch shift when sandwiches are prepared and served.

Thank you to Gerald Condon for again providing his grilling equipment and personnel.

[If you would like to join the Pit Crew, sign up here or see Allan Higgins at the meeting.](#)

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The Interact Clubs of District 5910 enjoyed a Mixer at West Brook High School on Thursday, April 12.



Amy Bean, Board Chair of the Humane Society of Southeast Texas presented a great overview of the work of the organization, and the Interact Clubs donated a great deal of pet food and supplies to them.

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The charitable organization, Good360, donated a large number of mattresses to the area for those who were affected by the floods of Hurricane Harvey. The 18-wheeler arrived at Mason Construction on Friday, April 13 and was eagerly greeted by a swarm of "Rotarians at Work" who quickly got to work. Past District Governor Chuck Mason organized the effort.





Thank you to the Rotarians who helped including Angela Baker, Ty Coudrian, Leonard Juncker, Sharen Kirksey, Becky Mason, Chad Mason, Matt McCallon, George Perrett, Sheree Pierce, John Rollins, Brandon Spears, Mike Stankovich, Tim Sudela, Dana Timaeus, and Patricia Woolridge.

Thanks also to others who joined the effort including Ray Baker, Spindletop Club Rotarians, and a crew of great workers from the Southeast Texas Council on Alcohol & Drug Abuse who John Neely recruited.

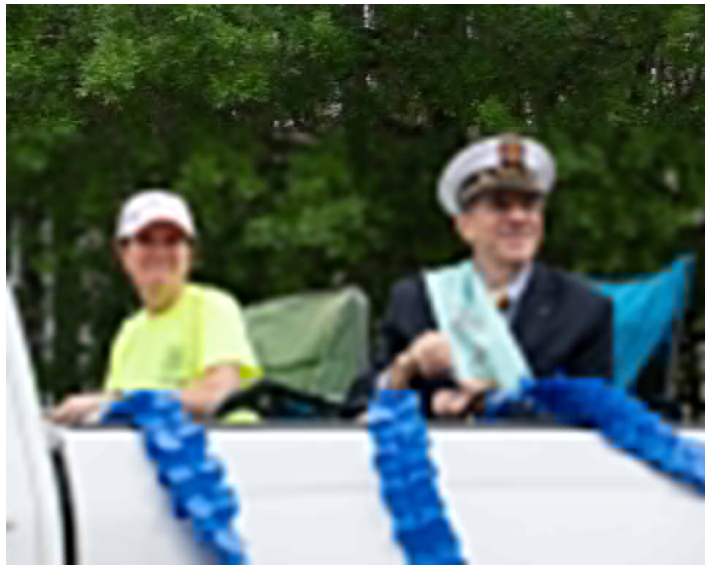
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The Rotary Club of Beaumont participated in the Neches River Festival parade on Friday, April 13 in downtown Beaumont!





Brenda Gray organized the Club's entry and welcomed the assistance from new member Ty Coudrain who drove his beautiful white truck for the group.



President Nominee Joe Domino donned his regalia as a past King of the Neches and rode in the truck along with President Elect Lynn Castle. Walking ahead carrying the Rotary banner were Allen Lea and Ericka Pachuca. The small but enthusiastic group enjoyed the opportunity to represent the club at this civic event and share the Rotary brand out and about town! Thank you for your service, Rotarians!

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Don't forget The Center for History & Culture of Southeast Texas and the Upper Gulf Coast's presentation of "1930s Beaumont Voices" featuring the writings of Rotarians Chester Easley and Rabbi Samuel Rosinger as published in the Rotarygrams. The event is free to the public at the Lamar Theatre on Monday April 23rd from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

If you attend, you may report it and earn a meeting makeup for doing so.

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Bo Weinbaum
April 16

Kathleen Alsup
April 20

David Heinz
April 23



Ryan Smith
April 23

Liz Fredrichs
April 19

Doug Chase
April 20

Sylvester Hill
April 23

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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.

Rob Glassey
Jay Johnson
Roger McCabe

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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PROGRAM REVIEW

April 11, 2018

"Building Goodwill and Better Friendships"

Karen Bell

Her Majesty's Consul General

by Chris Ayers

Karen Bell is the United Kingdom Consul General. She represents UK interests throughout Texas, New Mexico, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Oklahoma. The five states that Mrs. Bell represents have a total GDP that is equal to that of France so her job is quite important to the UK and her U.S. counterparts.

Areas of work at the Consulate include Consular Services, Political Engagement, Science and Innovations, and Trade and Investment. There are roughly 70,000 British citizens in Texas and 40,000 in Houston alone. The total TX export value to the UK is around \$9,000,000,000 per year. The first LNG delivery from the Cheniere terminal to the UK occurred in July, 2017. This was a huge milestone for both parties – it helped Cheniere further its position as an LNG exporter and help the UK establish itself as an LNG hub for Europe.

Karen Bell stated that her position is responsible many economic activities but she is unfortunately unable to get reservations at London's most popular restaurants.

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