




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 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

[Chris Hebert, StormGeo](#)

2018 Hurricane Season Forecast

May 02, 2018

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

ROTARYGRAMS

April 25, 2018

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**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**

PROGRAM PREVIEW

April 25, 2018

"Prisoner Reentry: Reducing Recidivism in Southeast Texas"



John B. Ross
Assistant United States Attorney
Eastern District of Texas

John B. Ross works for the Department of Justice as an Assistant United States Attorney for the United States Attorney's

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

[View entire list](#)

Upcoming Events

Rotarygrams for April 25, 2018 (Apr 25, 2018)

Office in the Eastern District of Texas. He currently serves as the Prevention and Reentry Coordinator for the District.

Since his appointment to the U.S. Attorney's Office in 2007, Ross has prosecuted a variety of criminal cases, including racketeering, gun trafficking, narcotics trafficking, Hobbs Act robberies, bank robberies, carjacking, capital crimes, and other violations of federal law.

In 2014, Ross was recognized with the DOJ Director's Award for Superior Performance by an Assistant United States Attorney. Prior to joining the U.S. Attorney's Office, Ross was Assistant District Attorney for twelve years in Jefferson County, where he prosecuted a wide variety of state criminal cases.

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Head Table for April 25

Invocation:



Michael Perez

Loan Originator
Gateway Mortgage Group

Pledges to USA & Texas Flags:



Chad Mason

Vice President of Administration
Mason Construction, Ltd.

Introduction of Guests:



Rebekah Maxwell

Coordinator, Reaud Honors College
Lamar University

Rotarian of the Day:



Elaine Shellenberger

President/CEO
Nutrition and Services for Seniors

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

Rotary After Hours

Beaumont Children's Museum
May 31, 2018
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

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



Introduction of Guest Speaker:



Randy Fluke
Assistant U. S. Attorney
U. S. Government

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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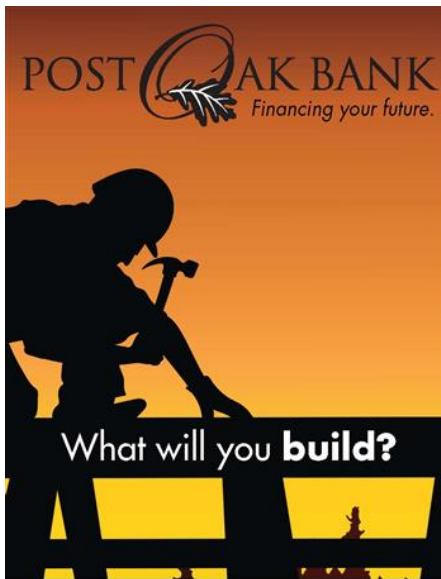
CALENDAR OF ROTARY EVENTS

(Club events & opportunities for meeting makeups)

APRIL	
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

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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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2018-19 Program Committee

COME JOIN US!
TUESDAY, APRIL 24
5:15 PM
620 20TH STREET

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WE ARE ONLY A FEW MORE RESPONSES AWAY FROM REACHING 40% - AND APRIL 30TH IS COMING QUICKLY!!

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 Grill Master Allan Higgins at the meeting.](#)

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What a great day!



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 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 went to school at Martin Elementary School and one-by-one allowed every first grade child to browse an array of books and choose a number of them that he/she had an interest in reading. These books will be purchased for the child to take home as their own personal home library.

If you missed this opportunity to "go to school," don't worry. Chair Matt McCallon will organize other dates when Rotarians will be needed to label each book, personalizing it for the child. The bags of each child's personal library will be sent home during the last week of the school year.

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Welcome to the Newest Rotarian in our Club!



President Tim Sudela was happy to welcome the newest member of the Rotary Club of Beaumont, Wade Floyd. Wade, Associate Pastor of Wesley United Methodist Church and an avid Astro's fan, was sponsored by Sheree Pierce. Wade was introduced by President-Elect, Lynn Castle. Welcome to the club, Wade.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Ryan Smith
April 23



Mike Stankovich
April 26



Jimmy Booker
April 28



Bill Clark
April 29



Deborah Drago
April 29



Don Thompson
April 30

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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 18, 2018

"Celebrating Outstanding Youth!"



by Paula Bothe

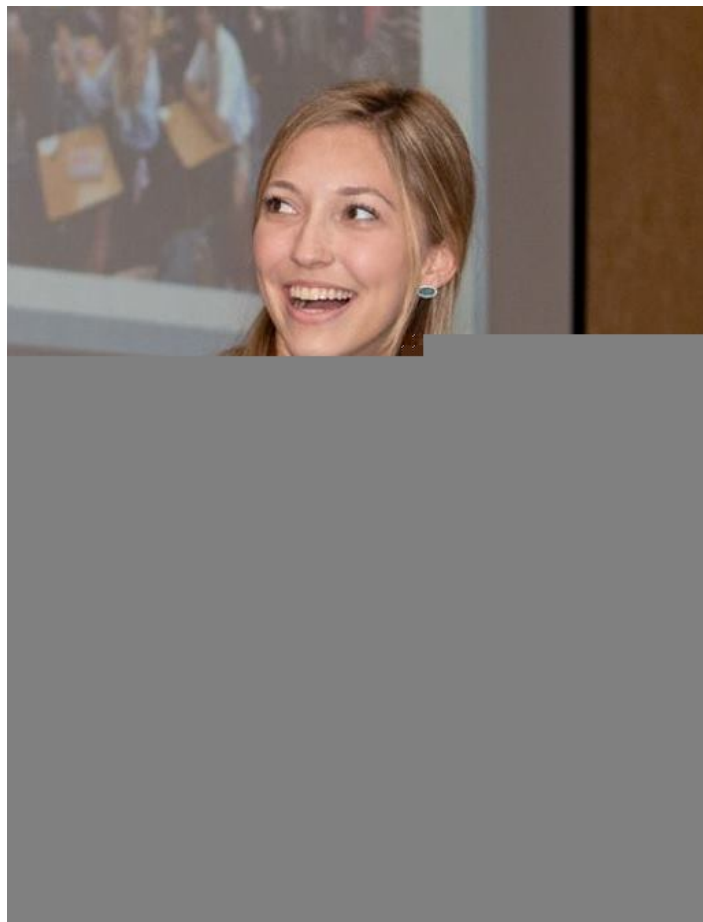
The Rotary Club of Beaumont has many rich traditions and a splendid past. This meeting provided a glimpse of the future and what a bright future it will be! The club welcomed new member Wayne Floyd, Associate Pastor of Wesley United Methodist Church.

Jim Baxter, Youth Services Lane Chair, was justifiably proud of every one of the Interact Clubs.

Four high school Interact Clubs were represented by some of the best and brightest students. The clubs included those from West Brook High School, Monsignor Kelly High School, The Central Medical Magnet High School, and Ozen High School. The Interact Club presidents of each school gave ample evidence of their involvement in public service. They also spoke about the mutual assistance and cooperation that their clubs provided for all the projects.



Marij Janjua
West Brook High School



Elizabeth Peeler
Monsignor Kelly High School



Victoria White
Central High School



Ben Harris

Ozen High School

Marij Janjua, President of the West Brook Club, Elizabeth Peeler, President of the Monsignor Kelly High School Club, Victoria White, President of the Central Medical Magnet High School Club, and Ben Harris, President of the Ozen High School Club each gave bright, articulate speeches and spoke with pride about their club's accomplishments and goals for the future.

Following the student presentations, Rotary Scholarship Chair, Craig Hatcher presented two scholarships. These scholarships have been presented annually since the early days. The scholarships total \$8,000 per student over four years. More than 54 students applied for the scholarships. This year's recipients were Victoria White and Marij Janjua. Marij's mother, Aishu Janjua and Victoria's parents, Renella and Robert Sells, attended the meeting.

Today's Interact Club members are ample proof that Rotary will have a future filled with members who truly understand and demonstrate Service Above Self.



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