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Speakers

Oct 25, 2017

[Jo Anne Settles, Nursing Professor & Rotary District 5930 Polio Chair on "World Polio Day"](#)

Nov 01, 2017

[Zena Stephens, Jefferson County Sheriff](#)
TBA

Nov 08, 2017

[Captain Jacqueline Twomey of the US Coast Guard](#)
Veteran's Day program

Nov 15, 2017

[Vocational Excellence Awards](#)
Vocational Excellence Awards: "Thankful for Exemplary Performance in the Workplace"

Nov 22, 2017

[NO MEETING AT THE ELEGANTE](#)
Thanksgiving Holiday

Nov 29, 2017

[David Montagne Executive Vice President & General](#)

RECOGNIZING "WORLD POLIO DAY"

October 24, 2017



Rotary  **END POLIO NOW**

We're close to ending the second human disease in history.

Rotary's World Polio Day Livestream event
24 October 2017
5:30 p.m. EST

endpolio.org

Sabine River Authority of Texas

Dec 06, 2017

[Keith Carter, published photographer & educator](#)

Through the Lense

Dec 12, 2017

[Tentatively scheduled as an evening](#)

Holiday Party

Dec 13, 2017

[NO MEETING AT THE ELEGANTE](#)

Dec 20, 2017

[NO MEETING AT THE ELEGANTE](#)

Holiday

Dec 27, 2017

[NO MEETING AT THE ELEGANTE](#)

Holiday

Jan 03, 2018

[TBA, on the](#)

Patricia Huffman Smith Columbia Space Shuttle Museum

Jan 10, 2018

[RYLA Team](#)

Reflections of RYLA Experience

Jan 17, 2018

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

Reintegration of Released Prisoners

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Upcoming Events

[Board of Directors Meeting](#)

Art Museum of Southeast Texas
Oct 24, 2017 11:45 AM

[Rotary After Hours](#)

The Art Studio, Inc.
Oct 26, 2017
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

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

Nov 11, 2017 5:00 AM

[Board of Directors Meeting](#)

Art Museum of Southeast Texas
Nov 28, 2017 11:45 AM

[Board of Directors Meeting](#)

PROGRAM PREVIEW October 25, 2017

"We are THIS Close!"



**Jo Anne Settles
Chair**

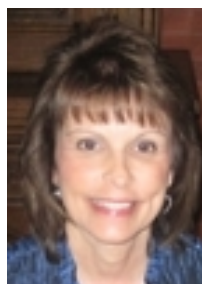
District 5930 Polio Eradication Committee

Since 2002, when she became Chair of District 5930's (south Texas) Polio Eradication Committee, Jo Anne Settles has made more than 100 presentations throughout the US to promote Polio Awareness. Along the way, she has been a keynote speaker in California at the Far West PETS and at four Zone 25 and 26 Zone Institutes, as well as many district conferences, district assemblies and club meetings. During 2003 Jo Anne also traveled to India to participate in a National Immunization Day. In recognition of these and other activities, she was awarded Rotary's Regional Service Award for a Polio-Free World 2006-07.

Jo Anne's presentation is inspiring and moving. You've got to hear her message to feel her passion and her compassion. You will understand just what the end to polio will mean to the world, and you will be proud to be a Rotarian!

Head Table for October 25

Invocation:



**Angela Baker
Retired**

Art Museum of Southeast Texas
Dec 19, 2017 11:45 AM

Sponsors

We never stop moving:



Southern Homes



Pledges to USA & Texas Flags:



Denise Berry
Formerly Development Director
Boys Haven

Introduction of Guests:



Deborah Drago
Executive Director
Nonprofit Development Center of
Southeast Texas

Rotarian of the Day:



Cindy Jeanis
Special Projects Coordinator
Beaumont Police Department

Introduction of Speaker:



Becky Mason
District 5910 Assistant Governor

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

(Opportunities for meeting makeups)

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Board of Directors meeting, 11:45 a.m., Art Museum of Southeast Texas

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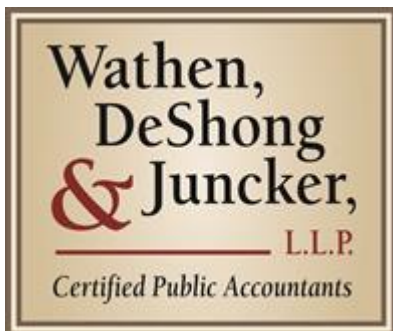
Rotary After Hours, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m., The Art Studio, Inc., 720 Franklin Street

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NOVEMBER

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RYLA Committee meeting, following weekly meeting, Room D, Show Your Colors - Flag Project for Veterans Day



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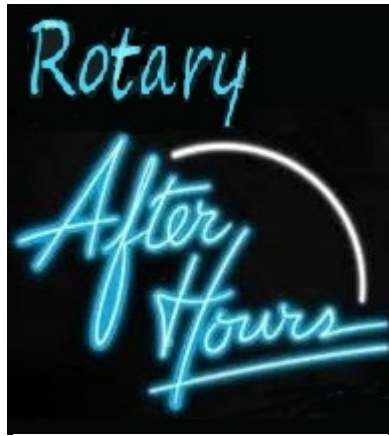
FEED THE PINK POLIO PIG!

The Pink Polio Pig's belly was jingling after last week's meeting! Keep that loose change and dollar bills coming in for polio eradication. **ALL DONATIONS RECEIVED LAST WEEK AND ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25 will be DOUBLY-MATCHED!** That's right - we have **TWO** generous donors who are going to match your gift right here at our club. Then when we send it to the Rotary Foundation, it will be matched again 2:1 by the Melinda and Bill Gates Foundation!

Before coming to the meeting, clean out your desk drawers and the drink holders in your vehicle, and bring all that change to the meeting. Dollar bills are accepted too! Better yet, sit down and write a big check to the Beaumont Rotary Foundation (put Polio in the memo line). Feed the hungry, hungry Polio Pig!



SAVE THE DATE!



Thursday, October 26

5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

at

The Art Studio, Inc.

720 Franklin Street

Beaumont, TX 77701

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Roy Huckaby
October 24



Chad Mason
October 28

Paul Skinner
October 29

Janet Walker
October 29



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
Sharen Kirksey
Roger McCabe
Joshua Taub

and all those who suffered damage to home or property during Harvey.

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 **October 18, 2017**

"Be Informed"

Randy Weber
Congressman
14th District of Texas
by Diane Bass

Dana Timaeus introduced The Honorable Randy Weber as our guest speaker on October 18, 2017. Mr. Weber represents the 14th District of Texas and currently holds a key leadership role on the Science, Space, and Technology (SST) committee, serving as the Chairman of the Energy Subcommittee. He also serves as a member of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and on the Subcommittees: Water Resources and Environment, Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, and the Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials.

Mr. Weber has deep roots in our area. Brenda, his wife of 41 years, is a Nederland Bulldog and a former educator. He has raised a family, run a private business and served our community for the past 60 years. He recognized our local leaders, our veterans and Rotarians for the outpouring of service above self during Hurricane Harvey. His first hurricane was in 1961 – Hurricane Carla. He knows the long term recovery from these storms and how much is needed to support the local efforts of rebuilding lives, businesses, and infrastructure. He continues to remind Washington DC that this was the greatest single flooding event in our country.

The Congressional response was unprecedented. During the aftermath both Democrats and Republicans met for lunch in the same room to discuss and deliver a relief package for storm victims. The initial appropriations bill was approved in days rather than weeks and additional appropriation bills are in the pipeline. Billions of dollars are being dispersed in a variety of ways to our area – FEMA, SBA, Grants and a variety of other funding streams. A key misconception is that Texas will miss out on some of the funding due to the Texas Rainy Day Fund. This is a targeted fund and cannot be used if federal funds are available. Another misconception is that due to the other disasters that

followed – another four hurricanes and massive wildfires – that the attention will be diverted to those areas. These areas will receive their appropriations of assistance but the needs of our area will not be forgotten.

Another topic that is important to our community is the Sabine Neches Water Way. The dredging project is necessary to our economic security and navigation. Mr. Weber assured us that this is a priority of his, and that Washington knows how essential this water way is to our entire country.

The overall message was of hope and optimism. The Gulf Coast and Southeast Texas is a priority in Washington and Mr. Weber assured us that he will continue to keep our needs and priorities in the forefront.

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