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Speakers

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](#)

Sabine River Authority of Texas

Dec 06, 2017

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

PROGRAM PREVIEW

November 1, 2017

"There's a New Sheriff in Town"



**Zena Stephens
Sheriff
Jefferson County**

Zena Stephens, Sheriff of Jefferson County, began her career in law enforcement with the Beaumont Police Department where she started "on the streets" of Beaumont in 1989. In 1996, she

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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

Jan 24, 2018

[NO MEETING AT THE ELEGANTE](#)

Tentatively "Rotary Goes to Work"

[View entire list](#)

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](#)

Art Museum of Southeast Texas

left the Beaumont Police Department and went to work for the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office where she spent 11 of 17 years as the Deputy Chief before leaving to accept a position as the Chief of Police at Prairie View A & M University.

Zena is a dynamic leader who is passionate about changing the face of law enforcement by building relationships in the community. She has 27 years of experience including extensive experience in managing law enforcement agencies. She has verifiable success in providing leadership in the daily operations of patrol, criminal investigations, warrants, courthouse security, and crime scenes.

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Head Table for November 1

Invocation:



Rebekah Maxwell
Coordinator
Reaud Honors College

Pledges to USA & Texas Flags:



Kristie Young
Business Partner for Public and
Government Affairs
SNC Lavalin at ExxonMobil

Introduction of Guests:



Chad Mason
Vice President of Administration
Mason Construction, Ltd.

Rotarian of the Day:

Anthony "Tony" Clark
Rector
St. Mark's Episcopal Church

Introduction of Speaker:

Dana Timaeus

Dec 19, 2017 11:45 AM

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CALENDAR OF ROTARY EVENTS

(Opportunities for meeting makeups)

1

**RYLA Committee meeting,
following weekly meeting,
Ballroom D**

3

**Nominations for Vocational
Excellence Awards due**

11

**"Show Your Colors" Flag
Project for Veterans Day**

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BOARD ACTION

**Secretary Jane Burns reported
on membership changes
recently approved by the
Board.**



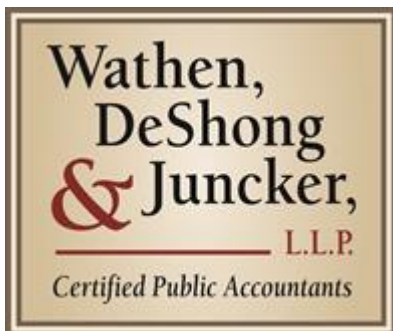
New Membership Proposals:

In membership matters, the Board approved two new proposals:

Lynn Hill, Co-Owner, Nuvation Tek
Proposed by Sylvester Hill
Classification: "Engineering – Computer Technology"

Joy Walker, Minister, Unity of Southeast Texas

Joy is a Rotarian and has been a member of several clubs as she has moved for her work. Most recently, she was a member of the Downtown Rotary Club in Tulsa, OK
Classification: "Religion – Unity of Southeast Texas"



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If anyone has an objection to these proposed new members, please provide the board with the reason for your objection in writing within 10 days.

In other business the Board heard the report of a successful "shoes for students" project that we completed for Martin Elementary School and the Disaster Relief ad hoc committee is formulating recommendations on how we can continue to help the community with recovery efforts.

The Board approved working on a quarterly project with Habitat for Humanity in November and in December, we will again help with the Salvation Army Red Kettle drive at Parkdale Mall.

In accordance with our bylaws (Article 13, Section 8), please submit written objections related to the aforementioned proposals within 10 days (of October 23) to the board of directors, stating the reason for your objection.

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Nominations Requested for Coveted VOCATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS



On Wednesday, November 15, the Rotary Club of Beaumont will recognize and honor individuals who exemplify a "Service Above Self" attitude in performance of their job. With the chosen date near Thanksgiving, it will be a wonderful time to give thanks for the good work of others in our community and the example they set for others.

These coveted awards are given annually to community members who demonstrate exceptional service, honesty, and friendliness in performing their jobs. Some past recipients describe receiving this honor as "a treasure," "very special," and "the only time I've received anything like this." Some Rotarians have described the meeting as inspiring, and meaningful.

We appreciate your support of this honor with your nominations of deserving people who you have come in contact with through your business transactions. Please submit your nomination to the Rotary Office using email admin@beaumontrotaryclub.org or using fax 409-842-5613 by **Friday, November 3, 2017.**

[Link here to the document and submit your nomination now.](#)

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PINK POLIO PIG WAS FILLED UP!

That silly Pink Polio Pig seems to stay hungry for more donations, but he sure got his fill on October 25th!

Following World Polio Day and Jo Anne Settle's presentation at our meeting, there was over \$14,500 donated or pledged in ONE day! Tim could barely lift our piggy bank and it was stuffed with so many bills, the contents no longer jingled!

What awesome Rotarians you are! With the match from the Gates Foundation, our donation will be over \$44,000!

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ROTARY AFTER HOURS

It's been three long months since members had the opportunity to enjoy a "Rotary After Hours," and enjoy it they did! The Art Studio, Inc. Board, Executive Director Greg Busceme, staff and many of the artists in residence, were gracious hosts providing warm hospitality, educational tours, delicious appetizers, and inspiring art.

Click on the image below to see the entire photo slideshow.

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Know the Work is Appreciated

"Thank you" was said repeatedly on the day we distributed shoes at Martin Elementary,

and another sweet card arrived this week.

Know that your work is appreciated!

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Toby Castro
October 31

Allen Lea
November 2

Tom Heilman
November 4

Dean Conwell
October 31

Henry Venta
November 3

Mellie Bevilacqua
November 6

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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.

Roger McCabe
Joshua Taub

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 25, 2017**

"Polio: The Last Out in the Last Inning"

Jo Anne Settles
Chair

District 5930 Polio Eradication Committee
by Charles Heare

Since 2002, Jo Anne Settles has been chair of the District 5930 (south Texas) Polio Eradication Committee. She has given more than 100 presentations throughout the US about polio and Rotary's drive to eradicate the disease. She even travelled to India in 2003 to participate in a National Immunization Day and showed us a number of slides about her experience there.

Jo Anne told us there are three types of the polio virus: Type 1, 2 and 3. Type 3 is gone and we believe Type 2 is as well. Unfortunately, the most aggressive and devastating Type 1 is still around. It is spread through the mouth and nose, reproduces in the human intestine, and then moves into the blood stream and throughout the body. It causes paralysis, usually in the lower limbs and frequently causes the victims to require help breathing in an iron lung for the rest of their lives.

In 1952 there were 558,000 cases in the United States. Today there are none. In fact, there are only 12 known cases in the world today, 7 in Afghanistan and 5 in Pakistan. Through the work of many volunteers, donation of funds from Rotary, the Gates Foundation and others, we are very close to totally eradicating the disease. However, the remaining cases are in areas that are extremely remote or dangerous because of opposition to the effort. Volunteers have been killed while trying to save children 5 and under from contracting this terrible disease.

According to Jo Anne, we are trying to get the last out in the last inning, the very hardest part. That is why we need to continue our support of the effort through our donations to Rotary International. Jo Anne says we are going to finish the job!

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