



## Speakers

Dec 13, 2017

[Past President Vernon Pierce, Chair](#)

Rotary Holiday Party!

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 17, 2018

[ROTARIAN OF THE DAY: Gigi Mazzola on](#)

"Clays for Cardio Shoot-Out" for Southeast Texas Cardiologist Association

Jan 24, 2018

[NO MEETING AT THE ELEGANTE](#)

## ROTARYGRAMS

December 13, 2017

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**ROTARY:  
MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE**

## PROGRAM PREVIEW

**December 13, 2017**

**2017 Holiday Party**



**Vernon Pierce  
Chair**

Join us for the 2017 Holiday Party on Wednesday, December 13!  
The food will be scrumptious and the entertainment,  
heartwarming. We are excited to welcome the music students and

Tentatively "Rotary Goes to Work"

Jan 31, 2018

[Edna Alemayehu](#)

Guidelines for Supporting Non-Profit Organizations

Feb 07, 2018

[Chelsea Tipton, Symphony of Southeast Texas](#)

Announcing the Upcoming Symphony Season!

Feb 14, 2018

[Service Day: Rotary Has Heart!](#)

Layettes and More!

Feb 21, 2018

[Speaker TBA and Presentation of the](#)

T. Kelsey Lamb, Sr. Award for Business Ethics

Feb 28, 2018

[Mike Vaughan and Vernon Pierce, Entergy Texas](#)

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

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## Upcoming Events

[Board of Directors Meeting](#)

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

[Board of Directors Meeting](#)

Art Museum of Southeast Texas  
Jan 23, 2018 11:45 AM

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

Feb 19, 2018 5:00 AM

[Rotary After Hours](#)

Amelia Farms  
Feb 22, 2018  
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

[Board of Directors Meeting](#)

Art Museum of Southeast Texas  
Feb 27, 2018 11:45 AM

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choir from Martin Elementary to perform their favorite holiday tunes for us to enjoy. Paul Vick will be with us to lead a rousing Rotary Chorus sing-a-long. And the event will conclude with the surprise announcement of the President-Nominee, selected to lead the club in 2019-2020.

If you are able, we welcome your donation of a \$25 gift card or cash to purchase one on your behalf. The gift cards will be a gift to each of the employees of Martin Elementary School. Bring the gift to the meeting on Wednesday, please as we will be delivering to the school before the dismissal for the holiday.

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## CALENDAR OF ROTARY EVENTS

*(Club participation & opportunities for meeting makeups)*

### DECEMBER

13

**Holiday Party; 12:00 NOON, MCM Elegante**

14

**RYLA Orientation at Kelly High School Theatre; 5:30-6:30 p.m.**

19

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

20

**NO MEETING - HAPPY HOLIDAY**

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**NO MEETING - HAPPY HOLIDAY**

### JANUARY

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**WEEKLY MEETING SCHEDULE RESUMES**

5-7

**Camp RYLA!**

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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

On November 28, 2017, the Board of Directors approved a new Mission Statement for the Rotary Club of Beaumont as proposed by the Strategic Planning Committee.

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### ELECTION RESULTS ANNOUNCED

The election was certain to produce outstanding Rotarians to serve as Board members for 2018-21 because all candidates on the ballot were well-qualified and capable. Thank you to all for agreeing to serve if elected.

Sergeant-at-Arms Michele Cobb announced the results at the conclusion of the meeting on December 6.

### ELECTED TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:



**BRAD BROWN**  
A member since August 18, 1993  
Senior Vice President  
First Financial Trust & Asset Management Company, N. A.



**KARYN HUSBANDS**  
A member since June 20, 2012  
President/CEO  
United Way of Beaumont & North Jefferson County



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**ALLEN LEA**  
A member since July 27, 2011  
Executive Director  
McFaddin-Ward House  
Museum



**DANA TIMAEUS**  
A member since October 22, 2014  
Managing Partner  
The Timaeus Law Firm, PLLC

### ELECTED AS TRUSTEE OF THE BEAUMONT ROTARY FOUNDATION



**ROBERT TURNER**  
A member since April 17, 2002  
President  
J. K. Chevrolet-Isuzu

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The weather was a bit chilly but Rotarians, family and friends, each with a giving heart were warm and smiling about helping the Salvation Army with the Red Kettle Drive, especially in this year of such great need.

Chair Twila Baker was at home with the flu, but sends much gratitude to the Rotarians, family and friends who gave their time to serve as a Rotary Bell-Ringer.

Special thanks to the Central Medical Magnet High School Interact Club members who came to help, and to the St. Anne Golden Ringers organization who demonstrated excellent bell-ringing skills!

Lynn Castle

Sylvester Hill

Joe Domino	Karyn Husbands and Ronnie
Deborah Drago	Fred Kristiansen
Charlie Foxworth and Family	Glenn McWherter
Kathryn Fuller and son	Ted Moor
Steve Gilbert	John Quigley
Rob Glassey	Alan Sampson
Rene Greenwald	Wes Shipley
Jennifer Gregory	Tim Sudela
Lynn Hill	Crystal Thibodeau
	Dana Timaeus

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## BECOME A PAUL HARRIS FELLOW OR A MULTIPLE PHF

Have you considered becoming a Paul Harris Fellow or perhaps adding another Paul Harris Fellow to those you have earned? A Paul Harris Fellow can be earned by a combined contribution of dollars and points totaling 1,000.



If you have ever given money or if money has been given in your name to The Rotary International Foundation, you have an account balance. If that balance reaches 1,000 through additional money or point contributions, you will become a Paul Harris Fellow or a multiple Paul Harris Fellow.

The Beaumont Rotary Club has points which the Board of Directors will consider using to match your contribution so that your balance plus additional contributions plus points equals 1,000. Call the Executive Director at 409-842-1913 to determine what additional contributions you must make by December 31, 2017, in order to take advantage of this offer.

All such donations are tax-deductible, but **must be received by December 31 for 2017 taxes. (Please make note that December 31 is on Sunday.)**

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**Marcia Crone**  
December 12



**Derrick Barber**  
December 16



**Joyce Hafford**  
December 16



**John Quigley**  
December 18

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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.

**Jane Burns**  
**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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A couple of weeks ago, someone left an umbrella in the Ballroom following the meeting. It still has the brand tag on it so it must be very new. Please call and claim it.

Also, a month or more ago, someone left car keys on the table. It has a key fob that does not identify the owner, but the make of car. Please check if they might belong to a guest you brought to the meeting with you.

Thank you.

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**PROGRAM REVIEW**

**December 6, 2017**

**"Myth, Magic, & Mojo"**



**Keith Carter**  
**Photographer, Author, Educator**  
 by Bobbie Applegate

Art in some form existed around 60,000 BC. Why the art was done is something to ponder and suggests many different theories. What we do know today is that where we live, how we live, and what we do all give creative voice to popular culture and art in various forms.

Keith Carter views our area as part of the Deep South because of the green vegetation, animals that exist here, the diversity of the people (Mexican, Black, Rednecks, etc.) that creates a kind of gumbo culture.

“The literature of the area is imputed by the soil.” Folklore is common and Southerners love stories: folklore, legends, myths exist in multitudes. Authors have collected myths and published them for future enjoyment. One book about dog ghosts specifically highlights common black culture where the myth exists that if a person is in need of protection, a dog ghost comes to their aid. Another protection against evil is putting colored bottles on trees to trap the evil and keep it in the bottle so it cannot escape.

Music in the Deep South also exhibits where we live. From Muddy Waters, Janis Joplin, Gatemouth Brown, to the Winter Brothers comes music that represents the culture here. Muddy Waters sings about getting his “mojo” which is a spiritual spark that protects him. The term mojo has been around a long time with different spellings but always the same meaning.

In the visual arts, there are many nationally known artists from this area. In much of the art the areas that are prominent come from what we see or what is grown here: landscape, swamp, birds, wood and other animals prevalent to the area. One local

artist, Fox Harris, had no idea why he did the art that he did but he felt it kept his mind off of his troubles. In this sense he had a type of generic memory. The Art Museum of Southeast Texas has a permanent display of Harris' work.

One of Keith's "projects" has been getting to know Mr. Jones and taking photographs of him. Mr. Jones has no car, walks everywhere in about a 2 mile radius, lives on a small pension, has a sense of dress and is content with this restrained life. As Keith has grown to know more about him, he has come to the determination that "Mr. Jones' life is of great value" and he will keep photographing him until one of them is no longer here. What a wonderful message for us all.

▶ START SLIDESHOW

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