

The Claude Freeman Roundtable

Hello!

You are perpetually invited to participate in Saturday luncheons, 11:30 a.m. at The CEO Roundtable* at Hillcrest Country Club, 4011 N. Boston Ave./Lubbock (www.lubbockmap.com) North on University Ave. past North Loop 289 & past the Lubbock State School/living facility. Turn Left/west on Newcomb ave. & proceed 4 blocks to Hillcrest Country club parking lot. There are usually 25-30 in attendance, business attire. No Rsvp is necessary: show up whenever your schedule allows, feel free to bring a guest(s) & e-forward or print-&-mail this invitation to all who may be interested. You, too, can become a Roundtable "regular" -- and start just by attending

Everyone -- eating or not -- pays a flat \$20 fee with extra proceeds going to The Dudley Faver endowed presidential scholarship to benefit TTU Honors College students. Each pays for his/her alcoholic beverage(s) @\$5.00.

** **Some history** about The CEO Roundtable: This group of friends began meeting in 1968. Originally the group was mostly attorneys -- with some businessmen & physicians. They sometimes played practical jokes on each other (ask Fritz Jakobsmeier for hilarious details!) & routinely played a game to determine who had to pay for everyone's lunch. Nowadays we are an eclectic group: attorneys, philanthropists, former/ current elected/ agency officials, university/ health care/ school faculty/ administrators/ active/ retired physicians; active/ reserve/ retired military personnel; entrepreneurs, business owners, investors; etc. Thanks to a tradition begun by former Texas Tech Chancellor Don Haragan: whenever the Texas Tech chancellor speaks at The Roundtable, the chancellor pays for everyone's lunch (thus, allowing all participants' \$15 to go entirely toward our TTU Honors College endowed scholarship). Our special thanks go to Chancellor Hance for having continued the generous tradition -- & to TTU President Bailey for having extended the tradition to include generous Texas Tech presidents!

Our usual format is that we socialize informally, help ourselves to the buffet & get seated. Our facilitator (Dr. Terry Walden/TTU Interim Chair of Health Exercise & Sport Sciences) calls us to order, invites Joe Horkey to share a joke & then cues a pre-determined participant to introduce the speaker. The presenter speaks & then Terry calls upon folks to make **comments or ask questions**. Toward the end of the luncheon, Fred Volker goes to each person to **collect the \$15** + \$5.00 per-drink cost for alcoholic beverage + optional TTU/Honors College donations. The Roundtable pays for the speaker's lunch. We usually don't meet on Texas Tech home-football game days or spring break.

*The Roundtable has a **new tradition of friendship, goodwill & fellowship**, thanks to Lubbock Club President Laurin Prather: [1] Laurin's financial generosity at our April 5, 2008, luncheon allowed Dr. Terry Waldren to present a \$750 check to Honors College Dean Gary Bell for our second \$100,000 Roundtable Endowed Presidential Scholarship benefitting Texas Tech University Honors College students. Our first Presidential Scholarship was named in honor of our years'-long Roundtable facilitator, the late Claude Freeman. We now have almost \$30,000 toward our second Endowed Presidential Scholarship that has recently been named in honor of another Roundtable friend General Dudley Faver. Terry Waldren welcomes your donations for Dudley's scholarship [2] As a tribute to the 1968 founder of The Roundtable group (Mr. Jim Milam, 1911-1994), his fedora/hat will be on loan to & stored at The Lubbock Club & placed on the roundtable for our weekly luncheons—as a visual reminder of The Roundtable members perpetual welcome at The Lubbock Club. Here are some details about "Mr. Milam", as he was known (from a 100 Years feature article...now tucked inside of the hat... from an April 2008 edition of the Avalanche-Journal—provided by Fred Volker): Mr. Milam was "best known" ... "as one of the 8-12"empire builders" between the '40s & 60s. The worked behind the scenes— using their collective vision, power & insight to push Lubbock forward...[They] helped decide when an upcoming community member was to pay his dues with public service..."J.C. Chambers said of Milam & the group, 'everyone said they were an elitist group...what I saw was a group of concerned people who said lets pick someone to lead the community...'"

