



# the Blastoff

Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Space Center  
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Meetings Monday Noon at Bay Oaks Country Club  
14545 Bay Oaks Blvd., Clear Lake City  
Phone: 281.488.7888 \* Chartered 1964  
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## Programs:

**Today: . . . . . Interfaith Caring Ministries**  
Sep 17. . . . . Astronaut, Scott D. Altman  
Sep 24. . . . . Anti Defamation League —  
greater understanding between  
Christians, Jews, and Muslims  
Oct 8. . . . . Columbus Day, **No Meeting**  
Nov 12. . . . . Visit by District Governor  
Dec 24. . . . . Christmas Eve, **No Meeting**  
Dec 31. . . . . New Year's Eve, **No Meeting**  
Jan 21. . . . . Martin Luther King's Birthday, **No Meeting**  
Feb 18. . . . . President's Day, **No Meeting**  
May 26. . . . . Memorial Day, **No Meeting**

## Say Happy Birthday to —

John Wilson. . . . . September 8<sup>th</sup>  
Scott Rainey. . . . . September 8<sup>th</sup>  
Bill Lowes. . . . . September 13<sup>th</sup>  
Stan Galanski. . . . . September 17<sup>th</sup>  
Joan Skellenger. . . . . September 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Denise Platt. . . . . September 26<sup>th</sup>

**The Rotary 4-Way Test  
of the things we think, say & do:**

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build good will & better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

*We live by it.*

## Meeting Agenda



Luncheon Begins. . . . . 11:45  
Call to Order. . . . . 12:00  
Song. . . . . Debby McBride  
Invocation. . . . . Carlos Villagomez  
Pledge. . . . .  
4-Way Test. . . . .  
Introduction of Visiting Rotarians & Guests. . . . .  
Announcements. . . . .  
Program. . . . . 12:30  
Adjourn. . . . . 1:00

*Service Above Self*

*He who serves the best, profits the most.*

***InterFaith Caring Ministries needs  
canned goods. Please pick up a few  
extra when shopping and bring them to  
a club meeting to help.***

**Shrimporee Planning Committee Meetings**  
September 10th, 17 & 24th; October 1st, 9th, 15th  
& 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**All at JSCFCU @ 5:15 p.m.**

## MAKEUP OPPORTUNITIES:

### Tuesday

**Pearland @ noon**  
Gofcrest Country Club  
2501 Country Club Drive  
**La Porte @ 12:10 p.m.**  
St. John Episcopal Church  
Broadway @ Ave. G

### Wednesday

**Pasadena South @ noon**  
Baywood Country Club  
5500 Genoa Red Bluff  
**Friendswood @ noon**  
Village on the Park Retirement Center  
400 E. Parkwood

### Thursday

**Seabrook @ 7:00 a.m.**  
Lakewood Yacht Club  
2425 NASA Parkway  
**League City @ noon**  
Estaban's Fiesta Shack  
1313 Main Street

### Friday

**Pasadena @ noon**  
First United Methodist Church  
1062 Fairmont Pkwy

### Make up @ an E-club

[http://www.rotary.org/newsroom/downloadcenter/pdfs/eclub\\_list.pdf](http://www.rotary.org/newsroom/downloadcenter/pdfs/eclub_list.pdf)

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  - ✓ *Help your team create the winning basket*



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- \* 20 tickets to the Shrimporee
  - \* 2 tickets to the Springoree
  - \* 2 entries to the golf tournament
  - \* Ad in the Blastoff until July 1st 2008
- Sign up today & take advantage of the full year of recognition.*

**Contact Scott Rainey**

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***Events Calendar***

- Club Board of Directors . . . . . 3rd Tues @ 7 a.m.
- Endowment Foundation Board of Trustees
- . . . . . 2nd Tues @ 7 a.m.
- Rotary Foundation Comm. . . . . last Wed @ 7 a.m.
- District Membership Seminar. . . . . Aug. 11th
- Shrimporee. . . . . Oct. 27th
- District Leadership Institute. . . . . Jan. 11th
- District Conference — Galveston. . . . . April 24-27 '08
- Springoree. . . . . TBD
- RI Convention, Los Angeles. . . . . June 15-18 '08



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**District 5390 is collecting hotel size toiletries. Bring them to a club meeting.**

**Pick up your Shrimporee tickets (if you have not received them by mail) at the club meeting beginning Sept. 10th.**



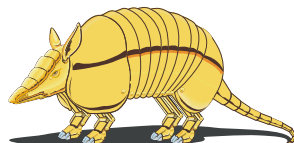
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## Shrimporee Theme Baskets

1. **Wine Extraordinaire** — Lamar Bowles, Chr.  
Geoff Atwater, Floyd Bennett, Tony Bloomfield, Wayne Young & Floys Boze
2. **Friday Night at the Movies** — Pam Culpepper, Chr.,  
Mike Brown, Mary Cherry, Dave Coney, Mike Cornett & Ted Cummings
3. **A Day at the Beach** — Micki Czarnik, Chr., Rae DeCastro, Michael Dennard, Hilmar Zeissig, Jerrold Dewease, Dennis Dillon & Roger Donnelly
4. **The Wizard of Oz** — J. B. Fox, Chr., Pat Doughty, Bill Dusenbury, Brian Ellis & Murray Epstein
5. **Margaritaville** — Bill Geissler, Chr., Lou Gaigher, Stan Galanski, Laura Godwin & Rudolfo Gonzales
6. **International Spirits** — Jennifer Keller, Chr., Chris Gregg, Dick Gregg, III, Dick Gregg, Jr., Ken Gurry & Laura Hale
7. **Unknown** — Alan Wylie, Chr., David Hamblin, Bob Handy, Jim Hargrove & Betty Hart
8. **An Astro Evening** — Mike Hesse, Chr., Dick Hergert, Mike Hernandez, Suzi Howe, Keith Huff & Walt Huff
9. **A Hole In One** — Gary Johnson, Chr., Mark Humphrey, Chuck Jacobson, John Kennedy & Dick Kidder
10. **Coffee & Tea** — Jennifer Keller, Chr., Don Kirchoff, Tom Kloves, Tim Kropp, John Lee & Al Ligrani
11. **Unknown** — Bill Lowes, Chr., Vince Lipovsky, Jack Lister, Rafael Lugo & Vic Maria
12. **Dog Lovers** — Debby McBride, Chr., Hector Marin, Earl Maudlin, Jon McKinnie, Dick Meyer & Charles Milby
13. **Chocolate Delight** — Sandy Mossman, Chr., Bob Mitchell, Travis Moebes, Mike Moliere, Owen Morris
14. **Wine & Cheese** — Marilyn Musial, Chr., Olive Murphy-Riker, John Nugent, Art Oswald, Steve Owens & Frank Perez
15. **Texas Christmas** — Scott Rainey, Chr., Denise Platt, Michael Porterfield, Becky Reitz, Bob Richmond & Nanci Rutlege
16. **Family Entertainment** — Phil Sandlin, Chr., Alissa Sammons, Jim Saxe, Marc Schneider, Sheila Self & David Sincox
17. **A Howling Good Time** — Billy Smith, Chr., Joan Skellenger, Belinda Skloss, Jerry Smith & Delia Stephens
18. **Unknown** — Bill Taylor, Chr., Vissett Sun, Bob Swint, Bob Taggart, David Taylor & John Tenini
19. **Unknown** — Steve Waldner, Chr., Gene Tromblee, Travis Vermeer, Carlos Villagomez, Tony Vinson & Jean Walker
20. **That's Italian** — Art Wood, Chr., Johnny White, John Wilson, Bob Wren & Peter Wuenschel

Rae DeCastro, Project Chr.

*This is not Rae! It is a Texas  
Pumpkin.*



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**Interfaith Caring Ministries** provides services to over 3000 families, comprised of 7,500 individuals, in the Clear Creek and Dickinson Independent School Districts. One of their services is the Food Pantry. Generally, ICM provides enough food for each person in a needy household to last for five days. While any canned or non-perishable grocery item is appreciated, ICM has particular need for canned meats (tuna, spam, etc.), diapers (any size), toilet paper, mac and cheese, peanut butter and jelly, cereal, canned vegetables and fruits, shampoo, toothpaste, and feminine hygiene items. Store brands and off brands are just fine. Also very appreciated are gift cards to any area grocery store, which ICM uses to purchase items in high demand. Either add one or more of these items to your grocery list each week, or pull extras out of your own pantry that you happen to have on hand.

Thanks, Rotarians! *Jean Walker*

Scenes from the August 27<sup>th</sup> Meeting

Photos by Bob Mitchell



*clockwise from upper left: DG Jeff Tallas presents a parting gift to PDG Suzi; Scott Rainey talks Sponsors (nearly \$40k raised so far); David Coney has Shrimporee tickets for sale (get yours soon); Stan Galanski presents a banner from Napa Valley, Ca club (tough make-up); Jon*

*McKinnie stirs our Rotary souls with an outstanding presentation on Membership Development & Retention.*



**A HALLOWEEN HAPPENING!**

**34<sup>th</sup> Annual Space Rotary Club Shrimporee**

**When? October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007**

**Where? Clear Lake Park — Cap Ladolt Pavilion**

**Who's invited? You are & all your friends**

**Why? For fun, fellowship, frolicking & FUNDS**

**Who benefits? Everyone who participates plus the community service projects of Space Center Rotary Club**

**Primary Beneficiaries this year are:**

**InterFaith Caring Ministries  
Bay Shore District of the Sam Houston  
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