

# THE BLASTOFF

SPACE CENTER ROTARY'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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## Food for thought...

Do you link success to money, power or fame? In 1828, Noah Webster wrote the first dictionary, and he used these four words to define success: fortunate, prosperous, happy and content. Three of the four adjectives he used to define success had nothing to do with money. You like the things money can buy. It can buy you a nice car, suit, house or boat. But you love the things it can't buy. It can't buy peace, health, love, character, reputation, passion, integrity, perseverance, etc. Success is reaching your maximum potential by being committed to excellence in everything you do and fulfilling God's plan for your life. Remember, success should always be linked to excellence and fulfillment. *Julio Melara*



## TODAY'S PROGRAM

### FINANCIAL PLANNING

**Panel discussion on financial planning by four of our club's best:**

**Mike Hesse**

**Dick Hergert**

**Keith Huff**

**David Coney**

**If you have questions, be prepared to ask them. Remember to thank these members for their time.**

## Agenda

- Luncheon Begins.....11:45
- Call to Order.....12:00
- Song.....Debby McBride
- Invocation.....Carlos Villagomez
- Pledge.....Earl Baum
- Four-Way-Test.....Arthur Wood
- Introductions of Guests & Visiting Rotarians.....TBD
- Announcements.....12:10
- Program.....12:30  
Financial Planning
- Adjourn.....1:00

**Please welcome Geoff Atwater and all of our new officers for their first meeting of the year!**

*HAPPY Birthday to you...*

Jim Wyatt	7- Jul
Bob Richmond	18-Jul
Rodolfo Gonzalez	28-Jul
Jim Sweeney	29-Jul

(If you haven't given your birthday to Tony or Sharon, please do so. Thanks!)

Peek at Next Week

Tricia Scott presenting this year's Rotary theme "Lead the Way"



*Why everyone should not only become a Paul Harris Fellow, but continue to invest in the RI Foundation. J.B. Fox*

**"YOUR TWO CENTS WORTH." (part 5)**

**R.I. Annual Programs Fund**  
 The purpose of this fund is to fund Club projects.  
How it works:  
 Club contributions, (your money), is invested for three years.  
 After 3 years, 50% of the contribution is returned to the District through the Donor Directed Fund.  
 The other 50% supports the world fund for one Group Study Exchange per district per year.  
 Earnings from the original investment are used for the Foundation's humanitarian and educational programs.  
 All gifts to the annual fund are recognized as sustaining PHF, and receive major donor recognition.

**R.I Permanent Fund**  
 The Permanent Fund is an endowment fund.  
How it works:  
 This is similar to our own Endowment Fund in that it enables the fund to expand and underwrite new humanitarian and educational programs.  
 Testamentary gifts through a will or estate plan, life Insurance gifts (charitable remainder trusts), outright gifts, charitable annuities and cash, property or investments will go in this fund.  
 All of the above are invested in perpetuity. A percentage is spent annually for The Rotary Foundation Fund programs.

**SERVICE Above Self**

Mark Humphrey in Cabo San Lucas - (making up a Rotary meeting - right?)  
 Nice catch!

- AREA MEETINGS**
- TUESDAYS @ NOON PEARLAND  
 GOLFCREST COUNTRY CLUB  
 2501 COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE
  - TUESDAYS @ 12:10 LA PORTE  
 ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
 BROADWAY @ AVE G
  - WEDNESDAYS @ 12:05 PASADENA S.  
 BAYWOOD COUNTRY CLUB  
 5500 GENOA-RED BLUFF
  - THURSDAYS @ 7:00 AM SEABROOK  
 LAKEWOOD YACHT CLUB  
 2425 NASA ROAD ONE
  - FRIDAYS @ NOON PASADENA  
 FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
 1062 FAIRMONT PARKWAY

DEBBY'S DITTY OF THE WEEK  
YOU'RE A GRAND OLD FLAG

You're a grand old flag,  
You're a high flying flag  
And forever in peace may you wave.  
You're the emblem of  
The land I love.  
The home of the free and the brave.

Ev'ry heart beats true  
'neath the Red, White and Blue,  
Where there's never a boast or brag.  
Should auld acquaintance be forgot,  
Keep your eye on the grand old flag.

Four Way Test of the  
Things We Think,  
Say or Do

Is it the TRUTH?

Is it FAIR to All  
Concerned?

will it build GOODWILL  
and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

will it be BENEFICIAL to  
All Concerned?

**Rotary Did You Know**

**By: Billy Smith, Parliamentarian**

Q. I am being transferred to a different community. Can I have my Rotary membership transferred from my current club to a club in that community?

A. Old Rule. No. Transfer of membership was not allowed. Current Rule. This club may propose you as a member of the new club or a member of the new club may propose you as a transfer.

If you would like to have your business card or company logo in this newsletter each week, become a Shrimporee Sponsor! We are NOW accepting new Shrimporee sponsors! \$1,000 sponsorship gets you two tickets to the VIP Boots and Black Ties Ball, your business card or ad in the Blastoff for a year, Shrimporee tickets, and an entry into the Texas Roadhouse golf tournament. Who will be the FIRST sponsor?

If you have not been receiving the Blastoff through email, then we don't have your email address. Please give it to Geoff Atwater ASAP. THANKS! (Soon, fewer newsletters will be printed for the meetings and you will need to read them online.)

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