

THE BLASTOFF

SPACE CENTER ROTARY'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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Food for thought...

No matter what you want in life, you are going to have to give up something to get it. Most people are willing to pay \$150,000 for a new house, \$35,000 for a new car, and \$20,000 for a new boat, but very few people are willing to pay the price for success, no matter how much they want it. There is no success without sacrifice. To have a good marriage, to stay in shape or to succeed in business, you will have to sacrifice. You pay a price to lose weight. You pay a price to win, to get stronger, faster, better. You pay a price for changing, and you even pay a price for staying the same. What price are you currently paying to attain your goals or dreams? If you are not willing to pay the price for success, you will pay with failure.



TODAY'S PROGRAM

HEAD FOOTBALL COACHES

TODD GRAHAM OF RICE UNIVERSITY
AND ART BRILES OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

mix it up in anticipation of the
"Bayou Bucket" on Sept. 2nd.
Steve Waldner will introduce them.

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 view them online.)

Agenda

- Luncheon Begins.....11:45
- Call to Order.....12:00
- Song.....Debby McBride
- Invocation.....Johnny White
- Pledge.....Billy Smith
- Four-Way-Test.....Bob Wren
- Introductions of Guests & Visiting Rotarians.....TBD
- Announcements.....12:10
- Program.....12:30
Head football coaches of Rice & U of H
- Adjourn.....1:00

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



Bill Lowes, our new Program's Chairman.

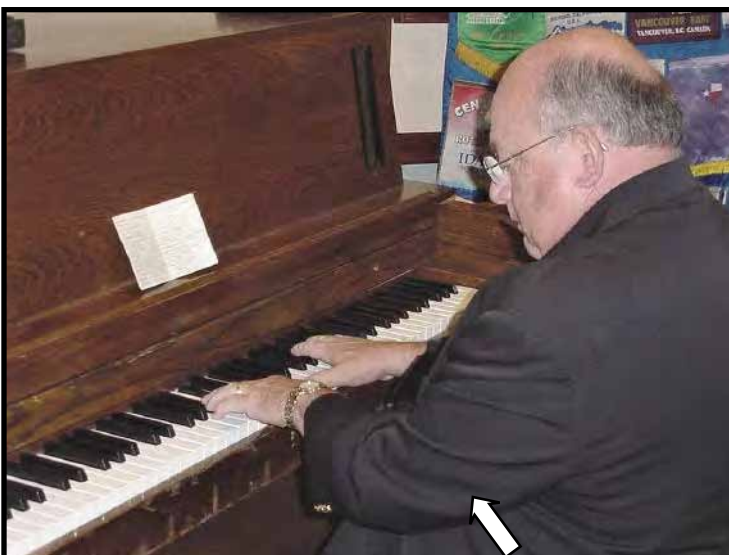
Dennis Dillion receives a Paul Harris Fellow award from David Coney on behalf of the Space Center Rotary Club.



Financial gurus Hergert, Coney, Hess & Huff



Special fish trophy meant for Mark Humphrey!



The hidden talents of Raphael Lugo were revealed!



Theresa Graham from the Interfaith

Caring Ministries and Jennifer Keller announcing the Immunization Program.

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 6)

The Two Major Types of R.I Endowment Funds were discussed last time.

The money we invest in RI is returned through several plans.

1. **Polio Plus.** We already know much about this fund. In the year 2004-05, Rotary International expended \$33,000,000. Up until June 2005, \$581,000,000 had been expended toward global Polio eradication.
2. **Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Fund.** This fund is available for large projects of two or more years in duration. It is used to alleviate hunger and human suffering and to enhance health in general. The fund halted earlier, and is now back in force.
3. **Matching Grants.** These are used for International service projects. In 2004-2005, 136 countries benefited from awards amounting to \$25,800,000 District Simplified Grants. Districts use the grants for short-term projects of humanitarian content. These are targeted both for international and local projects.
4. **Individual Grants.** These are used to provide travel support to individuals involved in on-site project development or on-going overview. Since year 2003-2004, 87 countries were funded \$2,700,000. In the year 2004-2005, 372 grants were provided for a total of \$1,600,000.
5. **Group Study Exchange (GSE).** These awards are given annually for pairs of countries. Persons involved include a Rotary team leader and a team of non-Rotarians of varying vocational areas. Each team spends from four to six weeks in the country assigned, trading and learning from one another. Since 1965, 52,000 individuals (12,000 teams) from 102 countries have participated. In 2004-05, 404 teams traveled abroad benefiting from awards of \$3,000,000 to \$4,000,000.

These are a few of the grants available to Districts and Clubs. The money used for the grants listed above came from the dollars we invested in Rotary International Foundation. It should be clear now that we are able to accomplish many more and larger projects due to the granting process than we ever could from fund raising alone, an outstanding reason to become a Paul Harris Fellow.



Peek at Next Week
Rhonda Kennedy
Promoting the District
5890 Conference to
be held at
Puerto Vallarta in
April 2007

FREE CHILDHOOD IMMUNIZATIONS

Generously paid for by the
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Shots provided by the
Galveston County Health District

Thursday, July 20, 2006

9:00am until 12:00noon

Hosted by: Interfaith Caring Ministries

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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!)

DEBBY'S DITTY OF THE WEEK
YOU ARE MY SUNSHINE

You Are My Sunshine
My only sunshine.
You make me happy
When skies are grey.
You'll never know, dear,
How much I love you.
Please don't take my sunshine away

I'll always love you
And make you happy
If you will only say the same
But if you leave me
To love another
You won't be happy at all some day;
You are my sunshine,
My only sunshine.
You make me happy
When skies are grey.
You'll never know, dear,
How much I love you.
Please don't take my sunshine away.

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. What types of membership are available in a Rotary club?

A. Old Rule. There were five types of membership available, Active, Additional Active, Senior Active, Past Service and Honorary.

Current Rule. Now there are only two types of membership, Active and Honorary. The other types of membership were used to release classifications for new members. With the current classification rules, there is no longer a need for Additional Active, Senior Active and Past Service types.

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?



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