



# The Blastoff

Space Center Rotary's Weekly Bulletin

Rotary Club of Space Center

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Meetings: Monday 11:45

Holiday Inn • 1300 Nasa Road 1 • Clear Lake, Texas

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## Agenda

- Luncheon Begins 11:45
- Call to Order 12:00
- Song Jerry Bourgeois/  
Dr. John Wilson
- Pianist Ann Fulcher/  
Dr. John Wilson
- Invocation
- Pledge
- Four-Way Test
- Introductions of Guests  
and Visiting Rotarians
- Announcements
- Program 12:30
- Adjourn 1:00

## Today's Program

**Mitch Mitchell**  
Space Astroids

Mitch Mitchell is President of Altair Development Corporation, a multi million dollar Real Estate Development Firm located in League City, TX.

Altair has developed numerous master planned communities, condominiums and office building projects in Pearland, Friendswood, and League City. He also has an operation in Gallatin, Tennessee, near Nashville.

An example of a current project is Constellation Pointe. This beautiful custom home community and marina is located on the south shore of Clear Lake in League City, TX. Constellation Pointe homes range in price from the mid 500's to over 2 million dollars.

Mr. Mitchell flew corporate aircraft in his early career. He is a professional Airline Transport Pilot with over 8,000 hours of flying experience. He flew for Auburn University, various corporations, and individuals. He still flies a citation jet for his company and maintains his flying skills with rigorous annual recurrent training.

Mr. Mitchell is a space development advocate and entrepreneur. He is an avid supporter of NASA and other worldwide efforts to master and develop space. The NASA Moon missions inspired him to study space development while he was earning his Bachelor of Science degree in Business from Auburn University in the late 1960s.

Mr. Mitchell will speak today about Near Earth Objects. NEOs are asteroids and comets with orbits that come close to our planet. He will share what the current state of knowledge is about NEOs and what new steps must be taken to protect the Earth from this very dangerous natural hazard to insure that we do not sustain a catastrophic collision with a NEO.

## Area Meetings

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|-----------|--------|--|
| Tuesday   | Noon   | Pearland<br>Golfcrest Country Club<br>2501 Country Club Drive    |
| Tuesday   | 12:10  | LaPorte<br>St. John's Episcopal Church<br>Broadway @ Ave G       |
| Wednesday | Noon   | Baytown<br>GooseCreek Country Club<br>5000 Country Club Drive    |
| Wednesday | 12:05  | Pasadena South<br>Baywood Country Club<br>5500 Genoa-Red Bluff   |
| Thursday  | 7:00am | Seabrook<br>Lakewood Yacht Club<br>2425 Nasa Road One            |
| Thursday  | Noon   | Alvin<br>Joe's Barbecue<br>1400 East Hwy 6                       |
| Friday    | Noon   | Pasadena<br>First United Methodist Church<br>1062 Fairmont Pkwy. |

## SPECIAL EVENT INVITATION!

VALI, the Indian "festival of lights" with  
White and many dignitaries.  
day, November 17, 2004  
p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
ecting Pool, 900 Bagby

**A FREE EVENT**

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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?

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### Fellowship Schedule

**November 25**  
Landry's Seafood House  
1 Kemah Boardwalk

**December 9**  
Don Pico's Mexican Restaurant  
2110 Bay Area Blvd.

**December 16**  
Perry's Italian  
1001 Pineloch

*All fellowships begin at 6:30 pm.  
Please bring friends and family!  
No reservations are required  
unless noted.*

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**February 26, 2005**  
**The District All Club Meeting**  
**Special Celebration of**  
**Rotary's Centennial**

**This will be an evening**  
**function and will be black**  
**tie.**

**Please mark your calendar -**  
**more information will be**  
**coming soon.**

### Today's Song

**All Hail to Rotary**  
(Anchor's Aweigh)

All hail to Rotary,  
Steadfast and strong!  
We'll strive to stay the course  
though days are short and  
nights are long.  
Service in all we do.  
Friends ever free.  
Until we meet once more here's  
health to all our friends in Rotary.

### ROTARY'S CENTENNIAL INTERNATIONAL

**CONVENTION**  
**June 17-22, 2005**  
**Chicago, Illinois**

If you have not made your room  
reservations it is suggested that  
you do so NOW! Chicago is  
big...but ! this Rotary event is  
HUGE and rooms in the down-  
town area will be at a premium.  
Visit the [Rotary International](#)  
[web site](#) for more information



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