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Food for thought...

Did you hear about the frog who was hopping along one day and fell into a large pothole? All his attempts to jump out fell short. All the other animals tried to get him out, but failed, too. Then they noticed him hopping past them, and they hollered, "We thought you couldn't get out of there!" The frog responded, "Oh, I couldn't. But you see, there was a big tractor coming and I *had* to." That's how it is with many people. Only when they *have* to get out of potholes and the ruts of life do they make changes. People have tendencies of getting into ruts easily. Don't let it happen to you!

Agenda

- Luncheon Begins.....11:45
- Call to Order.....12:00
- Song.....Debbie McBride
- Invocation.....Steve Waldner
- Pledge.....Mark Humphrey
- Four-Way-Test.....Rafael Lugo
- Introductions of Guests & Visiting Rotarians.....Gary Johnson
- Announcements.....12:05
- Program.....12:25
Maureen M. Wakeland, P.E.
and Bob Robinson
Local Transportation
and NASA Bypass....
- Adjourn.....1:00

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Maureen M. Wakeland, P.E.

Maureen is the Area Engineer for the South Harris Area Office of the Texas Department of Transportation. She has worked at TxDOT for 19 years. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from Texas A&M University in College Station, and a Master of Science degree in Civil Engineering from The University of Texas at Austin. She is responsible for the maintenance, design and \$ 200 million of construction of on-system roadways in south-east Harris County for the Texas Department of Transportation. Maureen has been in her current position for over 12 years.

Bob Robinson

Bob is a native of the City of Seabrook. He attended Clear Creek Independent School District from the first grade through high school and was a member of the last graduating class of Webster High School. [] During his business career he has served as Mayor of the City of Seabrook, was employed at ITT and worked as a NASA Contractor during the Gemini and Apollo programs. [] Bob currently serves on the Board of Trustees for the Armand Bayou Nature Center, Board of Directors for the Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership, and Board of Directors for Friends of Seabrook. Additionally, he is a member of the Seabrook Rotary, Association of General Contractors, and Texas Good Roads and Texas Research League.



DISTRICT RI FOUNDATION SEMINAR
SATURDAY, OCT. 29TH
9:00 AM TO 1:00 PM
HOUSTON BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

PEEK AT NEXT WEEK
PHILIP BURQUIERES
CLINICAL DEPRESSION

*The best way to find
yourself, is to lose
yourself in the service
of others.
...GHANDI*

Halloween

BOO!

The Shrimporce has been
rescheduled for
November 19, 2005.



Rotary - Did you know?

- *Selecting a President for Rotary International starts a year in advance.*
- *A 17-person nominating committee is elected from separate zones of the world.*
- *To qualify for the nominating committee, a Rotarian must have served on the RI Board of Directors.*
- *All former RI Directors may be considered for the presidential candidacy.*
- *The nominee that is selected in September will spend more than a year in preparation and then a year serving the Rotarians of the world.*

Rotarians,
please
remember that
RI or SCR will
not ask for
personal
information on
their members
via email or
phone.

SERVICE Above Self

AREA MEETINGS AND OTHER LOCATIONS

- Monday's @ 4:30 pm **MISSOULA**
Joker's Wild, N. Reserve St.
Missoula, Montana
- Tuesdays @ Noon **PEARLAND**
Golfcrest Country Club
2501 Country Club Drive
- Tuesdays @ 12:10 **LA PORTE**
St. John's Episcopal Church
Broadway @ Ave G
- Tuesdays @ 6:30 pm **ST. MARY'S**
Blue Cattle Dog Tavern
St. Mary's, Australia
- 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

APPRECIATION CORNER

*Thanks to Art Oswald for answering the
call of duty. Art has volunteered to take
over the Lunch Manager Teller duties for
retiring Jim Wyatt and Dennis Dillon.
Thanks for stepping up!!*

"BE A FRIEND LUNCHEON"

Benefiting Dist. 5890
youth programs
at Junior League of Houston
1811 Briar Oak Lane
November 1, 2005
11:30 AM Registration
Luncheon at Noon
Invited are: Rotarians,
Spouses & friends.
Any questions should
be made to:

Janet Francklow @ 713-552-0838.
cost is \$30.00/ person or \$275.00
for a table of ten.
Reservation deadline is
October 24, 2005

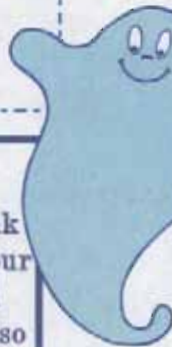
Rotary Foundation
Committee meeting on
Wednesday,
October 26th at
7:00 am.

The location of the
meeting has changed from
Polly's Cafe to the Brentwood Inn.



We have satisfied our commitment of
\$1,000 to Sharpstown Rotary in
regard to their matching fund project
with Louisiana.

Jerry Smith
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Border school
project. They also
sent a video for us
to see the school.



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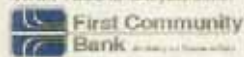


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