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Food for thought...

Abraham Lincoln said. "An optimist is one who sees opportunity in every difficulty. A pessimist is one who sees difficulty in every opportunity." He was right. Optimism is an attitude, an outlook and a perception all in one. There is an organization directed toward optimistic people, as well as toward pursuing change in a pessimistic society. The members have an international creed that is worth repeating: "Be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind. Talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet. Make all your friends feel there is something in them worthwhile..." Adversity or difficulty can make you tender or tough, bitter or better - it depends on you.

TODAY'S PROGRAM:

**HOLIDAY CELEBRATION!
FOOD, FUN AND FELLOWSHIP!**

Merry
CHRISTMAS

AND



Agenda

- Luncheon Begins..... 11:45
- Call to Order..... 12:00
- Song..... Debby McBride
- Invocation..... Murry Epstein
- Pledge..... Jean Walker
- Four-Way-Test..... Scott Smith
- Introductions of Guests & Visiting Rotarians..... David Coney
- Announcements..... 12:05
- Sunshine and Shower..... 12:10
- Fellowship..... 12:30
- Adjourn..... 1:00

Sandy Richbook from Moody Gardens showing what some rainforest natives wear for ornament dress. (Dec. 12th meeting)

Stan Galanski and the sisters. (Dec. 3rd meeting)



A chair and committee is being sought for handling communications to the club. For details, please contact J.B. Fox @ jfox6@houston.rr.com. This is an important and essential job.

NO ROTARY MEETING ON DEC. 26TH OR JAN. 2ND. NEXT MEETING IS JAN. 9TH.

ALL CLUB EVENT:

Our club has arranged to purchase a table of ten (10) for the all club event on Thursday, February 2nd, 2006. If we fill two tables, then we will purchase two tables.

If you have never attended an all club meeting it is recommended that you go. This is of special interest to our new members.

If you plan to attend, Please contact Laura Hale by e-mail at: laurahale@houston.rr.com

PEEK AT NEXT TIME

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Who's Who?

Can you name these two people?

They were previous Rotarians in our club. Answers on pg. 4.



Rotary - Did you know?

Each year since 1955, Rotary has had an annual theme to serve as the Rotary's program of emphasis chosen by the RI President.

- In 1955, it was *Develop Our Resources*.
- In 1981-82, RI President Stanley McCaffrey focused on *World Understanding*.
- In 1992-93, *Real Happiness Is Helping Others* was the emphasis.
- For 2005-06, Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammer stated that nothing "defined Rotary and the Rotarian spirit more than the three simple words of our motto *Service Above Self*."



SERVICE Above Self

AREA MEETINGS & OTHER LOCATIONS

- Tuesdays @ Noon PEARLAND
Golfcrest Country Club
2501 Country Club Drive
- Tuesdays @ 12:10 LA PORTE
St. John's Episcopal Church
Broadway @ Ave G
- Tuesday @ 6:30 pm Selfoss
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- Wednesdays @ 12:05 PASADENA S.
Baywood Country Club
5500 Genoa-Red Bluff
- Wednesdays @ noon NORTH POLE
Pagoda Restaurant
North Pole, Alaska
- Thursdays @ 7:00 am SEABROOK
Lakewood Yacht Club
2425 Nasa Road One
- Fridays @ noon PASADENA
First United Methodist Church
1062 Fairmont Parkway



Happy Birthday to you.....

- Ava Lunsford - Dec. 3rd
 - Debby McBride - Dec. 4th
 - Rafael F. Lugo - Dec. 4th
 - Mike Cornett - Dec. 12th
 - John Nugent - Dec. 15th
 - Dick Gregg, Jr. - Dec. 19th
 - Keith Huff - Dec. 23rd
 - Art Oswald - Dec. 25th
 - Richard Hergert - Dec. 30th
- (If you haven't given your birthday to Tony or Sharon, please do so. Thanks!)

DITTY OF THE WEEK:
WHITE CHRISTMAS

I'm dreaming of a white Christmas
Just like the ones I used to know.
Where the treetops glisten,
And children listen
To hear sleigh bells in the snow.

I'm dreaming of a white Christmas
With every Christmas card I write.
May your days be merry and bright.
And may all your Christmases be white.

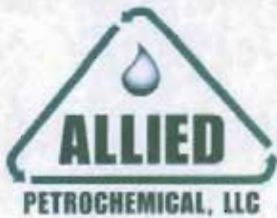


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STOP AT NOTHING."*

- UNKNOWN

DON'T FORGET ABOUT THOSE PEOPLE THAT NEED SOME HELP
THIS TIME OF YEAR. IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE MONETARY.
SOMETIMES THE LITTLE THINGS MAKE THE MOST DIFFERENCE.

"We - Are - Fam - i - ly"

We hope everyone enjoys the
holiday season. Please be safe
and thanks once again for the
gift of your time to Space
Center Rotary in 2005. See
you next year!



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 Think, Say or Do

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 Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER
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 Will it be BENEFICIAL to All Concerned?



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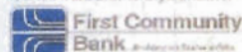
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