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Food for thought...

Success is like a blackboard - when you make your mark on the world, watch out for the people with erasers! It really doesn't matter what profession you are in, you are going to meet and be confronted by critics. It is amazing that most critics generally have never walked a mile in the shoes of those they criticize, yet they still don't hesitate to pass harsh words. The fact is, critics are spectators, not players. Critical people are usually disheartened people who have failed to reach a desired goal. Someone once said, "Criticism is the death gargle of a non-achiever." Criticism points out the flaws, but correction points out your potential. There has never been a monument built to a critic. Be aware that the critics are out there. Don't let them hold you back!

Agenda

- Luncheon Begins..... 11:45
- Call to Order..... 12:00
- Song..... Debby McBride
- Invocation..... Raphael Lugo
- Pledge..... Visett Sun
- Four-Way-Test..... Rudy England
- Introductions of Guests & Visiting Rotarians..... Art Wood
- Sunshine and Showers..... 12:05
- Announcements..... 12:10
- Program..... 12:30
John Burget
- Adjourn..... 1:00

TODAY'S PROGRAM

JOHN BURGET / ADMIRAL RICKOVER, FATHER OF THE NUCLEAR NAVY

John was born and raised in Northern Ohio near Toledo. He received a Bachelor of Engineering Physics from Cornell, an MS in physics from Catholic University of America, and his MBA from Harvard Business School.

In the ten years between Cornell and Harvard he worked directly under Admiral Hyman Rickover as a senior engineering manager at the headquarters of the Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program in Washington, DC.

After receiving his MBA in 1972 he began a career in finance that included ten years as vice president in investment banking at Goldman Sachs and other NY city firms, eighteen years as financial consultant to independent power development companies, and the last five years in Houston providing customized financial strategies to help clients greatly increase the certainty of reaching their most cherished goals.

John is currently a financial advisor with Waddell & Reed in Clear Lake. He is a member of the Seabrook Rotary Club, a director of the Bay Area Transportation Partnership, and past president of the Guild for the Arts Alliance Center of Clear Lake. He likes sailing, bicycling and ballroom dancing in his free time.



Geoff Atwater will report on the amount of money raised for our Boots and Black Ties Ball soon.

PEEK AT NEXT WEEK

DR. SANDRA MOSSMAN CCISD UPDATE

(HOLIDAY ON THE 29TH)

"A PERSON'S TRUE WEALTH IS THE GOOD HE OR SHE DOES IN THE WORLD." - MOHAMMED

SCR thanks the many sponsors and contributors that helped make our fundraising efforts successful. We rely on you to help generate funds and also to help us keep costs low. We also had a good time. Those who contributed auction items to the Boots & Black Ties Event include:

- Advantage BMW
- Battleground Golf
- Ben Bridge jewelers
- Cabo San Lucas Resort
- Carrabba's
- Casino Coughatta
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- Putt Putt Golf and Games
- Sakowitz
- †South Shore Harbor Hotel
- South Shore Harbor Golf
- SCR Board
- Texas Roadhouse
- Tremont House

A special thanks to Tony Bloomfield and the crew from the Texas Roadhouse for making the event so special.

-Geoff Atwater

Happy Birthday to you....

- Jerry Hammack 2-May
- David Coney 4-May
- Alan Wylie 10-May
- Tom Kloves 10-May
- Bob Wren 12-May
- Jim Hargrove 12-May
- Luciano Gaigher 14-May
- Carlos Villagomez 20-May
- Geoff Atwater 20-May

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



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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
- **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:
OH WHAT A BEAUTIFUL MORNING**

There's a bright golden haze on the meadow,
There's a bright golden haze on the meadow,
The corn is as high as an elephant's eye,
An' it looks like it's climbin' clear up to the sky.

Oh, what a beautiful mornin',
Oh, what a beautiful day.
I got a beautiful feelin'
Ev'rything's goin' my way.

All the cattle are standin' like statues,
All the cattle are standin' like statues,
They don't turn their heads as they see me
ride by,
But a little brown mav'rick is winkin' her eye.

Oh, what a beautiful mornin',
Oh, what a beautiful day.
I got a beautiful feelin'
Ev'rything's goin' my way.

Joseph Hang

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