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PROGRAM FOR THIS WEEK

"THE ROTARY FOUNDATION" WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF BENNY'S ADDRESS — BENNY HUGHES, THAT IS, WHO WOULD RATHER BE BILLED PLAIN VANILLA THAN VICE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTOR OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL, PAST DISTRICT GOVERNOR, PAST PRESIDENT, ROTARIAN CUM LAUDE AND WELL LOVED CLUB MEMBER THAT HE IS.



Benny Hughes
Speaker

The fellows that planned the program are Hubert Oxford, chairman, Lacoste Ellis, vice chairman, Geo. Gill, Frank Goetz, Clarence Holland and Ernest Kinsel.

Board Action

At the monthly meeting of the board of directors two new members were elected subject to the usual ten-day notice: **Terry K. Smith**, district manager of Hencke Pillot, Groceries Retailing; and **Irving Nathan**, owner of the Reasonable Hat Shop, Ladies Hats Retailing.

Also: classification of Dewey Switzer changed from Stevedoring Service to Senior Active; classification of Wes Callaway changed from Mortgage Loan Brokerage to Mortgage Banking; attendance privileges granted to Senior Active Members, Tim Whitehurst and Henry Love, both due to illness, which action eligible to senior members only permits their absences not to count against club attendance.

Senior Active

Past District Governor **K. A. Anderson** of Palestine last Wednesday explained to Beaumont Rotarians the advantages of Senior Active classification for those who have been a member of a Rotary club for five years or more and who are 65 years of age and those who have been a member of this and/or other Rotary clubs for a total of 15 years. One taking senior active makes it possible for another to enjoy Rotary; permits him to be a Rotarian wherever he goes; permits him attendance privileges when ill with his absence not counting against club attendance.

Prior to the discussion letter forms requesting senior active classification were distributed to those eligibles present and later mailed to those not present. This action, Governor K. A. stated, is entirely optional, but is encouraged by Rotary International.

Signed requests have since been received from President George Morgan, B. K. Appleman, Geo. Booth, Cap Heinrich, Bill Simonton, Carroll Ward, and Albert Coburn.

The play score was Beaumont-Galveston 23 and Houston 16 for the Rotary Golf Tournament at the country club on Monday, October 11, held for visitors here for the Golden Anniversary Banquet. The "rhubarb" carried on under Beaumont leadership of **Wes Callaway** and **Bill Tyrrell** vs. Houston's Rockwell-Crumpacker was a success on the basis of good fellowship and arranged by **Louie Riegel**.

When **O. B. Archer** and **Kelly Smith** entered the meeting room of the Philadelphia Rotary Club October 13, who do you think was speaker . . . **Walter Casey**. Asked if Walter told those Yankee strangers about his rice-magnate father-in-law, they said he did for sure, and it went over with a bang.

FOUR-WAY TEST

Following President Herb Taylor's banquet address, Rotarian **Hugh Lynch** requested an order of 100 4-Way Test pocket cards for his Central Freight Lines organization. Cards and plastic desk plaques are available upon request.

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Last Week

- Invocation **Geo. Fecel, Jr.**
- Introduction **C. J. Lockwood**
- Sweetheart **Catherine Lindsey**
- Program Introduction **Roy Nelson**

Thanks to Thomas Edison, The General Electric Company and an alert program committee, the Beaumont Rotary Club had one of the outstanding programs in its history.

Mr. James C. Forbes, an official of the General Electric Light Institute, capably led us through the intricacies of the development of the light bulb. The light bulb's development and use as an automobile lamp, flashlight camera lamp and household piece of illumination were only a few of the examples. The use of color and color mixing provided a fascinating aspect of the program. In chronological order the audience was taken through the years from 1879 to the day after tomorrow as the improvement of illumination was outlined and illustrated.

The staging of this display and talk was outstanding and once again bore witness to the intelligence and imagination of the General Electric organization. The entire program was based upon Light's Diamond Jubilee which in turn is a tribute to the genius of Thomas Edison who in 1789 started on his quest for electric light. It was he who made possible the illumination of the world, a fact which we accept lightly now but which was a process involving intensive research.

The program closed with the climax of a 75,000 watt light being turned on to illuminate brightly the Rose Room, a small area when it is realized that that one bulb is equal to the lighting of a city. We Rotarians are indebted to the electrical industry and Rotarian Dan Daniel, program chairman for an entertaining and instructive program of quality.

RCS

Armed Forces Day was recognized last Wednesday at meeting when Past President **John Gray** introduced ten special guests of the club composed of domiciliary veterans from McClosky Hospital and officers from Lake Charles air base.

In The News

Pat Wheat was the only Beaumont to attend the state wide highway conference in Austin.

Lee Griffin, president of Beaumont Symphony Society, presided at a board meeting of the society last week.

Rotarians **Skeet Pitts** and **Bob Akers** were kickoff speakers at UA kickoff dinner on October 19.

ROTARIAN ROY REDD

Last Wednesday we stood for a moment of silence and prayer in memory of Rotarian Roy Redd who died Sunday, October 17 at his home following a long illness. Roy had been a member of this club since 1942. He held the classification of Refined Oil Products Distributing. Roy left a host of friends and his cheerfulness and friendliness will be missed by all of us. The Resolutions Committee composed of **Jack Hardy**, chairman, **David Birdwell** and **John Green** have been asked by President George to prepare a resolution in his memory. To his Rotary Ann and family we extend sincere sympathy.



Roy Redd

ROAMIN' ROTARIANS -- They Didn't Forget

SOUTH PARK (meets Mon.): Gonzales, Heartfield, Ehrhart, Huber, Mooney, Curtis, Goetz, Townsend, Hammond, Carey, Gill, Toomim Singleton Doyle.

WEST END (meets Tues.): Gallier, Honig, Elmer White, Hughes, B. Lamb, Oates, Funchess, King, J. B. Kinsel, E. Kinsel, Rix, Woodside, Hagan, Murphy, Blieden, Grifing, Cooke Wilson.

OTHERS

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| O. B. Archer | Philadelphia |
| Gale Broce | Orange |
| Walter Casey, Speaker | Philadelphia |
| E. C. Davis | Dallas |
| Verner Jones | Liberty |
| Winthrop Leach | Bellingham, Wash. |
| Marion Munro | Cleveland, Ohio |
| John Newton | Bellingham, Wash. |
| J. T. Shelby | Santa Monica, Cal. |
| Ben Shipley | Austin; Port Arthur |
| Smythe Shepherd | Pt. Neches |
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| Kelly Smith | Philadelphia |
| Arch Stalons | Pt. Arthur |
| A. C. Townsend | Pt. Arthur |
| Ben Woodhead | Lake Charles |
| C. Wyatt-Brown | Houston Heights |

ATTENDANCE 10-13-54

Active Membership	304
Members Present	280
Per Cent Attendance	92.11

SICK BAY: Orlo Bangs, Frank Cantella, Dr. C. H. Hendry, Luther Lau, Henry Love, Rufus Mills, Neal Phelan, Tim Whitehurst.

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