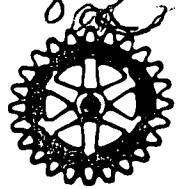




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DISTRICT 589

BLASTOFF!

ROTARY THEME FOR 1980-81

"TAKE TIME TO SERVE"

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MAY WE
HAVE YOUR
AUTOGRAPH



As the new ROTARY year gets underway, we suggest you take note of the new officers and directors whose names appear directly above and who will serve the club for the new Rotary Year of 1981-1982. The new masthead is in preparation and should be ready for the next issue. Most of the officers above merely switched chairs from last year's position or moved over from the Board of Directors. We do note the new directors: RON ROSENHAGEN, JIM HARGROVE, and ALFRED NEUMANN.

Also, take time to express your thanks and gratitude to our outgoing officers and directors: PETE GIST, BOB STEPHENS, MAURY FITCH, and BOB MITCHELL for their excellent job in directing the activities of the SPACE CENTER ROTARY CLUB during the past year.

PROGRAMS:

- MONDAY, JULY 27th. PRESIDENT AL JOWID will be the featured speaker as he discusses his recent trip to the ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE in Sao Paulo, Brazil. Bring a guest for a very interesting discussion and some very beautiful slides.
- MONDAY, AUGUST 3rd. LINDA LEWIS of the Monsanto Company will speak on the topic: "The Freedom to Choose". This will be a candid discussion on the role of chemicals in our modern world: their valuable uses as well as the dangers inherent in their misuse.
- MONDAY, AUGUST 10th. JOHN DRURY or BILL TEAGUE of the BLOOD CENTER will be our guest speaker.
- MONDAY, AUGUST 17th. Program pending but you can be sure that our new program committee will bring us an outstanding program.
- MONDAY, AUGUST 24th. Mayoral candidate KATHY WHITMIRE will talk about the current mayor's race in Houston. Bring your Rotary Ann and or guests to hear MS WHITMORE discuss this important election.

A THANK YOU from our recently retired "BLASTOFF" editor, Gene Lindquist...."At the July 6th luncheon meeting, the club membership surprised and honored me with a most beautiful plaque expressing appreciation for my ten years of a special Rotary service - the issuing of our club bulletin. This proved beyond any doubt that Rotarians do "reach out and touch someone", and that someone, this time, WAS ME! The standing ovation, applause and cheering warmed my heart and renewed within me a greater spirit in Rotary...or could all that have meant an ending of mish-mash, jokes, errors and omissions???? But being a Rotarian since 1964, and mixing in fellowship with Rotarians from all points East, West, North and South, I blank out the latter thought and feel totally grateful and appreciative for the presentation of such an award. May I say I really FEEL WANTED? THANKS A'MILLION!!" - Gene Lindquist.



HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES-DUES???
LAST CALL FOR YOUR CHECK IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$42.00 FOR THE SIX
MONTH PERIOD OF JULY 1ST TO
DECEMBER 31ST...IF PAID AFTER
JULY 31ST YOU WILL BE PENALIZED
WITH A \$25 REINSTATEMENT FEE.
DON'T SAY WE DIDN'T WARN YOU...
LEAVE YOUR CHECK AT THE SECRETARY'S
DESK TODAY OR MAIL TO DICK BROWN
IMMEDIATELY.

RESIGNATIONS..The Board accepted with regrets the resignation of TOM BOONE. Tom has accepted the presidency of a new Southwest Bank in Beaumont.

NEW DIRECTOR..The Board in a special called meeting on Monday, July 13th, elected DR. ALFRED R. NEUMANN to the Board to replace TOM BOONE. DR. NEUMANN will chair the program committee for Space Center Rotary Club.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

BOB BERGBOWER August 3
BUCK WESTON " 5



...Congratulations, gentlemen.
Have a nice year.

QUICKIES... Some men look for greener pastures when they should be looking for the lawnmower.. A golf ball is that small indented object which remains on the tee while a perspiring citizen fans it vigorously with a large club...Life is often a battle of wits, but some folks are unarmed!

PAST PROGRAMS:....On June 29th WALT WICKER introduced DR. M. GRAHAM CLARK, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the School of the Ozarks, as guest speaker of the day and what a truly fine speaker he is. If you missed his talk, we feel badly for you as he prepared the group for the July 4th national holiday. CLARK stated that the War for Independence has only just begun and that now is the time to stop and be grateful for the patriots who have helped to secure liberty in this great country. He called the American government the greatest experiment ever in representative democracy. Although it is not perfect, he says that it is the greatest form of government yet developed by man. We hope that you read what Dr. Clark had to say in the fine article by PAUL BENSON in the CITIZEN....then on July 6th; HARRY PONISI introduced State Representative RANDY PENNINGTON as our speaker for the day. REPRESENTATIVE PENNINGTON gave a wrap-up of the just completed legislative session along with some predictions of his own. He forecast a state income tax within five years as tax income will begin to decrease while spending will continue to increase. He criticized education in general because after all the money that has been spent on education, "Johnny still can't read." He also discussed some of the major problems facing the Clear Lake area and the State of Texas: waste disposal, water shortage, flooding, the MTA, and the refugee problem. Again excellent coverage was given of this program by PAUL BENSON of the Citizen. On July 13th, HARRY PONISI introduced ASTRONAUT JERRY CARR who gave a very educational and inspiring program on the history and future of the Space Program. CARR stated that citizens needed to get behind the space program and support space exploration and development. He believes that private capital will bring about more interest in space. Hope that you did not miss this outstanding program.

The GOVERNOR'S INSTALLATION DINNER was held at Golfcrest Country Club on Tuesday evening, June 30th. Governor PAUL JURY did an outstanding job in installing the new officers and directors of the Space Center Rotary Club, then Past Governor GEORGE SCHULTZ installed our own FLOYD BOZE as the new Governor of District 589. CHUCK JACOBSON and his committee are to be commended for an outstanding job in planning and coordinating such an excellent evening.

I'M A NEW MEMBER

I see you at the meetings,
But you never say, "Hello,"
You're busy all the time you're there.
With those you already know,

I sit amongst the people.
Yet I'm a lonesome guy,
The "New Members" are as strange as I
And the "Old Timers" pass me by.

But darn it, you people asked me in,
And you talked of fellowship,
You could just step across the room,
But you never make the trip.

Why can't you nod and say, "Hello,"
Or stop to shake my hand,
Then go and sit among your friends?
Now that I understand.

I'll be at your next meeting,
Perhaps a nice luncheon to spend.
Do you think you could introduce your-
self?

I want to be your friend.

--Cincinnati Rays

FROM A "GENERAL SECRETARY'S LETTER...In the bulletin of the Rotary Club of Metairie, Louisiana, the editor presented some practical and motivational thoughts on membership growth.

"Rotary is growing older and, of course, wiser. But Rotary is not an 'old man's club,' even though it is still blessed with thousands of wonderful senior citizens who have helped pioneer it from humble beginnings to the dizzy heights of greatness that it has achieved in our world today. We must keep Rotary 'young at heart' as the years slide beneath us, and the only way this can be done is to inject young blood into Rotary's pulsing veins on a continuing, never-ending basis.

So the next time you are looking around for a prospective member, keep your eyes open not only for the senior company president, but also for the younger business and professional man, and especially for the 'little guy'. Little guys' who operate small business establishments are much too often overlooked by Rotary. Yet, there they are! And, quite often, waiting for the honor of being invited to join. Yes, Rotary is growing older. But we don't want any 'generation' gap in Rotary, so let's get to it."

Between 1816 and 1978 our U.S. population multiplied 23 times from 8,659,000 to 217,599,000. Two billion sheets of paper flow through federal offices annually. This quantity of forms would fill up to 4.5 million cubic feet of space. More than 15 million people now work for either the federal, state or local governments at a cost of \$160 billion per year. The aggregate cost of government regulations is about \$102.7 billion for fiscal year 1979, of which \$4.8 billion are direct expenses by the federal regulatory agencies and \$97.9 billion are the costs of compliance with federal regulations. The price of regulation takes \$2,000 out of the pocket of the typical American family each year. - SPOKE 'N COG, Tarpon Springs, Fla.

Three "X's" on a legal document can mean only one thing. An AGGIE found two classmates to go on his note at the bank.

Hear about the AGGIE who thought Minnie Pearl was a short Texas Beer?