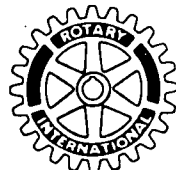




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DISTRICT 589

BLASTOFF!

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Rotary Theme... "Share Rotary - Serve People"

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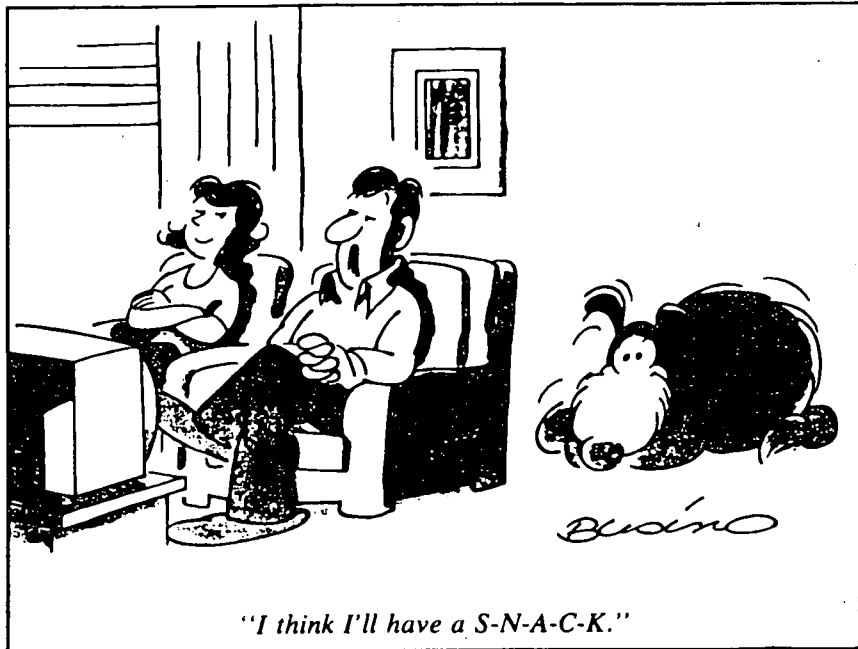
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PROGRAMS:

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH...LET'S WELCOME OUR GUEST SPEAKER, ESTHER LEE YAO, PHD, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF MULTICULTURAL EDUCATION, UH/CLC. HER HOST IS CHARLES HARDWICK, PHD, CHANCELLOR (?) OF UH/CLC, WHO RECOMMENDS DR. YAO HIGHLY AS A SPEAKER. YOU ARE WELCOME TO ASK LOTS OF QUESTIONS.

MONDAY, MARCH 5TH...OUR GUEST WILL BE CHIEF LEE BROWN, CITY OF HOUSTON POLICE. ENJOY.

"BLASTOFF!" EDITOR RESIGNS - NEW EDITOR TO BE APPOINTED...With great regret, your Editor, JIM FITCH, must resign due to a changing job and the location and hours of same. We offer this observation: "Any club is the sum of it's members. As long as the members participate in the day-to-day operation of the club, voicing their opinion as necessary, cooperating when expedient for efficient operation of the club and disagreeing when change is made for the obvious convenience of the few, everything will proceed normally, happily and well. Whenever any one group decides to exercise their electoral prerogative by making changes in policy which effect all members of the club after listening to the complaints of the few without polling the many, the balance of the club will be effected. At this point all members have an obligation to each other to at least question whether such a change is wise for all members of the club, whether it inadvertently bypasses the intent of the Bylaws or whether it sets a precedent for the future which may be hard to reverse. If any of this be the case, then the change cannot be good for the future of the club. Our club is a great club with an enormous amount of heart and generosity for the community. We are well known for our service to the community. We communicate our care for others with obvious success. That's good. Why, then, won't we use the one internal organ of communication we have, the "BLASTOFF!", to help each other by "communicating" our likes and wishes for the club. Unless it becomes a forum for the membership as well as a newsgatherer and reporter, is its purpose ever being adequately utilized? 'Nuff said. I want to thank all those who have assisted me as Editor by submitting material and ideas - couldn't have done it without you! In particular I would like to thank Gene Lindquist for his regular help and assistance and Bill Webb for his advice and encouragement. Finally, don't forget to help the new Editor. Believe me - he'll need it! See you soon."



New rules for membership, attendance

Since 1 January, 1984, three important rule changes have gone into effect:

- Your club may now elect members from anywhere within your city's corporate limits, regardless of your club's territorial limits. Your club may also elect members who live or work within the territorial limits of any immediately adjoining club or clubs;
- To accommodate earlier retirement patterns, qualifications for past service members have been reduced to three years' membership (previously it was five);
- Each member must be present for at least 60 percent of a club's regular meeting; otherwise he should be counted as absent.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, HAPPY BIRTHDAY, HAPPY BIRTH-
DAY TO...

LET'S WISH A GREAT HAPPY BIRTHDAY GREETING
TO THE FOLLOWING ROTARIANS:

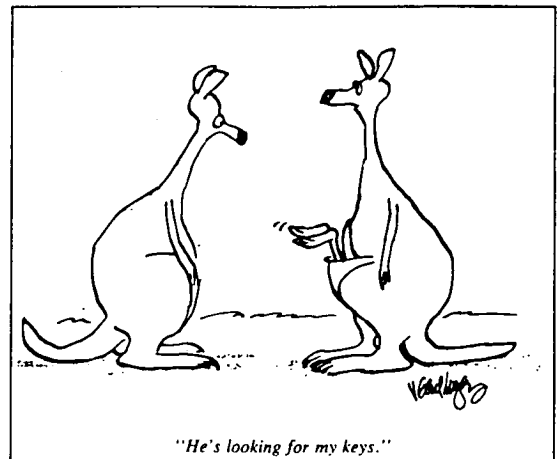
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| LLOYD GARLAND | MARCH 2ND |
| WAYNE YOUNG | MARCH 5TH |
| JOHN GERMAIN | MARCH 8TH |
| JOHN FRANCIS | MARCH 12TH |



FOR YOUR INFORMATION...JOHN GAY, who has practiced General Law and been a member of Rotary since 1969 was certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Family Law on January 21, 1984, in Austin. JOHN now limits his practice to divorce, custody and adoption matters... The new business address for JIM FITCH is Tom Gray Datsun, 10405 Katy Freeway, Houston 77024, Ph: 467-5463. JIM can be reached there odd hours of the day or night after march 5th...

VITAL STATISTICS...As this issue goes to press, there are 20,427 Rotary clubs with a membership of 931,500 in 158 countries and geographical regions. Also, there are 4,305 Rotaract clubs with a membership of 86,100 in 90 countries, and 4,325 Interact clubs with a membership of 95,150 in 79 countries. New Paul Harris Fellows since 1 July 1983: 6,683. Total of Paul Harris Fellows: 98,062. (Reproduced from the March, 1984, Rotarian Magazine)

ANECDOTE...President Roosevelt got tired of smiling that big smile and saying the usual things at all those White House Receptions. So one evening he decided to find out if anyone was paying attention to what he was saying. As each person came up to him with extended hand, he flashed that big smile and said, "I murdered my grandmother this morning." People would respond automatically with such comments as "How lovely!" or "Just continue with your great work." Nobody listened to what he was saying - except one foreign diplomat. When the president said, "I murdered my grandmother this morning," the diplomat responded softly, "I'm sure she had it coming to her." (Reprinted from "The Log," Houston Rotary Club)



An error becomes a mistake only when you refuse to correct it.
The person who never does any more than he gets paid for, never gets paid for any more than he does.
The best place to find a helping hand is at the end of your arm.
The surest way to go broke is to sit around waiting for a break.
Too many salesmen know how to say nothing; too few know when.
A man is not paid for having brains but for using them.
Beware of the man who talks of what he did instead of what he's doing.

*My husband will never chase another woman. He's too fine,
too decent, too old.*
- Gracie Allen