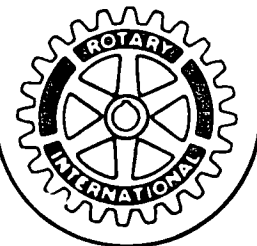


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News Bulletin for the  
Space Center Rotary Club

Meets every Monday at 11:45 a.m.  
Holiday Inn, Nassau Bay

DISTRICT 589



Rotary International President, M.A.T. Caparas  
District 589 Governor, Walter Lackey  
Club President, Jim Hargrove  
Editor, Tom Wier

**"Rotary brings hope"**

## PROGRAMS

**Don Kirk, Chairman**

**DECEMBER 8, 1986**

- DEC 8 **Ray Miller: "Ray Miller's Texas"**  
DEC 15 **Gifford Nielsen, Sports Director, KHOU-TV Channel 11**  
DEC 22 **Fellowship, Snacks and Wine (\$5 at the door)**  
DEC 29 **Fellowship, Snacks and Wine (\$5 " " " )**  
Our attendance record includes these meetings

## PROGRAM NOTES

**by John Francis**

MEETING OF NOVEMBER 17: The meeting program was presented by our Harris County Attorney, Mike Driscoll. Mike is a former member of the Space Center Rotary Club and County Judge in this area. He provided some marvelous insight into some of the career aspects of public service in the legal sector. His early days with Judge West were especially entertaining. From there he went on to explain some of the avenues available to the county attorney to make our society a better place to live. He also discussed some of the rewarding opportunities that have come to him in his role as a public servant, including some important civil rights cases. He encouraged us to bring any of our problems with the county to him.

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## COMING EVENTS

**12/13 SHRIMPOREE DONOR APPRECIATION BREAKFAST--**  
8:00 AM to 10:00 AM at Simple Simon in Deauville Mall, 19901 Gulf Freeway. Free pancake breakfast for those fine merchants who supported us with gifts for auction. Tell those whom you solicited.

**12/13 OUR CHRISTMAS PARTY, 7:30 PM to 12 Midnight, at South Shore Harbor Country Club. Semi-Formal. Midnight Breakfast Buffet. Cash Bar. Mac Hayes and Band. \$22 each/\$44 per couple.**

**2/19/87 Interclub Visit to Mexico City's Aeropuerto Club!**  
The Space Center group leaves Intercontinental Airport Thursday morning 2/19 at 8 AM. We return Sunday. \$299 per person (double occupancy) includes airfare, ground transportation, hotel, portage, and certain taxes (see the printed sheet to be distributed at today's meeting). We will stay at the Sheraton Maria Isabel, no less! (Continued on back page)

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## GREETERS

**Jim McDonald, Chairman**

### Primary

### Backup

- |                                     |                               |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 12/8 Will Owen/Bill Bennett         | Bob Mitchell/Ron Niksich      |
| 12/15 Jim Shows/Jerry Smith         | Will Owen/Bill Bennett        |
| 12/22 Carlos Villagomez/Bill Walker | Jim Shows/Jerry Smith         |
| 12/29 Johnnie White/Charlie Whynot  | Carlos Villagomez/Bill Walker |
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Fellow Rotarians

Spruce up our 22nd and 29th Fellowship Meetings

BRING YOUR WIFE

## SPEAKERS (Cont'd. from page 1)

MEETING OF NOVEMBER 24: Rotarian Al Ligrani introduced the club to Dr. Paulo Ferreira, a radiotherapy specialist from Brazil. Dr. Ferreira's program to us was a review of his activities and observations as a Rotary Foundation scholar. He is studying at M. D. Anderson Hospital in his specialty so that he may carry the latest methods of cancer treatment back to his native country. The character and quality of young people that are aided by the Rotary Foundation continues to be more impressive with each participant that we meet.

MEETING OF DECEMBER 1: Past District Governor Paul Jury and Past President Bill Webb were a dynamic duo on this Monday's program. They were discussing the merits and activities of the Rotary Foundation. The program was introduced by Past District Governor Floyd Boze. With this much brass at the head table, you can be sure that the allotted time was used in full. Governor Paul gave us a very inspiring preview of Rotary on the international scene for the next twenty years. He discussed the Polio Plus program in some depth and explained how we are going to work to eradicate polio and five other childhood diseases from the earth by the year 2005. That means providing vaccines for diseases that are killing 4 million children a year around the globe. Bill Webb provided some facts and figures from Rotary International's annual report to support Paul's feeling that we are entering into a new cycle of service in Rotary. He pointed out that programs like the Rotary Foundation are now supported by 1,000,000 men around the globe. That potential for service is almost overwhelming. (More on this later. Our own club past prexy, Bob Wren is Polio Plus Area Coordinator for District 589 Zone III.)



From the Governor's Newsletter:

### LOOK AT IT THIS WAY

"A Paul Harris Fellow Award is one of the highest honors that can come to a Rotarian, but we must recognize wherein the honor truly lies. It does not come to the recipient because someone pinned a blue ribbon on his coat, but because someone cared enough about the work the Foundation is doing to give \$1000 so the work might be continued.

"If someone pays for his own Paul Harris Award he has not bought a medal to pin on himself; he is receiving recognition for a gift sufficient to inoculate 10,000 children in India against Red Measles--- a gift which might save 100 lives.--- Have you given lately?"

## NEW OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

At the December 1st meeting, your ballots elected the following officers for a one-year term and directors for a three-year term, all starting July 1, 1987.

President-Elect

Billy Weseman

Secretary

John Watson

Treasurer

Charles Hardwick

Sergeant-at-Arms

Billy R. Smith

Directors

Clay Fulcher

Jack Lister

Tom Wier

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In other actions, Ralph Schimmel resigned from the Board because of the impracticability of the long drive from his home on the west side of Houston to the early morning board meetings.-- That opening will be filled by the board by appointment.

Ron Hopping resigned as chairman of the Youth Committee because of the increased time requirements of his practice. But neither Ron nor Ralph has resigned from the club. Please understand that !

Al Pack, however, has resigned from the club. Logan Haycraft, transferred by Boeing to Huntsville, Ala., has been placed on leave of absence. We will need you back, Logan.

## NEW MEMBER (OR, "JOHN ZOTS HIS BLUE DOT")

November 17 saw the induction of new member Dr. Michael K. McKinney, sponsored by John Francis. Mike's classification is "Physician-Gastroenterology". Born in Charlotte NC, Mike studied "for years" at the University of Oklahoma, first receiving his BS in Mechanical Engineering, then his MD degree. He did his Residency in Internal Medicine and Fellowship in Gastroenterology during 7 years in the Air Force, followed by a tour as Asst. Professor at UT Medical Branch in Galveston. He is now in private practice at 2060 Space Park Dr. #410 in Nassau Bay, phone 333-1030. Mike lives with his wife Nancy, who is a Marriage and Family Therapist, at 1402 San Sebastian in Nassau Bay. Their home phone is 335-1352. WELCOME, MIKE!



Tim Rainey and his committee have put together a great Christmas party for our club Saturday December 13. That is also the date (in the morning) of our tribute to area merchants who contributed to our auction.


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## SPEAKER PHOTOS (See pages 1 and 2 for reports)

Harris County Attorney Mike Driscoll in the top photo and Dr. Paulo Ferreira in the second photo addressed the club on November 17 and 24, respectively.



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**"WAY DOWN YONDER IN NEW ORLEANS"**  
April 30, May 1 & 2, 1987  
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## NOVEMBER'S \$50 CONTRIBUTORS

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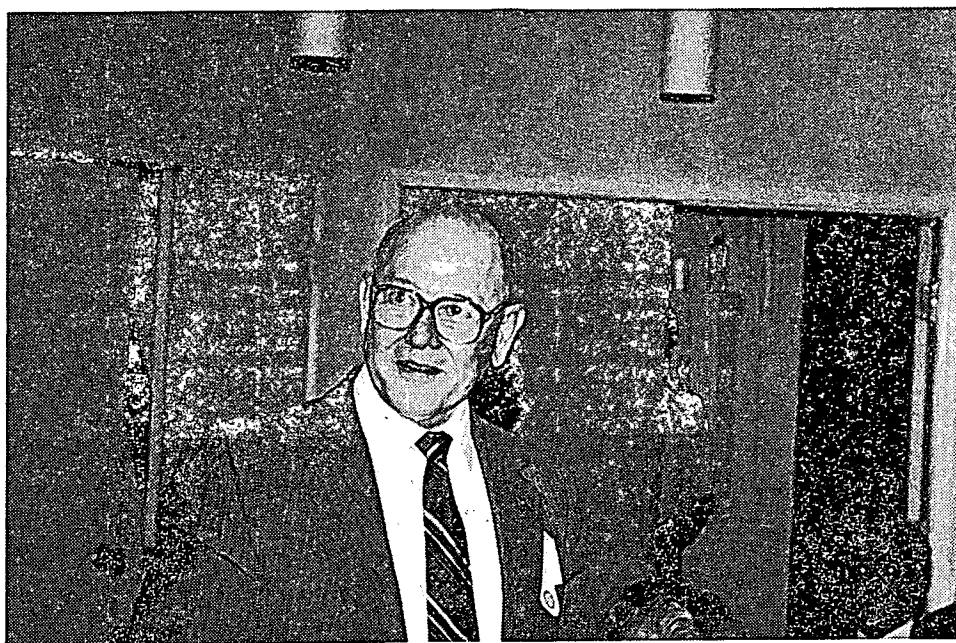


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## THE ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE

Dave King and his Attendance committee are trying to keep the matter of attendance and makeups present in our minds. Here County Attorney Mike Driscoll, the speaker of the day on Nov. 17, draws a name to see whether it is that of someone with perfect attendance for the previous month. If so, it's mucho bucks-- and for such little effort, fellas. Next time you are tempted to miss or to not make up, think of how much your friend, Friendly Dave, is working to keep attendance up! ---- Gene Lindquist arranged for Mike Driscoll to be the speaker and introduced him.



## DISTINGUISHED VISITOR

Roy Long, District Governor Nominee for 1988-89, a member of the Houston Heights Club, visited us on November 17. It was Roy's efforts that led to Houston Heights becoming the first club in District 589 to attain the level of 100% Paul Harris Fellows or Sustaining Members. ----When are WE going to do it, fellas?

## **ROTARY WIVES**

With all the other activities of the holiday season, the group has decided to take a breather during December on their usual monthly luncheon meetings.

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

<b>BILL BENNETT</b>	<b>12/7</b>
<b>TERRY HESSON</b>	<b>12/8</b>
<b>DON ROBISON</b>	<b>12/10</b>
<b>CHARLES WHYNOT</b>	<b>12/11</b>
<b>DAVE FRANZ</b>	<b>12/12</b>
<b>BILLY BURT</b>	<b>12/13</b>
<b>RAY PAWLIKOWSKI</b>	<b>12/13</b>
<b>JOHN McCARRON</b>	<b>12/15</b>
<b>ROY ILES</b>	<b>12/17</b>

## FOR YOUR INFO.---

The nominating committee for officers and directors was this seasoned group:

Bob Wren, Chairman  
Jim McNatt  
Charles Hartman  
Al Jowid  
Bill Webb  
Jim Wyatt  
Don Kirk  
Al Ligrani  
Hal Neely

## **Golf ••• ○**

This group continues its merry ways. More cash and golf ball awards were announced as a result of the turnout of 28 participants (can that be right?) for the November tournament. MORE LATER !

## THE FINAL, LAST, IRON-CLAD WORD

### **TOTAL SHRIMPOREE RESULTS**

**Gross Income** **\$43,641.95**  
**Gross Expense** **(19,049.61)**  
**Net Distributable Income** **\$24,592.34**

Profit for 1986 was 56.4% of Gross Income, up from 55.4% in 1985.

Ticket Sales -----off 18% from 1985

Auction Sales-----off 17% " "

Beverage Sales-----off 14% " "

Desserts Sales-----off 22% " "

Publicity -----cost 20% less than 1985

Beverages -----cost 29% " " "

Shrimp Cooking -----cost 83% " " "

No Insurance, no Run cost, no Fish Fryer Expense.

All expense reductions totalled \$6,634.39 !

These expense reductions saved the day.

NET DISTRIBUTABLE INCOME WAS GREATER THAN  
ANY YEAR EXCEPT 1984 AND 1985 (and only  
16% down vs 1985.)



## **A BIG HAND FOR ALL, PLEASE**

**HESSON**

## **COMING EVENTS (cont'd.)**

(continued from page 1) There are special events you should look about. There is also a special side trip available as an extra.

**3/12/87** Aerospace Award Dinner, sponsored by Space Center Rotary through one of its Foundations. Hyatt Regency. \$200/plate. MORE LATER !

**4/30-5/2/87** DISTRICT CONFERENCE New Orleans (See special flier).

**5/15/87** (Friday night). Our Reverse Draw Night. Details to be announced.

**6/7-10/87** Rotary Intl. Conv. Munich with additional tour by Space center club.

## **SPACE CENTER ROTARY**



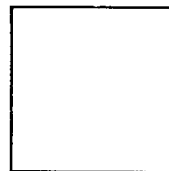
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President Elect	Jim McNatt
Secretary	Billy Weseman
Treasurer	John Watson
Sergeant-at-Arms	Charles Hardwick
Past President	Bob Wren
Ex-Officio, PDG	Floyd Boze

### **Directors**

Terry Hesson	Billy Smith
Don Robison	Ralph Schimmel
Lamar Bowles	Jack Lister
Joe Shirley	John Francis
Jim Kennedy	



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