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News Bulletin for the Space Center Rotary Club

Meets every Monday at 11:45 a.m. Nassau Bay Hilton

DISTRICT 589

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Rotarians'

AUGUST 10, 1987

WE GOT OUR PIANO

Thanks

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THE PAINLESS WAY

to participation in the Nassau Bay Hilton Hotel's program of sharing the revenue from their Band on the Lake event, and the leadership of Gen. Hal Neely and Randy Hopkins, we now have a piano for our meetings. Hotel manager (and club member) Jim Kennedy deserves our

Other Rotarians who gave of their time that Sunday were Ron

Niksich, Bill Geissler, Jim

McNatt, Jack Catron, Carlos

Villagomez, Vince Lipovsky, Al

Holquin, Jerry Jones, Larry

Rowe, Charles Hartman, Dave

King, Jon Hall, Ray Aro, A B

Olsen, Alan Wylie, and David

Villagomez, Dick Novotny, Pam

Culpepper, Joe Hall, and Peter

Rotary who helped:

Then there were friends of

Rachael

#### Rotary International President, Chuck Keller District 589 Governor, Al Busse Club President, Jim McNatt Editor, Tom Wier

## **PROGRAMS**

Jack Catron, Chairman

#### Responsibility for August: Jack Catron

1	AUG 10	Dave King (Our very own!)
		Rotary Information You Need to Know
	AUG 17	Claudette Alderman, Executive Director
		Clear Lake Area Chamber of Commerce
- 1	AUG 24	Steve Sandstedt, President, Clear Lake Economic
		Development Council
-	AU0 31	"Mac" (SaveYouMoney) McIngvale
		"Only in America"
;	SEP 7	LABOR DAY. Federal holiday. No meeting.

#### **PROGRAM NOTES**

**Jack Catron** 

MEETING OF JULY 27: Our speaker was FBI Supervisory Special Agent James E. King, a graduate of City University of New York who received his Juris Doctorate from St. John's University in Brooklyn. Jack Catron introduced Jim King and produced a piece of evidence that Jim King confiscated in a raid on Telephone Road (pun!) Special Agent King gave a historical background on the FBI and addressed the problem the Bureau has had with the Freedom of Information Act. The major problem is the request by criminals on information about themselves and their comrades. He also addressed the "white collar" crime that has been happening in Houston in the banking and savings and loan business. (Cont'd. on P. 2)

#### **GREETERS**

Officer/Director

#### Fellowship Committee 8/10 Johnny White/Bill Geissler

1/17 Jerry Jones/Ralph Karraker

6/24 Jim Shows/Bill Weaver 8/31 Carl Bechtel/ Bill Bennett **Billy Smith** 

Dave King **Jack Lister** John Francis

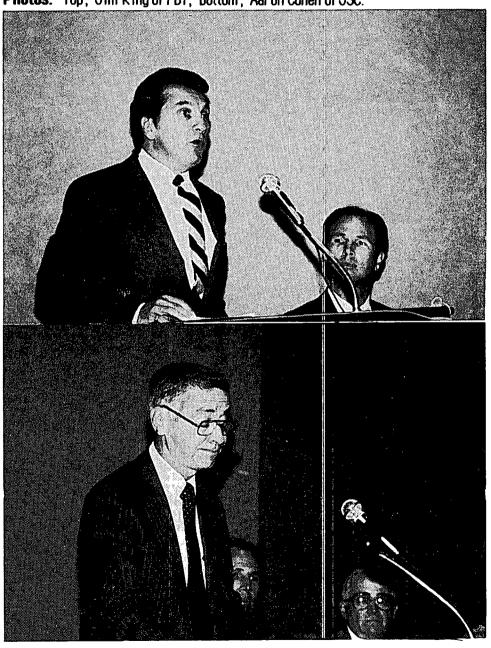
\*TICKLE **LET'S** THOSE IVORIES" AND LET THE 600D TIMES ROLL!

Jim McDonald, Chairman

## PROGRAM NOTES (Continued from p. 1.)

MEETING OF AUG. 3: Aaron Cohen, Director of Johnson Space Center, was introduced by Jack Lister, who has introduced the last three directors at Space Center Rotary. Cohen's first statement was: "...We have not succeeded until we fly again." An advanced solid rocket R and D program was announced and some study contracts have been issued by NASA for a study on a new orbiter. Space station was addressed as well as the Crew Evacuation Vehicle, which is still on the drawing board. Cohen spoke of advanced programs such as Mars exploration, etc. and how Sally Ride would be working with Washington on this program. Cohen expressed strong optimism for the future of JSC and said key figures in Washington, including the Texas delegation, were providing backing for JSC.

Photos: Top, Jim King of FBI; bottom, Aaron Cohen of JSC.



## BRAZOSPORT SHRIMP BOIL/ FISH FRY/ AUCTION

Saturday, August 22

The Brazosport Rotary Club's outstanding event could be fun for you, too! Let's support them.

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

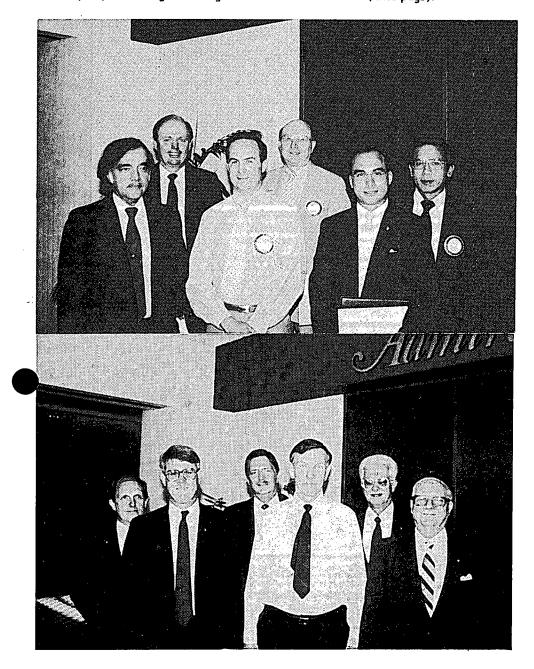
J. W. (Bill) Lowes III. Bill. sponsored by fellow attorney Billy Smith, now is classified as "Attorney-Real Estate". He is the attorney/owner of the Law Office of J. W. Lowes III PC located at 1300 Hercules Houston 77058, phone 486-4550. Bill has a BS from Texas A&M and a JD from the University of Houston Bates Law School. Take note that he is a native Houstonian. Bill and his wife Sharon and 2-year old dauahter live at 16657 Bentwood. Houston 77058. phone 486-5054.

Ernest Micelli. Ernie is the general manager of South Shore Harbor Country Club and fills the classification "Golf Course-Manager". His sponsor is Joe Hang. A native of Chicago, Ernie majored in Restaurant and Hotel Management at William Rainey Harper College in Palatine III. He and his wife Deborah and 5-month old son live at 2410 Laura Ln, Pearland 77581, phone 485-0251.

Mrural Bhagat. Mike Porterfield sponsored him for the classification "Petroleum Inspection Service". Mrural (that's hard to pronounce until you practice it) is the owner and president of two companies: Technical Welding Laboratory Inc and Edwards Pipeline Testing Inc., both located at 2815 Lilac. Pasadena 77503. 487-8479. His education included a BS (Civil Engla and Business Admin.). He was a member of Rotary in Bombay from 1970-76. He and his wife Irene live at 15719 Laurelfield Dr.. Houston 77059. 480-9480. They have 4 grown children

## **NEW MEMBERS** --welcome them!

TOP PHOTO: (L to R) Mrural Bhagat, Bill Lowes, Mike Porterfield, Billy Smith, Ernest Micelli, and Joe Hang. SEE COLUMN AT LEFT (opposite page).
BOTTOM PHOTO: (L'to R) Charles Post, Harvill Weller, Bill Geissler, J. T. Edge, Jim Wyatt, and George Fleming. SEE COLUMN AT RIGHT (this page).



#### Personal:

Summer has brought out weddings. Bob Driver and Betty Lemoine were married at the Remington Hotel May 25 with Bill Rittenhouse performing the ceremony. They honeymooned in New Orleans.

Or. Joe Shirley and Sandra K. Lamont will exchange wedding vows August 15, with the wedding taking place in the Gazebo at Deep Hole Park in Clear Lake Shores at 6:30 P.M. Their new home is 315 Clear Lake Rd in CLS.

After 40 years with NASA and its predecessors, Jerry Hammack has retired. 600D JOB, JERRY.

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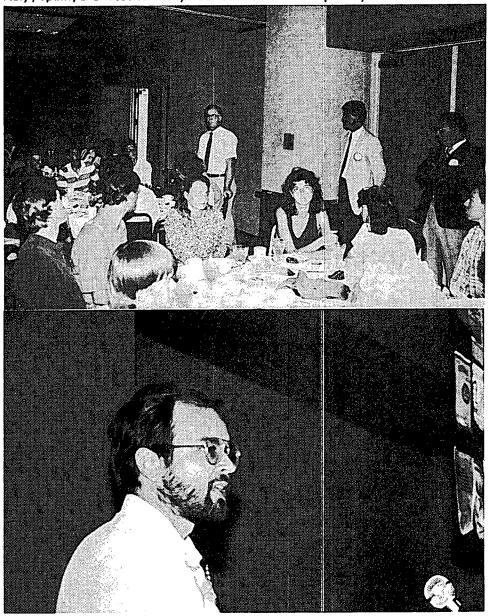
Harvill Weller was sponsored for membership in classification "Attornev-Civil Trial" by Charles Post. Harvill is a partner in the firm Krist. Gunn, Weller, Neumann and Morrison at 17050 El Camino Real, Houston 77058, 488-2513. He is a native of Vicksburg, Miss and earned a BA the from University Mississippi as well as a JD from the University of Texas School of Law. He and wife Nancy and 2 children live at 311 Lakeshore Dr. in Seabrook 77586, home phone 326-2751.

J. T. Edge. Bill Geissler sponsored J. T. (that's his full name) in the classification "Aerospace-Manual Support Systems" J.T. is a Sr Engineer at NASA JSC, where you can reach him at 483-8281. received a BSEE from the University of Houston. J. T. is a native of Dickinson who now lives at 1516 Bay Area Blvd #24, Houston 77058, phone 480-2486. He has two grown sons, and some grandchildren but is "otherwise single".

George Fleming. Sporting a past president's pin from another Rotary club, George was made a Senior Active member of our club under the sponsorship of Jim Wyatt. George certainly deserves the Senior ACTIVE label because, if my figures are right. he has been a member of Rotary for 35 years. A native of Kingman AZ, he is now retired from his position as president /CEO San Jacinto Methodist Hospital. He attended Arizona State and the University of Houston, receiving a Doctorate in Educational Administration. He and wife Elaine live at 18140 Bal Harbour, Houston 77058. phone 333-3568. They have two grown sons.

#### INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DISITORS

On July 27, we had a large contingent of young people from several countries, Italy, Spain, and West Germany. Our committee was kept busy!



## YISITING ROTARIAN AND GUEST INTRODUCTIONS-

form an interesting part of each meeting. Jim Maas did the honors on 7/27.

#### **DESPITE BOMBECK--**

Space Center Rotary expects to be processing proposals for women members with the intent that ALL proposals (men or women) must fulfill the same membership requirements——members must be of good character and reputation and must hold some professional, proprietary, executive or managerial position in their business of profession, which (among other things) will enable them to meet the attendance requirements and, in order to qualify, there must be an open classification. —— Membership will continue to be by invitation with the intention of continuing to have within our club a cross section of the business, organizational and professional leadership of the community who believe and practice Rotary's motto, "Service Above Self".

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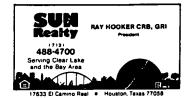
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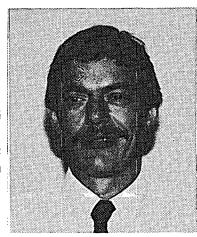
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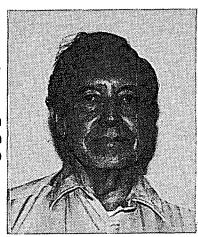
## **TELLING TALES MEMBER PROFILES**

Researched by Dr. Mike McKinney

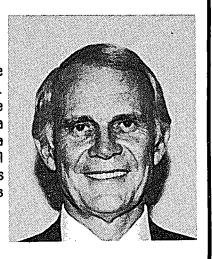
Alton Ainslie. Alton has been in the club for four years and is on the Environment Committee. He and his brother run an architectural firm located on NASA 1. One of his recent accomplishments is the Grumman building. He has 3 children and is active in coaching soccer for the NASA area Youth League.



Bill Bennett. Bill has been in our club since 1977. He is on the Safety Committee, is one of our eeters, and has been in charge of the coleslaw for the Shrimporee for many years. He has been a locksmith for over 30 years and is located in Seabrook. He has one daughter, and enjoys trips to Padre Island and Vail.



Brian Cannon. Brian has been in Rotary since 1976, and is on the International Service Committee. He has been the Senior Pastor at the Clear Lake Presbyterian Church for the last 11 years. At a prior Rotary Club in Pennsylvania, he established a Sister City Club in Nicaragua, and was instrumental in a large scale vaccination program. published several books on lay theology and enjoys jogging and sailing.



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## JIM KENNEDY PRESENTS THE CHECK TO PRES. McNATT

(Story page 1)



<u>FIRST CHILD FOR SURGERY-</u> Will arrive this week as a result of cooperation with the Aeropuerto club in Mexico City. Housing for the family has been arranged with the help of Father Louie. This event initiates our joint program with St. John Hospital.

<u>WOMEN OF SPACE CENTER ROTARY</u>— Made about \$1000 on the Shaw Festival play July 31. They will soon be selecting the charitable cause that they will support with those funds. 600D JOB, LADIES. Joan Golden beautifully took care of the wine, cheese and decorations.

#### SPACE CENTER ROTARY



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8/12 8/12 8/18 8/21

#### SHRIMPOREE--

Can you believe that it is under six weeks until our Shrimporee! Terry Hesson is working with the committee chairmen now to get plans firmed. This is the one event that ALL MEMBERS are expected to work at. Don Kirk, as Auction Chairman, stresses the need to solicit auctionable items. Everyone who does not volunteer will be assigned some contacts to make, as usual.

Golf \*\*\* O

Floyd Boze and Roger Headrick were the winners of their respective flights in the Fellowship on July 30 at Golfcrest. While Ray Hooker had the longest drive on #4, Floyd Boze had the longest drive on #10 and was closest to the hole on #5. JOIN THE FUN by playing in the tournament to be held in connection with the Shrimporee. Details later.



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