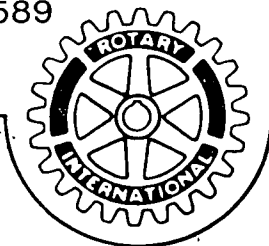


SPACE CENTER ROTARY CLUB BLASTOFF

The Space Center Rotary Club
meets on Mondays, 11:45 a.m.
at the Nassau Bay Hilton

Rotary International District 589



Rotary International President, Hugh Archer
District 589 Governor, Sonny Nichols
Club President, John Watson
Editor, John Brown

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July 31, 1989

SPACE CENTER ROTARY EVENTS

Mon., July 31, 1:00 p.m. at the Hilton.
Deadline for submission of written articles
for the Blastoff covering August 8-21.

Tues., Aug. 1

*7:00 a.m. at the Hilton - Board of Directors
(all members welcome)
*8:00 a.m. at the Hilton - Red Badge meeting

Mon., Aug. 7

Noon at the Hilton. Program: Shrimporee
Recipients

Mon., Aug. 14, at the Hilton.

*10:00 a.m. - Committee Reports
*10:30 a.m. - Coffee in honor of Ann Nichols
(Chart Room)
*Noon - Program: District Governor Sonny
Nichols

Mon., Aug. 14, 1:00 p.m. at the Hilton.
Deadline for submission of written articles
for the Blastoff covering August 22-Sep-
tember 11.

Tues., Aug. 15

*7:00 a.m. at the Hilton - Board of Directors
(all members welcome)
*8:00 a.m. at the Hilton - Red Badge meeting

Thurs., Aug. 17, 11:30 a.m. at the Hilton.
Space Center Women of Rotary luncheon.
Jim Larrabee of Armond Bayou Nature
Center will speak on early life in the area.

Mon., Aug. 28. Noon at the Hilton. Pro-
gram: Marion Hambricht on Drug Enforce-
ment.

Mon., Sept. 4. No meeting. Labor Day.

Thurs., Sept. 7. Rotary Night at the Astros.
(See story on back page.)

Mon., Sept. 11. Noon at the Hilton. Pro-
gram: Constable Bill Bailey.

Mon., Sept. 18. Shrimporee Golf Tourna-
ment (Bill Predmore)

Sat., Sept. 23. Shrimporee Fun Run (Eddie
Harris)

Sat., Sept. 23. Shrimporee. All day at the
Clear Lake Park Pavilion. Every member is

expected to be there to help. Tell Chairman
Dave Cordell how you can help. Do your
part in selling tickets and soliciting auction
items. This is the main way we get the
money to support community causes!

Nov. 10-12 in New Braunfels. Annual couples
trip to the Wurstfest, accommodations at
Camp Warnecke. Call Bill Lowes at 486-
4550 ASAP to make reservations for you
and your spouse.



1989-90 President John Watson (right) pins the Ex-President pin on Outgoing Prez Billy
Weseman. It's the dedication and leadership of folks like John and Billy that make our club
great.

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At the June 22 golf outing at Friendswood C.C. two teams tied for "low net" with scores of 66 - Bailey Chaney/Floyd Boze and David Owen/Billy Weseman. Weseman, Chaney and Al Ligrani tied for "closest to pin."

Community Hunger Committee

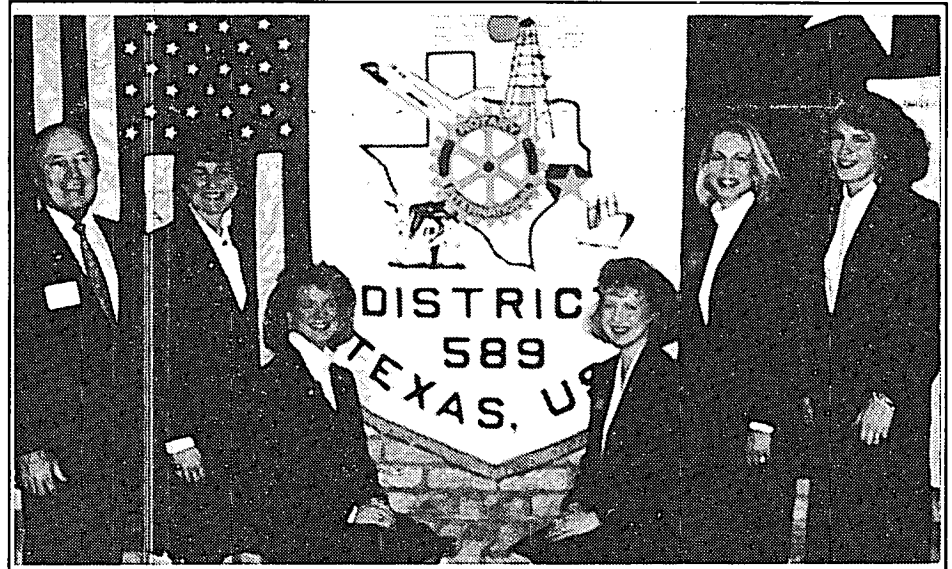
Once a month, during our regular meetings, Space Center Rotarians have been asked to donate money to Interfaith Caring Ministries (ICM) to be used to feed and help the hungry and needy in the Bay Area. Last year Space Center Rotarians donated about

\$3000 to ICM. One Rotarian donated \$100 per month.

The ICM food pantry is located in a building adjacent to Saint Christopher's Church in League City. If you want a real spiritual lift visit ICM and see the many thankful needy families with small children who are given food and basic support.

When the baskets are next put on the tables and you are asked to give, please think of the hungry and needy and give a few dollars that others, especially hungry children, may eat.

For more information contact chairperson Delia Stephens 480-0978 or Victor Maria 474-7914.



Lisa Ehrler (third from the right, above) is pictured with our Rotary Group Study Exchange Team that went to Australia. Lisa gave an enthusiastic talk and slide show on her tour in the land of the mates, the jackaroos and the swagmen.



Shirley Dillon, Dorothy Frost and Mary Olsen gang up to sell a ticket to Anne Webb (President of Space Center Women of Rotary) to the July 29th performance of "Misalliance" - Rotary Night at the Shaw Festival at UHCL.

The International Youth Committee of Space Center Rotary hosted a district-wide gathering of the Summer Exchange Students, on July 8 for a potluck get-together. Host families and youth exchange students from all over District 589 gathered at Banana Bend in Cosby, Texas for a good old-fashioned potluck picnic. The enthusiasm of the students in having this opportunity to come together was intensely felt. Some had been here for only a few days while others were coming to the end of their stay here in the United States. But all were taking back experiences that will profoundly change their lives.



(Left) Karen Birchenough with Sandy Griffin's help really hustled to keep up with the hungry crowd. (Right) District Governor Sonny Nichols congratulates David Taylor. Through David's efforts there were six students visiting this summer from Hungary. A first time in Rotary ever!

Joe and Cheng Hang helped to start the new Rotary year off by hosting a potluck dinner for the 1989-90 directors and committee chairmen. The beautiful setting around their pool set the mood for a relaxed evening with friends. We were privileged to have join us as our special guests District Governor Sonny and Ann Nichols. Don and Beverly Kyle helped to orchestrate the event and led the cleanup detail.



Tom Wier, Jerry and Nancy Smith, and Vic Maria enjoyed the poolside fellowship at the Hangs' during the recent dinner for new directors and committee chairmen.

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Johnny White, 8-8
Sam Marullo, 8-12
Allen Wilkenfeld, 8-14
Jerry Clark, 8-15
Richard Veth, 8-17
Edward Richards, 8-17
Al Figrani, 8-21
John Rizzo, 8-23
Steve Waldner, 8-26
Jay Welch, 8-28
Don Kyle, 8-29
Winnette Wimberly, 8-31

Shrimporee: Do or Die

Dave Cordell challenges every member of this club to:

1. Sell 25 Shrimporee tickets
 2. Serve on a Shrimporee committee
 3. Get an item donated to the auction (see Jerry Smith)
 4. Be there on September 23.
- Meals on Wheels is the prime beneficiary. We need your help to make this Shrimporee the best one yet.

Pete Zamora (486-1400), new chairman of the exchange with our brother "Aeropuerto" club in Mexico City, is looking for members willing to host members of that club who will be visiting us in April 1990. Dixie Robison (332-9655) has a contact for anyone interested in Spanish lessons.

Rotary Night at the Astros

On Thursday night, September 7, 3000 Rotarians and their friends will gather at the Astrodome. Our club has committed to buy and/or sell 500 tickets at \$10 each. Each person in attendance gets an Astros cap. \$3 of the \$10 goes to our club's charity budget. Bus transportation will be available. See Bill Lowes for details.

Membership Development

The key to new members is the current member. Every Rotarian in our club owes a debt to the person who proposed him or her. A fine way to discharge this obligation is to propose, in turn, a new member. Act now, and share Rotary with another qualified man or woman.

New Pricing for Lunches

In accordance with the majority vote of our members and the unanimous vote of our Board, the price of the standard buffet remains at \$8.25. Everyone not buying the standard buffet will be charged \$6.50 (whether they eat or not) and are entitled to the soup and salad bar. Members have already paid \$1 of the luncheon cost in their dues and would thus be charged \$7.25 or \$5.50. Eddie Harris is chairing a committee to monitor this situation - so channel your your comments and suggestions to Eddie.

Community Service

Please God, help us to help the needy that they may help themselves.

Think how restricted you and your family would be if you did not have access to an automobile. How would you get to work, school, church, the doctor or the grocery store?

Interfaith Caring Ministries and churches are often asked to supply transportation to a needy family to enable the family to become self-sufficient. There are many needy families in the Bay Area who could become self-sufficient if they had a vehicle.

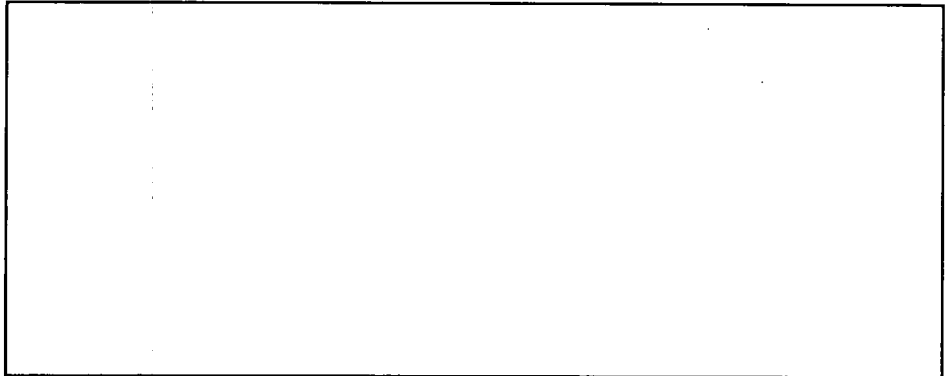
An automobile needing engine repair has been donated to ICM.

Urgently Needed: Someone who can diagnose the problem(s) with an automobile and tell or help others in correcting these problems. ICM will then give these vehicles to needy Bay Area families.

IF WE GET VOLUNTEERS AND A STEADY SUPPLY OF VEHICLES WE CAN MAKE THIS AN ONGOING PROJECT. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A MECHANIC TO HELP.

Please contact Victor G. Maria 474-7914, Jim McDonald 333-2528 or Lars Persson 333-9645.

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The above photo would have been a fantastic addition to this Blastoff but it was not taken because not one single Rotarian has responded to the call for 2 more volunteers to help with photo coverage. Don Carico has volunteered to cover 2 meetings a month. In such a large club, surely there are 2 more Rotarians who will step forward.



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