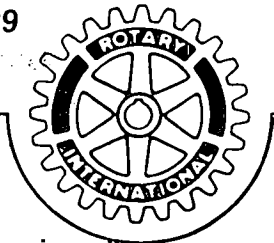


# SPACE CENTER ROTARY CLUB BLASTOFF

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

*Rotary International District 589*



*Rotary International President, Paul V.C. Costa  
District 589 Governor, Tyler Baker  
Club President, Billy R. Smith*

**"Put life into Rotary - your life"**

**"Honor Rotary with Faith and Enthusiasm"**

December 3, 1990



## COMING EVENTS

**Dec. 8** Al Jowid Memorial HeartWalk  
**Dec. 17** Holiday Fellowship

**Dec. 24 & 31** NO MEETING

**Jan. 14** Second club assembly

**Feb. 28** Fifth Annual RNASA Banquet  
Hyatt Regency

**Apr. 18-20** District Conference -  
Galveston, San Luis Hotel

**June 1-5** Rotary International Conven-  
tion - Mexico City

## YULETIDE HOPE

Vic Maria and Donnie Johnson visited HOPE VILLAGE (a facility for the mentally retarded) recently. Vic has done many wonderful things on his own for these fine people and truly exemplifying "service above self" and the real meaning of Rotary.

The women's facility was in need of a new toilet. Vic not only took it upon himself to procure the toilet, he also installed it for them (hook'em horns seat and all.)

Making ceramics is one of the favorite pastimes of the residents of HOPE VILLAGE. Their 'works of art' will be on display and available for sale before and after our Monday meetings during the month of December. All items are very reasonably priced (most at \$5 and \$10). We encourage you all to support this fine cause.

## DEC. BIRTHDAYS

Alfred Boyd	12/07
William Dusenbury	12/01
David Franz	12/12
Dick Gregg	12/19
James Harlan	12/29
Terry Hesson	12/08
Raymond Pawlikowski	12/13
Charles Whynot	12/11

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*Carlos Villagomez & Charles Hartman introduce to the club their newest beneficiary of Dr. Fustok miraculous surgery.*

## MEMBERSHIP SURVEY RESULTS

143 Responses (70% Membership)

94.5% Thought survey good idea

93.7% Were satisfied

Should we sponsor a new Rotary  
club within this community?

Objective view: 57.5% NO

Subjective view: 59.8% NO

Would members support sponsor-  
ship anyway? 86.6% YES

Should club become more involved  
in "hands on" projects?

25% YES

1.6% NO

42.5% BOTH

26% AS IS

Most repeated suggested changes:

- o More fellowship opportuni-  
ties

- o Keep meetings within the  
scheduled time & allow  
adequate time for speaker.
- o Get more members involved  
in activities of the club.
- o Adhere to classification rules  
in admitting new members.

## GOLF RESULTS

Results of the Space Center Club  
Golf Outing held 11/15/90 at Bay  
Forest Golf Club.

1st Low Net (Tie):

Vic Maria	65
Pete Gist	65

3rd Low Net:

Nelson Lemon	67
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Closest to Pin:

Dennis Dillon
Bill Predmore

Longest Drive:

Bill Predmore
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As a result of this November outing,  
Vic Maria's 65 Net won him the 1990  
Space Center Rotary Club Champi-  
onship.

**NEXT OUTING:** Tentatively set for  
December 20, weather permitting.

## New Members



*Donnie Johnson sponsors Space Center Rotary's newest member Sandra Sausley. Sandra is a financial advisor and owner of Sausley Securities.*

## AFRICAN JOURNAL

*(The following is the first in a series of excerpts of a letter from Warner Marsh, our exchange student to Nairobi, Kenya. Warner visited our club a few months ago before he left for Kenya. He has expressed a desire to hear from anyone who can find the time to write. His address is: Warner Marsh, Nairobi Central YMCA, P. O. Box 63063, Nairobi, Kenya.)*

Nairobi, Kenya

October 22, 1990

Dear Friends:

A month has now passed since I arrived here in Nairobi. So far it has been a truly excellent adventure! Things happened very quickly following my arrival. I was able to get myself set up quite smoothly and easily. The only hitch so far (and quite a major one) is that even now, after one month, the Rotary Club has still not given me my award money. This could potentially present a serious problem if it goes on much longer,

but I have the patience to wait it out.

My first real adventure began on only my third day here. I met a fellow here at the YMCA by the name of Gordon Naysmith. We hit it off from the word go, though in most ways two people could hardly have been more different. A fiercely nationalistic Scotsman, Gordon saw Kenya for the first time in 1952 when he was posted here in the British colonial service.

Gordon's history is too entertaining not to mention: In the first stint in Africa, Gordon saw action in the bloodiest period of the Mau-mau. In the late 1950's, Gordon followed the action to New Zealand, where he rose to the rank of Lt. Colonel in the Mauri wars. He settled in New Zealand and built a modest fortune. However, when he lost his first wife, and his children were taken from him, Gordon gave away his fortune and returned to Africa to make a new start. ever protective of his freedom and always ready to move on when it suited him, Gordon has spent the last 20 years in southern Africa wearing the multiple hats of: farmer, businessman, computer consultant, mining engineer, acupunc-

## SHORT NOTES

### NEW CLUB DIRECTOR

Donnie Johnson has recently been appointed as a club board of director, to fill the vacancy of Carson Stevens. She is a director of Community Service.

### REMEMBER!

Please bring your adult & children gifts for the homeless. The Rotary club will accept your donations for the "Son Light Mission" at the next two meetings in December.

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*African Journal cont.*

turist, and chiropractor.

When I met him, Gordon had just come from eight years' work in Botswana as a mining engineer. He was driving from Botswana up to Scotland in his 1952 Land Rover, in order to take his medical boards and begin med school at Edinburgh next fall. This is not Gordon's first trip across Africa overland. In 1971, Gordon began a trip on horseback from South Africa, which placed him in Munich for the beginning of the infamous '72 Olympiad. (A ride which I was to discover he is known for in parts of Kenya even today.) In 1980, our friend attempted a similar trip by Kayak up Africa's great rivers and lakes. Unfortunately, this odyssey was cut short when Rwandan Hutus stole his craft and all of his equipment near Lake Tanganyika.

*Stay tune for the further adventures of 'Flash' Gordon!*

# Officer's Corner

Treasurer's Report cont.

## Treasurer's Report

The numbers are almost all in on the most successful Shrimporee in the history of the club. However, I would like to take this opportunity to share the results of the first four months of operations of the administrative activity as well as the service activity. The following is a summary of the statement of revenue and expenditures for the four months ended October 31, 1990 that was prepared for the Board of Directors:

### SHRIMPOREE:

Ticket sales	\$28,010
Auction revenue	17,572
Cash contributions	7,888
Golf tournament	6,168
Shrimporee 5000	3,025
Beverage sales	2,353
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Food cost	12,271
Publicity and advertising	8,661
Other cost	4,015
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Net proceeds	\$40,059
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## SERVICE ACTIVITY EXPENDITURES:

Youth Committee	\$2,000
Community Hunger Committee	299
Aeropuerto Rotary Club	521
International Youth Committee	828
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	\$3,648
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## ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITY:

Dues revenue	\$9,398
Luncheon/meal ticket sales	14,476
Other revenue	2,058
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District/International dues	3,217
Luncheon cost/hotel charge	16,806
Attendance Committee	41
Fellowship Committee	144
Club Bulletin Committee	979
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Public Relations Committee	209
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Roster/Directory Committee	710
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Administrative Services Committee	990
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Membership Committee	74

Rotary Information Committee	92
District/International Activity	225
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	22,847
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Net Administrative revenue	\$3,085

As you can see from the above, the Club is in a position to consider requests for funding various service projects since we presently have \$36,000 available. The administrative side is a little different. With two months

**Eddie Harris**

Most people would succeed in small things if they were not troubled with great ambitions.

-Henry W. Longfellow

Look not mournfully into the past, it comes not back again; wisely improve the present, it is thine.

-Henry W. Longfellow



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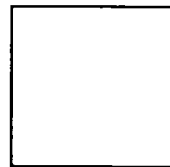
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