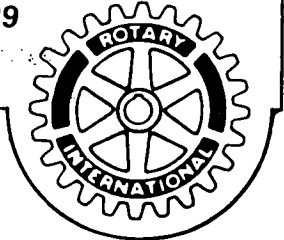


SPACE CENTER ROTARY CLUB BLASTOFF

*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"

February 4, 1991

"Honor Rotary with Faith and Enthusiasm"



TOUCH JLISSA WITH LOVE

Members of The Committee for the Handicapped has taken their current project to heart. JLISSA Austin is a 2-year old girl who was born missing both arms at the shoulder and two deformed legs with no hip joints or knees. Mrs. Austin is a single parent with a

limited income and no insurance. About \$25,000 is needed for a prosthesis for JLISSA. Your help would be sincerely appreciated. For information on contributions, contact Ed Geissler at 480-4647.

(See Committee Report Section for additional information on this project.)

One of the worst things about being self employed is that you can't say you gave at the office.

Friendships are fragile things, and

Events

FEBRUARY - World Understanding Month

- 04 Regular Noon Meeting
- 11 Regular Noon Meeting
- 18 No Meeting - Presidents' Day
- 22 Rodeo Night at the Astro dome
- 23 World Understanding and Peace Day, Rotary's 86th anniversary
- 25 Regular Noon Meeting
- 28 Fifth Annual Rotary National Space Awards Banquet
- Hyatt Regency

MARCH

- 16 Paul Harris Fellows Dinner-Bay Oaks Country Club

APRIL

- 18-20 District Conference - Galveston, San Luis Hotel

JUNE

- 1-5 Rotary International Convention - Mexico City, Mexico

require as much care in handling as any other fragile and precious thing.

Randolph S. Bourne

The best way to get relief from a monotonous task is to think up ways of improving it.

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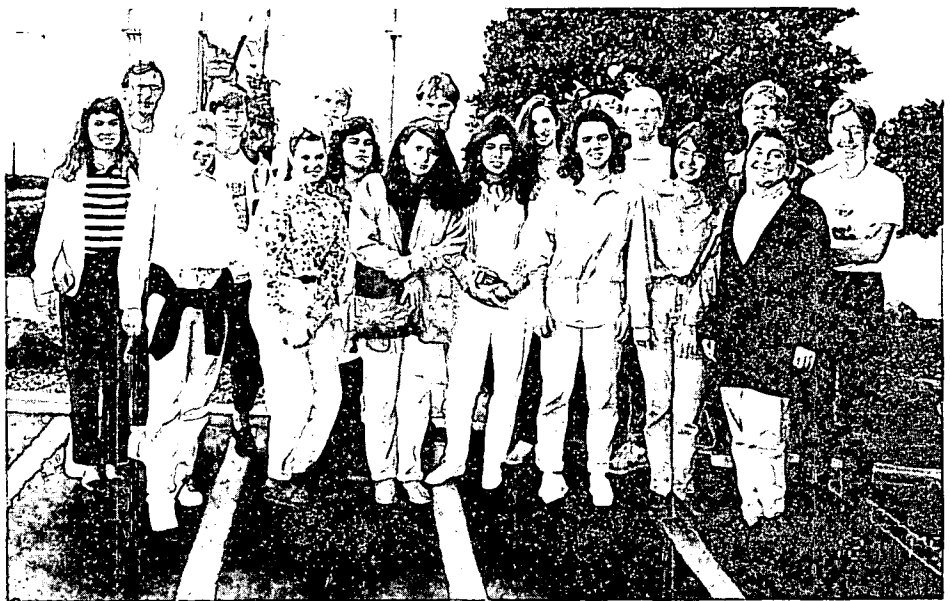
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**SPACE CENTER ROTARY FOREIGN EXCHANGE
STUDENT CHRISTMAS 'OVERNIGHTER'**

Space Center Rotary sponsored a Foreign Exchange Student 'Overnighter' in December. Fourteen District 589 foreign exchange students and Clear Lake High School Interact students began their weekend at the Bay Area YMCA. They toured the Fitness Center at South Shore Harbour and had front-row seats on the lake to view the 29th Annual Christmas Boat Parade. They spent the night at the Williams Recreation Center. The weekend was a big success! Some of the participants were Aya Fujiwara - Japan; Patty Becerra - Peru; Jens Finkenbusch - West Germany; Begona Oerjero - Spain; Elena Molera - Spain; Maurus Groll - West Germany; Falk Kuhnel - West Germany; Holley Hancock - Houston; Susanna Hancock - Houston; and Timea Kalakan - Hungary.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

19 years - Hal Neely
8 years - Aaron Olsen
5 years - Ray Pawlikowski
4 years - Al Brady
Jim McDonald
3 years - David Cordell
2 years - Lonnie Clements
John Lee
1 year - Bob Driver
Peter Eisenmann
Ed Richards
Terry Stock

FOR HE'S A PAUL HARRIS FELLOW!

Bill Lowes recently received special recognition from the Rotary Foundation as a Paul Harris Fellow. Bill was

made a member of this elite group for his outstanding contributions to the club and exemplifying "service above self".

Members of the Foundation Committee wish to remind you that our club has set aside \$5,000 to match any new Paul Harris Fellow contributions (dollar for dollar). It usually requires a \$1,000 contribution to become a Paul Harris Fellow. Now, you have a limited opportunity to become a Paul Harris Fellow for a contribution of \$500 with this program. Now is the time to add to your sustaining contribution. Now is the time to start your fund. This is a rare and limited-time offer. The Foundation Committee urges you to take advantage of this opportunity.

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New Members



Welcome to our club's newest members - Danielle Dupuis & Roland Dupuis,
Sponsored by Mike Porterfield.

Commitee Report

The members of the Handicapped Committee visited children on the pediatric floor at St. John's Hospital before Christmas. Several babies were hospitalized there at the time—two with pnuemonia. Their parents stayed with them around the clock hoping the doctors would release them before Christmas Day. The children and parents were pleased to have Rotary visitors and enjoyed the Christmas presents which were donated by committee members.

The Committee has earmarked \$500 for donation to Baby Jlissa. (See front page.) Committee members became aware of Jlissa through an organization run by Nancy Mendoza - "In Step Again - A Touch of Love". The group organized a major fundraising campaign with a goal of \$25,000 to provide financial assistance for a prosthesis for Jlissa. To date, the group has raised \$16,000 and Jlissa has

been fitted with a myoelectric arm.

The Committee is currently investigating needs of the Association of Retarded Citizens with the help of Steve Waldner of United Way.

SCR MEMORIAL STONE

The club has planned to place a memorial stone at Cap Landolt Park honoring deceased members of our club. Names submitted to date are: Jack DeNike, Dick Downs, Lloyd Garland, Jim Haas, Cheng Loon Hooi, Mansour Albert Jowid, Cap Landolt, Gene Lindquist, Jewel McClure, Marvin Matthews, Alfred Neumann, Curtis Redman, Larry Sarahan, Harry Smith, Steve Stewart, Rex Strader. If you can think of any other members that should be noted, please contact Larry Rowe at 332-1571.

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For further information on becoming a Paul Harris Fellow, contact Don Kirk at 335-1111. Join the group for dinner at Bay Oaks Country Club on March 16!

February Birthdays

Tim Rainey	02/02
Owen Morris	02/03
Floyd Boze	02/07
John Tenini	02/08
William Yarbrough	02/08
Richard Wettling	02/09
Margaret DeNike	02/15
Edward Carrette	02/16
William Geissler	02/16
David Taylor	02/16
Tom Butler	02/17
David Gochnour	02/17
Billy Weseman	02/17
Randy Roof	02/18
Roy Slater	02/18
Pete Zamora	02/18
Ralph Karraker	02/20
Jonathan Hall	02/22
Albert Holguin	02/22
Julia Vidal	02/25

COMMUNITY SAFETY

Our club recently received a special request from Constable Bill Bailey for two VCR's to aid them in their training program. Dick Gregg, chairman of the Safety Committee, recently met with Bill Bailey to discuss fulfilling their request.

Officers Report

We are currently in the midst of a very successful Rotary year under the leadership of President, Billy Smith. A very successful Shrimporee has resulted in a Service Budget of almost forty thousand dollars recently approved by the Board of Directors. I am personally excited about all of the opportunities we have to make our outstanding community even better this year.

Regarding next year, I am making progress in getting organized for our next Rotary year. I solicit the support of all our members and invite all of you to let me know of your particular interests in areas of service for next year. I am especially pleased to welcome Huey Barnett, Donnie Johnson, and Don Kyle as newly elected members of our Board of Directors. Additionally, it's great to have Terry Hesson, Eddie Harris, Vic Maria, and David Taylor as

fellow officers for the 1991 - 1992 year. I also appreciate Mike Brown agreeing to serve as Chairperson of Shrimporee again in 1991. That takes dedication!!

As your President next year, I will be stressing greater fellowship and participation by all members, continued support of various community projects, establishment of a local Rotary Foundation, increased corporate fund-raising, high-quality Rotary programs, and, of course, a strong, stable and fun Rotary club. I believe the best is yet to be for our club.

I hope all of you will accompany me to Mexico City for the International Convention. Joe Hang or Pete Zamora can help you get signed up and will arrange travel and hotel accommodations.

Jack Lister

January 28th Meeting

Jerry Smith spoke about new Educational Award for Excellence. To be awarded to a member of the Clear Creek Independent School District.

Lisa Ehrler introduced our speaker, Keva Green. Keva was a vocational exchange student to France last summer for five weeks.

Quiz?

What is fun, educational, good for the planet, and has lots of good food and entertainment?

Give up?

Here's another clue. The Big day is Sunday April 21, 1991; Everyone is invited and our club is sponsoring it!

Know what it is yet?

Thats right!

You guessed it!

The Big Celebration is none other



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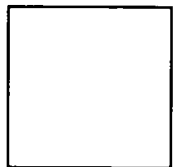
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