

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

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Rotary International President, Paul V.C. Costa District 589 Governor, Tyler Baker Club President, Billy R. Smith "Honor Rotary with Faith and Enthusiasm"

April 29, 1991



Team Members: Motonori Tomita, Nobuharu Sugihara, Micihiko Sato, Kyoko Ibaragi, Atsushi Nagai and Leader, Hideyasu Aoyama

GOODWILL AND RETURN WITH "TO GO WITH UNDERSTANDING" is the motto of the Rotary International team who visited from Japan last week. Team leader, 'Dr. A', AKA Hideyasu Aoyama, was introduced by Myra Gochnour-Hooker. The team, representing industries such as agricultural, banking, automotive, dental and chemical, showed slides of their country, family & employees. The team presented an interesting program highlighted with a lovely rendition of a Japanese song. Host families entertaining the visitors were; Cheryl & Mke Nathanson, Marilyn & Larry Burrow, Al Jowid, Lisa & Dennis Ehrler, Kyle Sprecher and Myra & Ray Hooker. Program planners also included Gary Stremel, Jim McNatt and James Wyatt of South Texas Nuclear Plant.

Events

APRIL

29 Regular Noon Meeting (Bring your spouse for a special program.)

MAY

Regular Noon Meeting
 Board of Directors Meeting
 7:00 am - Hilton
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JUNE

1 - 5 Rotary International Convention - Mexico City, Mexico
 30 Rotary Year Ends - New officers and directors take over.

"A friend is a gift you give yourself."

-Robert Louis Stevenson

"If you are willing to admit when you are wrong, you are right."
-Annonymous

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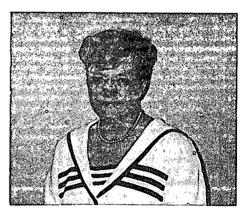
Committee Report

BILLY WESEMAN - ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to Billy Weseman, who was presented this prestigious designation by Governor Tyler Baker at the District Conference last week. The Wesemans were feeling especially lucky when Ann won the \$250 door prize. Bill Predmore and Floyd Boze cleaned up at the conference golf tournament with low gross and low net respectively. Space Center Rotary was well-represented by attending members who seemed to enjoy the meetings and activities.

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT IN EDUCATION WINNERS









SALLY WALL (top left), Science Grades 7-8, Webster Intermediate KAY BAXTER (top right), Alegebra Grade 8, Clear Lake Intermediate SANDY W. KING (ctr. left), English, Art and Drug Prevention, Grades 6-8 Webster Intermediate KAREN SUE LOFLAND (ctr. right), Biology II, Honor Grades 11-12, Clear Creek High School

MARY EUNICE TURBERVILLE (btm. right), All Subjects Grade 4, McWhirter Elementary





ROTARY CERTIFICATE OF MERIT IN EDUCATION PRESENTED TO CLAIRE M. TAYLOR

Space Center Rotary members presented the new 'Rotary Excellence in Education Award to Claire M. Taylor of Clear View High School Monday. Six area teachers, including Mrs. Taylor were honored with Certificates of Merit in Education, an award that recognizes teachers who exemplify professionalism and outstanding quality in their careers. Mrs. Taylor was also awarded a Paul Harris Fellowship, the Paul Harris medallion and \$1,000. She commented that her grandfather would have been proud of her today because he was a Rotarian with many years of perfect attendance.

Claire Taylor was a member of the group of teachers who wrote the proposal for the Clear View Educational Center, the only 'At-Risk' facility of it's kind in the state of Texas. She teaches reading in grades 9-12 and has taught for 27 years. "I teach students, not subjects" she says; "my students need reassurance and encouragement more than anything else. Once they receive this, reading scores improve, and magic takes place."

Many of the teachers commended Space Center Rotary on our interest in education and said that this award could not have come at a better time. They expressed a sense of joy; not only from themselves, but from the entire faculty and student body for the awards.

Members of the committee presenting the awards spent many hours reviewing resumes and interviewing the teachers. Many thanks to David Taylor, Gerald Smith, David Cordell, Charlotte Garner, Selma Neumann, Huey Barnett, Lynette Mason and Bill Austin!!

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Monday

Angleton 12:00 noon, Villa Motel

Tuesday

Ellington/South Belt 12:00 noon, Mexico Lindo Galveston Island 12:00 noon, San Luis Hotel

La Porte 12:00 noon, St. John's Episcopal Ch. Pearland 12:10 p.m., Golfcrest Country Club

Texas City 12:00 noon, Nessler Center

Wednesday

Dickinson 12:00 noon, Methodist Church Friendswood 12:15 p.m., Camp Manison

Galveston 12:15 p.m., Wentletrap Restaurant

Thursday

Alvin 12:00 noon, Park's Restaurant Gulfway/Hobby 12:15 p.m., Hobby Hilton

La Marque 12:00 noon, Elks Lodge

League City 12:00 noon, South Shore Harbor

Friday

Pasadena 12:00 noon, First United Methodist

CONNECTICUT CLUB PAYS TRIBUTE TO LOCAL SERVICE WOMAN KILLED IN KUWAIT

The Rotary Club of Plainfield, Connecticut, has honored Plainfield resident, Cindy Beaudoin, a member of the National Guard who was killed in the Persian Gulf War with a Paul Harris Fellow recognition. The 1989 high school graduate died in February while attempting to assist an officer who had set off a land mine inside the Kuwait border. In the process, she was killed by the explosion of another land mine.

"Our club doesn't give the award to just anyone," said club member Howard Sorensen. "It only goes to individuals who truly exemplify 'Service Above Self.' What could be more honorable than trying to save the life of another human being?" Sorensen described Cindy as an exemplary student and citizen.

SPACE CENTER ROTARY

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