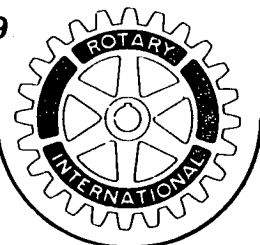


SPACE CENTER ROTARY CLUB BLASTOFF

*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
May 13, 1991*

"Honor Rotary with Faith and Enthusiasm"



WE PARTIED 'TIL THE COWS CAME HOME

The first annual picnic at Carlos' home was anything but a bum steer. Almost 150 members and spouses enjoyed the conversation under the trees. There was volleyball, an egg toss and a water balloon contest to bring out the kid in everyone. The kids enjoyed playing in the tree house and on the huge lawn at Carlos' beautiful home. Special thanks to Carlos and Rachel, our host and hostess, and to Ronnie, Carlos' daughter for help with the food. David Cantu did a good job cooking the hot dogs. We captured a few precious moments which are pictured on page 3. For a look at more pictures from the picnic, you should see Carlos. We're all looking forward to the second annual SC Rotary picnic. If you can't find yourself in any of the pictures, you are a likely candidate to host next year's picnic!

Events

MAY
13

Regular Noon Meeting
Program: Armand Bayou
School Boy's Choir and
presentation of Youth Drug
Awareness Essay Contest
Winner.

16

District Assembly - Adam's
Mark Hotel, Houston

20

Regular Noon Meeting
Program: German & Turkish
Rotary GSE Representatives

21

Board of Directors Meeting
7:00 am - Hilton

27

Memorial Day - No Meeting

JUNE

1 - 5

Rotary International Conven-
tion - Mexico City, Mexico

3

Regular Noon Meeting
Program: Straight, Inc.

10

Regular Noon Meeting
Program: Induction of Officers

17

Regular Noon Meeting
Program: Galveston Bay
Historical Society

30

Rotary Year Ends - New
officers and directors take
over.

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Committee Report

PROJECT GRADUATION

At the May 6th meeting, fellow Rotarian (Galveston) and Chairman of CLEAR LAKE HIGH SCHOOL'S Project Graduation, John Swartwout updated the club on this year's party. In its second year, Clear Lake High School's Project Graduation Committee will sponsor an all-night, chemical-free party following graduation on June 2nd. Space Center Rotary is again assisting by accepting donations and disbursing funds through its bank account. The President of the Interact Club at Clear Lake, Dan Heath, has led a T-Shirt fund raiser by sponsoring the design, printing, and sale of Project Graduation 1991 T-shirts. Swartwout reported that funding exists for the basic party, but they are short of their goal for the purchase of an automobile. Individuals or businesses interested in supporting this event should contact Mr. Swartwout at (409) 770-6771 or the Treasurer, Jan Waechter at (713) 342-4492.

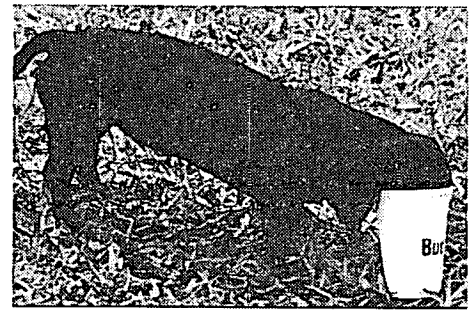
Rotary News Basket

CYCLE TOUR MAJOR FUND-RAISER FOR ALBUQUERQUE CLUB

They call it TORGV for short. It sounds like something Norwegians might serve with lutefisk and lefse, but in New Mexico, it stands for Tour of the Rio Grande Valley, and it attracted 1440 bicyclists to Albuquerque in mid-April. It also had the decidedly beneficial effect of raising at least \$23,000 for the Rotary Club of Albuquerque to carry out a variety of community projects during the coming year.

TORGV was 19 years old this year, but Albuquerque Rotarians have been involved only since 1989 when the local cycle association asked them to take it over. Since then, it has grown into one of the largest cycling events in the U.S. Southwest with riders, ages 7 to 75, from at least six states. The riders can choose one of five routes- 27, 43, 65, 80 and 100 miles long. They pay entry fees and also solicit per-mile pledges for the benefit of the Albuquerque Rotary Club's charitable efforts.

Planning for TORGV begins a year in advance. On the day of the event this year, more than 200 Rotarians, including volunteers from the Albuquerque Del Norte and Belen Rotary clubs, were up before dawn to handle a variety of jobs including operating rest stops to keep the cyclists happy, healthy and safe.



CONVENIENT MAKE-UP CLUBS

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 Harbour

Friday

Pasadena 12:00 noon, First United Methodist

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Dan Bochsler	5/01/57
Jerome Hammack	5/02/22
Robert Montgomery	5/02/32
Alan Wylie	5/10/45
James Hargrove	5/12/36
Nelson Lemon	5/12/41
Robert Wren	5/12/35
Terry Stock	5/15/47
Charles Daughtry	5/16/57
Vann Jones	5/18/58
Robin Riley	5/19/54
Carlos Villagomez	5/20/??
Donnie Johnson	5/27/46
Aaron Olsen	5/27/18
Bill Predmore	5/29/45

*"When you get to the end of your rope,
tie a knot and hang on."*

*"You cannot build a reputation on the
things you are going to do."*

*"Happiness is like jam. You can't
spread even a little without getting
some on yourself."*

-Anonymous

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