

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 5890

"Real Happiness is Helping Others"

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NON-STOP ENTERTAINMENT

PROGRAMS

MAY 16 Humorist ?!? Larry Wilde

MAY 23 Shirley Lindquist Rotary Scholarships

MAY 30 Holiday

EVENTS

MAY 21 JAMBOREE
Contact: David Taylor

ELECTION RESULTS

Al Ligrani and John Watson have been elected to the Board of Trustees of the Space Center Rotary Club Endowment Foundation for 7/1/94 to 6/30/97. Congratulations!

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NON-STOP ENTERTAINMENT Saturday, May 21, 1994 11 A.M. til 7 P.M. Clear Lake Park Cap Landolt Pavilion

BIRTHDAYS

	May
Jerry Hammack	2
Robert Montgomery	2
Tamara Anderson	6
Jerry Douglas	10
Allen Wylie	10
Jim Hargrove	12
Bob Wren	12
Lou Gaigher	14
Van Jones	18
Alba Sanchez	19
Malcolm Hunter	21
Donnie Johnson	27
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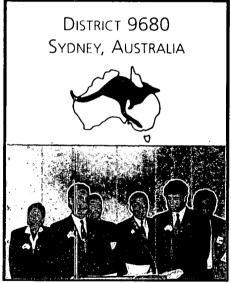
Dr. Carson Stephens, minister of the Clear Lake Church of Christ and a Space Center Rotarian, officiated at the ceremony and the Soundwaves, a small choir from Clear Lake High School, provided the music.

The message centered around the idea of the importance of remembrance emphasizing, however, that neither memorials nor eulogies can justly honor people who have spent their lives in service to others. The record of their lives speak more eloquently than either monument or words. In the words of the New Testament: "...their deeds follow them" (Revelation 14.130). "The people whose names are written on this stone." said Stephens, "exemplified service to others which is emphasized by all major world religions and is an ideal that crosses national and ethnic

boundaries!

The music provided by the Soundwaves included numbers such as "Hark! I Hear the Harps Eternal," "Come Unto Me," and "The Lord Bless You and Keep You." Soundwaves, a group of about twenty high school students, is under the direction of Ms. LoRinda Horan.

During the service, family members and Rotarians laid carnations at the base of the monument and Vic Maria, president of Space Center Rotary, laid a wreath in honor of the deceased Rotarians. Former Governor Floyd Boze rang the bell at the reading of the names of those listed on the memorial.



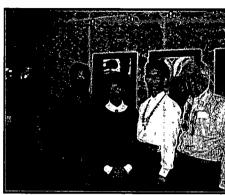
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By Gene Oley

5 - 2 Today, we were treated to a tour of Australia (The Land Down Under) by the 1994 Group Study Exchange team.

This team of men and women from Australia presented a highly professional pictorial visit to their homeland. Each member, in turn, spoke with great fondness of their memories and personal experiences. From Wombats to Kiwi, we shared a bit of their lives.

Of course there was one technical error in the presentation. They seemed to believe that Australia was larger than Texas.



ART COMPETITION

By Sandra Sausley

Judges of the 4th annual Earth Day Art Competition for Grades K through 5th CCISD students included Mike Porterfield, Geoff Atwater, Susan Howe, CCISD Art Administrator - Tina Farrell and Ray Pawlikowski.

Over 130 students in the CCISD participated in the earth Day Art Competition sponsored by the Space Center Rotary Club. Winners of 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each grade level were chosen based on originality, talent and interpretation.

First place winners and their teachers were awarded a \$50.00 gift certificate good for purchases at Bay Brook Mall. The students art work was displayed in windows at stores in the mall.

First Place Winners were:

Kindegarten Meredith Simmons
1st Grade Nachiro Takeaka
2nd Grade Andrew Cooper
3rd Grade Christina Jacoib
4th Grade Katherine
Williamson
5th Grade Sara Frankenfield



SAVE THE CHILDREN (Polio Plus)

By Vic Maria

The journal of the American Medical Association last month reported that the city of Houston ranked dead last in a survey of immunization rates among two year olds.

Houston's 11 percent immunization rate was 20 percentage points behind Chicago which finished next to last in the 21 city survey. It is embarrassingly lower than the 21 city median of 44 percent, and far from the national average, which is about 66 percent.

"Third World countries are doing a better job than we are because they are more committed to health care and to children" said Dr. Celine Hanson, an immunologist at Texas Children's Hospital. (This information is from the April 23 issue of the Houston Post.)

April 23, 1994 was kick-off day for immunization in this area. A special thanks to Al and Norma Brady, Dick and Faye Kidder, Woody and Elizabeth Williams and Victor and Norma Maria who represented the Space Center Rotary Club on very short notice. They joined other District Rotarians and local and state agencies at the Southeast Pasadena Medical Clinic to assist in this very important undertaking. Rotarians George Fleming and Owen Morris represented Space Center Rotary Club at district organizational meeting.



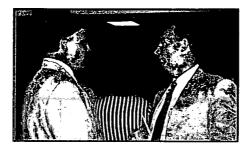
ROTARIANS SPONSOR BANQUET

By Claire Taylor

Space Center Rotary Club sponsored the Clear View Alternative High School senior banquet which was held at Space Center Intermediate. The purpose of the banquet was to recognize students' success in staying in school, overcoming their problems, and earning as diploma.



The banquet was a "family" occasion where students, their families, their friends, and the faculty and staff celebrated the completion of the high school experience.



Approximately two-hundred and fifty people attended the banquet. Guests included members of the Board of Education and Rotarian President Vic Maria and his wife Norma, Director for Youth Activities Johnny White and wife Cynthia, Youth Activities Committee member Jerry Clark, and Career Development Committee members Terry Hesson and Dave Baldwin.



Clear View Interact President Kyle Grigsby welcomed the Rotarians, thanked them for their support, and invited the audience to attend the Jamboree on May 21. President Vic Maria presented James Taylor with a \$400 scholarship on behalf of Space Center Rotary Career Development Committee.

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Sing Rotarians - Sing Rotarians Sing with all your might Don't let trouble get you down folks Everything's all right Open up now - Send it out y'all

Make those rafters ring Hey fellows - pitch right in And lets all sing.

All together - it's fair weather Always on the dot Shout the praises of your club now Give it all you've got. Sing Rotarians -

Cheer up and be gay. Sing fellows - sing, sing, sing And smile all day.

ALL HAIL TO ROTARY

(Melody: Anchors Aweigh)

All hail to Rotary! Steadfast and strong, We strive to hold our course, Though days seem dark and

things go wrong. Service in all we do. Friends ever free.

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