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THE BLASTOFF



Rotary Club of Space Center Rotary District 5890 Meetings are held Monday's 11:45 NASA JSC Gilruth Center www.spacecenterrotary.org Chartered: August 6, 1964







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Today's Agenda

11:45 am Buffet luncheon begins

12:05 pm Call to order

Song for today Jerry Bourgeois

Pianist Ann Fulcher – John Wilson

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Introductions of Guest and Visiting Rotarians

Four Way Test Announcements

12:30 pm Program Chair Rolfe Young & Eric Westall

Program Shrimporee - Earl Maudlin

Upcoming Rotary Programs / Socials

Rotary Club of Space Center

Sep 24 Nicaraguan Children's Choir
Oct 1 Mayor Lee Brown
Oct 10 Holiday - no mtg.
Oct. 15 Shrimporee follow up

Rotary District 5890 for 2001

Sep 20 Membership Development - HBU
Sep. 21/22 Texas Style BBQ Cook-Off (North Shore Pavilion)

Sep. 22 Shrimporee - Space Center

Sep. 22 Nicaraguan Gala - Color of Our Hearts

Nov. 7 Be A Friend Hat Society Day - Westin Gallery

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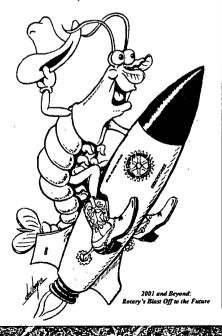
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Today's Song

Side By Side

Oh we ain't got a barrel of money, maybe we're ragged and funny
But we'll travel along, singin' a song, side by side
Don't know what's comin' tomorrow,
maybe it's trouble and sorrow
But we'll travel the road, sharin' our load, side by side.
Though all kinds of weather, what if the sky should fall?
Just as long as we're together, it doesn't matter at all.
When they've all had their quarrels and parted
We'll be the same as we started
Just a'travelin along, singin' a song, side by side.



Bob Wren, Mike Cornett and John Christner

Space Center rotary Club Endowment foundation president **Bob Wren** and Secretary **John Christner** welcome **Mike Cornett**, a new trustee, to the September 11 meeting of the foundation.

New officers for the foundation will be elected at the next regular meeting of the foundation on October 9 at 7:00 am at the United Way Building on Bay Area Boulevard. All club members are invited.

Attention Rotarians

At this time of National Tragedy, it is hard for any of us to think of business as usual. Our thoughts and prayers go out to our fellow Americans who were impacted directly and indirectly by this terrible event. There is no doubt that all of our lives have been touched in some way and have been forever changed. Our leaders have urged us to carry on as usual in the face of this challenge.

Our immediate reality is that our only fundraiser for this year is only days away. As of this writing, I have had approximately 1/3 of our membership pay for their Shrimporee tickets. It is imperative that the remaining members submit their funds as soon as possible. I would ask that you make every effort to pay today.

The success of this year's Shrimporee is dependent upon all of us meeting our ticket obligation. Lets make this another record year!!

Sincerely, Rolfe Young



CLUB SERVICE D -SUMMARY REPORT BY: GEOFF ATWATER

Club Service D, Geoff Atwater, Director
Club Service D has four committees involved in
support of Space Center Rotary activities. If you are
interested in service on one of the committees, contact Geoff Atwater or the committee chair. The primary activities of the four committees are:

Constitution and By-Laws Committee, chaired by Billy Ray Smith

Maintain the constitution and by-laws of the Space Center Rotary Club and revise/update to reflect emerging needs of the club and to comply with changed requirements of Rotary International.

(Note: Rotary International has handed down changes that will need to be addressed by the membership. You will be apprised of the consideration and voting on any changes later in the year.)

Memorials Committee, chaired by Larry Rowe

- Maintain the Rotary monument at Clear Lake Park listing the names of deceased members of Space Center Rotary and add the names of recently deceased to the listing.
- Develop a plan to improve and beautify the area immediately surrounding the monument.
- Promote a club tradition by holding a memorial service near the monument at Clear Lake Park to honor deceased and living Rotarians.

Rotary Information Committee

- Communicate appropriate information on Rotary International to club membership.
- Communicate support and concern to club members who are ill, incapacitated, or in a state of grieving.
- Communicate the status and wishes of those club members who are ill, incapacitated, or in a state of grieving at general membership meetings.

Club History Committee, Greg Turley, Historian

- Maintain archive of club history memoranda, photographs, and memorabilia.
- Receive items of club historical significance from club members and others.
- Maintain archive in a suitable manner to preserve and protect contents.
- Support club events and promotional activities with selected items retrieved from the archives.

COMMUNITY SERVICE B SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES BY MARIE DALTON

Community Service B has six committees involved in support of Space Center Rotary activities. If you are interested in service on one of the committees, please contact Marie Dalton or the committee chair. The primary activities of the six committees are:

Community Service Committee, chaired by Rhonda Lee This year's goal is to reactivate this committee by investigating possible programs with United Way and Red Cross. One project has recently been accomplished through support for a United Way brochure regarding an informational forum for helping/caring professionals, "Helping the Community Recover...Dealing with Emotions that Follow Tragedy and Disaster."

Health and Safety Committee, chaired by Belinda Skloss and Pat Maurer

This committee will provide "Safe on My Own" booklets to third graders in Clear Creek ISD, provide nursing awards, and invite Congressman Nick Lampson to address the membership in April.

NASA Information Tech, chaired by Mike Hernandez
The goal of this committee is to help disseminate information regarding NASA's Space Alliance Technology Outreach Program (SATOP). To accomplish this, Rotary members will attend meetings at other chapters with Cathy Kramer (who oversees SATOP).

Scholarships Committee, chaired by Mario Garcia & Greg Turley

This committee will continue the successful scholarship program with Clear Lake, Clear Brook, and Clear View High Schools. Recommended students will be interviewed, selected, and honored at a spring Rotary meeting.

Senior Citizens Committee, chaired by Bob Mitchell & JB Fox This committee provides technical assistance to local citizens aged 55+. The purpose is to help bring senior citizens into the world of computers. Bob and JB have on hand 12 computers in various states that will be assembled into working ones for distribution to senior citizens.

Drug Awareness Committee, chaired by Doug Byerly
This is Rotary district program that calls for junior high students
to write essays on drug awareness. Winning essays, usually stories that are sincere and tear at your heart, are read aloud by their
young authors, who take drug awareness very seriously.

DIRECTORY UPDATE

Ted Cummings - home phone number has changed to 281-480-1461.

Please update your directory with this change.

Key Rotary Messages

- Rotary is a global network of community volunteers.
- Rotary works to improve the quality of life for all people.
- Rotary exists to do good in the world.
- Rotary is an international service organization of 1.2 million business and professional men and women who, as volunteers, address needs of their home and international communities.
- Rotary initiates local and global service projects to promote world understanding and peace and improve the life conditions for people of all ages and cultures. An example is PolioPlus through which Rotary is working to eradicate polio by the year 2005.
- Rotary's strength lies in the volunteer service of its membership, an international network of business and professional leaders implementing a wide range of programs to meet human needs.
- Rotarians are men and women of integrity who represent a cross-section of business and professional backgrounds. As volunteers of all ages, they work to meet community and international concerns.
- Rotary's strength is that it is both international and local. For example, today's critical problems, such as health and sanitation, hunger, and environmental deterioration, must be addressed at local levels. With more than 29,000 clubs in 162 countries, Rotary is ideally suited to address such problems.

Declaration of Rotarians in Businesses and Professions

The Declaration of Rotarians in Businesses and Professions was adopted by the Rotary International Council on Legislation in 1989 to provide more specific guidelines for the high ethical standards called for in the Object of Rotary: As a Rotarian engaged in a business or profession, I am expected to:

- Consider my vocation to be another opportunity to serve;
- Be faithful to the letter and to the spirit of the ethical codes of my vocation, to the laws of my country, and to the moral standards of my community;
- Do all in my power to dignify my vocation and to promote the highest ethical standards in my chosen vocation;
- Be fair to my employer, employees, associates, competitors, customers, the public, and all those with whom I have a business or professional relationship;
- Recognize the honor and respect due to all occupations which are useful to society;
- Offer my vocational talents: to provide opportunities for young people, to work for the relief of the special needs of others, and to improve the quality of life in my community;
- Adhere to honesty in my advertising and in all representations to the public concerning my business or profession;
- Neither seek from nor grant to a fellow Rotarian a privilege or advantage not normally accorded others in a business or professional relationship.

The 4-Way Test

From the earliest days of the organization, Rotarians were concerned with promoting high ethical standards in their professional lives. One of the world's most widely printed and quoted statements of business ethics is The 4-Way Test, which was created in 1932 by Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor (who later served as RI president) when he was asked to take charge of a company that was facing bankruptcy. This 24-word code of ethics for employees to follow in their business and professional lives became the guide for sales, production, advertising, and all relations with dealers and customers, and the survival of the company is credited to this simple philosophy. Adopted by Rotary in 1943, The 4-Way Test has been translated into more than a hundred languages and published in thousands of ways. It asks the following "Of the things we think, say or do: four questions:

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?"



Joni Dusenbury, SCWR Treasurer, presents a check for \$75 to Linda Adams. wife of Dennis Adams, District Governor, for the Wheelchair Foundation.

Space Center Women of Rotary Notes From Martha Owen

September 20, 2001 **Next Meeting** Holiday Inn

11:30 a.m. Social 12:00 Noon Lunch

Invocation: Virginia Fox 12:30 p.m. Program:

Happy Spillar, Executive Director of the Women's Resource Crisis Center will speak to us about their many and varied

programs. We will collect items to donate to the shelter this month. Continuing needs are canned goods, toiletries, cosmetics, sanitary products, Pampers, baby food, cleaning supplies, paper goods, size Large or Extra-Large "gently used" clothing, laundry products, etc. If you would like to contribute something, please bring it to the September meeting.

Make your reservation when your SCWR telephone committee person calls you or call Joan Geissler, 281/488-1046. Cancellations must be made by noon Tuesday preceding the meeting. Raffle prize donated by Carolyn Bennett. Thank you, Carolyn!

News from HOPE VILLAGE

For quite a few years, SCWR has been providing refreshments once a month to help the residents celebrate their birthdays.

The party is the second Thursday of each month at 2:45 p.m., and only lasts about 45 minutes. SURPRISE!! Due to the expansion of Hope Village, they are now providing care and a sheltered workshop for more clients. We now need to provide SIX DOZEN large cookies and three gallons of punch.

Volunteers for the September 12 birthday party are Virginia Chaney, Arleta Keith and Jovce Morris.

More volunteers are needed for the other months of the year. really do need three volunteers each month.

If it's not convenient for you to attend a party, we would appreciate any contribution you can make towards this cause.

> Note: We can purchase two dozen large cookies at Sam's for \$4.99 !!

Please call me or Martha Owen (281/486-0175) if you can help. Thank you. Joyce Morris, Service Chairman, 281/286-3945

An Anagram, as you all know, is a word or phrase made by transposing or rearranging the letters of another word or phrase. The following are exceptionally clever. Someone out there either has far too much spare time or is deadly at Scrabble.

George Bush: When you rearrange the letters: He bugs Gore

Dormitory: When you rearrange the letters: Dirty Room

When you rearrange the letters: A Rope Ends It Desperation:

When you rearrange the letters: Here Come Dots The Morse Code:

Slot Machines: When you rearrange the letters: Cash Lost in em

When you rearrange the letters: Is No Amity Animosity:

When you rearrange the letters: Woman Hitler Mother-in-law:

Snooze Alarms: When you rearrange the letters: Alas! No More Z's

When you rearrange the letters: I'm a Dot in Place A Decimal Point: Eleven plus two: When you rearrange the letters: Twelve plus one

> On behalf of the Shrimporee Ticket Committee, I would like to thank the following Rotarians for paying for their tickets:

1. Al Brady

2. Dave Baldwin

Huev Barnett 3.

Floyd Boze 4.

Jim Broughton 5.

6. Mike Brown

7. John Christner

8. Angela Copeland Ron Crowder

10. Marie Dalton

11. Jerrold Dewease 12. Dennis Dillon

13. Roger Donnelly

14. Murray Epstein

15. Bill Farries

16. J.B. Fox

17. Stan Galanski

18. Ken Gurry

19. Mike Hesse

20. Suzi Howe

21. Keith Huff

22. Mark Humphrey

23. Chuck Jacobson

24. John Kennedy

25. Dick Kidder

26. Adena Loston

27. Vic Maria

28. Earl Maudlin

29. Charles Milby

30. Marilyn Musial

31. Sheila Self

32. Dave Sincox

33. Jerry Smith

34. Bev Steadman

35. Bob Struzinski

36. Vissett Sun

37. Ron Swim

38. Bill Taylor

39. Albert Timme

40. Gene Tromblee

41. David Vaughn

42. Art Wood

43. Jim Wyatt

44. Alan Wylie

45. Rolfe Young

46. Rosanne Zarcaro

If you have paid, and your name is not on this list,

please contact Rolfe Young.



Make - Up Locations

Monday - noon A-D Gen. Hosp. Prof. Bldg. Angleton

Galleria Area University Club

Tuesday - noon

Galveston Island San Luis Hotel Harrisburg Brady's Landing

La Porte St. John's Episcopal Church Pearland Golfcrest Country Club

River Oaks **Briar Club** Texas City Nessler Center

Wednesday - noon

Baytown Goose Creek Country Club Deer Park Court & Theater Center Dickinson Methodist Church Friendswood Village on the Park So. Pasadena **Baywood Country Club**

Thursday - noon

Alvin Homestead Inn Gulfway/Hobby Hobby Hilton Houston

Jr. League of Houston 1811 Briar Oaks Lane La Marque Gulf Greyhound Park Esteban's Fiesta Shack

League City Seabrook (7:00am) Lakewood Yacht Club

Friday - noon First United Methodist Church Pasadena

Hitchcock/Santa Fe Maxim Bank Hwy 6 W. Galveston Cty. Ramada Inn

DISTRICT NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Next meeting is 10/13 - District Governor for the year 2003 - 2004. Send Completed Applications to: Ron Zilliox, DNC Chair 5020 Ward Bend Road - Sealy, TX 77474 Email: DNC@sealy.net or fax 979.885.6366

Qualifications and Application Forms are available on www.rotary5890. org/dgnc/

DISTRICT 5890 DRUG ESSAY CONTEST By: David Jircik and Sarah Donaho

The apples are polished. The fresh scent of chalk fills the air. It can only mean one thing. That's right! It is time once again for the annual Rotary District 5890 Drug Essay Contest. This program, targeted at the eighth grade level only, provides an opportunity for your club to introduce Rotary to thousands of students as they engage in a thought-provoking essay contest. Although the frightening statistics indicate an 80% increase in the use of "ecstasy" by eighth graders, your club CAN have an influence on these students. The results year after year in creativity and thought of the participating students have been astounding.

To ensure success, it is imperative that this project be started at the BE-GINNING of the school year. The District has the materials printed and ready to go! So let's start Back-To-School with Rotary!! Please have your club coordinator under community service contact either of us for more information. We have training available as well as an experienced district coordinator to work with you. David's day phone: (281) 331-3125 and email: jircik@ev1.net. Sarah's day phone: (713) 407-9716 and email: donaho@excelonline.com.

North Forest School District has been added this year by the Humble Intercontinental Rotary Club and their district coordinator Diana Morales Taylor. Thank you! We know this will be the best year ever!



Space Center Rotary is continuing its program of providing assistance to patients from other countries who need medical treatment.

Pictured is Dr. Abdel Fustok, who donates his services as plastic surgeon, and current patient, Blanca Meza Gonzalez.

Blanca is 19 years old and lives in the Federal District of Mexico City. At two years of age, she was severely burned when a lamp in her home caught her dress on fire.

Since Charles Hartman is no longer with us, Rotary is in dire need of a Transportation Chairman to coordinate getting the patient(s) to and from doctor visits, hospitals, and host families. We will be discussing this at the SCWR September meeting to decide if we can help.



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