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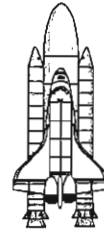
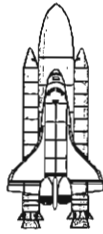
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Whatever It Takes

District 5890 2001 - 2002 Theme

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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 & David Taylor

Program

Dr. Maxime Faget / Conceptual engineer,

Director of Mercury

Upcoming Rotary Programs / Socials

Rotary Club of Space Center

Nov 26

Tommy Holloway / ISS Director

Dec 3

Robert Miller/Metro

Dec 10

Rocketmen

Dec 17

Soundwaves

Dec 24 & 31

Holiday - no meeting

Rotary District 5890 for 2001

Dec 1

District Interviews for Long Term Rotary Youth Exchange Candidates

Dec 3

Pasadena South "Christmas Auction" 11:30 am

Jan 17

All Club Mtg/Radisson Hotel Astrodome Convention Center

Mar 16

Interviews Ambassadorial Scholarship

Mar 21-23

Lone Star P.E.T.S.

May 9 - 12

District Conference in New Orleans - Jazz it up!

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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.

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November is Rotary Foundation Month
Be sure to wear your Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) pin!

2002- 2003 Election to be held December 3

Sgt-at Arms:
J.B. Fox
David Owen

Directors: we will elect THREE
from the following:
Ted Cummings
Mike Hernandez
Keith Huff
Birda Gaskin
Joan Skellenger
Gene Tromblee
Eric Westall



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Guests!

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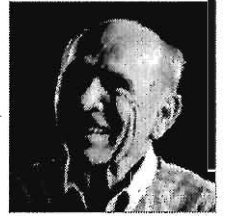
Members of the Interact Club at Clear Brook High School would appreciate the support of the Members of Space Center Rotary in a project we have planned for December 15th.

We will be visiting patients at the Texas Children's Hospital on December 15th. Members of the club will be singing and reading stories to the children. In addition to this we need about 250 presents to take with us. We would be most grateful if each member would donate a small gift. If you do not have time to purchase a gift you may give cash. You may leave your gift or cash with your fellow Rotarian Scott Smith. He can be reached at 281-333-2500 or e-mailed at ssmith@gal-tex.com.

Thank you for your support,
President and Members of Clear Brook High School Interact Club.

Today's Speaker Maxime Faget

Max Faget graduated from Louisiana State University with a B.S. degree in Mechanical Engineering (aeronautics option) in June 1943. He immediately joined the Navy as a Naval Reserve Officer assigned to submarine service. He then became employed at the Langley Laboratory of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA) in August 1946. He was assigned to the newly created Pilotless Aircraft Research Division (PARAD), a division that was to fly rocket-powered models of aircraft and missiles at transonic and higher velocities to obtain aerodynamic data. During this period he did pioneering work on supersonic inlets and ramjets. He designed a compact (6-1/2" dia.) ramjet engine and a supersonic flight test vehicle which was powered by two of these ramjets. During a flight test in 1950 this vehicle accelerated under ramjet power in a climbing flight achieving an altitude of 65,000 feet and a velocity of $M=3.2$, setting unofficial speed and altitude records for vehicles powered by air-breathing engines.



While at Langley, he was appointed to the four man team that prepared the conceptual design and performance analysis of a research aircraft that could fly twice as fast and much higher than currently possible. The NACA then approached the Air Force to contract with industry to complete the design process and manufacture such an aircraft. This became the start of the X-15 program. Faget was also appointed the NACA member of the Polaris Missile Steering Task Group where he proposed the aerodynamic shape that was employed for the reentry warhead. During the winter of 1957-58 he conceived the design and started development of the one-man spacecraft subsequently used in Project Mercury. Both the Gemini and Apollo spacecraft are derivations of the Mercury concept. When NACA was notified that it was chosen as the cadre from which a new civilian space agency would be formed, Faget was appointed a member of the transition team.

After NASA was formed, Faget was assigned to the Space Task Group (STG) organized to manage Project Mercury. Although Mercury was the main task at STG, there was great interest in follow-on programs. Consequently he devoted a large part of his time to heading a design and analysis team exploring manned flight to the vicinity and the surface of the moon. Because of this and other NASA studies, President Kennedy was able to commit the USA to a lunar landing by the end of the decade. With the advent of Apollo, STG became the Manned Spacecraft Center (MSC). Faget was appointed Chief Engineer at MSC, responsible for the design, development and proof-of-performance of manned spacecraft and their systems. This responsibility included specifying the function and design of numerous engineering laboratories to be constructed as part of MSC. In April 1969, shortly before the first lunar landing, he organized a special preliminary design team to do an intensive feasibility study of a reusable manned spacecraft. This effort achieved program status when Johnson Space Center (nee MSC) was given formal authority to develop the Space Shuttle. Subsequently, Faget gave prime emphasis in his personal activities and those of the organization toward solving the manifold problems in the development of the Shuttle. He retired from NASA after the Shuttle successfully completed its second test flight in 1981.

In 1982 Faget and several Houston businessmen founded Space Industries Inc. (SII). SII designed the Industrial Space Facility (ISF). The ISF was to be a manned-tended orbiting facility to be used for experiments in a high-quality microgravity environment with special emphasis on material processing. Westinghouse became a partner with SII in a joint venture for financing, construction and operation. Significant backing was obtained for an initial deployment in 1992. However, the aerospace industry, Congress and NASA feared it would curtail the Space Station program and consequently the ISF was never deployed. SII then manufactured a wide range of experiment support equipment that was flown on numerous Shuttle missions. The most significant was the Wakeshield built for the University of Houston. This free-flyer was successfully deployed on two missions, providing the experimenters with an ultra-high vacuum environment for material processing.

Information provided by David Taylor

Vann Jones is moving to Alabama

Vann and Terri Jones will be going into temporary housing from Nov 21-Jan 4, 2002. After Jan 5, 2001, our new mailing address will be : Vann & Terri Jones, 113 Bridgfield Drive, Madison, AL 35758.

Vann and his family will be missed and we know Vann will be a great member of the Huntsville Rotary Club.

All Rotarians who "GOLF"

Xavier Sandoval will be the Rotary Club of Space Center Golf Coordinator. Please contact Xavier if you are interested in attending upcoming golfing events at xsandoval@houston.rr.com.

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*The 3 C's of Membership:
Don't be a Casual member.
Get Connected, and
Be Committed to Rotary!*

International Yachting

The Texas Fleet of IYFR will be participating in the Clear Lake Boat Lane Parade this year with a Rotary entry. Decoration of the boats will be at Lakewood Yacht Club on Saturday, Dec. 1, at 10:00 am to 5:00 pm and Sunday, Dec. 2, at 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. The Parade is on Dec. 8 at 5:00 pm. All members of IYFR and all who help decorate will have the opportunity to ride in the parade. Please contact Bob Martin 281-326-3858 to register for decoration or to become a member of IYFR. Bob will provide additional info on decoration of the parade.

I have declared January 17, 2002 "Bring A Friend To Rotary" DAY. Clubs are requested to shift their club meetings of the week to this date. To be held at the Radisson Hotel Astrodome Convention Center, 8686 Kirby Drive, it an ideal time to introduce Rotary to a business associate or a fellow outstanding business person. The cost is \$25 per person.

*This is the year to add one new member per club per month. Lets get started on it NOW.
Dennis Adams, Governor*

Interviewing Rotary Youth Exchange Students

Our Youth Exchange Committee is now visiting high schools to educate our young people on the Rotary Youth Exchange program. Five to ten students from Clear Lake and Clear Brook high schools have already expressed interest for next year.

Interviews for students applying for long term Rotary Youth Exchange will be held November 8 (club level) and December 1 (district level). Short term interviews will occur January to March. Students/families interested should contact **Art Wood** – 281-486-5188.

Make – Up Locations

Monday - noon	
Angleton	A-D Gen. Hosp. Prof. Bldg.
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
League City	Esteban's Fiesta Shack
Seabrook (7:00am)	Lakewood Yacht Club
Friday - noon	
Pasadena	First United Methodist Church
Hitchcock/Santa Fe	MaximBank Hwy 6
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Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all Concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL
and better FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to
all concerned?



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