



Rotary Club of Space Center 50th Anniversary

On August 6, 2014, the **Rotary Club of Space Center** will celebrate its 50th anniversary. The club was established with the desire to encourage and foster goodwill and the ideal of service above self. Since 1964, the club has contributed greatly through its local and worldwide humanitarian efforts. The club's Rotary National Award for Space Achievement Foundation, founded in 1985, annually presents the National Space Trophy for outstanding achievements and other awards honoring those who have contributed to our nation's space program.

The **Rotary Club of Space Center's** International Youth Exchange program was established in 1986 to foster world peace through understanding. The program has had 37 outbound and 38 inbound students since its establishment. The club also founded the Rotary World Health Foundation which has helped to treat 15 children with severe disfigurements, with corrective surgery from a local doctor, hospital and with the help of host families who provided care during the children's recovery.

In addition, the **Rotary Club of Space Center** has provided over 450 bicycles and scooters to needy children in the greater Houston area and has spread awareness about the children in Chinandega, Nicaragua, who lived off a dumpsite. Since 2005, the **Rotary Club of Space Center's** financial efforts have provided many natives of Mexico with restored eyesight at the Guerrero Eye Clinic, in Mexico, allowing them to lead productive lives. The club has spearheaded various water projects, and honored several teachers in the Clear Creek Independent School district for their great dedication to student success and involvement with parents and the community. The **Rotary Club of Space Center** has also assisted in water treatment, sanitation and a hygiene project in Trojes, Honduras, raising \$130,000 in district and club donations across the U.S., Honduras and Brazil. The project deployed bio-sand filters and latrines to 1,700 people in 10 communities.

The City of Houston commends the **Rotary Club of Space Center** for its many significant contributions and extends best wishes for a memorable 50th anniversary celebration.

Therefore, I, Annise D. Parker, Mayor of the City of Houston, hereby proclaim August 6, 2014, as

Rotary Club of Space Center Day 50th Anniversary

in Houston, Texas.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Official Seal of the City of Houston to be affixed this 21st day of July, 2014.

Annise D. Parker
Mayor of the City of Houston