

Past Presidents - Rotary Club of Space Center

Ivan E. Brown 1964 - 1965	Al Jowid 1981 - 1982	Dick Gregg, Jr. 1998 - 1999
Ivan E. Brown 1965 - 1966	Chuck Jacobson 1982 - 1983	Bill Geissler 1999 - 2000
Martin Gracey 1966 - 1967	Bill Webb 1983 - 1984	David Baldwin 2000 - 2001
Richard Allen 1967 - 1968	Charles Hartman 1984 - 1985	Suzi Howe 2001 - 2002
Jerry Hammack 1968 - 1969	Bob Wren 1985 - 1986	Laura Hale 2002 - 2003
Roger Hobart 1969 - 1970	Jim Hargrove 1986 - 1987	Sheila Self 2003 - 2004
Orville Lindquist 1970 - 1971	Jim McNatt 1987 - 1988	Dr. Vissett Sun 2004 - 2005
Bob Scott 1971 - 1972	Billy Weseman 1988 - 1989	J. B. Fox 2005 - 2006
Frank Morgan 1972 - 1973	John Watson 1989 - 1990	Geoff Atwater 2006 - 2007
Rex Bailey 1973 - 1974	Billy Ray Smith 1990 - 1991	Dick Gregg III 2007 - 2008
Dick Chandler 1974 - 1975	Jack Lister 1991 - 1992	Mike Hernandez, Jr. 2008 - 2009
Don Kirk 1975 - 1976	Terry Hesson 1992 - 1993	Jon McKinnie 2009 - 2010
Lionel Garcia 1976 - 1977	Vic Maria 1993 - 1994	David Coney 2010 - 2011
Jim Wyatt 1977 - 1978	Dr. David Taylor 1994 - 1995	Mike Dennard 2011 - 2012
Marvin Matthews 1978 - 1979	Lamar Bowles 1995 - 1996	Marilyn Musial 2012 - 2013
Al Ligrani 1979 - 1980	Bill Lowes, III 1996 - 1997	Sheryl Berg 2013 - 2014
Pete Chester 1980 - 1981	Donnie Johnson 1997 - 1998	Scott Rainey 2014 - 2015



50th Anniversary Celebration

Space Center Houston

August 6, 2014

This event is generously sponsored by Brookdale Plaza Clear Lake



THE FIRST FIFTY

On August 6, 1964, I was three years, ten months, and twenty-nine days old, as it was a leap year. On that Thursday, Beth Maveety of Rotary International notified Ellis R. Bareiss of the sponsoring Rotary Club of La Porte, of her congratulations for success in extending Rotary to this community. With this action, the thirty-five charter members of the Rotary Club of Space Center embarked on a journey paralleling the manned space flight program of NASA. The club's first President, Ivan Brown, was joined in membership with Astronaut Gordon Cooper and club legend Vince Lipovsky. The Club's only surviving charter member is David Shaw, and many will know the first two members to be initiated into the club were Gene Lindquist and Don Kirk.

Fast forward from the skinny ties and tie dyed era to Wednesday August 6, 2014. I am fifty-three years, ten months, and twenty-eight days old (no leap year this go round). An IBM 360 is a dinosaur replaced by a phone we carry in our pocket. Buck Roger's could only dream of the technological advances the world has accomplished. We are a club of business and community leaders as before, however the diversity of the club is enhanced by the inclusion of women and members of every race and background.

Our Club too took small steps, but has also taken huge leaps for mankind. Thirty-five men of vision established the foundation for the club of the 21st Century. Our club has provided fresh drinking water to many in need, we have supported our local youth with scholarships, mentoring, vaccinations, character building, and fun at the Shrimporees. Our members have participated in Rotary International leadership positions and sponsored the Rotary Club of Seabrook.

Our legacy is deep and rich in tradition with a reputation as one of the best clubs in all of Rotary. This notoriety is attributed to the efforts and dedication of the members of the first fifty years. We too, as does the NASA, have a mission to accomplish; that is, to make our humanitarian footprint continue to expand and remain as permanent as that first boot print on the moon.

Scott Rainey

President—Rotary of Space Center

2014-2015

PROGRAM

7:00 - 8:00 PM	Reception
Welcome	Scott Rainey
Prayer	Darryl Smith
Presentation of Colors - Harris County Precinct 8 Honor Guard	
Pledge of Allegiance	Nancy Anderson
Song - "God Bless America"	Ralph Kramer
Recite 4-Way Test	John Branch
8:15 - 9:00 PM	Dinner
Toast	Scott Rainey
50th Anniversary Video	
Keynote Speaker	Noel Bajat
Closing Remarks	Scott Rainey

2014 - 2015 Club Officers & Directors

President - Scott Rainey

President Elect - John Branch

Secretary - Darryl Smith

Treasurer - Ralph Kramer

Sergeant at Arms—Nancy Anderson

Directors: Terry Crawford, Carl Stockton, Dennis Paul, Michael Porterfield, David Coney, Kevin Barlow, Michael Cornett, David Taylor, Sheryl Berg, Mark Hollis, Ed Richards