

the *Blastoff*

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A message from Pres. Mike— Thank you, thank you, thank you! for you over -whelming response to the Governor's call to donate clothing for the Children of the Dump in Nicaragua. We packed and delivered on Saturday six large boxes of clothing. As you know, these boxes, together with other ones donated by other clubs in the District, will be shipped to Nicaragua. There, the clothing will be sold at the retail shop of the trade school. The money from the sales will be used to provide education and food for the schools, the trade school and the school for the blind children. Once again, Space Center Rotary Club members have demonstrated their outstanding generosity and readiness to serve.

As you have heard, Mike Dennard accepted the position of Sergeant at Arms, replacing John Wilson who has moved into the position of Secretary. I am very happy and feel fortunate since Mike has been a member of the club for many years and brings vast experience working at the club and district levels. Newer members may not know that Mike was almost president of the club at one time, but had to resign before reaching that position. It is great to have Mike back on the officer ladder. Thank you Mike and welcome to the SCRC Board.

September is Rotary International New Generations Month! I am excited to say, especially during this month, that both David Coney (Chair of Interact activities) *continued on page 8*



Rotary International
President 2008-2009



Dong Kurn Lee



Rotary District 5890
Governor 2008-2009
Rhonda Kennedy



Chris Schneider
Alvin, Seabrook, Space Center
District Assistant Governor

Past District Governors
From SCRC

Dr. Floyd D. Boze
1981-1982



Billy Weseman
1993-1994



Suzi Howe
2006-2007

Service Above Self

Programs —

Kippy Carraway, Chair 2008-2009

Today Ed Emmett, Harris County Judge

Sep 29 Nick Lampson, U. S. Congressman, Dist. 22

Oct 6 TBD

Oct 13 Columbus Day — **no meeting**

Bring a Guest!!

Say Happy Birthday to —

- John Wilson. September 8th
- Scott Rainey. September 8th
- Bill Lowes. September 13th
- Stan Galanski. September 17th
- Joan Skellenger. September 22nd



**September is New
Generations Month**

Important & Informative Websites

Rotary International
www.RI.org
 Rotary District 5890
[www.RotaryDistrict 5890.org](http://www.RotaryDistrict5890.org)
 Space Center Rotary Club
www.SpaceCenterRotary.org

Meeting Notes September 8th—



Dr. Bob Stern, 30-year Rice University Professor and frequent election handicapper & commentator on KHOU Channel 11, gave the membership expansive insight into the national and Texas political scene. One interesting insight, among many was a reminder that voters select a president only once every four years, they have an opportunity to vote in 16 elections for lesser status candidates in the same time period. He described the demographic changes that have put more states in play since the last presidential race. Anglos are increasingly losing majority status to Hispanic, Asian and African Americans. Texans have become a “majority/minority” population. This means that minorities collectively are the majority. The Democrat Party is gaining numbers but not voters, while the Republican Part is losing numbers but maintains a higher percentage of actual voters. However, Republican base voters are dying off. Younger persons are less likely to vote in either party because they see themselves as lacking a stake in the outcome—they tend not to have jobs (pursuing education) and not to own property. In the current race for president, both parties have selected candidates that are more centrist. We need to invite this guy back soon and often. His comments are very thought provoking, no matter your voting preference. Professor Stern’s prediction for the presidential race is Obama 260 electoral votes and McCain 235. Since it takes 270 to win, this would require the U. S. House of Representatives to make the selection. Guess which party controls.

**YOU MAY VIEW
& READ THE
CURRENT & SOME PRIOR
ISSUES OF *THE BLASTOFF*
ON THE CLUB
WEBSITE**

Shrimporee Committee & Sub-Committee Chairs

The Shrimporee Committee will meet every week on Tuesdays @ 5:30pm until we reach the event, October 25th. Please be prepared to report on your activities. We are in the final days leading up to the Shrimporee and we must now proactively move forward in our efforts. If you are having any issues or delays, please let us all know your obstacles and needs, so we can assist.

Jon R McKinnie

SCRC Endowment Foundation Update

September 9, 2008

19 members were present including 10 of 11 Board Members. Asset Value: \$156,000.00. Most funds had been moved to Money Mkt Accts so the market downturn had little effect on investments. The recent Pancake Breakfast net proceed were almost \$1,000 marking a new high. The next PC Breakfast will be on Valentine’s Day Feb 14, 2009. Mark you calendar to take you sweetheart out for an outstanding breakfast.

SCRC Fellowships 6:30 p.m.

Sep 30th **Dos Mas**, 103 W. Bay Area Blvd., Webster
Oct 7th **Topwater Grill**, 815 Ave. O, San Leon
Oct 21st **Zio’s**, 820 W. Bay Area Blvd., Webster
Nov 4th **Tommy’s Seafood**, 2555 Bay Area Blvd, Houston
Nov 18th . **Tony’s Barbeque**, 17052 Saturn Ln., Houston
Dec 2nd **Abe’s Cajun Market**, 1080 Clear Lake City Blvd,
Houston
Dec 16th **Bailey’s**, 2320 NASA Pkwy, Seabrook

Ridonnelly@aol.com

BYE, BYE IKE.

Like many unwelcome guests, you were windy & wet the bed.

MAKEUP OPPORTUNITIES:

Pearland

Tuesday @ noon

Golfcrest Country Club 2501 Country Club Drive

LaPorte

Tuesday @ 12:10 p.m.

St John Episcopal Church Broadway @ Ave. G

Pasadena South

Wednesday @ noon

Baywood Country Club 5500 Genoa Red Bluff

Friendswood

Wednesday @ noon

Village on the Park Retirement Center 400 E. Park-
wood

Seabrook

Thursday @ 8:00 a.m.

Lakewood Yacht Club 2425 NASA Parkway

League City

Thursday @ noon

Estaban's Fiesta Shack 131 League Street

Pasadena

Friday @ noon

First United Methodist Church 1062 Fairmont Pkwy

Make up @ an E-club

[http://www.rotary.org/newsroom/downloadcenter/pdf s/eclub_list.pdf](http://www.rotary.org/newsroom/downloadcenter/pdf/s/eclub_list.pdf)

SPONSORS OF SHRIMPOREE 2008

[\$1,000 unless otherwise noted]

- Amoco Federal Credit Union
- Art Oswald — AOVCO
- Bastion Technologies (Mike Hernandez (\$2,500))
- Belinda K. Skloss, LLC
- Ben Bridge Jewelers (Travis Vermeer)
- Billy R. Smith, Attorney at Law
- Delia Stephens, Attorney at Law
- DRDA (Olive Murphy-Riker, CPA)
- Gay & Reitz, Attorneys at Law (Becky Reitz)
- Gregg & Gregg, P. C., Attorneys at Law (\$2,500)
- Gurry Mechanical, LP (Ken Gurry)
- Hopping Eye Associates (Vissett Sun)
- Hydrocarbon Resource Recovery (Scott Rainey) (\$2,500)
- JSC Federal Credit Union (Mike Brown) (\$2,500)
- J. Pamela Photography (Pam Culpepper)
- Kirchoff Peterson Co. (Don Kirchoff) (\$2,500)
- L. D. Bowles Associates (Lamar Bowles) (\$2,500)
- Las Colinas Custom Interiors (Rae De Castro)
- Lexus of Clear Lake — Joey Dupuis (\$2,500)
- Earl & Terrilee Maudlin (\$10,000)
- Maui Wau (Shelley Smith)
- Merrill Lynch (Jerry & Bill Smith)
- MRI Technologies (Tim Kropp)
- Prosperity Bank (Mark Humphrey)
- Space Center Automotive (Jerrold Dewease)
- State Farm Insurance— Johnny R. White, Agent
- Texas Citizens Bank (Mike Cornett)
- Texas Wealth Management (Mike Hesse)
- Gene & Donna Tromblee (\$2,500)
- University of Houston — Clear Lake Campus
- Waldron & Schneider, Attorneys (Marc Schneider)

EVENTS CALENDAR

Club Board of Directors3rdTue @ 7 a.m.
RNASA Committee 3rd Thur @
Endowment Foundation Bd. . . 2nd Tue @ 7 a.m.
Rotary Foundation Comm . . . last Wed @ 7 a.m.
Membership Committee . . .2nd Mon @ 1:15 p.m.
Shrimporee 2008 October 25 All Day
District 5890 Conference, Lake Charles, LA
Apr 30 — May 2, 2009
Rotary Space Award DinnerMay 8, 2009
100th RI Convention
Birmingham, England June 21 — 24, 2009

Officers & Directors 2008-2009

President	Mike Hernandez
President Elect	Jon McKinnie
Secretary	John Wilson
Treasurer	Marilyn Musial
Sargent at Arms	Mike Dennard
Immediate Past President.	Dick Gregg, III

Directors

Club Administration	Mark Humphrey
Public Relations	John Nugent
Membership	Bill Geissler
Fundraising	David Coney
Community Service A	Belinda Skloss
Community Service B	Dick Hergert
International Service A	Mike Cornett
International Service B.	Dick Kidder
Vocational Service	Rae DeCastro

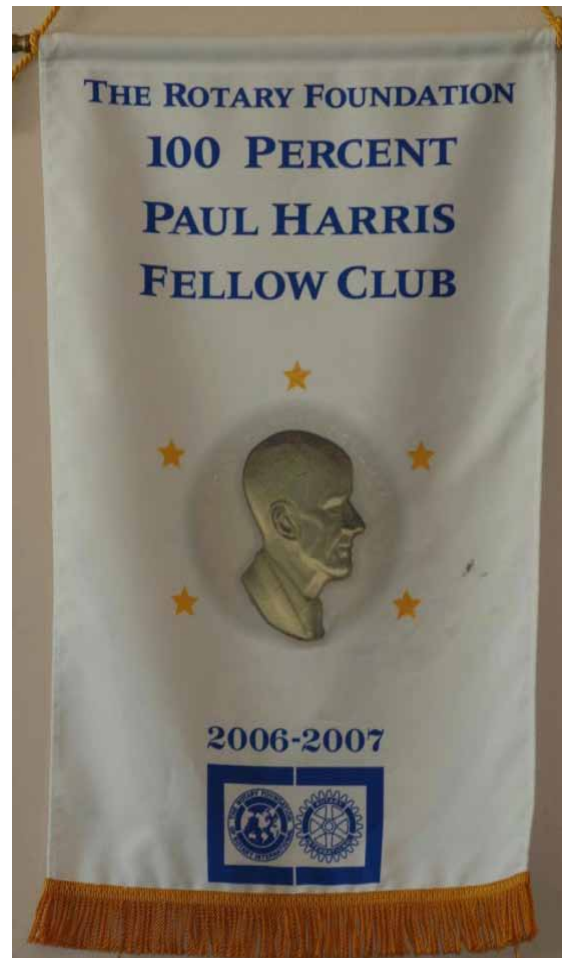
Committees & Chairs

Programs	Kippy Caraway
Directory & Website	Jon McKinnie
Club History	Jerrold DeWease
Constitution & Bylaws.	Billy Smith
Memorial	Laura Hale
Fellowships.	Roger Donnelly
Blastoff Editor	Billy Smith
Photographer	Bob Mitchell
Public Information.	Mary Alys Cherry
Golf	Dick Kidder
Attendance	Bill Geissler
Classification.	Scott Rainey
Member Recruitment/Retention.	Jon McKinnie
Grants	Stan Glanski
Shrimporee	Jon McKinnie
Springoree	Steve Owens
Sponsors	Scott Rainey
Interact	David Coney
Rotaract	Ted Cummings
Youth Activities.	Marc Schneider
Senior Citizens	Steve Waldner
Health & Safety.	Jennifer Keller
Scholarships.	Belinda Skloss
Rotary Foundation.	David Coney
SCRC Endowment Foundation	Bob Wren
Ambassadorial Scholars	???
GSE Activities	Bill Geissler
International Youth Exchange.	Dick Meyer
World Health Foundation.	Dick Kidder
Excellence in Education	David Coney
Safety/Law Enforcement.	Phil Sandlin
Space Center Rotary Club Endowment Foundation	Bob Wren, Pres.
Rotary National Award for Space Achievement Foundation	Rodolfo Gonzalez, Pres.

NATIONAL IMMUNIZATION TOUR TO INDIA

An unexpected vacancy for one female has occurred in the National Immunization Tour to India. The tour will depart on October 15th and arrive back in Houston on October 25th. The cost of the tour will be approximately \$2,700 including air fare, 10 day land tour with a visit to Taj Mahal and miscellaneous expenses. This cost may vary a little with the availability of an air ticket at the group rate. You do not have to be a Rotarian to take this tour. Interested persons may obtain additional information by contacting the tour leader:

PDG, Jon Eiche
Ph. 832.595.1398 or Cell 713.702.2292
eichejl@comcast.net



Make it true again in 2008-2009

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Mike Hernandez

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Sunshine —



- Hurricane Ike - Thank God it was not stronger!
- Lives & property spared.
- The cool front that allowed us to tolerate the lack of AC.
- Quick response of government leaders.
- Special neighbors that offered their assistance to the less fortunate.
- **Geoff Atwater's athlete-scholar son, Thomas has entered his first year at UT Houston Medical School & Geoff was able to watch one of his dissection videos. Congrats to the Atwaters.**

Showers —



- ***Hurricane Ike!!***
- ***Damaged roofs.***
- ***Downed trees.***
- ***Flood waters.***
- ***Lack of potable water & power.***
- ***Displacement from our homes.***
- ***ETC!***

**International Youth Exchange Meeting
September 30th**

5:30 p.m.

**Chelsea's NASA Pkwy., El Lago
(next to Boondoggles)**

FYI: International Exchange Student, Sofia Berglund is from Sweden and her host mom is Marci Paden; host sister is Jennifer.

**BEN BRIDGE
JEWELERS
Travis Vermeer**

**BILLY R. SMITH
Attorney at Law
Board Certified
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**DELIA STEPHENS
Attorney at Law**

**DRDA
Olive Murphy-
Riker, CPA**

GAY & REITZ
Attorneys at Law

GREGG & GREGG,
P.C.
Attorneys at Law

GURRY
MECHANICAL,
L.P.
Ken Gurry

HOPPING EYE
ASSOCIATES
Visett Sun

Pictures from September 8th meeting:



From left to right 1st row: Jack Bacon presented banners from clubs visited in Rwanda; Stan Galanski introduced Paula & Amy from Amistad Missions in Bolivia and the U. S.; Kippy Carraway introduced the speaker; David Coney described success in starting an Interact Club at Clear High School (much interest, but much yet to do—he needs your help). 2nd row: Micki Czarnik reported that the Women of Rotary organization is alive in spite of rumors of its demise. They will hold a luncheon meeting on Sep 18th at Chubaca’s Restaurant in Webster; Art Oswald described the Shrimporee ticket sales teams and the seating arrangements for the next club meeting and until the event; Paula (Amistad Mission in Boliva) described activities and expressed thanks for \$1,000 donated to the Mission by SCRC; Paula & Stan visit; Scott Rainey encouraged members to obtain Shrimporee sponsors. 3rd row: Stan, Paula & Pres Mike; (last 3 pics) Prof. Stern discusses politics with members.

HYDROCARBON
RESOURCE
RECOVERY
Scott Rainey

JSC FEDERAL
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Mike Brown

J. PAMELA
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Pam Culpepper

KIRCHOFF
PETERSON CO.
Don Kirchoff

**LAS COLINAS
CUSTOM
INTEIORS
Rae DeCastro**

**LEXUS OF
CLEAR LAKE
Joey Dupuis**

**EARL
&
TERRILEE
MAUDLIN**

**MAUI WAUI
Shelley Smith**

(President's message continued from page 1) (and Ted Cummings (Chair of Rotaract activities) have obtained more than enough signatures of interested students to organize Interact and Rotaract Clubs at Clear Lake High School and University of Houston—Clear Lake Campus. One of those interested students at UH-CL, to Ted's surprise, is a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar who studied in England for a year. She is very excited about the opportunity to renew and continue her relationship with Rotary. Students at CLHS were so impressed with David Coney's presentation that one sent an email message to David remarking "Hey, Mr. Coney. Let me know if there is anything that I can (story continued on page 8)

do to help with a community service project . . . You really inspired me to help out in the community." The teacher wrote "I truly appreciate you taking time . . . To help develop our kids and to broaden their horizons. In class today, we re-capped some of your comments on service and individual strengths and weaknesses. Your insight was a great addition to our lesson."

Borrowing words from David, "I think we've got things heading in the right direction."

Your in Rotary, Mike

Attention committee chairs, officers, directors and all of you who are involved in Rotary. This space was wasted because the information about your activities, achievements and service to others was not sent to the editor. Please share!

**MERRILL LYNCH
Jerry & Bill
Smith**

**MRI
TECHNOLOGIES
Tim Kropp**

**PROSPERITY
BANK
Mark Humphrey**

**SPACE CENTER
AUTOMOTIVE
Jerrold Dewease**

**STATE FARM
INSURANCE**
Johnny R. White
Agent

**TEXAS
CITIZENS BANK**
Mike Cornett

**TEXAS WEALTH
MANAGEMENT**
Mike Hesse

**GENE & DONNA
TROMBLEE**

Some Personal Experiences of Hurricane Ike:



Clockwise from upper left: tree on house; Texas Chainsaw Massacre - chain attacks leg; leg loses - OUCH!!; tree limb through roof, followed by hours of rain and soaked sheetrock falls.

Please share your stories & pictures.

Email them to

billys@sbcglobal.net

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<i>The Rotarian</i>	The official magazine of Rotary International.	www.rotary.org/rotarian
<i>Regional Magazines</i>	There are more than 30 regional Rotary magazines, which are published in 20 languages, including Thai, Bulgarian and even British English.	www.rotary.org/regionalmagazines
<i>Weekly Update</i>	Subscribe to receive a weekly news roundup from RI.	www.rotary.org/getupdate
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<i>RI Youtube Channel</i>	Within minutes, you can embed an RI video on your website.	www.youtube.com/rotaryinternational
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<i>Reconnections</i>	Read about Rotary Foundation programs alumni.	www.rotary.org/reconnections
<i>Newsletters</i>	View a listing of all the newsletters available from RI.	www.rotary.org/newsletters
<i>Humanity in Motion</i>	TV, radio, print, Internet and billboard public service announcements focus on Rotary volunteer efforts that address critical humanitarian issues.	www.rotary.org/humanityinmotion
<i>RI Visual Identity Guide</i>	Learn the best practices for using Rotary's emblem & marks.	www.rotary.org/visualidentityguide

September:

Rotary New Generations Month (mentor a young person).....September
National Punctuation Day (Really!!).....Sep 24th
Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year begins at sundown.....Sep 29th

Rotary at a Glance:

Members: 1,226,067 (as of April 30th)
Clubs: 7,165

A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL AT THE AUGUST ENDOWMENT FOUNDATION PANCAKE BREAKFAST



Sheryl Berg prepared the tables; Art Oswald made great biscuits; Dennis Dillon prepared the batter; Billy Smith cracked dozens of eggs; Billy & Bob Wren served it up; Roger Donnelly collected & sold tickets; take-outs were available too; Jerry Beorgous makes selections at the juice & fruit table; lots of guests had a great time enjoying great food; John Lee had a good time too. Others, not pictured, made it all possible. Thank you to all. If you missed it, you missed a good one; the biggest one to date. The next breakfast will be in February, 2008 on Valentine Day; bring your sweetheart.



Hope & Relief International Foundation, Inc.
10700 Gerke Road. Brenham, TX 77833 979-836-5607

A LIFE CHANGING TRIP TO NICARAGUA

I hope you will join us for our December 2008 trip to Nicaragua. This is a great trip where we get to help distribute Christmas boxes to all the children in our schools. Thanks to Steve Thorpe and all his hundreds of helpers, we will have over 2800 boxes to deliver this year. Those of us leaving from Houston will be departing on Tuesday, December 2, 2008 on Continental flight # 1774, leaving Houston at 5:45 p.m. and arriving in Managua at 9:05 p.m.

We will return from Managua on Tuesday December 9, 2008 on Continental flight # 1775 , Leaving Managua at 7:35 a.m. and arriving in Houston at 10:54 a.m.

Getting group rates for tickets has gotten increasingly difficult, especially in the last year. People are coming from so many different places and usually we can get much better prices on line than we can get as a group rate. So, this year we are asking everyone to buy your own tickets directly but, you must coordinate your arrival and departure to match within an hour or so of the Continental flights shown above. I know that American and some others have flights through Miami which closely match this schedule. The ground travel, meals and hotel charges will be \$560.00 per person (double occupancy in hotels) we will co-ordinate all of this as we always have in the past. Payments for this should be sent to:

Hope & Relief International Foundation, Inc.
10700 Gerke Rd.
Brenham, Texas 77833

We will schedule everyone on a first come, first served, basis as of the date we receive your payment. No one will be scheduled before payment is received. Attached is a reservation form which should be completed and sent in with the information and your payment. Please provide ALL the information.

Remember this is a tropical climate so dress accordingly. Jeans and shorts are great but you need to not wear sandals or open toe shoes when we visit the dump and some of the more rural areas. We will send everyone a copy of our planned itinerary nearer the time of departure. Remember that you will need a passport that is not within 6 months of expiring and please us the name exactly as it is on the passport for your plane tickets and on the registration form that you send us.

We are planning on a large group, as usual, for this year end trip and we really hope you can go with us. Please let me know and call me if you have questions.

Jim Kite
Home number 979-251-8225
Cell number 979-251-0840

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10700 Gerke Road, Brenham, Texas 77833

Telephone: 979-836-5607 Fax: 979-836-0614 Email: jimkite@sbcglobal.net

8 DAYS

Yes, I am interested in joining our Rotarians during the next trip to Nicaragua
December 2- December 9, 2008

Prospect Information (Please type or print your information)

District Number: _____ State/Country: _____

Club Name: _____

Your Name: _____

(Must be as it appears on your passport)

Business Telephone: _____ Facsimile Telephone: _____

Residence Telephone: _____ Mobile Telephone: _____

Email Address: _____

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This is an uplifting experience that will stay with you for life. During this trip you will have the opportunity to visit all the projects that we have developed over the past ten years thanks to your generous contributions. You will be able to see: The School of the Children of the Dump, Santa Lucia (house of the blind), Betania (the trade school), Village Santa Matilde (the new vision of Rotary of breaking the cycle of poverty), The Village Aldeia Rotaria , The new village of El Menco (Our latest project) and much more.

Date and time of departure: Dec.2, 2008 at 5:45 pm on Continental #1774 from Bush Int. Airport, Houston, Tx. Arrive at Managua at 9:05 pm.

Date and time of return: Dec. 9,2008 at 7:35 am on Continental #1775 arrive at Bush Int, Airport, Houston, Tx. Arrive at 10:54 pm.

(Cost of hotels, most meals and ground transportation, etc. is \$560.00 per person. Please remit the land cost to: Hope & Relief International Foundation, Inc., 10700 Gerke Rd., Brenham, Texas 77833. Each person should make their own plane reservations leaving on the Continental Airlines flight for the above dates or On flights that arrive and leave Managua at times that are more or less within one hour of the arrival and departure times at Managua.)

Deadline for reservations: Oct.15, 2008 in order to allow time to secure hotel reservations.

Documentation: Valid Passport (US citizens and residents are not required to have a Visa)

Payment Type for Land costs (circle one): Check Visa MasterCard American Express

Credit Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

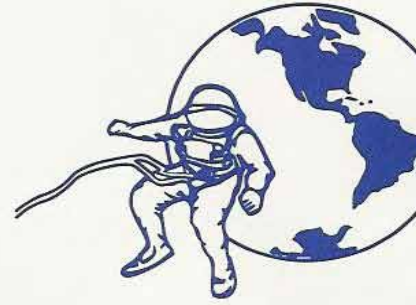
Last 3 digits on back of card _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

(Passengers from Houston as well as destinations other than Houston should book and coordinate with these flights
.Please send this form with either check or credit card information to Hope & Relief at the above address)



**ROTARY CLUB
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**Minutes of the Board of Directors
Date: August 19 2008**

Members in Attendance:

Mike Hernandez, Jon McKinnie, Marilyn Musial, John Wilson, Mark Humphries John Nugent, Bill Geissler, David Coney, Belinda Skloss, Dick Hergert, Mike Cornett, Dick Kidder, Rae DeCastro

Members Not in Attendance:

Dick Gregg III

Guests:

Dennis Paul, John Davis

Call to Order:

President Mike Hernandez called the meeting to order at 7:05AM after ascertaining quorum.

Report of the Secretary:

Board Minutes:

Secretary Jon McKinnie presented the minutes to the July 17 & 27, 2008 board meetings, which had been distributed to the Board prior to this board meeting. Minutes were accepted as presented.

Attendance: 70.79% for the month of July, which represents a 4.31% increase.

Membership Report for the Month of: July 2008

Blue Badge Members	101	Active Member Total - Prior Year	111
Red Badgers	8	Lost Members	0
Rule of 85 Members	3	New Members	1
Total Active Members	112	Active Member Total - Current Year	112
Honorary Members	6		
Current Members	118	Membership Change	

Prospective Membership Status:

Review the new member pipeline, which reflects 5 proposals approved by the board, 1 new member, 3 scheduled for induction in August and 1 has withdrawn from consideration

Dennis Paul has completed his orientation, paid his dues and scheduled to be inducted into the club, effective August 11.

John Davis has completed his orientation, paid his dues and set to be inducted into the club, effective August 18.

Lisa Hamilton has completed her orientation, paid her dues and set to be inducted into the club, effective August 18.

Stefan Coniffe is moving back to Japan, withdrew his name from consideration.

Prospective Members for Board Consideration: NONE

Leaves of Absence: NONE

Report of the Treasurer:

Treasurer Marilyn Musial presented:

Financial reports for 2007-08 and 2008-09, actual vs. budgets.

Current dues payment status, which reflected 77 members who have paid. Only 8 have elected not to pay the \$15 District assessment.

Discussion was held about moving excess funds from the administrative checking account to an interest bearing account.

Investments accounts will be reviewed by a committee during this month and recommendations will be presented at the next board meeting.

Billing for meals by Bay Oaks was discussed. The contract calls for 60 meals minimum per week and the club never hits the minimum.

Mike asked Marilyn to request an itemized bill from Bay Oaks for review. Mike will discuss with Bay Oaks about modifying the agreement to a lower minimum.

Motion to approve report – **Belinda Skloss**, second **Bill Geissler**, motion carried.

President **Mike Hernandez** reviewed the administrative and service budgets for 2008-09, which had been distributed to the board previously. After discussion, motion to approve budget – **Bill Geissler**, second **Belinda Skloss**, motion carried.

Outstanding Business: None

New Business:

President **Mike Hernandez** reported that Gary Johnson had submitted his resignation as President-Elect, Shrimporee Chair and Board Member. Per the club By-Laws, the Board has the power to appoint a replacement President-Elect. Following the order of officers,

Jon McKinnie, Secretary, is next in line for President-Elect and Jon has agreed to accept the appointment.

Marilyn Musial, Treasurer, elected to remain in her position.

John Wilson, Sgt-at-Arms, agreed to accept the appointment as Secretary.

Motion was made to approve the new officers was made – **Mark Humphries**, second – **Belinda Skloss**, motion carried.

President **Mike Hernandez** presented a list of members in good standing for consideration by the Board for the vacant Sgt-at-Arms position. Upon review, motion was made to approve the list –

Mark Humphries, second – **John Nugent**, motion carried. McKinnie was instructed to contact the individuals in the order presented and report upon filling the position.

President **Mike Hernandez** reported that the By-Laws are being reviewed and suggested changes will be submitted to the Board at the next meeting.

Director **David Coney** reported that the camera that Club Photographer Bob Mitchell is using is old and has a low pixel quality. He also stated that the cost of digital cameras is much cheaper. David suggested that the club buy a higher resolution camera for the photographer's use. Director **John Nugent** was requested to bring a quote for a new camera to the next board meeting.

Directors' Reports:

President **Mike Hernandez** again requested that each Officer and Director submit a monthly activity report prior to the monthly board meeting.

Adjournment:

There being no other business, motion to adjourn was made – **Dick Hergert**, second **Rae DeCastro**, motion carried.

The next SCR board meeting will be September 16, 2008

Respectfully submitted:

Jon McKinnie
Club Secretary