

SPACE CENTER ROTARY CLUB

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BLASTOFF

DISTRICT 589

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ROTARY THEME FOR 1981-82... "World Understanding and Peace Through Rotary"

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MISTER MORGAN, IF'N YOR NEX'YARS SHRIMP'REE CHARMAN, JACK EGGLESTON, WANTS ME TER'COOK THEM THAR SHRIMP N'FISH, JES YOU LET ME KNOW, Y'HEAH?



FRANK MORGAN, General Chairman of our 1981 SHRIMPOREE/AUCTION now declares the NET EARNINGS of this 8th year event to be \$13,000. This figure is subject to change only by a few dollars one way or the other depending on the final audit by the Shrimporee Treasurer, BOB MITCHELL. It is believed however that most of the outstanding bills have been paid and all money from ticket sales having been turned in by this time....It is most difficult just how to express the THANKS of the SPACE CENTER ROTARY CLUB to the multitude of people who attended the event and to the 200 or so area merchants and firms who so generously gave their all out support for the many charities our Rotary Club names as beneficiaries. LETTERS OF THANKS have gone out in all directions but as CHAIRMAN FRANK says, "there can be no end to the many whom we have overlooked"..such as thanking the many wives of club members who labored in the hot kitchen baking pies and cakes for our dessert booth so ably handled by Dessert Chairperson, JEAN WREN.

FINAL TICKET SALE TABULATIONS:....Ticket Chairman, MAURY FITCH, reports total ticket sales amounted to \$14,788 with approximately 2,000 tickets sold. This was the smallest amount of tickets ever sold for a SHRIMPOREE which means that we have to work harder next year and improve upon this performance. But the spirit of ROTARIANS shall again prevail....and as the AGGIE would say, "Wait'll next year."

So for the second consecutive year, GENE keeps possession of the beautiful "Traveling Trophy" for the selling of most tickets. We commend him for such a fine effort and hope he will enter the contest again next year....and to continue, by a good margin in the 16 team contest, GENE'S team was the winner. Members of his team were:

BILL SINGLETARY
BOB SOLTYS
GRAYDON STRICKLAND
JIM TWINING
WALT WICKER
BOB WREN
GENE LINDQUIST (Captain)



We commend the members of this group for their efforts in the advance ticket sale, and also commend the Division leader, ROBBYE WALDRON, for pushing his division to victory in total sales (of which the above mentioned team was a part).

IN SYMPATHY....BILL WEBB'S father, DOUGLAS WEBB, passed away on Thursday, November 26th at the age of 89. He was buried on Saturday, November 28th at Pilot Point, Texas. The membership joins in an expression of deep sympathy to BILL and all members of his family in this loss.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

GENE LINDQUIST	November	26th
MARIO GRABAR	11	26th
DAVID KING	11	28th
DAVE SINCOX	11	29th
BILL BENNETT	December	7th
TERRY HESSON	11	8th
DON ROBISON	11	10th
CHARLES WHYNOT	11	11th
STEVE TURNER	11	12th
BILLY BURT	11	13th
DICK CHANDLER	11	16th
ROY ILES	11	17th
CHENG HOOI	11	18th
CURTIS REDMAN	11	20th
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Belated birthday greeting to the members that were missed in the last issue of the BLASTOFF. Sincere apologies from the Editor. Congratulations to all of you.

ing isn't such a lost art. QUICKIES....W One must, by some such means, get out to the garage...The United States is a country of quiet majorities and vociferous minorities... Thinking is the hardest work there is, which is the probable reason so few engage in it...Another difference between death and taxes is that death is frequently painless... The average man lives nearly fifteen years longer than did his ancestors of twenty years ago. He has to or he couldn't get his taxes paid...The reason why men who mind their own business succeed is because they have so little competition...No speech can be entirely bad if it is short... Education is a good thing, but it doesn't go far enough. It merely teaches a man how to speak--not when or how long...Before complaining about what you failed to get out of a church sermon, stop and ask yourself what you took into it...Satisfaction is a state of mind produced when you witness another person's dis-

PROGRAMS:

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7TH.....CLUB ASSEMBLY DAY. Our own District Governor, FLOYD BOZE, will be our distinguished guest and speaker. Be on hand to greet FLOYD in his official capacity as District Governor.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10TH..ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY. Golf Crest Country Club, Pearland. Excellent food and fellowship will make a fabulous evening.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14TH...A representative from the BIG BROTHERS ORGANIZATION will be our featured speaker. Bring a guest to hear about this exceptional organization and its work with youth.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 21ST...KAREN McMAHON will present a special musical program for the enjoyment of the club. Bring your Rotary Ann and other guests to hear this very talented violinist.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28TH...GENE LINDQUIST is planning a unique and interesting year-in program. Watch for further details on this program.

PAST PROGRAMS....On November 23rd, FRANK MORGAN and the Shrimporee Committee presented an excellent program on the results of the 8th Annual SHRIMPOREE. FRANK, JACK, and all of the other members of the SHRIMPOREE COMMITTEE are to be congratulated on their excellent work in making this another successful event...Then on November 30th, WALT WICKER introduced PHIL KIRKLAND, from Bethlehem Steel who gave an excellent program on the problems of the steel industry especially in their work to meet emission standards of both air and water. He forecast a turnaround in the steel industry with better results in meeting foreign competition.

<u>VISITING ROTARIAN</u>....AINSLEY BURKS from the Sun City-Lakeview Rotary Club, Sun City, Arizona, on November 23rd. Come back to visit us again real soon.

SCOOTERS HANDICAP....WINNERS, November 23rd, STEVE TURNER, a big \$40 (this took 8 weeks), November 30th, JAY WELCH, \$5.00. A reminder of the rules to be enforced commencing with the December 7th meeting: (1) The Club_will ante up \$5.00 every week to the kitty: each loss is carried forward to the next week's pot. (2) You are present and wearing both Rotary Pin and badge when your name is called, you win everything in the kitty. (3) Either pin or badge missing-you lose \underline{PLUS} forfeiting \$1.00 to the kitty. (4) Name drawn and you have scooted-you lose PLUS forfeiting \$1.00 to the kitty. (5) Name drawn and you are absent-the \$5.00 goes to the kitty. Quit losing--come to ROTARY!! YOUR FRIENDLY ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

ATTENDANCE, A BAROMETER:....The weekly meeting is the heart of each Rotary Club, and attendance is a barometer of the vitality of its service activities. Rotary thrives on fellowship which results from regular attendance. No one derives any fellowship from an empty chair.

ROTARY TODAY....As of November 1, 1981, there were 19,430 Rotary clubs and an estimated 899,000 Rotarians in 156 countries and geographical regions. Since July 1, 1981, there were 97 new clubs admitted in 32 countries.

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The editor of the college newspaper decided to try an experiment, and he ran the Ten Commandments in the space where the editorial usually appeared. The next day he received a letter from the Dean of the School. "In the future," it read, "please put some restraint into your editorials. The faculty is complaining that you're butting into their private lives."

An AGGIE wearing a mask and carrying a gun, rushed into the bank and upon reaching a teller's window slammed down a \$20.00 bill and barked out his demand..."Give me all of your brown paper bags!"

Hear about the AGGIE who went into a camera store and asked to rent some flash bulbs?

Then there was this AGGIE who thought "Peter Pan" was something to put under a bed.