

SPACE CENTER ROTARY CLUB

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PROGRAMS:

MONDAY, MAY 3RD....MR. FRANK H. NEWNAM, JR., of the METRO COMMISSION, will be discussing the master transportation plan for the Houston area. Bring a guest to hear this interesting and informative speaker.

MONDAY, MAY 10TH....DR. KLAUS VON BISMARCK from the GOETHE INSTITUTE of West Germany will be our featured speaker. His topic will be "The Goethe Institute and German-American Relations." Bring several guests to hear this distinguished scholar.

MONDAY, MAY 17TH....MR. IRL MOWERY, Executive Director of the Houston Lyric Theatre Foundation will present a program on the planning, funding and building of the Wortham Theatre Center in Houston. Invite a prospective Rotarian to hear this outstanding presentation.

MONDAY, MAY 24TH....Program pending but football season isn't too far away.



MEET OUR NEW CLUB MEMBERS:....STEPHEN F. AUSTIN, sponsored by BILL WEBB, was born in Houston, Texas. He attended the University of St. Thomas and South Texas College of Law. Today he is the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Texas Commerce Bank - Clear Lake, 2475 Bay Area Blvd., Houston 77058. Ph: 488-2100. STEVE and his lovely wife, JACQUI and their 'little Steve' live at 822 Forest Lake Drive, Seabrook 77586. Ph: 474-5402....STEVE STEWART, sponsored by PAUL DAVIS, was born at Minden, Louisiana. He attended the U of Texas and Sam Houston State and the U of Houston. He holds a B.B.A. degree. Today he is a partner in Greentree Financial Group, Inc., 1100 NASA Blvd., Suite 306, Houston, 77058. Ph: 333-5712. STEVE and his lovely wife, CINDY, and their two little ones, Zachary and Holly, live at 16222 Brookford, Houston, 77059. Ph: 488-6858. Together let's welcome both STEVES into Rotary. DO IT NOW!

VISITING ROTARIANS FROM FAR-OFF....On April 19th, BILL McGINTY from the Rotary Club of Farmington, New Mexico. BILL is a most frequent visitor to our club - so much so we wonder if he has lost something here and making trips back to find that 'something.' Come again and we will help you look. Then on April 26th, OLIF CORELL from the Rotary Club of Goteborg-Gamlestaden, Sweden. OLIF brought us his club's beautiful banner. Unfortunately we failed to have one of our banners available but promised to send one to his club in Sweden....MARTIN GRACEY, a former president of our club and now active in the Newport News, Virginia Rotary Club. Though MARTIN makes frequent visits to Space Center, they are still far too infrequent. Get the hint, Martin?

IN SYMPATHY.....KIMBERLY SINGLETARY, 19 year old daughter of Bill and Barbara Singletary, passed away Friday, April 23rd in San Marcos, resulting from a bad automobile accident. Funeral services were held at the First United Methodist Church in Houston on Monday, April 26th with internment at Forest Park Cemetery East in Webster under the direction of the Jack Rowe Funeral Home. Our club membership joins together in expressions of deepest sympathy to Bill and Barbara and all other members of Kimberly's family.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

RALPH SCHIMMEL	MAY	6ТН
ALAN WYLIE	**	10TH
JIM HARGROVE	**	12TH
BOB WREN	**	12TH
JOHN WARD	11	12TH
DON BREWINGTON	11	16TH
DEAN WOODRUFF	11	17TH



HAPPY BIRTHDAY Gentlemen. Hope you have many, many more.

OUIPS.....If fear people will know it, don't do it....It's a wise father who knows as much as his own child....Home is the place where a man can say anything he pleases because no one pays the slightest attention to him....Women have a keen sense of humor. The more you humor them the better they like it.... The largest room in the world is the room for improvement....Many a man who seems to be on Easy Street is only on Easy Payment Street..... America is a country where they lock up juries and let the defendants out....There's many a true word said in jest....

PAST PROGRAMS....On April 19th, BILLY BURK introduced TOM COMBS, BOB ENER, DOUG McLEOD, and W. L. "BUBBA" PATE, Candidates for U. S. Congress, District 9, Democratic party. Each of the candidates presented their platform and the reasons they entered the race for U. S. House of Representatives. After their presentations, the candidates answered questions from the floor. If you missed the meeting, we hope you read the excellent article by SARAH RITCH in the CITIZEN. Then on April 24th, HUGH AVERY introduced BOB GRAHAM and RANDY PENNINGTON, candidates for Texas House of Representatives, District 130. Each of the candidates briefly introduced themselves, presented the issues of the campaign which seemed to revolve around flooding, Clear Lake annexation, and the disposal of waste. After some lively discussion about each other's record, the candidates responded to questions from the audience. Hope you read the article in the CITIZEN.

ATTENTION ALL GOLFERS.....The Pearland Rotary Club is having their Eleventh Annual Golf Tournament and Awards Dinner on Friday, May 21st at the Golfcrest Country Club in Pearland. Call Walt Lackey at 485-1812 or 485-1098 after 6 p.m. Support the worthy projects of the Pearland Rotary Club by playing in this outstanding golf tournament.

\$17.00 on April 27th. It does pay to attend the meetings of Space Center Rotary and to wear your Rotary pin and badge. The prize this week will be \$5.00. So come prepared.

could be sent to the Editor of his club's Bulletin.

DON'T FALL OUT OF BED

A little chap had fallen out of bed twice during the early part of the night. Again his mother heard the ominous thump. She rushed into the room, picked him up and asked, "Son what's the matter with you tonight?" The little boy replied, "I don't know, unless it's because I stay to close to the place I get in at."

So it is in Rotary. Many of us go to the meetings, eat, listen passively, then get up and leave. We take no interest in Rotary, never attend meetings of other Rotary clubs, or the District of International meetings. We do not try to do anything for Rotary. We stay too close to the place we get in at.

Note: The above first appeared in the Sheet about 45 years ago. It is still going the rounds of the Rotary Club bulletins, sometimes with credit, sometimes not, but it must be worth repeating or it wouldn't have lasted so long.

"Scandal Sheet"

In Las Vegas, an AGGIE was running up and down the main street putting quarters in curb parking meters. A curious bystander asked, "What are you doing!?" The AGGIE replied, "I hope to hit one of those 'jack pots' like I read about!"

Hear about the AGGIE daredevil who attempted to jump 41 Honda motorcycles with a Mack truck?

The Russians are always bragging....but did you ever hear of any Americans arriving penniless in Russia and becoming millionaires?

ROTARY IS LIKE THAT

THANKS to MARTIN GRACEY who contributed to the

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An automobile moves in the direction in which its wheels are turned.

A man moves in the direction in which his thoughts are turned. Therefore all of us should have a care of what we think and how we think.

Rotary is like that. In Rotary we have big precepts, our Object, our 4-Way Test and our ideals. Let us all follow them. By so doing we will become better Rotarians, building better Rotary clubs. "Scandal Sheet"

When asked how old she was, the aging spinster replied, "I'm old enough to know the score and young enough to get into the game!"

The Sunday School teacher was telling her young class about the story of Lot, saying God warned Lot that he must take his wife and flee out of the city, and that his wife must be told NOT to look back else she would turn into a pillar of salt. Lot and his wife did flee the city, but she looked back and DID turn into a pillar of salt. One of the little fellers raised his arm slowly as if to ask a question. The teacher said, "Yes, Carlos?" "What happened to his flea?", asked Carlos.

The OIL COMPANIES don't seem to be putting many tigers in our tanks anymore, but they're sure giving us a lot of bull.

A fellow is smarter than most of us if he can tell how much of what he knows is ignorance and how much is wisdom.

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You never get a second chance to make a good first impression.