

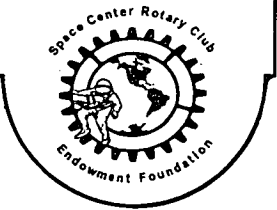
SPACE CENTER ROTARY CLUB BLASTOFF

The Space Center Rotary Club
meets on Mondays, 11:45 a.m.
at the Nassau Bay Hilton

Rotary International District 5890

Rotary International President: Clifford Dochterman
District 5890 Governor: Bob Ellis
Club President: Terry Hesson

"Real Happiness is Helping Others"



January 11, 1993

PROGRAMS

Vann Jones, Chairman

Responsibility for January: Lynette Mason Hale

Responsibility for February: Owen Morris

JAN 11 Dave Ward, Channel 13. Don't miss it!

JAN 18 Federal Holiday. NO MEETING !

JAN 25 John Paul Baptiste, Executive Director,
Texas Commission for the Arts

FEB 1 Consul General for Japan

OTHER COMING EVENTS

JAN -- NO GOLF OUTING IN JANUARY.

JAN 13 **SPECIAL KNOW-HOW SESSION ON MENTORING !**
RON BLILIE REQUESTS THAT ALL PRESENT COMMITTEE
MEMBERS AND OTHERS WHO HAVE AN INTEREST IN
MENTORING take advantage of an orientation session led
by Art Barker in the Chart Room at the Hilton on
Wednesday, Jan. 13 at 5 PM. We will cover techniques,
methods, guidelines, limits, etc. to make you not only
comfortable with the process but eager to do your part.

JAN 23 AL JOWID MEMORIAL HEARTWALK benefiting the
American Heart Association-- and YOU as a walker.

APR 17 EARTH AWARENESS DAY CELEBRATION AT BAYBROOK
MALL. This is Space Center Rotary's 4th year of the
leadership role for the Clear Lake area in this national
program! Sandra Sausley is in charge. More details as
time gets nearer.

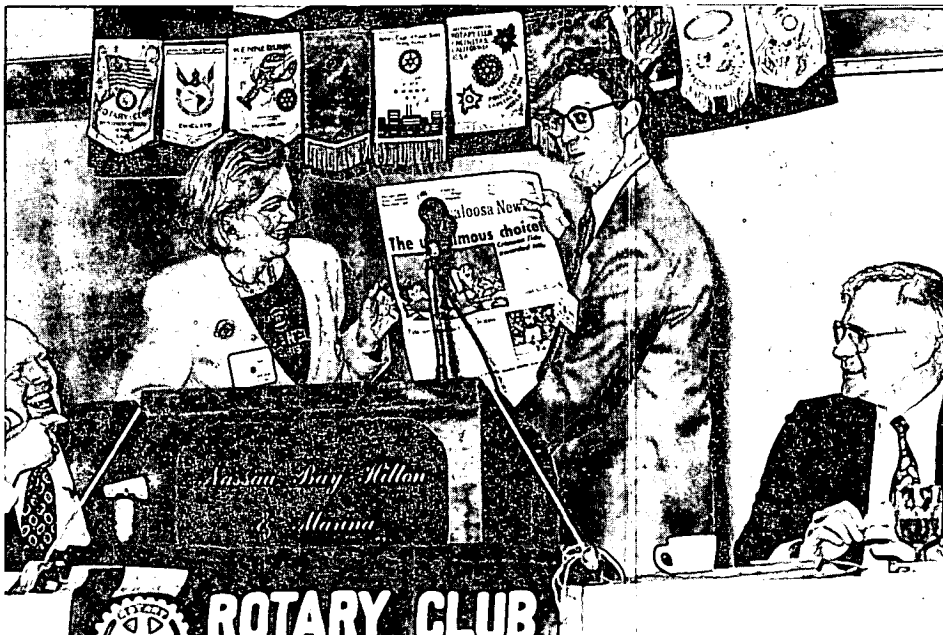
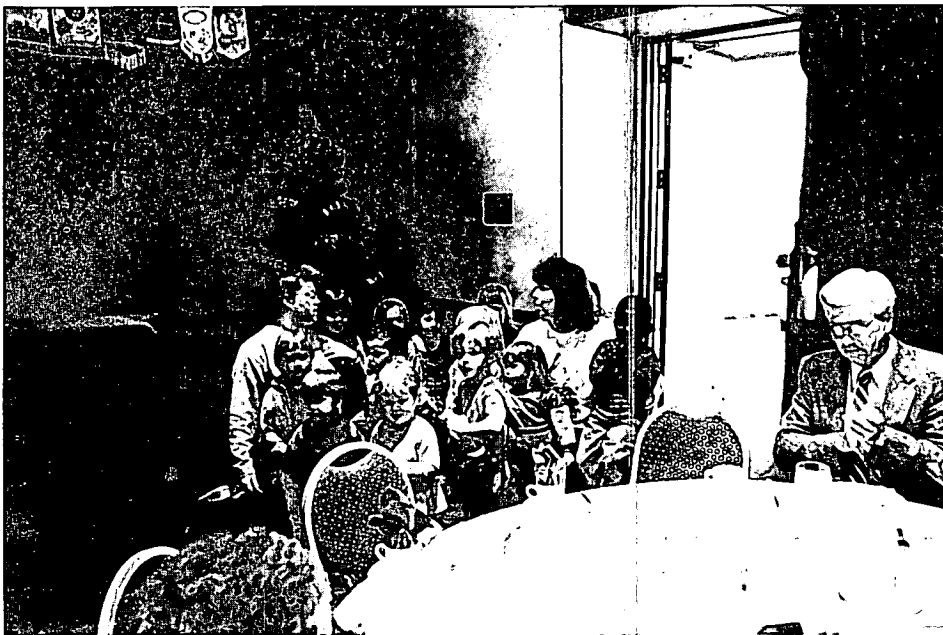
A "Thank You" from the Wiers

Marge and I now know first hand
how difficult ordinary little
tasks can be when you are both
laid up at the same time. But so
many of our Rotary friends
pitched in to bring food to Marge,
who was, as you know, without
transportation while I was in the
hospital, or transported me back
and forth, or visited us, or
brought books to read, or just
hands to be held. It's hard to
repay all the kindness, but
please know that we remember it
and love you for it.

--Marge and Tom Wier

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THE JOWID TRADITION GOES ON!
Michelle Jowid joined Jan 4 th.





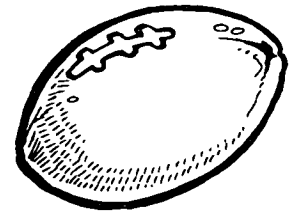
PHOTOS

(The pick of the pix)

Top of the tops is the top one. Certainly Bob Frost's honest wish is a credible one. It shall be granted! ---Now, Vic it can't be told from the photograph which of you wears the pants but it is clear that Norma wears the hat, the coat and the tie. SHE looks good in them !

Here are a group of the youngsters who enjoyed Santa Claus handing out presents at our December 21st meeting

It didn't take U. of Alabama alum **Vann Jones** long to rush to the podium Monday January 4 with a copy of the Tuscaloosa News proclaiming the Crimson Tide as the **UNANIMOUS CHOICE** for No. 1, el numero uno !



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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Colin Coker	1 / 2
Jack Lister	1 / 2
John Watson	1 / 2
Hugh Goff	1 / 4
Merv Hughes	1 / 4
Lamar Bowles	1 / 5
Lynette Mason Hale	1 / 8
Lonnie Clement	1 / 10
Joe Hang	1 / 12
Billy Ray Smith	1 / 18
Bob Lindgren	1 / 20
Mike Brown	1 / 21
Eddie Janek	1 / 22
Bob Mitchell	1 / 24
Kenneth Goedeke	1 / 29
John Gay	1 / 30

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A LETTER FROM VIC "THREE WISHES" MARIA

Children's Protective Services in Harris and Brazoria Counties has a program called "Three Wishes for Christmas" which fulfills wishes for children in their care up to 18 years of age. The children are in this care not for something they have done, but for something that has been done to them, such as abuse or neglect by parents or others.

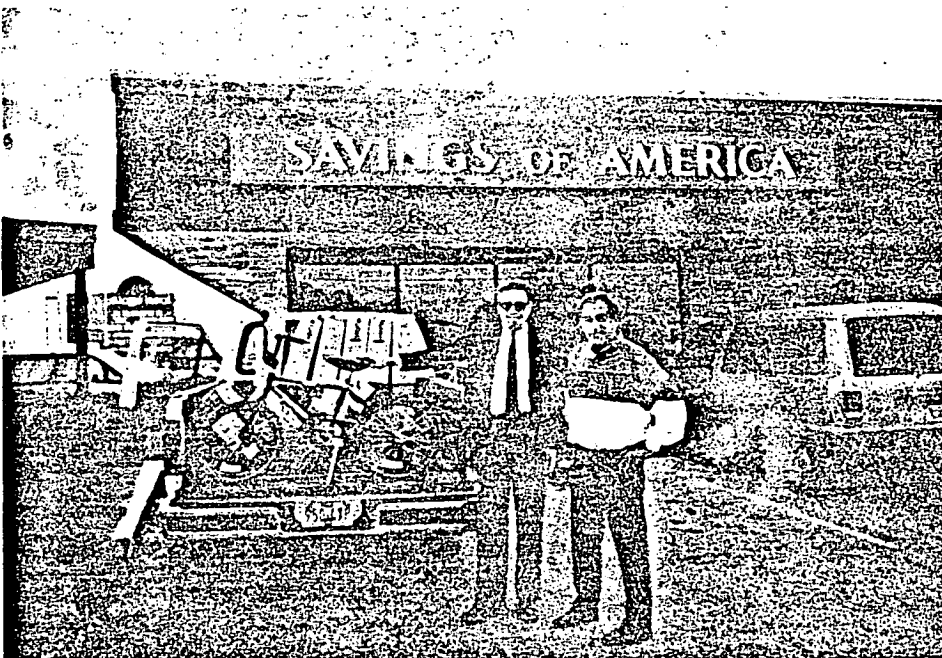
Bicycles make a big hit with these kids, and thanks to support from a number of you in our club I was able to make a very advantageous purchase of twelve bicycles for the program. Just imagine the happiness of these children when they awoke on Christmas morning to find their name on one of these bicycles. Being ever optimistic, I hope that next year we will be able to purchase and furnish 24 bicycles.

I want to thank the following for their generous contribution:

David Baldwin for Savings of America	
Pat Russell for Space Center Rotary Jr. Interact	
Mike Hesse	Tom Wier
Ray Pawlikowski	Ron Blilie
Bob Driver	Susan Howe
Billy Ray Smith	Jack Lister

You all have made this a very special Christmas for 12 children. ---Please help me get 24 bicycles next year!

Vic Maria



MEETING NOTES

1/4/93: Terry Hesson started a plan of having Directors give a status report on the committees under their direction. Reports by Huey Barnett and Bill Geissler are outlined on another page.--- Michelle Jowid became the newest club member continuing a long tradition in the Jowid family's participation in Space Center Rotary.

Lynette Hale introduced Virginia Lang, Executive Director of Business Volunteers for the Arts. She explained how the volunteers are selected and what they do, as well as how business helps. The organization provides a mechanism for businesses to provide business expertise to arts and cultural organizations with the intent of promoting the development of Houston's cultural base. At the same time it fosters sound business principles for arts organizations to operate more effectively. Business skills are taught for application in a "non-conventional setting". A conduit is developed for flow of information between business and the arts.



CLUB DIRECTORS OUTLINE PLANS FOR THEIR COMMITTEES

Dr Huey Barnett gave us insight on the work of four committees under his jurisdiction:

Business Buddies Committee-Dixie Robison, Chair.

The project is called "Job Shadowing" in which students not planning to go to college or interested in vocational/technical program or a health career at a community college match up for half a day with a local business person (who might be a plumber, mechanic or technician) to experience working conditions, pay scale, career opportunities etc., and relate school work with future job demands.

Excellence In Teaching Committee- Charlotte Garner, Chair

The outstanding success of this program, now in its third year, was reported in the Blastoff of December 14. Awards will be made shortly.

Excellence In Law Enforcement Committee- Dr. David Taylor

This program, another brainchild of Dr. David Taylor, is patterned after the Excellence in Teaching program that he devised. In its first year, special effort is being made to educate the applicants and agencies in the characteristics that we are focusing on.

Career Development Committee- Jim Harlan

Jim Harlan has just assumed the chairmanship of this committee and is establishing its goals and objectives.

Bill Geissler reported for the International Service B committee:

International Youth- Karen Birchenough

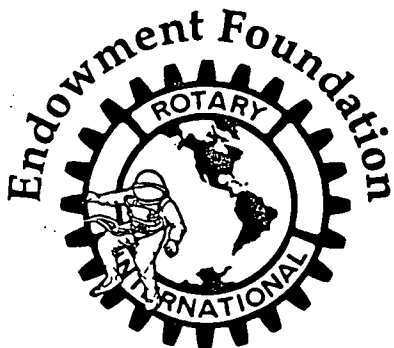
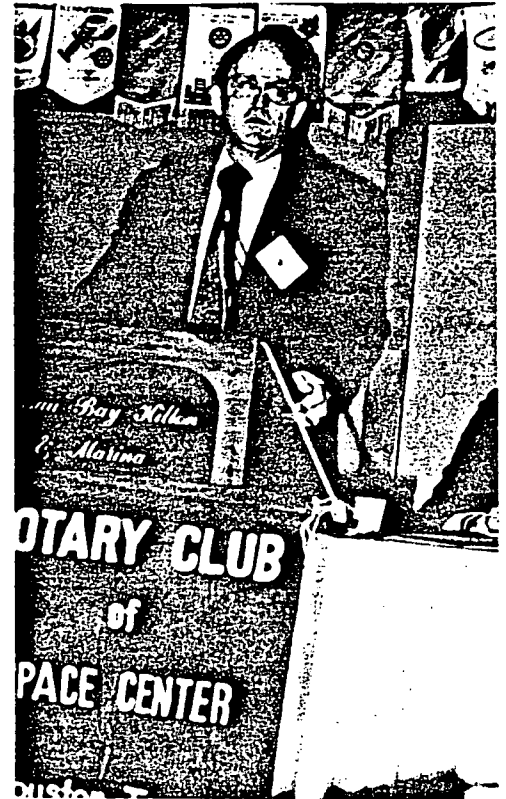
This committee has been carrying out a very active exchange of foreign and local students for years, covering both full year and short term exchanges. Karen is seeking more members and a replacement for herself as she is planning to leave the area this summer. This is an opportunity to step into a meaningful role.

Aeropuerto Club Relations- Gonzalo Montoya

This is the club that provides us most of our young surgery candidates. A party in Mexico is in the works for the time of the vernal equinox.

Group Study Exchange- Lisa Ehrler and Myra Gochnour

They have hosted the Spanish team and are recruiting candidates for the upcoming district sponsored team to Japan.



Space Center Rotary Club

MEMBERS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Selma Neumann, native of northern New York State, is a graduate of the U. of Mich. School of Music with a Masters Degree in Piano Performance. She has had a very enriched life with her husband of 38 years, the late Alfred R. Neumann, Founding Chancellor of the University of Houston Clear Lake. After he was medically discharged from the service in 1946, he taught at Tulane 2 years. Then to Harvard to teach and work on his Ph. D., after which followed U. of Mich., where Selma taught piano until Alfred became her dean. After he became Founding Chancellor of UHCL, they moved to Seabrook while UH was under construction.

As First Lady of UHCL, Selma helped establish a town-gown relationship between the university and townspeople. Continuing Houston activities and new ones here, she founded the Bay Area Houston Symphony League. Until her husband's death in 1983, they traveled internationally extensively, often with their two children who are now grown professionals in Houston. Selma joined Rotary in 1990, served twice on Teacher Award and Shrimporee Committees.

Frank Morgan has been in Rotary so long that you may think you know all about him. But here is the real scoop. Starting in the dark ages, he graduated from Georgia Tech with a Bachelor of Aeronautical Engineering degree then received a Master of Science degree from North Carolina State. Frank enlisted in the Navy in early 1943 and is presently a retired Lieutenant Commander. ---He is married to the former Jean Roberts Holt and together they have five grown children who are scattered all over the world.






Frank joined McDonnell Aircraft Company in 1957 and established the McDonnell Douglas Corporate office in Houston in January 1962. He currently serves as assistant to the Vice President-General Manager, McDonnell Douglas in Houston. BUT he plans to retire in late January, 1993: (New career suggestion: Frank, with your slick bald head you ought to be an instant success in pro basketball !)

Frank is active in other important activities: Boy Scouts of America, Bayshore District; Chairman Sam Houston Area Council Camping Committee; annually Vice President for Council in Support Services (two years), Scouting, Field Operations, and Programs (four years); member Executive Board (20 years); member Executive Committee (11 years). Received the Silver Beaver Award.

Frank was a Founding member of Rotary Club of Space Center, president in 1972-73; Governor's Representative 1971-74; Chairman of the Shrimporee in 1981; Chairman, Rotary Foundation Educational Awards Committee, District 5890 from 1986-1991; and District 5890 International Service Chairman 1991-1992.

Frank was a founding member of Baywood Country Club, 1962-present; president 1988-1990. Also serves as an Elder, Webster Presbyterian Church.



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