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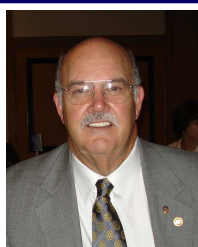


Rotary District 5890
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Ed Charlesworth



Chris Schneider
Alvin, Seabrook, Space Center
District Assistant Governor

A message from Pres. Jon:



The Future of Rotary is in Our Hands"

Current RI President, John Kenny, selected "The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands" as his theme for this Rotary year. AG Chris Schneider will make a "Theme Presentation" during Monday's club meeting.

From the club viewpoint, we must take an introspective view. "The Future of Rotary is in Our Hands". Because the future of Rotary will not be shaped at RI headquarters in Evanston — it will be shaped in each and every Rotary club. Because it is for each of us — as Rotarians — to do what is necessary to keep Rotary strong. Because it is our daily actions, and our daily decisions, that determine the course of Rotary for us all. I am confident that our club will put its best foot forward to continue its traditional leadership position.

August is "Membership Month", time to promote membership growth and, as important, membership retention. Many Rotarians think they don't know any good prospects, but good Rotarians surround themselves with like people. So take a few minutes this weekend and identify friends, customers, vendors and social acquaintances that you would be proud to see become Rotarians. Share your Rotary experience and your passion for community service, invite them as a guest to one of our club meetings. Sometimes, "All you have to do is ask"

Yours in Rotary Service, as always

Jon McKinnie

President 2009-2010

Past District Governors
From SCRC

Dr. Floyd D. Boze
1981-1982



Billy Weseman
1993-1994

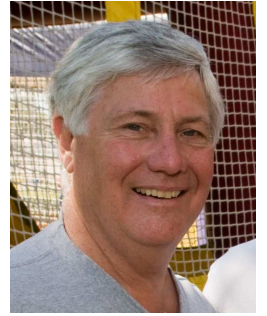


Suzi Howe
2006-2007

Service Above Self

Programs —

John Nugent, Chair 2009-2010



*Aug 3—"The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands"
Asst Gov Chris Schneider*

*Aug 10—Shrimporee 2009
John Wilson, Chair*

*Aug 17—District Governor's Official Club Visit
Dist Gov Ed Charlesworth*

Aug 24—TBD

Aug 31—TBD

Say Happy Birthday to —

Delia Stephens	August 2 nd
Murray Epstein	August 3 rd
Hector A. Marin	August 5 th
Jennifer Keller	August 14 th
Roger Donnelley	August 16 th
Jon McKinnie	August 25 th
Steve Waldner	August 26 th

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL.
WE WISH YOU MANY MORE.**

JULY IS LITERACY MONTH

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EVENTS CALENDAR

Endowment Foundation Board 2nd Tuesday @ 7 a.m.
Club Board of Directors 3rd Tuesday @ 7 a.m.
RNASA Committee 3rd Thursday @ 5:30 p.m.
Rotary Foundation Committee last Wednesday @ 7 a.m.
Membership Committee 2nd Monday @ 1:15 p.m.
2009 Shrimporee Saturday, October 17th

SHRIMPOREE PLANNING MEETINGS @ JSCFCU @ 5:30 p.m.

Thursday August 6th
Tuesday August 18th
Tuesday September 1st
Tuesday September 8th
Tuesday September 15th
Tuesday September 22nd
Tuesday September 29th
Tuesday October 6th
Tuesday October 13th

John Wilson, Chair: jewilson102@comcast.net

SPACE CENTER FAMILY OF ROTARY SOCIALS [6:30 p.m.]

August 11th B J's, 515 West Bay Area Blvd.
August 24th COLESSEUM RESTAURANT, 16608 El Camino Real

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MECHANICAL,
L.P.
Ken Gurry**

**HOMETOWN
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Mike Duckworth**

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ASSOCIATES
Vissett Sun**

DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP SEMINAR—Aug 8 (Next Saturday)

August is Membership Month, a special time of the year when the entire Rotary family focuses on Membership Recruitment & Retention. What better way to kick-start your membership efforts than attending the District Membership Seminar at North Shore Senior High. Registration starts at 8:00AM; Seminar 8:55AM - 1:00pm

Club Presidents are encouraged to personally lead a delegation of their club membership committee, along with President-elect, secretary, program chair and any other interested members. (Especially the "Newbees")

Our District Membership Chair, **Ibrahim "Abby" Abou-Awdi**, has developed an agenda of top speakers who will offer creative and innovative ideas to help your club meet its March 31, 2010 target. Take this opportunity to spend quality time with District leaders, your Asst Governor and your Area Membership Chair.

Location: North Shore Senior High, 353 North Castlegory, Houston, TX 77049

Ibrahim "Abby" Abou-Awdi, District Membership Chair
aawdi@galenaparkisd.com
(281) 850-0072

"Without Membership, Nothing Else Works"!!!

To: Jon R. McKinnie, Rotary Club of Space Center

I would like to ask for your assistance to promote our GSE team trip to India (Jan 31 - Mar 2, 2010) at your next club meeting. Additional information and applications are available on the district website, www.spacecenterrotary.org

NEEDED. Rotarian to serve on our GSE team to India in Feb. Be part of one of the most fun and rewarding experiences in Rotary. **Deadline for Applications is August 12.**

Thanks for your assistance,

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GSE Co-Chair
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&
TERRILEE
MAUDLIN**



Photo Gallery (Counter Clockwise):

1) Past President Mike Hernandez presented **Micki Czarnik** the 2008-09 Space Center “Rotarian of the Year” award. Everyone appreciates Micki’s warm heart and passion for community service. She is a great Rotarian.

2) **Patrice Sutherland**, our newest member, is thrilled to become a Space Center Rotarian. Patrice has already stepped forward and quickly assumed responsibilities.

3) **Jack Bacon** recently received his permanent badge, plus was one of our featured speakers, making a great presentation on “Non-Linear Thinking in a Non-Linear World” When I grow up, I want to be half as smart and sing half as well as Jack.

4) **Pat Doughty** received her Directors pin from President Jon McKinnie. This year, Pat is Director of International Service, which includes GSE, Youth Exchange and World Health.



**MCKINNIE &
ASSOCIATES**

Jon McKinnie

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Johnny White

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**MARC
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CLEAR LAKE
Ted Cummings**

Our 2009—2010 Service Projects and Activities Include:

Club Service

Weekly Lunch Meetings on Mondays
Social Functions with Spouses and Families
Assisting & Supporting Fellow Rotarians in Time of Need
Networking with Fellow Rotarians

Vocational Service

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)
CCISD Teacher of the Year Awards
Distinguished Public Service Awards
Scholastic Scholarships to Local Students
Drug Awareness Essay Scholarships to Local Students

Community Service

Armand Bayou Nature Center Trails
Boy & Girl Scouts of America
Bay Area YMCA
Bay Area Turning Point – Star of Hope
Camp Be an Angel
CCISD Project Graduation
Communities in Schools
Health & Safety Projects
Interact & Rotaract
Interfaith Christian Ministries
Senior Citizens
Shriner's Childrens Hospital
St. Vincent's House—Galveston
Still Water Sports Camp
Volunteer Houston Commander Summer Camp
Support for Space Center Rotary Foundation

International Service

Egyptian Shelter for Girls
International Youth Exchange
Group Study Exchange & Ambassadorial Scholars
Water Project Scholarship—Central America
Water Purification Project—Bolivia
Engineers Without Borders
Clinics & Orphanage in Mexico
Polio Plus Eradication Worldwide
Support for the Rotary Int'l Foundation

