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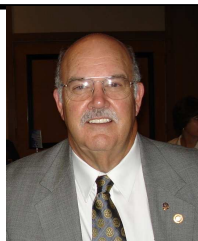
John Kenny



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A message from Pres. Jon:

"CCISD Teacher of Year"

This Tuesday, May 25, at 11:30, Dr Greg Smith, Clear Creek ISD's Superintendent, will be hosting its "Teacher of the Year" Presentation at South Shore Harbour Resort. Space Center, along with Seabrook and League City Rotary Clubs, will be hosting the event. Be sure to make your plans to attend and support this wonderful community service event.

Space Center's spring fundraiser, Springoree, was held last Thursday, at Bailey's American Grille and what an outstanding event, complete with Connoisseurs Wine Tasting, live and silent auctions and did I mention wonderful food and camaraderie.

Steve and Keri Owens, along with their entire committee put on a wonderful show. I don't know the final numbers generated, but with the active bidding, I am sure we will be pleased with the results.

Be sure to congratulate the Springoree committee for a job well done. And thanks to each of you for participating; we know that you enjoyed the evening. (Don't forget that next Monday is Memorial Day and we will not hold club meeting that day).

Thanks to each of you for your support as always
Jon McKinnie President 2009-2010

Past District Governors
From SCRC

Dr. Floyd D. Boze
1981-1982



Billy Weseman
1993-1994

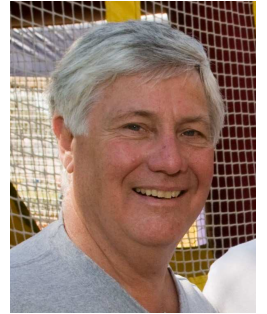


Suzi Howe
2006-2007

Service Above Self

Programs —

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*May 24— Kathy Stone, Probate Judge
“The Real Bucket List”*

May 31—Memorial Day Holiday “No Club Meeting”

Jun 7—Excellence in Public Safety

Jun 14—Excellence in Education

Jun 21—Club Assembly (Club Awards & Year in Review)

Jun 28—Installation of New Officers & Directors

Say Happy Birthday —

David Coney	May 4th
Laura Godwin	May 9th
Alan Wylie	May 10th
Tom Kloves	May 10th
Bob Wren	May 12th
Jim Hargrove	May 12th
Lu Gaigher	May 14th
Carlos Villagomez	May 20th
Geoff Atwater	May 20th

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

If you are missing from this list, send birth date to Jon McKinnie

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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 / CCISD Teacher of the Year Tuesday, May25 @ Noon

FAMILY OF ROTARY NIGHT OUT—6:30pm

(No Meetings Planned for May)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rotary/CCISD Teacher of the Year—May 25, South Shore Harbour Resort
District Leadership Installation—Jun 11, Safari Texas
Club Assembly (Club Awards & Year in Review) - Jun 21, Bay Oaks
Installation of New Officers & Directors—Jun 28, Bay Oaks

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Space Center's Lost Article Recovered

It has been long rumored that Rotary Int'l published an article many years ago about the early stages of manned space exploration and its close association with Space Center Rotary Club. But even Rotary International didn't have a copy. We are thrilled that the article has been recovered.

Jon McKinnie was fortunate enough to start working on the coming Rotary year with Linda Caruso, incoming District Secretary, whose friend's father was a Space Center founding member, who had kept the magazine and article. (Follow me??)

A few weeks ago, Jon was honored to be given the original magazine, published in May, 1966, which extolled the formative stages of space exploration and its' close association with Space Center Rotary Club.

Click on the following link: (It's a large article so will take a few minutes to load)

<http://www.spacecenterrotary.info/links1965-66/May1966Rotarian.PDF>

McKinnie states, "Just reinstates why I am truly honored to have serviced as President of the magically named "Space Center" Rotary Club."



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Photo Gallery of Springoree (Clockwise)

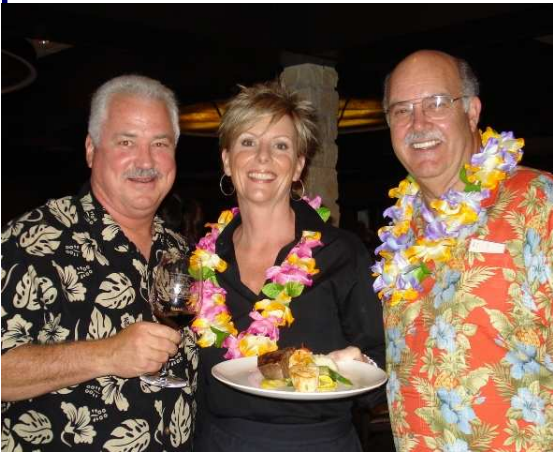
Guests arrived in festive mood, while being entertained by Caribbean band.

Art Wood, Wayne & Marilyn Musial, Andrea Coney enjoy the festivities

Jennifer Keller, John & Madeline Nugent enjoy the special wines available to the Connoisseur's Club.

Lisa Massey, Suzi Howe, Scott Rainey, Bill Howe and Lisa's Guest

Shannon Kmiec presents the main course to Mike Hess & Jon McKinnie



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Last Week's Club Activities (Clockwise)

David Eagleman speaking on "Secrets of the Mind", a very compelling presentation.

Becky Reitz and Peter Wuenschel speak on Communities in School's activities and solicits support for children's camp.

Dick Myer checks on Carlos Villagomez back problems.

Courtney Lindberg promotes our blood drive located at JC Penny in League City



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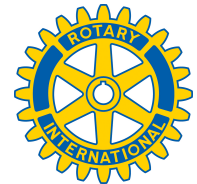
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Our 2009—2010 Service Projects and Activities



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
Clear Lake Food Pantry
Communities in Schools
Extreme Makeover—Kemah Edition
Health, Safety & Environmental Projects
Interact & Rotaract
Interfaith Caring Ministries
Senior Citizens “Valentine Day”
Shriner’s Childrens Hospital (Galveston & Houston)
St. Vincent’s House—Galveston
Still Water Sports Camp
Volunteer Houston Commander Summer Camp
Support for Space Center Rotary Foundation

International Service

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Water Project—Haiti
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