

New Member Susan C. Howe November 1, 1992

An amusing and embarrassing event happened during one of the Club's programs. President Howe was adamant that no speaker's time was to go past 1 pm. On this particular occasion, the speaker was Houston Mayor Lee Brown who was noted for always being late. Well he was and showed up about 5 minutes before 1 pm. Over the course of the hour, most of the members had dribbled away and the Mayor was left with an audience of about 8 persons. Obviously the members knew there would be no program after 1 pm irregardless of who the speaker was.

The Club enjoyed the unique pleasure of moving four times during the Rotary year. From the Hilton in Nassau Bay to the Gilruth Center on the NASA Johnson Space Center campus in Houston until shortly after the September 11th attack on the World Trade Towers in New York, then to the Space Center Houston for a short period, and finally back in Nassau Bay at the Holiday Inn.

President Howe bought a fishing trip offered by Club member Earl Maudlin as an auction item during a fundraiser. She and 3 friends went on the trip and had a blast. Earl stopped at Little Chihuahuas for fueling and the owner asked Earl "What else do you do for punishment?"



Suzi Howe, D'Lisa Simmons, Claudiio Wright, Ann Wright

President Howe had a yard end party at her home catered by Club member, Tony Bloomfield. Knowing that she would get more guests that she could accommodate, she announced the party only 4 days before the date of the event. Even at that she had a backyard full of friends, but all had a great time. She made it clear that all the guests would have to leave before 9 pm in order for husband Bill to get some sleep due to his work schedule. All went well and everyone was out by 8:45. Her cherished picture was that of her and Floyd Boze.



President Howe was involved with Rotary's efforts in Nicaragua to build a kidney dialysis clinic. A plaque recognizing Space Center Rotary Club is on display at the entrance to the clinic. Plaque installed by Rotary International British Isle President David Liddiat from England.



President Howe planned the timing of her Club Presidency so she could go to Austria for the Rotary International Convention. But unfortunately the location was cancelled and she winded up going to San Antonio, Texas. However all was not lost, she experienced a spectacular display of flags from 170 countries, all presented from horseback.

The District Conference was held in New Orleans, Lousiana. President Howe received District 5890 Vocation Service Award for the Club's outstanding Excellence in Vocation Award Program.



The programs for the Club meetings were considered outstanding thanks to Greg Turley, the program chair. He had significance connections in the area and bought in outstanding speakers such as Dr. Cooley. Turley was also the Chair of the second major fundraising called VIP Auction and Wine Tasting

The Centennial Rotary Bench Project was initiated during the Rotary Year to commensurate the 100th year of Rotary International. Earl Maudlin lead the effort and the benches were built the workshop at his home in Kemah, Texas. Over 100 benches were built with the 100th bench being placed the Armand Bayou Nature Center, Pasadena, Texas.





Centennial Rotary Bench at Armand Bayou Nature Center, Pasadena, Texas