

Springoree 2010 **Rotarians go Hawaiian**

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COLORFUL LEIS were everywhere the other evening as Space Center Rotary members partied the night away for a very good cause at Bailey's American Grille in Seabrook. Proceeds from the Hawaiian evening, which included dinner and dancing, will be used to fund the club's many philanthropic endeavors.

Chairmen Steve and Keri Owens were at the door to greet the arriving crowd that included Art and Renate Wood, Andrea and David Coney, Nancy and Jerry Smith, Adrienne and Dr. Vissett Sun, Susan and Bill Taylor, Beth and Michael Dennard and Rosie and Michael Hesse. Wasn't long before they were joined by former Clear Creek Independent School District (CCISD) Superintendent Dr. John Wilson and his wife, Renee, current Superintendent Dr. Greg Smith, CCISD's CFO Paul McLarty, State Representative John Davis and his wife, Jayne, and Space Center Rotary President Jon McKinnie and his wife, Kay.

While they were arranging their leis, in walked Renee and Judge Louie Ditta, Sonja and Judge Rafael Lugo, Martha Bowles and Scott Rainey, John and Becky Reitz Gay, Barbara and Mike Duckworth, Susan and Bill Lowes, Kippy Caraway, Linda and Art Oswald, Mike Hernandez, Billy Ray Smith and Madeline and John Nugent. Glancing around you might have spotted Wayne and Marilyn Musial, Travis and Amy Vermeer, Delia and Bill Stephens, Ralph and Lori Kramer, Peter Kronk, Scot and Allie Tyler, Don Kirchoff and Joyce Peterson, Mark and Karen Keesler, Sheryl and Stuart Berg, Debbie McBride, Bill and Joan Geissler and Gary Johnson enjoying the dinner provided by Brad Bailey and the music of the band.

Some of the others in the crowd included past Rotary District Governor Suzi Howe and her husband, Bill; Rotary District Governor-elect Chris Schneider and his wife, Lori; plus Jennifer Keller, Micki Czarnik and Gaye and Alan Wylie, to name a few.



School superintendents like to party, too. Here, former CCISD Superintendent Dr. John Wilson and his wife, Renee, from left, visit with current Superintendent Dr. Greg Smith and CCISD's chief financial officer Paul McLarty during the Space Center Rotary Springoree at Bailey's American Grill in Seabrook. Yes, they all behaved and got no demerits.



Art Wood, right, is happy to see former Space Center Rotary President Dr. Vissett Sun and his wife, Adrienne, as they arrive at Bailey's American Grille for the club's annual Springoree fundraiser.



Banker Mike Duckworth and his wife, Barbara, left, make a request of band member Patrice Perry as the Space Center Rotary Springoree gets under way at Bailey's American Grille in Seabrook.