



ROTARY CLUB OF SPACE CENTER

"Service Above Self"



Dear Friend in Rotary:

Our Space Center Rotary Club seeks your support for our 36th annual Festival and Auction "Shrimporee" on Saturday, October 17, 2009. The theme this year is "Shrimporee - **"THE FUTURE OF CHILDREN IS IN OUR HANDS"**.

The Space Center Rotary Club is Clear Lake's representative of Rotary International. Rotary is a service organization with worldwide membership. The club's motto is "**SERVICE ABOVE SELF**", and this year's Rotary International theme is "**THE FUTURE OF ROTARY IS IN YOUR HANDS**". Each club raises funds to provide the needed support for our projects. These funds are put back to meet needs of communities local and abroad and to recognize those people who give of themselves to the betterment of our community.

The Space Center Rotary Club's major fundraiser each year is the "**SHRIMPOREE**". This event provides the lifblood of funds for our projects each year. This fun filled event includes music, activities for the whole family, a variety of food and beverages, shrimp and barbeque brisket lunch, and live and silent auctions. The funds raised support our projects. Following is a list of current and on-going projects of our club.

Vocational Service –

- Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)
- Teacher of the Year Awards
- Distinguished Service Awards
- Communities in Schools
- Scholarships to Local Students

Community Service –

- Boy & Girl Scouts of America
- Bay Area YMCA
- Bay Area Turning Point – Star of Hope
- Camp Be an Angel
- CCISD Project Graduation
- Interfaith Christian Ministries
- St Vincent's House – Galveston
- Still Water Sports Camp
- Volunteer Houston Commander Summer Camp

International Service -

- International Youth Exchange
- Group Study Exchange
- Ambassadorial Scholars
- Support for the Rotary Foundation Programs
- Water Purification Projects
- Engineers Without Borders
- Clinics and Orphanage in Latin America
- Polio Plus Eradication Worldwide
- Egyptian Shelter for Street Kids
- Water Project Scholarship

Young people are a high priority; we sponsor yearly programs in the local schools, exchange students from around the world, health and immunization programs, and other programs meant to help strengthen their character.

The primary projects benefiting from this year's Shrimporee are:

- Hurricane Ike – Local Relief Efforts
- Armand Bayou Nature Center Trails
- Recreational Equip for Shriner's Hospital kids

We count on the kindness of sponsors like you, to help us raise the amount of funds needed. We thank you, and welcome any support you may be able to give. The Space Center Rotary Club is a 503(c)(4) Fraternal Organization.

Very truly yours,

SPACE CENTER ROTARY CLUB

Jon McKinnie
President 2009-10



John Wilson
Shrimporee Chair 2009