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SPACE CENTER ROTARY CLUB

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DISTRICT 589

BLASTOFF!

ROTARY THEME FOR 1974-75:

"RENEW THE SPIRIT OF ROTARY"

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PROGRAMS:

MONDAY, APRIL 7TH...The speaker will be C. R. (CORNY) MOCK. He will speak on the subject "Shrimp Larval Culture"....A subject for all shrimp lovers! Be on hand!

MONDAY, APRIL 14TH....DR. LLOYD FERGUSON will introduce one of our Foreign Exchange Students. The name of the student has not as yet been announced, but whoever he/she is you can be sure their talk will be very enlightening - each and every year these students bring interesting messages, so bring a guest.

MONDAY, APRIL 21ST....NATIONAL SECRETARIES' WEEK....A lovely panel of secretaries will confront us - including **DIXIE THOMAS** who will be the moderator. Be on hand and don't forget to bring your shorthand book. You are sure to learn something good!

MONDAY, APRIL 28TH....The By-Laws Committee will present some **REVISIONS** as recently passed by Rotary International for all Rotary clubs, and some revisions of our own for consideration and approval. We haven't had any revisions for a long, long time, so be on hand to see whether we can come in the front door or have to come by way of the back door! It may even have something to do with respect to "scooters"??

MONDAY, MAY 5TH....GONZALO MONTOYA will be our speaker. He will discuss the **DRUG ABUSE PROGRAM** and bring out facts, figures and information on the **CRISIS HELP LINE**. We look forward to this one. Bring a guest!

DISTRICT 589 ANNUAL CONFERENCE will be held on **MAY 2ND** and **3RD** at the Astroworld Hotel in Houston. Plan to attend and take the wife along. A good number of the members plan on spending a night or two at the hotel rather than driving home in the dark. Pre-conference registration cards are in the mail now. Pre-registration tickets are a bargain - \$25.00 per person for "All Events". If you find it impossible to attend all-events, you can register for "single events" with individual prices if you register early. Let's all go! It will be one of the best annual conferences ever held. The Bellaire Rotary Club is host and they have a real standout program and show for us. **SEE YOU AT THE ASTROWORLD HOTEL** on May 2-3!!

LOOKIE-LOOKIE-LOOKIE!...The **NAVY'S BLUE ANGELS** will be tearing the sky apart on **SATURDAY** and **SUNDAY, APRIL 5TH** and **6TH DURING OPEN HOUSE** at **ELLINGTON FIELD!** Open to the public. Don't miss this event! **BRING THE KIDDIES!** Watch the local papers for time periods.

YOU MISSED IT if you didn't attend the meeting of March 17th - It was **ST. GRACEY'S DAY** with **MARTIN PATRICK** doing the honors! The brew flowed, the blarney flowed, the fellowship glowed!! Sure it 'twas a great day for the Irish, the near-Irish and the tru-blu-non-Irish. St. Patrick's Day 1975 was a day to remember at the Space Center Club. Martin, with the assistance of Hal Bolton and Technicolor of Hollywood, gave a graphic picture of the two Irelands, past and present. 'Twas fer shure instructional, interesting and lots of fun! Who ever heard of **GREEN BEER?** It 'twernt beer made yesterday! It was absolute **GREEN BREW!**

MEET OUR NEWEST ROTARIAN....JOHN MARTIN NESHEIM, sponsored by Charles Hartman, was born at Buffalo, Iowa where he received his elementary education. John received his B. A. degree at St. Olaf College and his J. D. degree at the University of Houston. He is presently a partner in the law firm of Nesheim & Murray, 100 NASA One, Suite 600. His wife is **EMILY** and they have two children, Tracy and Nicole. The Nesheims live at 18318 Point Lookout Drive in Nassau Bay. We welcome John into Rotary - make yourself quickly known to our new member with a Rotary handshake.

HEY-HEY....This years annual **DIST. 589 GOLF TOURNAMENT** will be held on **APRIL 25TH.** Our sports department has not received full information in this regard, so it is suggested you contact **DON KIRK** if you are interested in de-throning **FLOYD BOZE!**

VISITING ROTARIANS FROM FAR-AWAY....On March 24th, **JOHN PEARSON** from the Rotary Club of Luray, Virginia, and along with him his son-in-law, Richard Brand of Houston.

NOTE....The largest Rotary Club in the world, **THE ROTARY CLUB OF DOWNTOWN HOUSTON** is moving from the Rice Hotel to the Sheraton Hotel in Houston - 777 Polk Ave. The move is effective April 3rd - try for a make-up there and see their new quarters.

A \$25,000 bequest was received by the Rotary Foundation as a memorial to one of the four men who met on February 23, 1905 to found the first Rotary Club. According to the will of Miss Mary MacDonald, the gift was made "In memory of Silvester Schiele, my brother-in-law, who was the first president of the first Rotary Club in the world - Chicago, Illinois". Miss MacDonald was a friend and secretary to Paul Harris, founder of Rotary. What a wonderful gift. What a wonderful thing to do. There just has to be another star added to the crown she wears in Glory.

70 YEARS OF ROTARY....How far-and yet so near-might well describe Rotary's progress in these 70 years we celebrate this year. Far, in terms of great growth and indeed in every tangible way capable of measurement. Near, in the sense of Rotary's having held firmly to the time-tested, basic philosophy of our great organization. R. I. president, **BILL ROBBINS** has asked Rotarians everywhere this year to "Renew the Spirit of Rotary". He asks for commitment, involvement and dedication. We all need to pause now and then to study Rotary and examine our own personal relationship to Rotary. Surely our 70th birthday is such occasion for this examination. Let us set high personal standards, that we can create an atmosphere in which others are likely to respond in the same way. By our own lives we become examples to others as we respect the pursuit of excellence, respect the workplace, and recognize and dignify honest work. President **BILL** says, "Yes, in 70 years, so far and yet so near - as new as tomorrow as we keep pace with a changing world; as old as yesterday as we respect our rich heritage of individual responsibility."

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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| JIM NEWCOMB | " | 17 |
| DICK MC CREARY | " | 20 |
| PHIL FISHER | " | 24 |
| NORMAN FREDE | " | 24 |
| MARTY RAPPAPORT | " | 25 |



QUICKIES....When it comes to discipline, mother noes best!... Cars are costly but the family's most expensive vehicle is the shopping cart!...People with bad memories have less to forget!Why aren't half-truths called by their proper names: half-lies??...No wonder supermarkets call them check-out counters! One stop and you're nearly out your entire check!...Bachelors lead a happy life, believe it or knot!...You've got a problem when your dentist says you need a bridge and you can't pay his toll!...Uncle Sam is suffering from truth decay!...In good times businesses develop bad habits! (All above by Frank Tyger, Trenton, N. J.)

DID YOU HEAR....about the **AGGIE** who anesthetized a jack rabbit so his little brothers and sisters could have an ether bunny??

FRIENDSHIP....We should not visit our friends in order to spill out the sordid, petty problems. Rather, to taste together the pleasures of reminiscence of the past, plans for the future, a shared meal, shared work, shared laughter. Since Biblical days there has been no better therapy than this - for a "faithful friend is the medicine of life." (Janet Graham - reprint from Cheer - Clampitt Paper Co.)

LATE BULLETIN....Did you ever think oil could cause so much friction??...It has been suggested that the problem of recession be turned over to the Postal Service....if they can't solve it, at least they will slow it down! (The Azalean - Brookings, Oregon Rotary Club)

ATTENTION PLEASE....Constantly we seem to have members moving from one address to another - meaning new addresses and new phone numbers. All our members should know where to reach one another (address and phone). The **BLASTOFF** urges the members making such moves or receiving new phone numbers to call the **EDITOR'S OFFICE** and report such changes - 488-3383. The **BLASTOFF** will immediately notify all members of such changes so the members can in turn correct their roster-directory. **PLEASE HELP US!**

A boy asked his father how wars get started. "Well," said Dad, "suppose America got into a quarrel with England and----" "But," interrupted the mother, "America must never quarrel with England"! "I know," said the father, "but I'm only taking a hypothetical instance." "You are misleading the child," protested the mother. "I am not!" shouted Dad. "Never mind," said the child. "Now I know how wars get started!"

SPACE CENTER GOLF TOURNEY coming up on **FRIDAY, MAY 2ND** at the Clear Lake Country Club. **BILL FRAZIER** is master-minding the event, so it will be a good one! Bill says the date is tentative, but looks good. Call him **AT HOME** in evenings for further information. 334-2167