



NEWS BULLETIN FOR THE 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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CIRCULATION - Forget it!

DATE - April 17th, 1975

PRICE - Negotiating!

PROGRAMS

MONDAY, April 21st.....NATIONAL SECRETARY'S WEEK.....A beautiful and lovely panel of secretaries at the head table, including **DIXIE THOMAS** who will be moderating the program. Bring along your secretary. You can help out by carrying her shorthand book for a change. Be on hand - you are bound to learn something good!

MONDAY, April 28th.....MARTIN GRACEY, et. al. presenting the membership with new **BY-LAW** revisions. This committee has worked long and hard on necessary revisions and needs **YOUR** inputs at the meeting prior to approval. Be on hand, please, **NO** scooting allowed!

FRIDAY, May 2nd

SATURDAY, May 3rd DISTRICT 589 ANNUAL CONFERENCE. (see editorial)

MONDAY, May 5th.....BARBARA CERNAN will be on hand with information to help the club successfully sponsor a youth musical show named "**UP WITH PEOPLE**" to be given on the evening of Saturday, May 24th.....(see editorial)

(NOTE: This program replaces the Drug Abuse Program scheduled for May 5th as noted in previous issue of Blastoff, Apr. 3rd)

MONDAY, May 12.....WAHIB ATTAR, will speak on the "Plight of the Housing Industry and the Effect on the Economy". It will be good having Wahib back with us. He is a former member of our club.

MONDAY, May 19th.....GONZALO MONTOYA will be the speaker. He was originally scheduled to speak to us on May 5th. He will speak on the Drug Abuse Program and the Crisis Help Line. Bring a guest.

MONDAY, May 26th.....NO MEETING.....NATIONAL HOLIDAY.....MEMORIAL DAY. A good week to make up at some other area Rotary Club - you'll feel good if you do!

FRIDAY, June 20th.....The 1975 DISTRICT ASSEMBLY to be held at the Remada Inn, 4225 North Freeway, Houston. Dist. Gov. **GEORGE MC CROCKLIN** and Dist. Gov. Elect **JOE HALL** approved the idea of five (5) clubs co-hosting this Assembly: The Rotary Clubs of Cypress Fairbanks, Humble Intercontinental, Houston Northside, Houston Northwest and Tomball. Each club has accepted different responsibilities to make this year's assembly one of the greatest, and with this sort of power combined you can well imagine it will be. Let's have a goodly number of our own members attend - so mark the date down **NOW!**

MONDAY, June 30th.....INSTALLATION OF CLUB OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS! A meeting you can't afford to miss. It will be a serious event but entwined with much humor and finger-licking good finger sandwiches and bubbly sauce! Out-going and In-coming **GOVERNORS** and their wives will be with us as well as several past district governors and their ladies. An outstanding speaker has accepted our invitation to be with us. **DON'T MISS THIS EVENT!**

SORRY!.....Failed to mention the date **APRIL 25TH.....**when the International Golfing Fellowship of Rotary District Qualifying Tournament will be held at the **GOLFCREST COUNTRY CLUB**. Entry Fee is \$35.00. If interested enough to challenge our 1974 champion, **FLOYD BOZE**, immediately phone Howard Whiteway (926-4401) or the Houston Rotary Club office for entry forms.

SORRY AGAIN!.....As noted in the last issue of the Blastoff, **FRIDAY, MAY 2ND** was set as the date for the **SPACE CENTER GOLF TOURNEY**. Because of this date conflicting with the District Conference meeting a new date for the tourney has to be set. **BILL FRAZIER** is working on it and the next Blastoff will give the new date and hopefully all information in reference thereto.

On the basis of our club's membership of 123, president Dick Chandler appointed the following five members to be the delegates to the District Conference in Houston on May 2nd and 3rd:

**DON KIRK
 LIONEL GARCIA
 AL LIGRANI
 MARVIN MATTHEWS
 CAP LANDOLT**

MEET OUR NEWEST ROTARIAN:.....REV. LLOYD L. GILES, sponsored by Roy Iles, was born in Texarkana, Texas where he received his elementary education. He attended Stephen F. Austin College and Southern Methodist University where he received his B. A. degree in Master of Religion. **LLOYD** is now Minister of the Seabrook United Methodist Church. His wife is **JUANITA** and they have two children, Tim and Scott, and together residing at 2017 Willow Wisp in Seabrook. We welcome with open arms another member 'of the cloth', and as brother Dean might say, "**THANKS, WE NEEDED THAT.**"

VISITING ROTARIANS FROM FAR OFF:.....**LUCIUS L. POWELL**, on March 31st from the Rotary Club of Huntington, West Virginia (father of our Dr. Bill Powell).....Also on the 31st **JIM RIPLEY** from the Rotary Club of Cleburne, Texas.....On April 7th, **GEORGE FENUCCI** from the Rotary Club of Puerto Mardel Plata, Buenos Aires, Argentina. George is spending a year in the U. S. (Galveston) studying ways and means of raising and marketing shrimp. He is in the shrimp business in his native land. We welcome these Rotarians and hope they hurry back.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

DICK MC CREARY
PHIL FISHER
NORMAN FREDE
MARTY RAPPAPORT
JERRY HAMMACK
RALPH SCHIMMEL
RON SWIM

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QUICKIES:....."Boys will be boys" is ok, but why do some try to be the James Boys!.....Things are no longer cheap at half the price!.....It's kind of hard for a fellow to stumble onto something good while sitting around!.....Some of these newfangled hair-does should have been don'ts!.....Men have always subscribed to the theory of male superiority but it's beginning to look like women have cancelled his subscription! (all by "Gus says" from out of the Scandal Sheet, Graham, Texas).

.....Seven come how many???.....

FRIENDSWOOD ROTARY CLUB.....held its Charter Night Banquet at the Sun Meadow Country Club on April 3rd. It was a great evening with many **VIP** Rotarians attending from far and near. The **MC** was District 591 Governor, Jack Staggs from Huntsville, and the speaker was Don Strickland, Vice President of Rotary International from Liberty, Texas. District Governor Nominee, Neal Pickett and Mrs. Pickett were on hand from Diboll. From the sponsoring Dickinson club was Edgar Wilhelm and Charles Mills and from the Galveston club was Ed's father, Virgil Wilhelm. There were 29 charter members forming this new club out of which the following officers were elected: President, Dr. Bill Jones; Vice President, Jack Bridwell; Secretary-Treasurer, John Ward and Sargent-at-arms, Linn Eignus. Our Space Center Club presented the new club with the traditional Rotary Bell, with president **DICK** doing the honors. Others from Space Center attending were Garcia; Jennings, Ligrani, Boze, Kirk, Matthews and Lindquist plus five of the wives. By all means, should any Space Center member need to make-up, go visit this new Friendswood Club which meets each Wednesday noon at the Sun Meadow Country Club. A great opportunity to meet great Rotarins!

PROGRAM NOTES:.....Do you really want to learn about **ROTARY**? Then plan on attending the Annual **1975 ROTARY DISTRICT CONFERENCE** in Houston on **MAY 2-3** at the Astroworld Hotel. There will be much fun and fellowship and the registration fees most reasonable. In addition to the Plenary sessions, workshops, banquets, there will be a big series of planned events for the ladies. To highlight the Conference will be a big surprise, but you must be there to participate. It will be a conference long to remember. Be on hand - register **NOW!**

....."**UP WITH PEOPLE**" is the musical projection which will this year be sponsored by our club and chaired by **DAVE LANG** and his committee. It is an independent, nonprofit, educational organization which has become known around the world. The cast is made up of 112 students (high school and college) and for one year traveling the world developing new approaches to education, making education a true exchange, a process of giving as well as taking in, a coming together of the student and the world. There are three such casts presently in action and have given performances in the White House, Carnegie Hall, Olympia Theatre in Paris, Munich, Hawaii, and Madison Square Garden. On May 5th **BARBARA CERNAN (wife of astronaut Gene Cernan)** will give us all the details. Be on hand! Every club member must take part!

ROSTER-DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS:.....**W. W. (WOODY) WILLIAMS** has moved to 1726 El Dorado Blvd., Houston 77058 - new phone number is 488-8638.....If other members have changes to be made, call the Editor - 488-3383.

COLLEGE BRED: Made from the flour of youth and the dough of old age! (Thanks, Selah)

JUDGE: "And just why did you park your car there?" **AGGIE:** "Well, the sign said 'Fine for Parking'"
Diner (beckoning a waiter): "Is it raining outside?" Waiter: "Sorry, sir, but this is 'not my table.'"(from Cheer, by Clampitt Paper Co.).