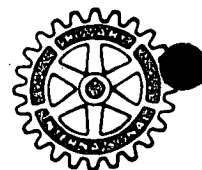




NEWS BULLETIN FOR THE
SPACE CENTER ROTARY CLUB

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DISTRICT 589

BLASTOFF!

ROTARY THEME FOR 1976-77

"I Believe in Rotary"

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PROGRAMS:

SPECIAL EVENT!.....SATURDAY, NOV. 27TH..... BOB CHUOKE of the Special Events Committee has obtained a block of 50 tickets to the RICE-UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON football game. He has also obtained a charter bus that will seat 50 Rotary Club members and guests on a first come first served basis. \$15.00 per ticket will include a box lunch, beer and soft drinks (on bus), bus trip and seeing this great game! The bus will leave the King's Inn parking lot at 11 A.M. **CONFIRMATION** of your intent to go must be given BOB by **MONDAY, OCTOBER 25TH!** Call him today at 488-3111. This should be a real fun day!

MONDAY, OCT. 25TH.....NO MEETING! VETERAN'S DAY...NATIONAL HOLIDAY!

MONDAY, NOV. 1ST..... DON'T MISS THIS MEETING!..... Congressman, DR. RON PAUL and his opponent, BOB GAMMAGE, will be our honored guests. By all means bring a guest. Let's fill the house!

MONDAY, NOV. 8TH..... Program still pending.

MONDAY, NOV. 15TH.... Program pending - due to the program committee having to shuffle around programs, holidays and speaking cancellations etc. So let's call the month of November, "Be kind to program committee" month, ok?

MONDAY, NOV. 22ND..... Football will be in the air....with top coaches from the University of Houston and Rice University. They will be giving us all the 'dope' just prior to their game on the 27th. Bring a guest!

MONDAY, NOV. 29TH..... LADIE'S DAY. Bring the wife! Something good on the agenda!

APRIL 1 and 2, 1977..... DISTRICT 589 CONFERENCE! Have you marked your calendar?

MAY 26TH, 1977..... Departure of club members in our Rotary District going to England.

JUNE 5 THRU 9, 1977...ON TO SAN FRANCISCO for annual R. I. Convention!

THANKS..... to LLOYD FERGUSON for good pinch-hitting by bringing along with him coaches TOM WALKER of Clear Creek High, and RONNIE BELL of Clear Lake High, to talk to us on Monday, October 4th. As you recall, BILL LUFBURROW of Goodwill Industries was to be our speaker on that date, but most unfortunately BILL suffered a heart attack and was hospitalized shortly prior to the 4th and forced to cancel his talk with us. Our best wishes go out to BILL and hoping he will again soon be able to be with us. Coaches Walker and Bell gave most interesting discussions about their respective football teams - (were you there?)

FLOYD BOZE had the sad experience of suffering a blood clot on Sept. 27th and was hospitalized for one week. We are pleased our golfing champ is back on the job again though taking it rather easy for a spell.....AND...wasn't it good to see HARRY PONISI back with us after that long spell of resting at home following open heart surgery? Looking good, Harry!

CONGRATULATIONS to Texas A & M on having its 100TH BIRTHDAY recently! Much has been said in the news media and of course we all know it! But many AGGIES are still trying to prove it out - havn't been able to count quite that high yet, and many of them still go by "the seasons", good or bad! (thanks to president Lionel for this observation)....

DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS:....Put an "O" in ED WAGONER'S last name. His office phone number is 333-4939.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

ED SAMFIELD OCT 31
 VOT HANSEN " 31
 MIKE RATCLIFF NOV 8
 MIKE ARBUCKLE " 12
 AMERICA - EVERY DAY IN 1976



QUICKIES:..... A city slicker is not a raincoat!
 Wasn't Jimmy Carter once a Goobernatorial
 candidate?..... What will they come up with when
 instant coffee isn't fast enough?..... We used to
 tiptoe through the tulips - now we flitter through
 the litter!..... 'Tis better to have loved and lost
 than to try to help 7 kids through school. (these
 found in the Scandal Sheet)

SHRIMPOREE TICKET CONTEST:.... figures just released by Everett Crouse, ticket chair-
 man, are as follows:

Individual Ticket Sales: Buck Weston \$ 519.00
 Everett Crouse \$ 516.00
 Gene Lindquist \$ 414.00

11-29-76

Lloyd Giles

1852

962

90

16

3

5

80

Team Ticket Sales: WINNER - team of Capt. Gene Lindquist \$1,052.00
 - members: ~~Wayne Clark, Bill Dunning,~~
~~John Gay, Hal Neely, John Nesheim,~~
 Dave Sincox and Charles Whynot
 team of Capt. Erik Vohtz \$ 962.00
 team of Capt. Buck Weston \$ 897.00

TICKET # 10330
 AWARDS

48³⁰ 50⁰⁰ TROPHY
 25⁰⁰ 25⁰⁰ TOP GUY
 30⁰⁰ 80⁰⁰ DINNER #2
 109³⁰ 185⁰⁰ #3

Treasurer Marvin Matthews, says it will be another week or two before the final NET
 PROFIT figure from the Shrimporee event will be known - some billings slow coming in.

It is also worthy to note that the Nassau Bay National Bank sold \$746.00 worth of tickets;
 the First City Bank of Clear Lake City sold \$678.00 and the Ed White Youth Center sold
 \$642.00 worth of tickets. All in all, it looks like everyone did a splendid job in
 selling tickets, and Everett Crouse and his ticket committee says... THANKS!!!

MEET OUR NEWEST ROTARIANS:..... ROBERT E. DRIVER sponsored by Merv Hughes
 was born in Jacksonville, Florida where he received his elementary education. BOB
 attended The Citadel and the University of Houston - holding degrees in M.B.A and P.H.D.
 At present he is chief of the Financial Management Division at the Johnson Space Center,
 office phone 483-2718. Bob lives at 4607 NASA Blvd, Apt #122 in Seabrook. Phone 334-
 4493. He has two children, Robert Earl and Douglas William..... FRANK SMITH
 sponsored by Lloyd Giles was born in Brooklyn, N. Y. where he received his education
 prior to entering military service. Frank is today Director of the Ed White Memorial
 Youth Center in Seabrook, phone 474-2853. With wife, JEANNIE, they reside at 4330
 Saffron Lane in Friendswood, phone 482-0935. Let's welcome both these fine new Rotarians
 into Space Center Club, and by all means make their personal acquaintances. We understand
 they are both great 'workers', so know they will fit in well with all our work programs.

COMMENDING..... DR. LOU RODRIQUEZ, Vice Chancellor and Provost at the University
 of Houston Clear Lake City, is a recipient of a U.S. Department of State Fulbright Grant to
 Uruguay. He left for Uruguay on October 15th and will be gone for six weeks serving as an
 advisor to the State University of Uruguay in Montevideo in assisting to initiate a graduate
 program in Business Administration. His efforts will entail helping to determine: the nature
 of an MBA program for Uruguay; courses to be taught and their content; evaluating faculty
 and other resource support; and coordinating program support among faculty, business firms,
 and government agencies. We will miss you, LOU, but know you will be making up Rotary
 during your stay in Montevideo..... OTHER FOREIGN TRAVELERS:.... DICK CHANDLER

recently on a business trip to Tehran, Iran and Saudia Arabia..... DR. ALFRED NEUMANN
 just returning from a 30 day trip to Austria, Italy and West Germany. While in W. Germany
 he visited 5 new Universities as a part of his mission in the making of such a tour..... BOB
 MITCHELL just recently returned from a three weeks visit to the British Isles, and while in
 London was a visitor to the Rotary Club of Westminster West. DICK and ALFRED also
 visited Rotary Clubs during their trips.

PAUL JURY, who can be reached at the East End State Bank in Houston, wants to hear from
 any of our members who plan on making the trip to England for those three weeks visiting
 Rotarians in Rotary Dist. #120 - leaving Houston on May 26, next summer. Reservations
 must be made with PAUL before the deadline of November 30th. (for further information
 concerning such trip, call the editor of the BLASTOFF. He will have further details.

An AGGIE was appointed as the new postmaster in one of our small east Texas towns. Months
 went by without a piece of mail being sent out from his postoffice. Worried postal authori-
 ties inquired the reason. His reply... "The bag ain't full yet!!!"

An AGGIE, fishing through the ice, was approached by the game warden who just wanted to
 talk and pass the time of day. But all the response the warden was getting from the AGGIE
 was grunts, nods and grumbles. "What's the matter with you, can't you talk?" asked the
 warden. Speaking with much difficulty the AGGIE said through his lips, "I'm keeping my
 worms warm!"

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 \$7800