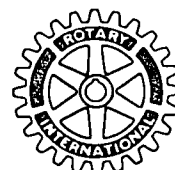




# NEWS BULLETIN FOR THE SPACE CENTER ROTARY CLUB

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DISTRICT 589

# BLASTOFF!

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Rotary Theme... "Share Rotary - Serve People"

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### PROGRAMS:

MONDAY, APRIL 9TH.....OUR SPEAKER WILL BE A STUDENT FROM PASADENA HIGH SCHOOL WHO WILL GIVE US A SPEECH CONTEST SPEECH ENTITLED "TEN PILLARS."  
 MONDAY, APRIL 16TH....DR. KENNETH RHEA, OPHTHALMOLOGIST, WILL TALK TO US ABOUT EYE DISEASES.  
 MONDAY, APRIL 23RD....LARRY BOYD (RETIRED NAVY) WILL SPEAK TO US ABOUT THE "SOVIET THREAT AT SEA."

It's Fiesta time in San Antonio this month, an ideal place for our 589 District Conference! A growing number of Space Center members and wives have already signed up to go enjoy this fellowship and fun. Several are taking advantage of the pre-conference golf tournament starting Thursday, April 26th. We are all planning a very enjoyable spring break with good Rotary friends and their Rotary-Anns. The first session of the conference starts Friday morning the 27th with the afternoon and evening free for the Fiesta. Two sessions happen on Saturday followed by the District Governor's Banquet. Call BOB WREN (483-6370) or JIM MCNATT (332-5585) for registration forms if you haven't received them in the mail. SEE YOU IN SAN ANTONIO!



ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS.....our club's constitution, under Article IX, Section 2 is quoted as follows: "This club shall not endorse or recommend any candidate for public office and shall not discuss at any club meeting the merits or demerits of any such candidate."

### ROTARY'S \$100 MILLION MAN!!!!

#### Anniversary clubs

Eight clubs were admitted to membership in Rotary International in April 1934. Congratulations to these clubs upon 50 years of service:

- Chile—Rengo, O'Higgins.
- Japan—Okayama.
- Norway—Larvik.
- Sweden—Landskrona.
- U.S.A.—Mississippi: Richton;
- Texas: Kilgore
- Refugio
- Palacios.

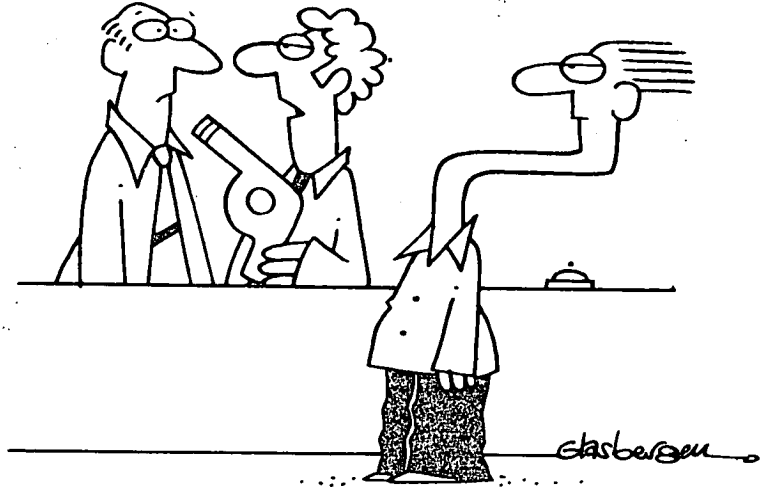
His name is Chris E. Pedroni and he is a member of the Rotary Club of Jacksonville Beaches, Florida, U.S.A. He is The Rotary Foundation's 100,000th Paul Harris Fellow. This means that his US\$1,000 donation brings the total amount of money donated in the Fellow recognition program (since its inception in 1946-47) to US\$100 Million! President Bill Skelton presented Rotarian Pedroni with his Paul Harris Fellow pin on March 9th at a District 697 meeting in Middleburg, Florida. Pedroni said, "It's overwhelming. It's a privilege to be part of the Foundation."

## How To Be A Better Speaker

One reason people fear and are ineffective at public speaking is because they tend to regard it as something quite different from normal everyday conversations, notes Herman Cohen. "What we need to do is to recognize that public speaking is not a different species of conversation at all, but really an extension of what we do all the time." When you face a large group, try to think of the audience as individuals with whom you're conversing, one at a time. Maintain eye contact and use their reactions as cues for pacing—slowing down or speeding up. Above all, practice empathy, the strength of great communicators. Become more concerned with the needs and cares of your audience than how you're coming across. Here are other tips from Washington speechwriter Art Brown:

- Know exactly what you want your speech to accomplish.
- Learn as much as you can about your audience, so that you'll be able to see things from your listeners' viewpoint.
- Know the questions your listeners are likely to ask, and know how to answer them convincingly.
- Be continually on the lookout for grist for your speech.
- Think the subject through hard, deep, and long, so that it organizes itself and holds together.
- After writing, editing and polishing your presentation, rehearse it. Tape record your talk and listen carefully. Get rid of stumbling blocks.
- Deliver your speech in front of a mirror. Winston Churchill, who spent 40 years mastering the art of speechmaking, would never speak publicly without first rehearsing it before a mirror.
- Be fully prepared. Enjoy what you're doing and let the audience know that you're glad to be with them.

## COMPLAINTS



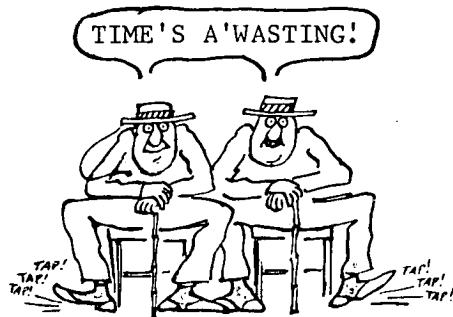
"He wants to return this hair dryer. He says it's too powerful."

HAD WE KNOWN!!!.....Yes, had we known that the Dickinson Rotary Club was to celebrate its 20th anniversary on April 4th, we would have publicized it in an earlier club bulletin. It would then have given notice to our membership to join in the celebration at their club's luncheon on that day. We are most certain a goodly number of our members would have been on hand to enjoy good fellowship with the Dickinson members. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE DICKINSON CLUB FOR SUCH AN OCCASION AND BEST WISHES FOR MANY, MANY MORE EVENTFUL CELEBRATIONS LIKE THAT!



LET'S WISH A GREAT HAPPY BIRTHDAY GREETING TO THE FOLLOWING ROTARIANS:

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| JACK FRYDAY  | APRIL 15TH |
| KEN GURRY    | " "        |
| GEORGE HALL  | " "        |
| FRANK MORGAN | " 16TH     |
| JERRY CLAUSE | " 19TH     |



THERE IS AN ART TO "GETTING ALONG".....Sooner or later a person, if he is wise, discovers that life is a mixture of good days and bad days, victory and defeat, give and take. He learns that it doesn't pay to be a too sensitive soul--that he should let some things go over his head like water off a duck's back. He learns that he who loses his temper usually loses out--that all men have burnt toast for breakfast now and then, and that he shouldn't take the other fellow's grouch too seriously. He learns that most of the other people are as ambitious as he is, that they have brains as good or better, that hard work and not cleverness is the secret of success. He learns that no man ever gets to first base alone, and that it is only through cooperation that we move on to better things. Most importantly he learns that bosses are not monsters trying to get the last ounce of work out of him for the least amount of pay, but they are pretty good fellows who have succeeded through hard work and want to do the right thing. He then realizes that the art of "getting along" depends about 98 percent on his own behaviour. (Via Dallas Rotagrams and The Scandal Sheet)