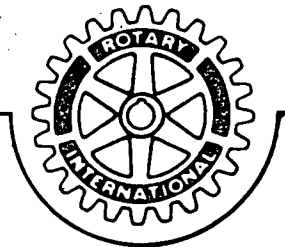


# BLASTOFF

News Bulletin for the  
Space Center Rotary Club

Meets every Monday at noon  
Holiday Inn, Nassau Bay

DISTRICT 589



Rotary International President, Edward F. Cadman  
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Club President, Bob Wren  
Editor, Tom Wier

"You are the key"

DECEMBER 2, 1985

## PROGRAMS

Don Kirk, Chairman

- DEC 2 **Lowell Terry**, Regional Director, Texas Employment Commission
- DEC 9 **Ron Stone**, KPRC-TV Channel 2 (as if you didn't know!)
- DEC 16 **Dr. Max Faget**, President and CEO, Space Industries, Inc. A first hand account of the first habitable space platform project.
- DEC 23 **Wine and cheese "party-meeting"**
- DEC 30 **Floyd Boze**, "Proposed Enactments and Resolutions of Rotary International"

THANK YOU.  
LONNIE  
CLEMENT

The plea in the Blastoff by the club's "Get-away Special" Project for a dedicated work space that the high school students can use in the pursuit of the experimental project to be performed later in space was answered by our own **Lonnie Clement**. With this important need being now satisfied, the students can concentrate on getting their experiment ready for the Fall '87 flight. **Thanks, Lonnie.** +++Great going!!

## PROGRAM NOTES

by John Francis

MEETING OF NOV. 18: A large crowd was on hand to hear the program presented by Astronaut Bob Crippen. Crippen, a Navy captain and veteran of four Space Shuttle missions, was introduced by Rotarian **Jack Lister**. Captain Crippen recounted a number of personal experiences prior to showing a film of one of his recent flights. The film included a number of humorous segments which demonstrated the special world of microgravity. There were the usual number of stunningly beautiful photos of spacecraft above the earth. And finally there was an interesting shot of the glow emitted from the gases around the Shuttle as it reentered the earth's atmosphere at night. I think that maybe it's time that we fill this special classification that is unique to the Space Center Rotary Club. --- The excitement and enthusiasm at this meeting were enhanced by the visit of presidents of 9 other clubs in the district (president group photo, p. 3; speaker photo p. 4).

MEETING OF NOV. 25: At this meeting, the club's membership was enlightened with an evaluation of the learning processes of children (which carry over into adulthood). The program was presented by Dr. Diane Kane of the Clear Creek Children's Institute. Dr. Kane, who was introduced by **Billy Burt**, explained some of the research activities going on to determine how the learning process takes place in children.

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**ROTARY WIVES**  
**CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON**  
**DEC. 10, 1985 11:45AM**  
**SOUTH SHORE HARBOR**  
**COUNTRY CLUB**



PRESIDENTS REPRESENTING NINE CLUBS WERE OUR GUESTS NOV. 18. Those present are pictured above. Listed by club alphabetically they were (not the same order as the photo above!): Alvin-Joe Smith; Brazosport-Dave Kesler; Deer Park- Brian Barry; Greater South Houston-Cecil Plunkett; Harrisburg- Wesley Nagorny, Jr.; Highlands-Charles Powell; Houston- Jack Wells; Pasadena- Mike Barmore; River Oaks- Jerry Rozzlle. Clubs and their presidents who had to miss this fine time: Gulfway- William Coulson; Pearland-Larry Leossin; and South Pasadena- Roy Haney.

**On Friends and the Season-  
A Thought for all Rotarians**

Surely long before the season ends,  
While reminiscing on old friends,  
Will come clear echoes of some yester year,  
Perhaps with laughter, perhaps a tear,  
But ever, ever present; ever, ever dear.  
For when we think of friends there wells  
A vibrant feeling deep inside  
Like steeple bells  
That shake the very countryside.

----Tom Wier

These lines  
written by your  
Blastoff Editor  
are here dedicated  
to all Rotarians,  
who are encouraged  
to remember  
and enhance  
the fellowship  
of Rotary

## CLUB ELECTIONS

**--are coming!**

ON DECEMBER 16, Space Center Rotary will hold elections for the 86/87 club year beginning July 1, 1986. President-elect **Jim Hargrove** automatically becomes the new president. All other positions are not automatic. The nominating committee has made the following recommendations:

President-Elect:

**Jim McNatt**

Secretary:

**Billy Weseman**

Treasurer:

**John Watson**

Seargent-at-Arms:

**Charles Hardwick**

Directors:

(Vote for 3. The 3 with the highest number of votes become directors)

**John Francis**

**Clay Fulcher**

**Terry Hesson**

**Jim Kennedy**

**Dave King**

**Jack Lister**

**Bill Rittenhouse**

**Terry Stock**

**Steve Waldner**

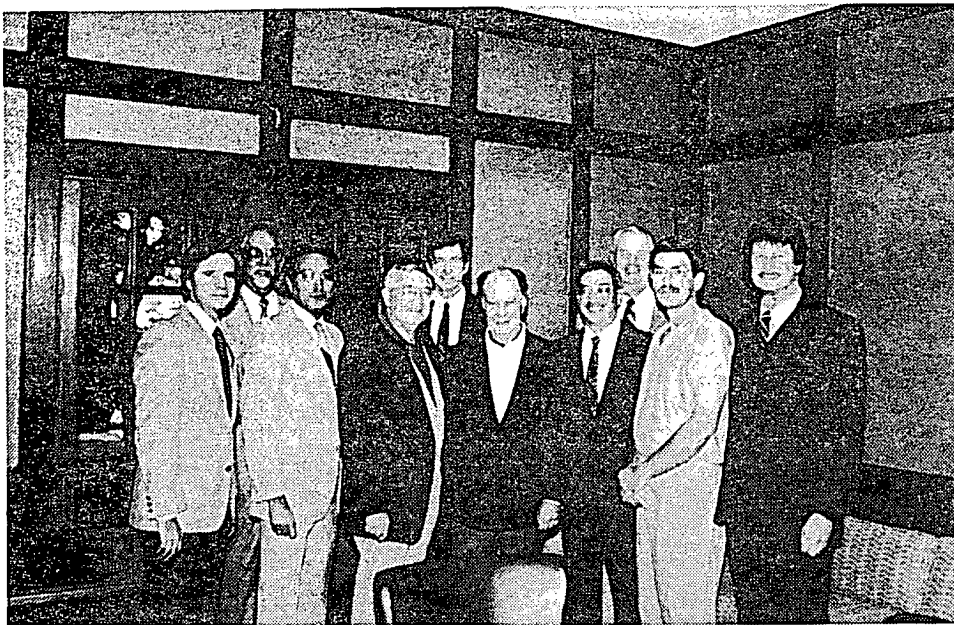
Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the time of the election provided the person nominated has agreed in advance to serve if elected.

### ● FOUNDATION FORMED TO BENEFIT DISFIGURED CHILDREN

Officials of the Space Center Rotary Club and St. John Hospital have announced the formation of the Rotary World Health Foundation. The Foundation will provide plastic surgery, hospital care, transportation and lodging for young people from around the world who suffer from a physical deformity that prevents them from living a normal life in their society.

Patients will be selected from applications on behalf of young persons who have suffered disfigurement as a result of birth, accident, or natural or man-made disaster. The patient must require treatment that is available at St. John Hospital but is not available in the patient's home area. This program is intended to serve those who cannot afford to seek the proper treatment on their own.

The program has been initiated to handle one patient per month. The doctor's fees and hospital care will be free of charge. The Space Center Rotary Club members and their wives will provide local sponsorship and escort for the patient and his/her family. They will seek accommodations with a local Houston family of the same or similar language and cultural background. Transportation will be arranged by members of the club on an individual basis, depending on where the patient lives. Both the Military Airlift Command and several commercial carriers have indicated they would like to cooperate in providing transportation.



### Idea into Action

The genesis of the Rotary World Health Foundation took place in the minds of Dr. Abdel Fustok, a plastic surgeon at St. John Hospital and Mr. Raymond Khoury, the hospital's administrator and a member of Space Center Rotary Club. Mr. Khoury had been seeking avenues for achieving the Rotary Club's goals for service to the international community. Dr. Fustok, now also a Space Center Rotarian, had been impressed with the dramatic effect on self-esteem after corrective surgery, such as the young Lebanese girl he treated who had suffered disfigurement as an innocent victim of a car bomb in her home country. Through their professional association, the idea for a joint program took hold and the two co-sponsors were approached to evaluate their interest. The directors of both organizations enthusiastically adopted the project and started planning activities to receive their first patient as soon as possible.

### YOU CAN HELP

The Foundation is accepting patient applications at this time from other international Rotary clubs. Anyone with knowledge of a young person who may meet the Foundation's criteria should contact their local Rotary club and show them this article or contact Space Center Rotary Club directly, addressed to Mr. M. Albert Jowid, Jr., Space Center Rotary, 16023 Diana Lane, Houston TX 77062.

#### **PHOTO AT LEFT: (L to R)**

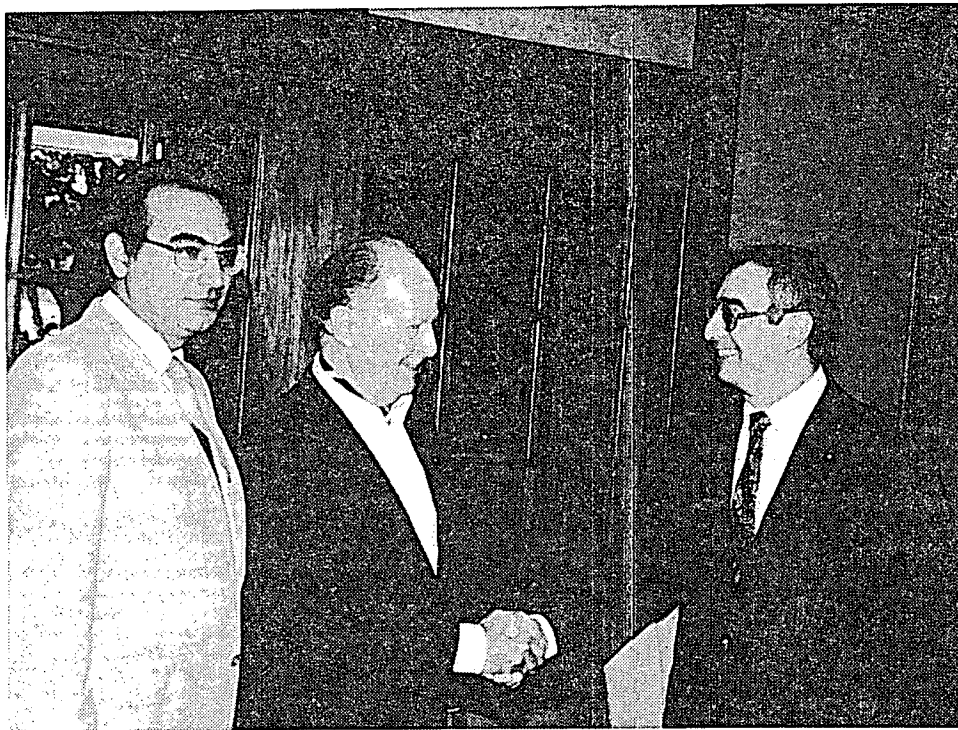
Terry Hesson, Charles Hartman, Raymond Khoury, PDG Floyd Boze, John Francis, Past Rotary International President Dr. Carlos Canseco, Al Jowid, Jack Forrest (from Mexico), Dr. Larry Watson, and Club President Bob Wren.

## SPACE CENTER ROTARY SPECIAL BULLETIN

### **ROTARY INT'L. PAST PRESIDENT Canseco VISITS, MEETS WITH ROTARY WORLD HEALTH FOUNDATION**

Space Center Rotary was honored by a visit on Thursday, Nov. 21, from Rotary International's Immediate Past-President, Dr. Carlos Canseco of Monterrey, Mexico. Dr. Canseco met with members of the World Health Foundation, the joint activity of the Space Center Rotary Club and St. John Hospital. The foundation had recently sought the help of Dr. Canseco in identifying possible children candidates in Mexico.

After a briefing on the progress and current status, Dr. Canseco expressed his appreciation for the foundation's efforts and his support for its goals and purpose. Dr. Canseco told the foundation's chairman, Space Center Rotarian Al Jowid, that he had sent a personal appeal to the Rotary district governors in Mexico for the names of children who might need plastic surgery and he pledged his assistance in locating them. He said he wanted to be invited back to visit with us and our first patient when his or her treatment was complete. We will do so.



## "THE ESSENCE OF INTERNATIONAL CLUB SERVICE"

Our distinguished visitor, Dr. Canseco, stressed that the interclub cooperation that will be involved in the work of the Rotary World Health Foundation is the essence of international club service and encouraged us to get the full program operating as soon as possible.

The former international president was told that the foundation had already received the name of one little girl in Mexico who had lost both of her hands and a foot. Although the foundation was unable to provide a surgical solution, they were able to locate a Shriner's group (through a Rotary Club) in Mexico willing to provide her with a prosthesis so that she could be more self-sufficient.

AT LEFT: Foundation head Al Jowid greets Dr. Carlos Canseco, Immediate Past President of Rotary International, accompanied by Raymond Khoury.

## NEW MEMBERS

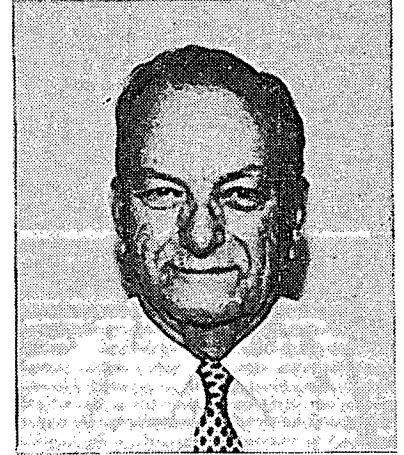
**Paul M. Kinze** was inducted into club membership on November 18 in the Additional Active classification of "Accountant/Certified Public". His sponsor is **Dave King**. Paul received a BBA at the University of Houston and is now the owner of Paul M. Kinze, CPA, 4628 E. NASA Rd 1, Seabrook 77586, phone 326-4272. Paul lives at 426 Cedar Lane, Seabrook, and has four children: Nick, Joe, Lynette, and Paul (all "grown"). His home phone is 532-1717.

**Jeffery Alan Bush**, sponsored by **Charles Hardwick**, also was inducted on November 18. Jeff's classification is "Scouting-Youth Service". He is District Scout Executive with the Boy Scouts of America, P. O. Box 52786, Houston 77052, phone 659-8111. Jeff received a BS in Business Management and Finance after attending Southeastern Louisiana Univ. and Louisiana State Univ. He and his wife Meredith and 7 month old son Joseph live at 1914 Mermaid, Houston 77062, phone 480-5670. ++++++Everyone welcome Paul and Jeff!!



## WOW 6 Times

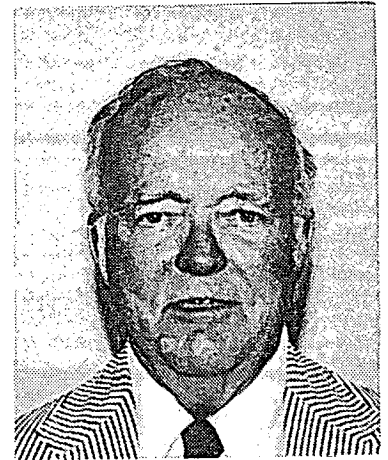
For the 6th straight year **Gene Lindquist** took the Championship title by selling 1985 Shrimporee tickets in excess of \$2000. **Ray Hooker** was 2nd and **Bev Steadman** 3rd. Together these three hard workers sold 18.5% of the total sales by the entire membership! THANK YOU!



**Gene Lindquist**



**Ray Hooker**



**Bev Steadman**



**FROM P. 1:** According to Dr. Kane, each side of the brain is capable of carrying out all of the functions of the other side of the brain. It is the connector function (between the two halves) of the brain that is important in determining which side of the brain is used by a child for learning. Apparently each child's brain has a preference for learning material in either a sequential or simultaneous manner. That is, some children will prefer to learn things a little piece at a time until the whole picture is built up and some will prefer to take on the whole picture at once, and each will function best when taught the way that is natural for him. The Institute, which is under contract to the Clear Creek ISD, aids children in using their preferred method of learning to accomplish what they may not be able to accomplish in the normal public schoolroom environment.



Photos show Captain Crippan, above, and Dr. Kane, at right.



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

<b>BILL SHAYER</b>	<b>12/6</b>
<b>BILL BENNETT</b>	<b>12/7</b>
<b>TERRY HESSON</b>	<b>12/8</b>
<b>DON ROBISON</b>	<b>12/10</b>
<b>CHARLES WHYNOT</b>	<b>12/11</b>
<b>DAVID FRANZ</b>	<b>12/12</b>
<b>BILLY BURT</b>	<b>12/13</b>
<b>RAY PAWLIKOWSKI</b>	<b>12/13</b>
<b>JOHN McCARRON</b>	<b>12/15</b>

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**Recent Resignations:**  
 Ron Masters for business reasons and Rick Baty for lack of attendance.

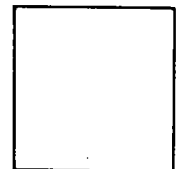
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## COMING UP:

**WIVES CHRISTMAS LUNCH**  
 December 10 South Shore Harbor Country Club

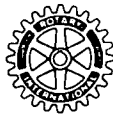
**CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY**  
 December 13 South Shore Harbor Country Club

**FELLOWSHIP DINNER WITH REVERSE DRAW**  
 January 31 Hobby Hilton



**FIRST CLASS**

## SPACE CENTER ROTARY



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| Treasurer        | Sam Calanni     |
| Sergeant-at-Arms | Billy Weseman   |
| Past President   | Charles Hartman |
| Ex-Officio, PDG  | Floyd Boze      |

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