

SPACE CENTER ROTARY CLUB BLASTOFF

The Space Center Rotary Club
meets on Mondays, 11:45 a.m.
at the Nassau Bay Hilton
Rotary International District 5890



Rotary International President: Clifford Dochterman
District 5890 Governor: Bob Ellis
Club President: Terry Hesson

"Real Happiness is Helping Others"

PROGRAMS

Vann Jones, Chairman

Responsibility for September: David Franz

Responsibility for October: Mary Wylie

SEP. 14 **Judge John Kyles.** Vic Maria serves as president today.

SEP. 21 **Shrimporee Promotion**

SEP. 28 **Auction of remaining Shrimporee items**

OCT. 5 **Dr. Paul Pepe,** Director of Emergency Medical Services, City of Houston; Assoc. Prof., Dept. of Medicine, Surgery and Pediatrics, Baylor College of Medicine. "Ensuring the chain of survival of the community."

OCT 12 **Columbus Day.** Federal holiday. No meeting.

OTHER COMING EVENTS

SEPT. --- THE SHRIMPOREE COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN MEET WEEKLY. --CHECK WITH DONNIE JOHNSON OR FRANK MORGAN FOR UPDATE ON TIMES AND PLACES.

SEPT. 20 **SHRIMPOREE BEAUTY CONTEST** -babies to high school seniors. South Shore Harbor. Contact Lynette Mason.

SEPT. 21 **SHRIMPOREE GOLF TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP.** South Shore Harbour Country Club. 4 Man Florida Scramble. Shotgun start at 1:00 PM, but don't miss the practice at 11 AM and lunch at noon. Deadline Sept. 17. Call Tedd Olkowski, 332-3622.

SEPT. 26 **SHRIMPOREE '92. Red Adair and Deke Slayton, Honorary Chairmen; Donnie Johnson , Chair, Frank Morgan, Vice Chrmn.- - - Auction, Mike Dennard, (assisted by Don Kirk, Jerry Smith, and Jim Hargrove); Golf Tournament, Dennis Dillon and Tedd Olkowski; 5K Fun Run, Mary Wylie and Johnny White; Beauty Contest, Lynette Mason. PLUS: Every member of Space Center Rotary Club - - -More details inside- - -**

September 14, 1992

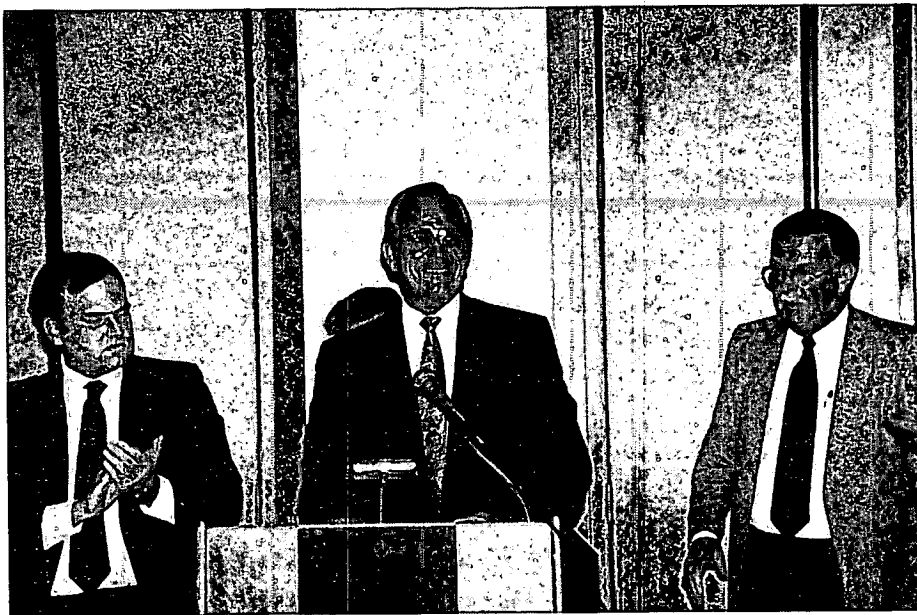
TERRY TELLS THE TERRIBLE TRUTH

(At the request of the Editor, the aforesaid Terry, being an attorney sworn to uphold the law, did affirm the following statement as being of his own hand and he urgently asks that you give it some element of attention so that you will be inclined to go forth and do good deeds.

--The Editor)

Hey, boys and girls. What time is it? Of course, it's Shrimporee time. The big day is almost upon us and it seems appropriate to reflect on the Shrimporee and why we have one. Our newer members may not fully understand it and some of us not-so-new members (you notice I didn't say "older") may need some rejuvenation (Editor: I'll buy that!)"

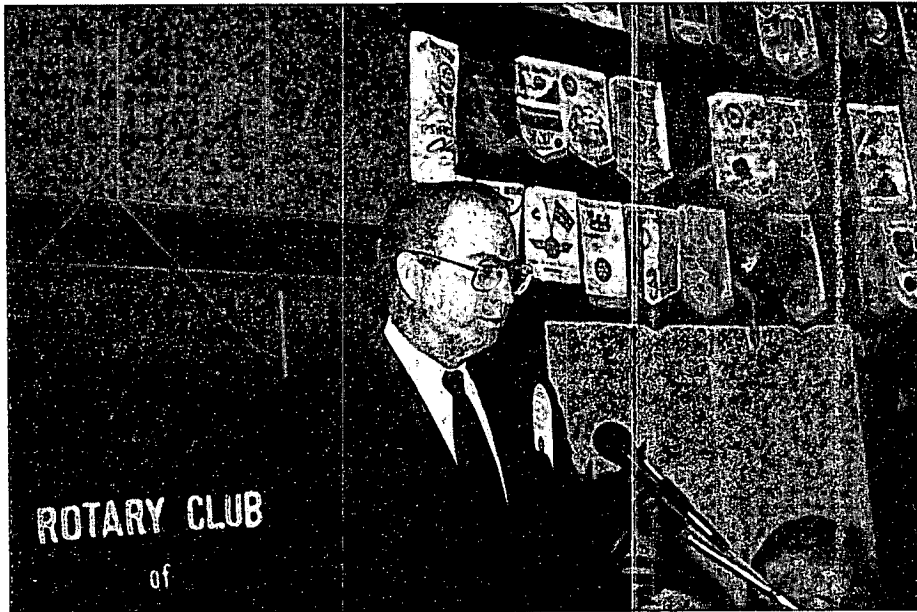
As an organization dedicated to service we, like any other group, need money to perform our service work. There are only two ways to raise funds for what we do and they are to hold a fund-raising event or to assess the
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RAY GRAHAM ROAST **A HAPPY EVENT**

The August 29th roast of our own Ray Graham left nearly 300 Rotarians and friends with a warm feeling, a glad-to-have-been-there feeling. It also raised a substantial amount, an amount still to be determined, for Ray's medical expenses past and future.

The committee did a fine job drawing together so many celebrities who were pleased to talk about Ray. Among those were: Jim Hargrove, Astronaut Deke Slayton, Constable Bill Bailey, Harris Co. Sheriff Johnny Klevenhagen, Rev. Bill Rittenhouse, Father Tom Butler, Randy Hopkins, Charles Hartman, State Senator Chet Brooks, and the "Crazy Cajun" as well as our prexy Terry Hesson. Also toasting Ray was the emergency room physician, who made the very telling comment to Ray's family early in the tragic event: "Ray's doing his part". And you can see that Ray continued to do his part!



Ray's wife and their sons and daughters and their spouses were there to enjoy all the wonderful things said.

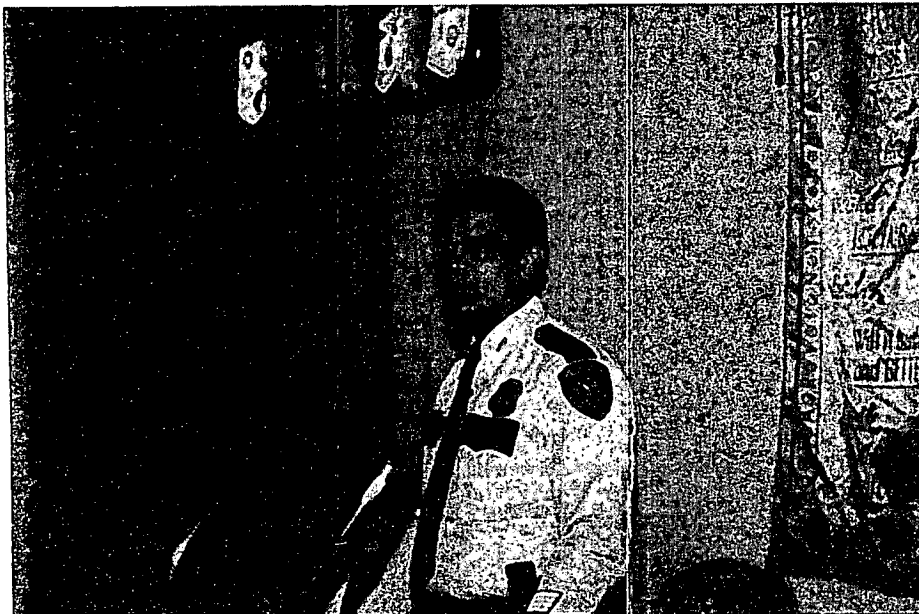
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PHOTO REFERENCE:

Top: Ray Graham at the roast.

Center: Dr. Kenneth Mattox, speaking on trauma care.

Bottom: City of Houston Chief of Police Sam Nuchia at our 8/31 meeting.



Rotarians, START YOUR ENGINES !!

LET YOUR ENGINES ROAR ! IT'S TIME FOR THE MAD DASH TO THE SHRIMPOREE FINISH LINE ! WE'VE BEEN PLANNING AND ORGANIZING, AND NOW IT'S TIME TO "PUT THE PEDAL TO THE METAL"!

Please review everything that you have agreed to do--- to avoid last minute glitches !

PLEASE MAKE THE CALLS FOR AUCTION ITEMS. PLEASE PICK THEM UP. PLEASE TAKE THEM FOR STORAGE AT HERB McELVEEN'S SPACE CITY RECORD STORAGE, 18422 HIGHWAY 3 (1/2 mi. south of NASA 1) IN WEBSTER.

(OR ---- PLEASE FORK OVER THE \$100 IF YOU ELECTED TO AVOID THIS TASK THAT MIKE DENNARD HAS MADE RELATIVELY PAINLESS FOR YOU-- SO SOMEONE ELSE CAN DO IT. WE CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE OUR DONORS.)

REMEMBER THIS IS THE MAIN WAY THAT WE ARE ABLE TO CARRY OUT OUR FUNCTION OF HELPING OTHERS !

UND REMEMBER DISS MAYBE LAST DIME VOT VE SAY: "PLEEZ"

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MEDICAL REPORT:

FOR THE CHAIR OF THE SHRIMPOREE, THE LAST WEEK BEFOREHAND IS LIKE BEING THE MAYOR OF HEART-ATTACK CITY. We have always succeeded, even at the last minute. But too many of us rely on that past experience and think someone else will make it happen this time, too! What if "someone else" is sick, or is out of town, or perhaps like you, has other business that seems pressing? What if they let fear of failure keep them from making calls for auction items? WHATEVER THE REASONS, WE CANNOT EVER LET IT HAPPEN THAT TOO MANY LEAVE IT TO SOMEONE ELSE! Determine that "leaving it to someone else" will not be your way! Do your share! NOW !! You wouldn't want that nice Donnie Johnson to have a heart attack, would you?

GOLF OUTING REPORT

by Dennis

Dillon

Thursday August 20 th we had our best golf outing in many a moon. 29 Rotarians and guests met at the Baywood Country Club in Pasadena for golf and fellowship. Bob Frost, a member at Baywood, was in charge and between Bob and the newly formed phone committee of the Golf Committee, the turnout was twice as many as we've had in years. The cooler weather helped, too. Thanks to Bob and the other members of Baywood.

There were many scores in the 80's and some in the 100's but we all had a great time. If you couldn't make it, come out next time. The first outing after the Shrimporee Tournament described on page 1 will be October 15th.

DISTRICT 5890 WANTS YOU

----- in Australia !

Distr. Gov. Bob Ellis invites you to a Rotary "On to Melbourne" meeting/party he is hosting and MC-ing on Sunday Oct. 4 at 4:30 PM at the HL&P Energy Center, 6700 W. Loop South in Bellaire.

The 1993 Rotary International Convention will be in Melbourne Australia May 23-27.

Australian Airlines will present an audio-visual program on what to see and do in this fascinating part of the world. VIP Supertravel will provide information on the special tours and options that have been planned for district Rotarians.

All interested Rotarians are encouraged to attend this special program. ---- For more information, contact Space Center Rotarian LaWann Tull at VIP Supertravel (486-1401), the Official Travel Agency for the convention for District 5890. Gov. Bob feels that the final cost, when announced, will be very inviting-- and he wants to see you there!

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

AL BRADY	9 / 1 2
TEDD OLKOWSKI	9 / 1 3
J. W. LOWES III	9 / 1 4
DAVID BALDWIN	9 / 1 6
JERRY JONES	9 / 1 7
JOE SHIRLEY	9 / 2 0
BERT KRAFT	9 / 2 2
ANNE WESEMAN	9 / 2 5
STEVE BOLTON	9 / 2 9
DAVID OWEN	9 / 2 9
WOODY WILLIAMS	9 / 2 9

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PROGRAM NOTES

adapted from notes by Steve Bolton

Meeting of 8/24: When Jay Welch told about himself on the Meet-a Member, someone commented that he talked so fast and covered so much ground that he couldn't possibly be from East Texas. Some folks just get up earlier in the morning, don't they, Jay?---Dr. Kenneth L. Mattox, Chief of Surgery at Ben Taub Hospital Trauma Center, was the speaker. Famous quote: "In the interest of your gastrointestinal stability, I did not bring any slides." Thank you, Dr. He said that Ben Taub was the only hospital that did not have to hustle patients: they expect to handle 14,000 trauma (bodily injury) cases this year. That's 14 times the national average for #1 trauma centers. They provide the same quality of medical care as Methodist, St. Luke's, and Hermann and yet have the lowest tax rate in the state. Ben Taub Trauma Center was founded by Dr.DeBakey and was the first in the world. Studies of the EMS, use of helicopters and telemetry, found use in the Vietnam War and in the Persian Gulf War.

Dr. Mattox pointed out some imminent problems in trauma care: More trauma centers are needed. We need a unified metro area health care system, i.e. consolidation. 65% of cost is related to legal cost. We need more use of mediation panels. We need more use of hospices rather than use of intensive care units. We need a more realistic societal mindset: more reasonable expectations of the kind of care that is appropriate.

Meeting of 8/31: The ceremonial passing of the brass shrimp was conducted to symbolize the passing of the responsibility from last year's chairman, Mike Brown, to this year's chair, Donnie Johnson. Now everyone knows whose back the "monkey" is on, eh Donnie? We know you will give it everything! ---Herb McElveen was featured in Meet a Member. Herb has been in Rotary for 20 years, gave a Shetland pony to the first Shrimporee auction, and is now letting us use his Space City Record Storage for temperature-controlled storage of items donated for the auction this year. (NOTE: That's a change from previously announced storage plans.)--- We were visited by the Group Study Exchange team from Spain: a group of medical doctors, both men and women, under the team leadership of Javier Iriarte.

Speaker for the meeting was new Houston Police Chief Sam Nuchia, who has the unusual qualifications of having been both a practicing lawyer (Doctor of Jurisprudence) and a twenty year career police officer with the Houston Police Dept. The department had drifted down from 4500 officers in 1987 to 3900 officers in 1992. But he has a commitment to add 350 officers per year. 300 more cars have been added and 150 positions added to the Detective Division. They are moving to become 50% minorities. The emphasis will be on reducing the serial crime activity. More people are on parole now than ever before and 400 parolees are arrested per month for a new felony.-----Chief Nuchia was pleased with the department's performance at the Republican National Convention despite the attempts by some groups to provoke the police for the benefit of publicity for their causes. He received compliments on the courtesy of both the police and citizens. He is seeking positive interaction with citizen efforts through monthly meetings, especially in depressed neighborhoods. He wants neighbors to know police personally, to exchange information with them.

Some points elicited by questions: Gangs here are not as bad as L A and N Y. but dangerous Asian gangs are preying on new immigrants.---The curfew is working well (daytime truancy, after midnight crime).--- Drug tactics have been switched to produce disruption of frequent drug distribution points on Houston streets.---And note that the freeways are now patrolled by the State Highway police, not the Houston Police Dept.

NOTES FROM THE BOARD MEETING

After recent name removals, the membership stands at: 171

Active	167
Exempt	3
Honorary	1

There are still more of us who will be receiving notices of automatic termination for non-payment of dues. Don't take this casually. We'd prefer you stay, but. Heaven forbid---it's not optional, you know. All it takes is your check now! Please.

Vic reported that the boy from Jerusalem is here to have his leg operated on. Another boy with his jaw shot off is going to arrive in the future.

Much Shrimporee info (reported elsewhere)

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SPACE CENTER WOMEN OF ROTARY.

Once again the Women of Rotary will be operating the Sweet Booth at Shrimporee to round out the seafood platter. The money they raise will be used for their service projects, which are in addition to the Club's projects. Adele Jowid is chairperson and Fran McElveen is co-chair.

WEEKEND CRUISE TO THE BAHAMAS

Bill Taylor, Entertainment Chair, announced a 3 night cruise on the M/S Nordic Empress at only \$650/person (double occ.) including air fare, meals and all that good stuff for the weekend of Nov. 20-23. SC Rotarians are signing up already but call Bill at 488-2733 or Joe Hang at 333-3124 for more specifics.

ABOUT MEMBERS

Dave Baldwin, born in Los Angeles, had military influence early as his mother served in the Marine Corps and his father put in over 20 years in the Army. Dave's educational stops included Naples, Italy; Paris, France; Monterey, California; Gettysburg, Pennsylvania and graduation from Hammond High School in Alexandria, VA. He attended Los Angeles Valley College and San Diego State University. He began his Savings and Loan career in 1972 and, except for 6 months, has been with Savings of America since 1979, serving as Manager of the NASA Branch since 1986. The father of two daughters, Sarah and Rachel, he and his "bride", Beverly, an interior decorator, live in Friendswood. Dave enjoys raquetball and team sports. A Space Center Rotarian for five years, Dave is serving his third year as Chairman of the Membership Committee and is serving his second year as Ticket Chairman for the Shrimporee. He is a Paul Harris Fellow.



Robert C. (Bert) Kraft was born in the shadow of the Jolly Green Giant, Le Sueur, Minnesota. At the age of three, he moved to Michigan. (His parents had, so for financial reasons he decided to follow them). After a stint in the USNR during WWII, Bert received his BA from Michigan State University in 1950. That was the same year he married Florence McConnell and began his working days at Packard Motors. The Krafts joined the State Farm Family forty years ago, when Bert received his license to sell insurance. Florence and Bert have three children: Bob (Milwaukee), Mary (Austin) and John (Plano) with eight grandchildren. He became a member of his third Rotary Club upon membership in Space Center Rotary in the fall of 1981.



Terry tells--

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membership a certain amount of money to cover our service budget. A few clubs in our district actually do assess. We chose many years ago to hold an event to raise needed service money and, of course, the event is the Shrimporee. Not only is it our big fund-raiser, but it also is our big fun-raiser. It is our singularly most successful and best attended fellowship activity. Even though some of our members only have a two-hour shift to work, we show up at 7:00 AM for the fun run and stay until 7:00 PM because the Shrimporee really is FUN.




The obvious importance, however, is on the money part. Without the proceeds

from the Shrimporee, we would not be able to continue our support of the many wonderful projects we adopt each year. And for your reference, the real money in the Shrimporee is in the auction. The fun run makes money, the golf tournament makes money, but two-thirds of our service budget comes from the auction. We essentially break even on the food service and the beverages. These are simply ways of getting people to come out and be on hand for the auction. That's why there is so much emphasis right now on collecting quality auction items. The importance of this task cannot be overemphasized. And

there is an option here.

If soliciting items is not your thing, you can chip in \$100.00 so the auction committee can go buy auction items. You would be surprised how far that will go at Sam's or Toys R Us. Auction items and/or your \$100.00 contribution add up to the funds we will have available to do what we as Rotarians are here for--service. Now is the time to get in gear so we can have the most successful Shrimporee ever. The more we raise, the more we can do for our community. That's the name of the game.

(Editor: Further Affiant sayeth not.)

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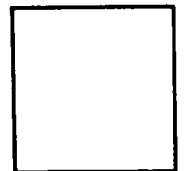
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