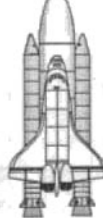


THE BLASTOFF



Rotary Club of Space Center
Rotary District 5890
meetings are
Monday's 11:45
at the
Nassau Bay Hilton
Hotel & Marina
3000 NASA Road One

August 7, 2000



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Today's Agenda

- 11:45 am** Buffet luncheon begins
- 12:15 pm** Call to order
 Song for today – Jerry Bourgeois
 Pianist – Ann Fulcher – John Wilson
 Invocation
 Pledge of Allegiance
 Introductions of Guest and Visiting Rotarians
 Announcements
- 12:30 pm** Programs Chair– Dick Gregg, III
- Programs Connie Elston and John Martinez
 Bay Area Transportation Partnership Circulator



Today's Song

Deep In The Heart Of Texas

The stars at night are big and bright - deep in the heart of Texas
 The prairie sky is wide and high - deep in the heart of Texas
 The sage in bloom is like perfume - deep in the heart of Texas
 Reminds me of the one I love - deep in the heart of Texas



Thanks to Carlson-Wagonlit Future Travel owner Charlotte Weller and sales director Gary Ollbert for donating airline tickets for our Shrimporoo Auction! Thank you Rotarians Mike and Teresita Hernandez and Hernandez Engineering!

Mike Brown,
 Rotary
 Shrimporoo
 Chair and
 President of
 JSC Federal
 Credit Union.



Dave Baldwin, Space Center Rotary President and Vice President, Branch Manager of the League City Bank & Trust South Shore Branch

More Rotary Shrimporoo 2000 Sponsors



Space Center Tire & Auto
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Left to right: Bob Edwards, Vice President/Lending and Michael Cornett, Executive Vice President, Area Manager of First Community Bank and Rotarians.



Jim Sweezy, Owner,
 Minuteman Press and Rotarian.



President of Barrios Sandy Johnson and Stella Self of Barrios & Rotarian.



Suzal Howe, President South Shore Monitors and Rotarian.



Earl Maudlin, President Maudlin & Sons and Rotarian.



Rick Clapp/Rotarian, Rob Kumar and Melanie Ribardo of the Baycomber.



Rotarian Mike Potterfield – Randall-Potterfield Architects, Inc.



Advertisers Wanted!

The Blastoff will again begin to place ads for those interested in advertising their business. The business card size ads will run each week and cost \$200.00 for six months.

All funds raised from ads will go directly to our clubs service account and thus be available for our various community and international charitable projects. Please contact Sheila Self if you are interested in placing an ad for the next six months.

Space Center Rotarians: Please pass this info on to your spouse

Space Center Women of Rotary (SCWR) was formally organized in 1987. Our goal is to bring a closer fellowship of the families of Rotary and to engage in other social, philanthropic and educational works.

Our present membership is about 40 and We are looking for new members!

We meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Holiday Inn on NASA Road One at 11:45 with social time, lunch and a program. We sponsor member outings several times a year, such as trips to museums, shopping at Old Town Spring, the quilt show, etc. and several evening socials with spouses. We would love to have you join our group! If you would like more information or would like join, please fill out the form below and mail to

Martha Owen
SCWR Membership Chair
3522 Emerald Falls Ct.
Houston, TX 77059

Please send the information

Enclosed is my check for \$25.00. Please enroll me as a member

Name: _____

Address: _____

Business Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Spouse: _____



Donating a ring and Agassi watch are Sherril Stringfellow and Troy Sorouse. Thank you Design By Stringfellow

Update Your Membership Directory Forms and submit info to Laura Hale.

Need A New Membership Directory Photo?
Call Pam Culpepper at
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Thank You!

Photos courtesy of JSC Federal Credit Union's Susan Collier and MRI's Tim Kropp.

South Central Rotary Youth Exchange

By: Alan Wylie

Our Rotary District is a member of the South Central Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE), often referred to by the acronym SCRYE. Rotary districts from New Mexico, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, Louisiana, Tennessee, and Alabama are members of this multi district organization whose purpose is to promote and improve the Rotary Youth Exchange program. The leadership is like unto Rotary - a president, president elect, secretary, treasurer, training officer, and two members at large serving on the board.

SCRYE strives to meet the goals of Rotary Youth Exchange in improving world understanding and making the world a better place through our youth. SCRYE conducts two meetings each year to provide training to those who attend. This year, the summer meeting will be July 29, 30 and will be hosted by our district at the Hobby Airport Hilton Hotel.

Rotarians from the 10-member states attend the two SCRYE meetings each year. Some have been involved in RYE for years and have a wealth of knowledge through their many experiences. These Rotarians serve as trainers for the meetings. Others come to learn. Everyone gains from the sharing of knowledge and from the many new friendships that are gained through Rotary.

Our hope is that each club in our district will become active in Youth Exchange and will send representatives to the SCRYE meeting here in Houston. Never has there been a better opportunity to learn about this program. Those who can gain the most are club officers, the International Director, and members who want to be involved. The time is now to register. The registration forms are available at our district website -- Rotary5890.org/scrye -- or can be obtained by fax from a member of the RYE committee.

Contributions for Hunger Plus From July 1999 to June 2000

By: Steve Harris

West U. Rotary Club	\$2,771.32
Grassport	\$2,000.00
Memorial Spring Branch	\$1,420.00
Deer Park	\$1,320.00
Super Land	\$1,078.14
Cypress/Fritch	\$936.88
University Area	\$900.00
Houston Heights	\$757.15
Space Center	\$500.00
Calhoun/Hobby	\$360.00
Northshore	\$362.59
Humble/Intercontinental	\$254.80
Willowbrook	\$202.33
River Oaks	\$197.00
Bellaire/Southwest	\$182.88
West Houston	\$150.00
Katy	\$114.62
Worshire	\$107.91
Alameda/South Post Oak	\$75.71
Galena Park	\$58.29
Richmond	\$50.00
	\$13,299.02
P.E.T.S.	\$100.61
District Assembly	\$120.00
	\$13,519.63
Outside District	\$2,629.40
	\$16,149.03

Prolog:

Felix Rice \$75.00 monthly District 5890 - University Area Rotary Club
Gene Anderson \$175.00 annually District 5650





**Rotary Club of Space Center (RCSC)
Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 11, 2000 at 7:00 am
Nassau Bay Hilton**

Board Members present:

Dave Baldwin, Mike Duckworth, JB Fox, Bill Geisler, Laura Hale, Suzi Howe, Jim McDonald, Olive Murphy-Riker, Marc Schneider, Sheila Self, Vissot Sun, and Greg Turley

Board Members not present:

Clay Fulcher, Tim Kropp, and Marilyn Musial

Red Badgers Attending:

Adena Lottin and David Vaughn

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 7:07, July 11

Secretary's Report:

Minutes read by Dave Baldwin;

motioned by Greg Turley, seconded by Marc Schneider

Treasurer's Report:

Laura Hale - Nothing to report

- Checks for dues are coming in; admin account is broke at the time - service account is operating, therefore bills will be paid (if any- International dues, etc. one to two weeks later than scheduled)
- "Table" transfer of service funds to administrative funds until next board meeting if necessary; motioned by JB Fox, seconded by Mike Duckworth

New Members and/or Resignations:

New Members:

Rolfe Young

Sponsors - Chuck Lobb and Sheila Self

Earl Baum

Sponsor - by John Christner

Resignations:

Erica French and Roger Carlisle

Motion approved by all members

Membership Drive:

Suzi Howe will chair (per Baldwin's request)

- 163 members of RCSC
- District commitment increase of new members of 10% (16.3 people for 2000 - 2001); also to retain current and new members
- All members should encourage and greet members
- Board members shall take greeting positions on a rotation basis according to Sgt. of Arms
- Sponsors of new members must take on the responsibility of helping the new member to get involved and become an active member of our club
- Steering Committee to be formed. Chaired by Suzi Howe; report at next board meeting of action items

Record in minutes new Officers and Directors:

Club Service A-JB Fox, Club Service B

Sheila Self, Club Service C- Marilyn Musial, Club Service D-Mike Duckworth

Vocational Service-Vissot Sun, Community Service A-Marc Schneider, Community Service B-

Jim McDonald, International Service A-Greg Turley, International Service B-Tim Kropp

Bank Signature Card:

Baldwin and Howe will get together after board meeting

Leave of Absence (LOA)

LOA request from Donnie Johnson for 3 months

Motioned by Greg Turley, seconded by Olive Murphy-Riker

Status of Committees: Committee chair commitments

Club Service A Still working

Club Service B OK

Club Service C Still working

Club Service D Still working

Vocational Service Still working

Community Service A OK

International Service A OK

International Service B Still working

Committee Budgets:

Budget of all committees are due to Baldwin no later than July 31

Assistant District Governor's (ADG) Visit: George Yelter

ADG visit to RCSC on August 7, 2000

- 10:15 with President, President-Elect, and Secretary
- 10:45 - with entire Board of Directors to review budgets, goals, etc.

Request:

Russian Student Pledge of \$1,000:

Request of David Taylor

- Due to several years of Rotarians working with Russians (judges, doctors, etc.)
- \$1,000 check was approved by the board with 3 members opposing until budget is clear; the funds will be taken from last years service budget

Directory Updates:

Billy Smith, Sheila Self, Jim Sweeney

- Directory updates will be submitted from members, forms are in the process of being distributed to members
- Photos must be included
- Cost of directory is in discussion

Email Addresses:

Greg Turley

- Greg is taking email addresses of board members and will email to Baldwin and other
- Board of Directors email addresses will be published in The Blastoff
- Other email address are forthcoming and will be included in the new RCSC Membership Directory

Shrimporce 2000:

Mike Brown - Chair

- Last meeting held on July 10
- Next meeting will be 7/26 - everyone is invited to attend committee meeting
- Auction items and sponsors are still needed - all members should please promote
- VIP auction event to be held on 9/15 - auction items are going well 10 to 15 items of value in at this time
- Shrimporce to be on 9/23

Ambassadorial Scholarship

Ted Cummings - Chair

- Nominating committee (members still needed)
- Meetings TBD

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:15 am

Minutes taken by Sheila Self on behalf of Secretary Clay Fulcher.

From PDG John Painter's July #12 Issue of Pointedly Painter

The Rotary year 1999-2000 has certainly been an exciting experience for the Dove and I. We set our goals and prepared our great District organization to take on these goals seriously and make a difference in our world around us.

This year we added one Rotaract club being sponsored by the Rotary Club of Gulfway/Hobby. We added two Interact clubs sponsored by Sweeney and North Shore. We sponsored three Ambassador Scholars. We hosted two GSE teams and exchanged two with Romania and Brazil. We had 54 clubs obtain the Presidential Citation and by doing so this act strengthened the clubs. This was again 100% of the District achieving this goal.

Our goal for Polio Plus was \$50,000 and we raised \$51,165. Our goal for members net in the District was a 75 member increase. Records are not clear but it appears we have a conflict with actual numbers increased. Charlie's member status from polling the clubs is about a 40 member increase.

Our Matching Grant goal was 4 clubs participating but we actually have initiated twelve during the year. This is an outstanding amount of involvement by this District.

Our Youth Exchange program was very successful and you can see Alan Wylie's article in this newsletter for a summary.

We hosted several Russians sponsored by the Library of Congress and Rotary. We will be doing the same Charlie's year. This time judges, two groups of five each.

We had an excellent increase in Benefactors this year. I am aware of at least 40. The District only had 20 prior in this.

The raffle goal was \$360,000. We fell short on this number but we did raise \$315,851.71 unrestricted funds. This is not the final number as TRF lags behind 60 days. This number grows each time we ask them how much. The total amount of funds raised for TRF both restricted and non-restricted is \$531,635.67 and growing. This is an outstanding amount and you are to be congratulated. See the tabulation sheet as to how your club fared in relation to per capita giving.

Our District Conference was a huge success. Our goal was 650 attendees. We didn't make it but we did have 554 registered. By the way, it looked like it too. What we didn't do in quantity we made up in quality. You may take note of the RI President's Award for our conference. This was a first and it was really deserved by all.

One of our goals was to strengthen all existing programs and clubs. This was the least spoken of but the most important of all. Our RI President, Carlo Ravizza, set the tone for this. It struck home with his Governor's 2000. His unpublished theme was Governor's 2000, 2-0-0-0 and as everyone knows I have a bad hearing problem and thought he said GO! GO! GO! Well we got going and really raised the level of activity in all programs. This is the single most one accomplishment we saw this year that we are the most proud of.

President Carlo Ravizza shook the foundation columns of Rotary. He was like President Harry Truman in my opinion. He will go down in history as one of the great presidents in Rotary but will not be recognized as such at this moment.

The other accomplishment that is not spoken of is the District's finances and the status thereof. We were able to bring all funds under a blanket of our 501-C3 status and actually doubled our balance in the District general fund. This gives our new Governor a good cushion and starting place as well as not increasing the District dues this coming year and gives us a better handle as to actually what we need and/or have.

The Dove and I have had a wonderful time as your Governor for the year 1999-2000. My parents always taught me that if I borrowed something, to always return it as I received it or a little better if I could. We hope we returned our wonderful opportunity to serve as it was given to us.

Upcoming Rotary Programs & Socials

Rotary Club of Space Center
August 14 Governor's visit
August 21 Steve Ellinger / Community Association Institute
August 28 Joe Harrelson / Texas Rangers
September 4 Labor Day - No SCR Meeting

Rotary District 5890
August 19 Rotary Night at the Astro's
Sept. 23 District Food Fest - Northshore pavilion

Rotary District 5890 for 2001
February 9 - 11 Rotary Expansion in Russian / Nassau Bay Hilton
February ? Rodeo Night
May 3 - 6 District Conference / Cancun
June 24 - 26 RI Convention - San Antonio
November 17 All Club Meeting / JW Marriott



**Next Shrimporee Meeting is Tonight! At 5:00 at the JSC Federal Credit Union
September 9 - VIP Wine Tasting & Auction**

District Governor Charlie Clemmons and Barbara Are Recognized at Rotary International

Herbert E. and Lenore S. Miller of Athens, Georgia, USA, helped kick off the new Rotary year by making a significant contribution to the Rotary Foundation. The Millers presented their gift at a special ceremony at RI World Headquarters, in Evanston, Illinois, on July 5. The ceremony, attended by RI President Frank J. Devlyn and Rotary Foundation Trustee Chairman Herbert G. Brown, was held in the Foundation's Hall of Honor on the newly renovated 17th floor. A photo of Herbert and Lenore Miller was added to the other photos of Major Donors who qualify for this distinction.

"Herbert and Lenore took a major step of creating awareness of the Foundation's goals," said President Devlyn. "And then they took action by making a significant financial contribution." The Millers chose to make their contribution during Charles Clemmon's year as Governor of District 5890, Texas, USA for a couple of reasons. The Millers believe deeply in the international programs of The Rotary Foundation. Also, they wanted to honor their daughter, Barbara, along with their son-in-law, Charles.



DG Charlie Clemmons and his wife Barbara



From left to right: Trustee Chairman Herbert G. Brown, District Governor Charles E. Clemmons, Lenore S. Miller, Barbara R. Clemmons, Herbert E. Miller, President Frank J. Devlyn



President's Corner
By: *Dave Baldwin*

Rotarians:

Shrimporee is right around the corner! We have a need for more sponsors and auction items. Please make time to ask a friend if they can sponsor (as little as \$500) or donate an auction item. Our goal of \$50,000 is attainable with your help and commitment to Rotary.

Additionally, please make sure that you are on a Shrimporee committee for our major fundraiser. The date is September 23, 2000 and it is important that all 163 members participate in this event. Be sure to buy or sell your tickets, then buy or sell some more! We need your dedication to ensuring that our major fundraiser is a success! Flyers and posters are available to show at businesses. Take as many as you need to advertise the Shrimporee! If you have questions, please contact our Shrimporee Chairman, Mike Brown, at 281-488-7070.

Thanks for your commitment to Rotary

Kudos! Kudos! Kudos! Kudos!

Kudos to our Past-President **Bill Gelsler** for receiving a **Floyd Boze Fellowship (FBF)** award recently! The Rotary Club of Space Center's Endowment Foundation honored Bill with \$1,000.00 donation in his name.

Congratulations to **Floyd Boze** for his
52 years of Perfect Attendance! Way to go Floyd!

Space Center Women of Rotary



Coffee to Honor Wife of District Governor

Barbara Clemmons, wife of newly installed DG Charlie Clemmons, will be honored at a coffee on Monday, August 14, hosted by the Space Center Women of Rotary (SCWR). The coffee will be at the home Mary and David Stang, 105 Mockingbird, Seabrook.

Please RSVP to SCWR Social Chairman *Sandra Predmore* at 281-488-3210, SCWR President *Marge Jacobson* at 281-334-1447, or to *Beverly Baldwin* at 281-996-8080

**The Blastoff is looking for a back-up editor
please contact Sheila Self for more info!**

Community Service Committee Needs Members!

Pam Culpepper and **Stephen Kelley** have agreed to serve on the Community Service Committee as requested by **Jim McDonald**. The committee may have as many as 10 members leaving us with space for up to eight more individuals. We would like to connect with others interested in establishing criteria, goals and objectives for the committee (we are starting at ground zero).

Please see Pam or Stephen if interested.

NOTE:

Makeup forms, checks, and other communiques to club secretary, treasurer, or president should be mailed to:

P.O. Box 58862
Houston, Texas 77258

Thank you for your inputs &/or comments! **BLASTOFF** inputs are due each Wednesday.

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Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the Truth?
2. Is it fair to all Concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better Friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Make - Up Locations

Angleton Galleria Area	Monday - noon A-D Gen. Hosp. Prof. Bldg. University Club
Galveston Island Harrisburg LaPorte Pearland River Oaks Texas City	Tuesday - noon San Luis Hotel Brady's Landing St. John's Episcopal Church Golfcrest Country Club Briar Club Nessler Center
Baytown Deer Park Dickinson Friendswood So. Pasadena	Wednesday - noon Goose Creek Country Club Court & Theater Center Methodist Church Mingarellis Restaurant Baywood Country Club
Alvin Gulfway/Hobby Houston	Thursday - noon Homestead Inn Hobby Hilton Jr. League of Houston 1811 Briar Oaks Lane Ramada Inn Esteban's Fiesta Shack Lakewood Yacht Club
LaMarque League City Seabrook (7:00am)	Friday - noon First United Methodist Church LaMarque Holiday Inn
Pasadena W. Galveston Cty.	

Rotary District 5890 web site:
<http://www.rotary5890.org>

If you want more articles from the District Governor's newsletters please go to:
<http://www.rotary5890.org/news/>



27th Annual Rotary Shrimporee & Auction
 Saturday, September 23, 2000
 C. D. Cap Landolt Pavilion – Clear Lake Park
 11:30 am til 6:00 pm
 Chair – Mike Brown 281-488-7070

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