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# ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

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PRESIDENT, 1979-80

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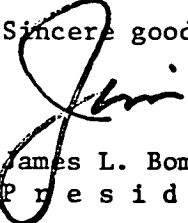
Mr. Alfred J. Ligrani  
President, The Rotary Club  
Space Center (Houston), Texas

Dear Al:

It is my understanding that Past Vice-President Ed Bracher has talked with you about the possibility of a meeting on 29th February, 1980 that would focus on Rotary's 75th Anniversary, emphasize the fact that in 1980 the 29th of February is an extra day for service and present the possibility of involving other space facilities and Rotarians in those locations in a communications tie-in focusing on the concept of service in the space age.

One objective of the meeting would be to give visibility to the space program and the fact that many Rotarians have been involved in its development. Edith and I would welcome the opportunity to visit your club on that occasion and take part in a full day of activities which, according to Past Vice-President Ed, you would plan.

I encourage you to move forward as necessary in arranging for this event. Please keep my office informed through my executive assistant, Ken Switzer.

Sincere good wishes,  
  
James L. Bomar, Jr.  
P r e s i d e n t



# SPACE CENTER ROTARY CLUB

POST OFFICE BOX 58862  
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77058

December 12, 1979

Mr. Harold S. Stall  
Director of Public Affairs/AP  
Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center  
Houston, Texas 77058

Dear Hal:

In reference to the 7 December 1979 letter addressed to you from Jim Bomar, President of Rotary International, I am writing to you to identify those specific requirements which have been previously identified through meetings or conversations with your office and with Ken Switzer of the President's office.

Specifically, the satellite linkage would be a two-way audio/video hook-up between Houston (Johnson Space Center Mission Control Center and/or Gilruth Recreation Center); Washington, DC (NASA Headquarters and/or the White House); Europe (ESA countries and facilities to be determined); Huntsville, Alabama (Marshall Space Flight Center); Canada (site and facility to be determined); Florida (Kennedy Space Center); Greenbelt, Maryland (Goddard Space Flight Center); Pasadena, California (Jet Propulsion Laboratory); and if time permits, Japan, India, and Australia.

It is envisioned that each segment of the hook-up would last from 3-5 minutes and would be live, if possible; but due to the time differential it may be that some segments of the hook-up would have to be pre-taped to be played back at a scheduled time during the 29th of February program.

As soon as authorization can be gained to use an existing satellite which can accomplish the above requirements, please notify me and we can finalize the necessary details.

Sincerely,

*Al Ligrani*  
Alfred J. Ligrani  
President

cc: AC/H. E. Clements  
E. Kenneth Switzer, Rotary International

"SERVICE ABOVE SELF"

From

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

Office of the President

This copy is for information and file of  
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Past Vice-President, R.I.  
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7 December, 1979

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Public Affairs Officer  
c/o Johnson Spacecraft Center  
N.A.S.A. Road 1  
Houston, Texas 77058

Dear Mr. Stall:

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From the space program has come many discoveries and developments from which all of us have profited. Surely mankind will derive even greater benefit from future explorations in an expanding space activity. It is not without considerable pride to Rotary that some of its members have been involved and instrumental in the work and achievements attributable to the space program.

It is with this in mind that I thought of visiting the Rotary Club of Space Center (Houston) on February 29, 1980, to celebrate Rotary's 75th Anniversary and recognize the contributions made by Rotarians to the space program and by the space program to humanity. A very significant and newsworthy element of such a meeting might be the possible linkage by satellite of space installations around the world to demonstrate and comment on the contributions to society that have resulted from the space program and the service club movement started by Rotary in 1905.

Mrs. Bomar and I plan to visit the Rotary Club of Houston on February 28, 1980 and the Rotary Club of Space Center (Houston) on the 29th. It is my fervent hope that through your good office the necessary authorizations for participation by NASA and, in particular, the Johnson Spacecraft Center may be arranged. If the program has the potential I see in it, perhaps key officials of NASA from Washington, D.C. would be interested and available to participate in it. Perhaps President and Mrs. Carter could be invited to attend the meeting and the President would agree to offer some remarks.

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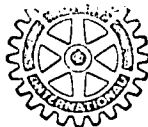
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Thank you very much for whatever you can do in this regard. I look forward in anticipation of meeting you on February 29, 1980.

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James L. Bonar, Jr.  
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## SPACE CENTER ROTARY CLUB

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7 February 1980

Mr. David Nye  
Communications Satellite Corp.  
950 L'Enfant Plaza S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20024

Dear David,

Your name has been suggested by Rotary International as a point of contact for planning the events associated with Rotary International's 75th Anniversary Celebration at the Space Center Rotary Club at Houston, Texas. We are planning to hold a teleconference among several NASA centers in the U.S. and, perhaps, several foreign space agencies. If you have not already done so, you should contact the Public Affairs Office at NASA Headquarters for coordination of the affair.

R. I. President James Bomar will be visiting our club on February 29, 1980, "to celebrate Rotary's 75th Anniversary and recognize the contributions made by Rotarians to the space program and by the space program to humanity", as quoted from his attached letter. We are planning for a teleconference program of approximately one hour in length at midday. The first 15 minutes would be devoted to an address by President Bomar and then each NASA center and each foreign space agency participating would be allocated five minutes for local reporting and tributes.

In addition to President Bomar's letter I have enclosed a tentative schedule for the teleconference period and a tentative idea of what the Johnson Space Center five minute spot might look like. We are planning to use a NASA Public Affairs Official as the Master of Ceremonies.

You can reach me by telephone at: 713-488-5221 or 713-488-5660 x 200

or by mail at: 16441 Space Center Blvd.  
Houston, Texas 77058

As your plans for your participation begin to firm up I would like to hear from you about them.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chuck".

C. A. Jacobson, Sr.  
Vice President

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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL  
75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION  
FEBRUARY 29, 1980  
BLDG. 1, RM. 966 - JOHNSON SPACE CENTER  
TELECONFERENCE FORMAT

1:00 p.m. -	Initiate Audio Hookup
1:00 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.	President Bomar Speaks
1:15 p.m. - 1:20 p.m.	Johnson Space Center Presentation
1:20 p.m. - 1:25 p.m.	Kennedy Space Center Presentation
1:25 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Marshall Space Flight Center Presentation
1:30 p.m. - 1:35 p.m.	Goddard Space Flight Center Presentation
1:35 p.m. - 1:40 p.m.	Jet Propulsion Laboratory Presentation
1:40 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.	NASA Headquarters Presentation
* 1:45 p.m. - 1:50 p.m.	European Space Agency Presentation
* 1:50 p.m. - 1:55 p.m.	Canadian Space Agency Presentation
* 1:55 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Japanese Space Agency Presentation
* 2:00 p.m. - 2:05 p.m.	Australian Space Agency Presentation
2:05 p.m. -	Terminate Audio Hookup

\* Practicality of participation by any or all to be determined.

NOTE: All times CST.



FIVE MINUTE TELECONFERENCE  
FOR SPACE CENTER ROTARY FROM  
JOHNSON SPACE CENTER

1. Welcome to JSC - "The Home of the Astronauts" and "Of the Mission Control Center"
2. Primary Role of JSC
  - a. Mission Control Center
  - b. Training of Astronauts
  - c. Contract Management
    - 1) Manned Spacecraft Program
    - 2) Solar Power Satellites
3. Space Center Rotarians Working in Space Program
  - a. Over half of Club presidents (8/15) have either worked or are working in the space program
  - b. Several astronauts have been active members of the Club (Cooper, Aldrin). Others were honorary members.
  - c. Frank Borman (honorary member) flew Club banner around the moon (Apollo 8). Later presented to Rotary International president in Honolulu.
  - d. Of the present Club members (122), over 30% (38) now work or have worked in the space program.
4. Space Center Rotary's "Getaway Special"
5. Status of JSC's On-Going Program
  - a. Simulations for First Shuttle Flight
  - b. Astronauts now in training