

# The Little ACORN

April 2008

*The Rotary Club of River Oaks taxid 74-6062278 meets each Tuesday for lunch at The Briar Club, TEL 713-662-3667 FAX 713-552-2167, 2603 Timmons Lane at Westheimer in Houston.*

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Emily Cole, president  
Sarah Lu Burrowes, past president  
Carl Van Nes, vice president  
Bob Hafey, president elect  
Sharold Britt, secretary  
Brad Weber, treasurer  
Joe Teas, sargent at arms

## Directors

Jack Hardin, youth, interact  
Jim Mulholland, membership  
Bob Sides, community  
Dan Britt, vocational  
James Perkins, rotaract  
Candace Smith, public relations  
Jack Wallace, international  
Carl Van Nes, speakers

## Charitable Trust

Bob Hafey  
Jack Harden  
Bill Shull

## Club Programs

See schedule at check-in desk.

## Regular Members (34)

Alves, Ed	713 623 7016	6740814
Arket, Jim	713 599 5153	1274579
Britt, Dan	713 553 8383	1008730
Britt, Sharold DeWitt	713 444 8088	6548301
Burrowes, Sarah Lu	713 402 5664	5922931
Cole, Emily	713 864 7903	5800732
Cuthbertson, Doc C	713 348 3363	462863
Ferguson, Jay	713 500 4198	462919
Fox, David	281 236 3598	5800726
Gabrites, Alex	713 784 1738	462849
Goldstein, Goldy	713 840 8187	462850
Hafey, Bob	281 265 5883	467758
Hamel, Pete	713 681 2500	462959
Hardin, Jack	713 667 0222	2164926
Hodges, Jim	713 658 1517	462941
Landry, Fred	713 622 9728	462976
Lessey, Bruce	713 623 8899	6770587
McSwain, Jim	713 522 5960	3360802
Mulholland, Jim	713 963 4227	2575957
Oppenheimer, Ed	713 621 9225	462956
Perkins, James	713 952 3737	6548992
Ralph, Paul	281 693 1639	462852
Sandler, Bob	713 623 6996	3360787
Scheffe, Lee	713 682 1614	462844
Shapiro, Victor	713 874 1844	6548316
Shull, Bill	713 523 8346	1413010
Sides, Bob	713 523 8346	2296448
Singer, Arnold	713 463 8315	462986
Smith, Candace	713 523 7722	6548322
Spaw, Louis	713 778 2120	462891
Teas, Joe	713 468 1420	462966
Van Nes, Carl	713 778 5893	6666976
Wallace, Jack	713 626 7500	462922
Weber, Brad	713 522 5960	6740818

## Honorary Members

Chivers, Al	713 974 0727	5315774
Sims, Nelda	713 468 2815	3440531

## Events



### District Conference April 23-27, 2008

Get ready for another great District Conference, coming up next month. All Rotarians are encouraged (almost required) to make plans to attend the sessions and enjoy the great activities of this event. Be sure to register for the conference, make your hotel reservations and mark your calendars now.

## News

Ronnie Walter "Walt" Cunningham born March 16, 1932 is a retired American astronaut. In 1968, he was the pilot for the lunar module in the Apollo 7 mission. he occupied the lunar

module pilot seat for the eleven-day flight of Apollo 7.

NASA's second civilian astronaut, Fighter pilot, Col. USMCR-Retired physicist, entrepreneur, venture capitalist, author of The All-American Boys, lecturer and host of Lift-off To Logic, a radio talk show.

Walter Cunningham was born in Creston, Iowa on March 16, 1932. He graduated from Venice High School (where he now has a building named for him) in California.

After high school, Cunningham joined the U.S. Navy in 1951, and began flight training in 1952. He served on active duty as a fighter pilot with the U.S. Marine Corps from 1953 until 1956. From 1956 to 1975 he served in the Marine Corps Reserve program until 1975, when he retired at the rank of Colonel.

Cunningham received his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1960 and his Master of Arts degree in 1961, both in physics, from the University of California at Los Angeles. He then worked as a scientist for the Rand Corporation.

In October 1963, Cunningham was one of the third group of astronauts selected by NASA. At the time, he was NASA's second civilian astronaut. On October 11, 1968, he occupied the lunar module pilot seat for the eleven-day flight of Apollo 7.

He left NASA in 1971, graduated from Harvard Business School's Advanced Management Program in 1974, and worked as a business man and investor in a number of private ventures.

In 1977, he published The All-American Boys, a reminiscence of his astronaut days. Cunningham was also a major contributor and foreword-writer for the 2007 space history book In the Shadow of the Moon.