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*Merry Christmas, Feliz Navidad, Buon Natale, Frohliche Weihnachten
Joyeux Noel: Zalig Kerstfeest: Mele Kalikimaka, God Yul!*

Program For This Week

**SPEAKER: GERRY DOYLE, VICE PRESIDENT
BEAUMONT RICE MILLS**

SUBJECT: "LOOKING NORTH TO CUBA"

Cuba? So near to us and its neighbors to its South will be the subject of an address by Gerry Doyle. Be with us this last Wednesday before Christmas so that we may wish you a joyous one.

Program Committee: Jef Russell, Jr., chairman, Lawrence Gale, vice chairman, Stuart Clendenin, Kelly Davis, Del Gallier and Kyle Wheelus.

Father-Son Day At Rotary Wednesday, December 28

A program planned especially for our Sons is scheduled for Wednesday, December 28th with **John Wesley Hardt** at the podium. Please call the Rotary Office after Christmas if you will bring your son.

Lest We Forget

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Merry Christmas To Ella Clark and Mae Kennedy

The above banner greetings in 8 languages was filched lock, stock and barrel from the Christmas Greeting Card received from **Ella Clark** and **Mae Kennedy**, executive secretary and assistant of the Rotary Club of New York. It is such a fitting multiple greeting for Rotarians of the World. To use it was a temptation not to be resisted.

Thank you, Ella and Mae.

Salvation Army Kettles

Traditionally manned by our new members, four downtown locations for the Salvation Army Christmas Kettles were held down Monday, December 19. Captains are **Joe Singleton**, Kress; **Don Cornell**, American National Bank; **Tom Lamb**, White House and **Clifford McKinzie**, Sears. Will the Captains please phone in the names of the workers to the Rotary Office so that President Lee Griffin can give credit where credit is due.

NEW MEMBERS AND ANNS SEEN AT THE CHRISTMAS PARTY

Janie and Mark Steinhagen; Margaret and Jim Bell, Juanita and Jim Dinsmore; Margaret Anne and Bill Neil; Mary and Joe Singleton; Nan and Martin Davis; Judy Montague (Ken in Canada); Marian and Jack Jeffrey, Lenair and Sam Pruitt; Olivia and Joel Wilson, Mickey and Bob Theall, Edwina and Norman Duren; Margaret and Jim McFaddin; Margaret and Eber Peters, Joe W. Singleton, Roy Keller, Don Baird and Erlis Cranston.

Rotary Christmas Party—1960

From the moment the 370 Rotarians and Rotary Anns crossed the threshold of the candle-lit Rose Room, the 47th annual Rotary Christmas Party was the greatest. Fast and smooth, President Lee Griffin called on Skeet Pitts for the invocation; introduced the new Rotarians and their Anns; and gave credit lines to the committee of six Past Presidents and their wives; to Chef Heinz Kuglar; organist Al Sacker the sergeants, and especially to the donors of door prizes high-jacked by George Morgan who says this is positively his last year.

The decorations hung the night before by the Past Presidents were clever and colorful. Frank White was the artist who fashioned the 20 Santa Claus each with the face of a Rotarian brought into the program. The nimble fingers of Helen Griffin created the red and green arrangements on stage.

Then came Bob Akers, master of ceremonies, presenting gifts for a change this year to Rotarians while the Lower Woods Band composed of Ewell Strong, Rus Phelps, Bill Langdon, Red Mills, Santy Runyon, Pat Hunt, Jim Roe played appropriate tunes. It was a Gridiron Christmas with presents off a scrawny tree (marked HIS) (HERS was a lovely tree); written by T. Hunt who left town, Ken Ruddy and Himself Bob Akers. Fred Neumann received from Jack Brooks—a bomb; Jack Jeffrey from all, a train and mostly tracks to be done away with; Charles Wyatt-Brown, a book, "The Theology of Evolution and Why Darwin was Right"; Roy Nelson from Ross Walker, a gas light; Jack Frost, a copy of the Houston Post as a threat to get the new presses running; Chick Dollinger an Orange football from TU fan club and a dollar for the Scholarship Fund from a friend; Frank Betts from John Gray a book on usury; to Clarence Hopp and Ed Maloney, the Side Walk Farmers of America, fertilizer, hoes and rakes; to Albert Klein and Henry Brooks, small acorns from which big trees grow. (BUT ALBERT AND HENRY AND FRANK DOVER'S TREES DON'T NEED ACORNS. . . anymore.)

To Herf Weinert, a book, "How to Say in 300 Words What Plainer Could be Said in Three." To George Morgan, District Governor-Elect, 4 miles of letters from Rotary Clubs of the World; Waldo Wilson, gourmet pass to the Piccadilly; to Loric, a mechanical man to help with the work; and as a climax surprise to Akers, a folding chair, paper and pencil for

use while waiting for the freight train to pass . . . also a book by Barry Goldwater.

The last, the long awaited presentation of gifts contributed by 43 Rotarians brought joy to the Rotary Anns. Among those receiving were: Vannie Robinson, Bennie Townsend, Jimmy Procter, Laura Faber, Marjorie Stedman, Velma Hunt, Mavis Gallier, Marguerite Kelley, Gladys Hunter, Dorothy Green, Marian Fulton, Helene Toomim and Judy Adams.

The boys that made the program run smoothly, the Sergeants, due a big hand are: Bud Fulbright, chairman; Don Baird, Joe W. Singleton, Roy Keller, Chester Lee, Chester Weber, Alex Broussard, Mark Steinhagen and Bob Theall.

The Christmas Party Coommittee to whom we give bountiful thanks for a wonderful party are Ewell and Lois Strong, general chairmen; George and Lillian Morgan; Skeet and Garnette Pitts, Frank and Bonnie White, Bob and Sybille Akers; and Harold and Carrie Carpenter.

Kelsey To Head Family Services

Congratulations to Kelsey and to Family Services. Kelsey will head Family Services as President for the coming year including Beaumont Children's Home, Beaumont Family Counseling Service and Central Day Care Center.

AT CHRISTMAS TIME—

Is a good time to say Thank You to the editor and staff of Rotarygrams for the good job they do for our club bulletin and that goes for **Lum Edwards, Jr.,** Chairman, **O. B. Archer, Lloyd Cherry, Ray Hawa, Newton Friedman, Ike Neumann, Wendell Ward and Ben Woodhead.**

—Lee Griffin

ABSENTEES: DECEMBER 7

(Leon F. Montague)

Booth, W. J. Broussard, Catalano, Cherry, Geo. Dishman, Herb Dishman, F. O. Dollinger, Eisen, Feray, Jr., Fernon, Fulton, Gallier, Hall, Hardy, Homer, Jeffrey (2), E. Jacobs, Kinnear, McKinzie, Montague, Roy Nelson, Ohmstede, Oxford, Peyton, Jr., Peters, Pitts, Joe Ramsey, Shaw, Sparks, Sprague, Stedman, Jr., Stewart, John Terrell (2), Todd, Ross Walker, Charles Walker, Weinert, Lee Wheat (S), C. Wilson (S), Withers (S), Wyatt-Brown.

PLEASE WATCH FOR NEXT WEEK'S ABSENTEES TO SEE THAT YOU GOT CREDIT FOR THE CHRISTMAS PARTY OR FOR YOUR MAKE-UP.

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