THE DISTRICT

A Weekly Update from Governor Brenda Walker
August 20, 2012

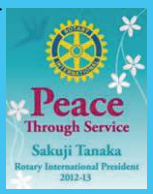
Governor's Message

My Fellow Rotarians,

It has been a week of highs and lows. We lost two from our family of Rotary . Our deepest sympathy to the families of Rotarian Archie McDonald (Nacogdoches) and Kathleen Staggs , spouse of PDG Jack Staggs (Huntsville). We will miss the smiles and laughter.

On a brighter note...I attended the Interact Meeting held at Willis High School on Saturday where 150 Interact students and sponsors met to discuss the year ahead. As they talked about their projects I was touched by their commitment and compassion for their communities. These students are our leaders of tomorrow and judging by what I heard we are in good hands!

Don't forget to register for the Membership/Foundation/Public Relations Seminar coming up September 15th at Montgomery High School in Montgomery. We need each club represented so please join us for a day of training, information and fellowship. Register at www.rotary5910.org.



Peace Through Service,

Brenda

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

TEXAS CITY

L-R: **Ruth Rendon** and **Lisa Stegman**. Ruth was proposed by Don Gartman under the classification Petroleum Industry – Community Relations and currently works for BP. Lisa was proposed by Doreen Hughes under the classification Non-Profit Organizations – Boy Scouts and is currently the District Executive for BSA.

Roney McCrary transferred from the Rotary Club of Santa Fe Hitchcock. Roney was proposed by PDG Emken Linton under the classification Past Service – Retired.

Cynthia Lusignolo was proposed by Jimmy Hayley under the classification Public Schools – Administration – Superintendent. Cynthia is the Superintendent for TCISD and transferred to us from the Rotary Club of Liberty.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

BEAUMONT-SPINDLETOP

L-r: Max Carson, sponsor; **Brad Jorgensen**, new member; and Liz Robinson, club president.

MAGNOLIA

President Deborah Rose Miller, **Richard Allison** (retired), **Ty Stranger-Thornton** (environmental) with sponsor Judy Bode

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

LIBERTY

L-R: Bill Buchanan stands by new Liberty Rotarians **Cody Abshier** and **Father Ted Smith** as Liberty Rotary President Jim Sterling inducts them into the club**.** photo by Carol Skewes, The Vindicator.

Port Arthur
Lance Madison
Education-Athletic Coach

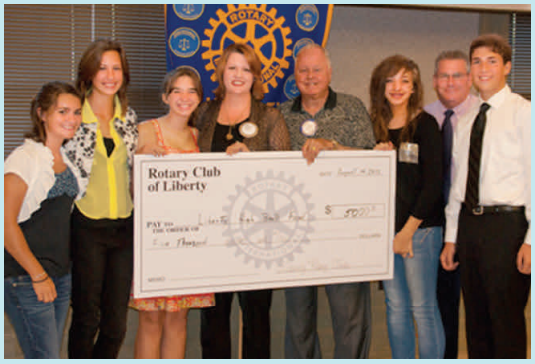
WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Amy Hegemeyer – Bleyel & Associates – (classification – Public Relations)

Russell Reynolds- Conroe Police Department – (classification – Police)

CONROE

Toot Your Horn...New Threads!



Representing the Liberty High School Band at the August 14, 2012 meeting of the Liberty Rotary Club were band members Gabbie Forames, Hannah Williams, Evelyn Brady, Camilla Brady, Garrett Bohanan, and music director Tom Guidry. They were presented with a check for $5,000, by Rotarian Tracy Williams and Club President James Sterling. These funds will be used to buy new band uniforms to replace the current ones which are seventeen years old.

BACK TO SCHOOL

Vidor Rotary and VHS Interact collected a truly amazing stash of jeans and jackets for "Back to School". The clothing was delivered to the United Christian Care Center.

L-R: Rotarians Jay Killgo and James McDowell, Interactors Taylor Frazier and president Sharice Fontenot, Rotarians Sally Andrews, Jeff Leger and Timothy Andrews.

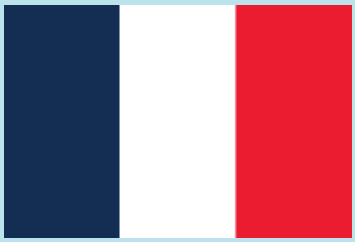
WEDDING CELEBRATION

PDG Fred & Winona Sandberg

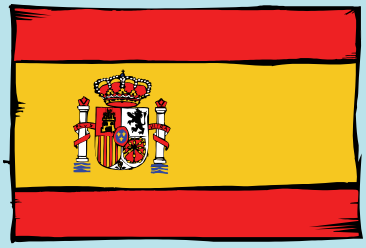
DISTRICT 5910 WELCOMES YOUTH EXCHANGE STUDENTS TO TEXAS

Katharina Korte
Germany
Host Club—Lake Conroe

Thomas Oger
France
Host Club—Palestine



Coni Fernandez (center)
Spain
Host Club — Galveston



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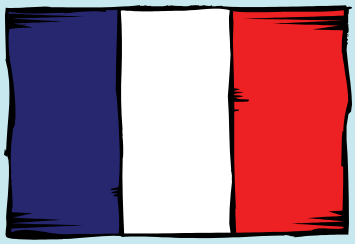
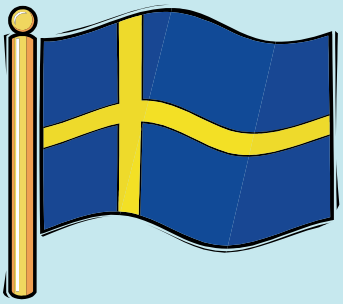
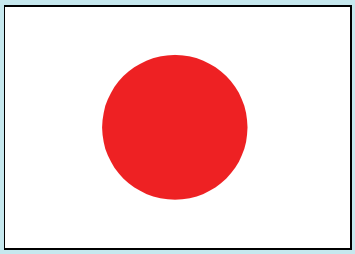
Aline Couadier
France
Host Club—League City



August Rosell
Sweden
Host Club—Magnolia



Yuta Wakakuwa
Japan
Host Club—Livingston



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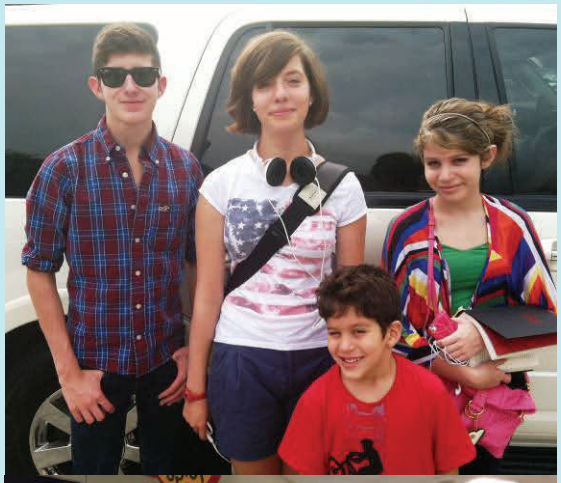
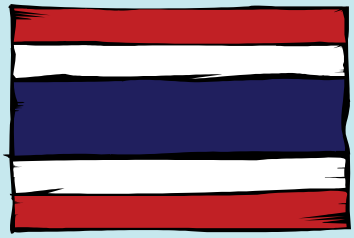
Delphine Mattart
Belgium
Host Club—Nacogdoches



Josephine Forssbohm
Germany
Host Club — Beaumont

Jah Simking
Thailand
Host Club —Nacogdoches



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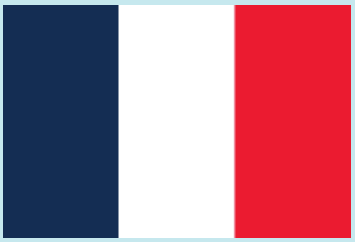
Olga Morena
Spain
Host Club—Bryan

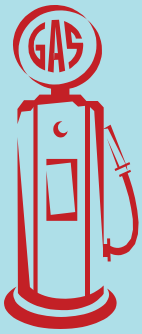
Gabriela Almeida
Brazil
Host Club—Friendswood

Arthur Saunier
France
Host Club—The Woodlands



OUTBOUND

Nacogdoches Long Term Outbound (Brazil) Youth Exchange Student Anna Laura Daniel .



I have arrived in Votuporanga! Everything went well in the airports, I had no trouble. But we did before we got to the airport in Houston. We were filling up the gas tank, and my grandma thought there was way too much gas pumping into her tank so she took it out and gasoline spewed everywhere. I was standing right next to it, so it got all over my shorts and shoes. So luckily we had time to go to the mall and buy some new clothes, and we also went by bath & body and I used some lotion. It was pretty funny, I thought y'all might get a kick out of it.
I am currently staying with my exchange officer, Antonio Carlos, and his family till Saturday. I don't understand what anyone tells me most the time, but already I have just a tiny bit more of an idea of what people are trying to tell me. ~AL

INTERACT

District 5910 Interact clubs members gathered August 18th for training and idea sharing at Willis High School District Interact Chairman Michael McBride facilitated the half day meeting The students enjoyed pizza and Governor Brenda issued a project challenge to the group. Clubs will submit their projects for the newsletter and will be judged in March. $300 will be donated to a charity of the winning club's choice along with the Governor's surprise for the winning club Interact members.