

THE DISTRICT

A Weekly Update from Governor Brenda Walker

April 29, 2013



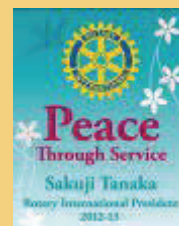
Governor's Message

Fellow Rotarians,

It's count down to the District conference and the Palestine club is busy finalizing plans to welcome you. We look forward to hosting you as we spend the weekend celebrating our collective successes! It has been a fantastic Rotary year because of your efforts, and I thank each of you for your service to Rotary.

Peace Through Service,

Brenda



THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

2012-2013 DISTRICT 5910 GOALS

41 CLUBS CHANGING THE WORLD

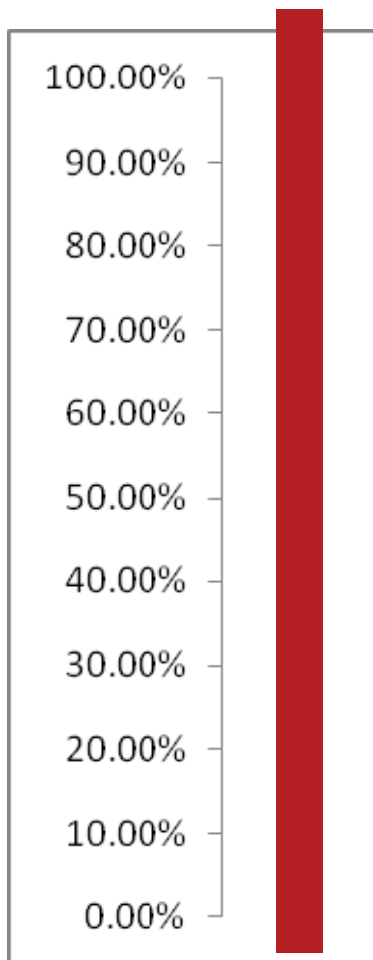
PERMANENT FUND Y-T-D \$12,125!

2012-2013 US \$100 PER CAPITA DISTRICT BENCHMARK **\$232,300.00...WE CAN DO IT!!**

ANNUAL FUND GOAL \$209,490.00

Y-T-D \$228,450.10

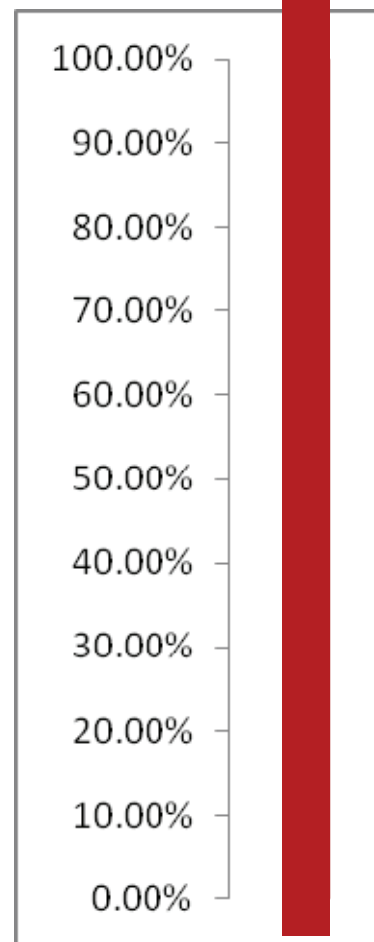
109.05% of goal



POLIO PLUS GOAL \$40,000.00

Y-T-D \$46,482.95

116.21% of goal



WHY WE GIVE



Welcome to Rotary!



Centennial President Becky Mason (on the left) welcomes Tim Satre, Laura Miller, Shedrick Evans, and Danielle Faraci. President-Elect Chad Blanchard (far right) joins in the celebration.

Tim Satre, Financial Advisor with Ameriprise Financial, has the classification: "Financial Service - Financial Planning"

Laura Miller, Owner of Beaumont Dealers, Inc., has classification: "Automobile Sales, Pre Owned"

Shedrick Evans, Community Relations Manager of Legacy Community Health Services holds classification: "Health care - Community Relations"

Danielle Faraci, Medical Social Worker with Gulf Coast EAP has classification: "Social Services - Medical"



United Effort

In a service project spearheaded by former 5910 Ambassadorial Scholar, Marlee Kingsley, students from the Bush School of Government and Public Service partnered with the Rotary Clubs of Bryan, College Station, and Katy to paint a 30-foot map of the United States at Southwood Valley Elementary School in CS. The colorful map, located next to the playground, will provide teachers with a fun, educational tool to increase their students' knowledge of the geography of our country.

Nicaragua Water Well Trip

Water Well Chairman David Standlee has announced there is room for 2 more representatives to join us in traveling to Leon Nicaragua to visit with the Leon Rotary club and look at our progress on the water wells being drilled. If you are interested in joining us (David Standlee, Governor Brenda, AG Rhonda Herrington, AG Rhonda Ellisor, Frank Cricchio, Chip Volz, Julie Adams, and AG Bobbie Simon) please email David Standlee at dwstandlee@yahoo.com.

38th Annual Rotary Club of Texas City Frances Levissee Memorial Golf Tournament



BRYAN SUPPORTS EDUCATION

A+ Teacher Mini-Grants!

1. Martha Pompeyo, Navajo Elementary, "Smart Scopes for Third Graders" \$500
2. Melissa Schulman, Farrin Elementary, "Sew Baby Sew!" \$500
3. Laurie Carona, Kemp Elementary, "Welcome to the Jungle!" \$500
4. Anita Hernandez, Anson Jones Elementary, "The Sense of Wonderment" \$500
5. Lori Stewart, Anson Jones Elementary, "Extra-Curricular Programs" \$500
6. Lyli Frias, Crockett Elementary, "Digital Leap Learners" \$500
7. Joni Bailey, Neal Elementary, "Extra! Extra! Read All About Math!" \$500
8. Julie Brenner & Theresa Robinson, Johnson Elementary, "Enhancing Science Vocabulary & Critical Thinking Skills with Technology" \$500
9. Julie Brenner & Beverly Taylor, Johnson Elementary, "Math Fluency through Technology" \$475
10. Terri Barnett, Sul Ross Elementary, "Daily 5 Listening Station" \$415
11. Kalyrn Cox, Anson Jones Elementary, "Math Centers & Manipulatives" \$300
12. Agustin Lara, Neal Elementary, "Skirts for Ballet Folklorico Los Altos de Jalisco" \$335



The Bryan Rotary Teacher Mini-Grant Committee met in the fall and reviewed 29 applications from 14 elementary schools. **A total of \$5500 was awarded to fund twelve grants.** In April, the teachers gave a program to our club members explaining how they used their mini-grant. The fundraising efforts by our club make these grants possible and this program continues to be the highlight of our Rotary year as we are able to help those who serve daily in our local schools to provide a great education.

Lone Star College-Montgomery Student Organizations Awards Banquet



The Rotaract Club of Lone Star College-Montgomery earned two awards at the LSC-Montgomery Student Organization Awards Banquet last week. The club was named "New Student Organization of the Year" and "Service Organization of the Year." Additionally, Ruben Balli, president of the Rotaract Club, was named "New Student Leader of the Year." Pictured are (l. to r.): Amanda Jacobs, club treasurer; Ruben Balli, president; and Steve Scheffler, club advisor. The Rotaract Club is co-sponsored by the Rotary Club of The Woodlands and the Conroe Rotary Club.

Vidor 4-Way Test Essay Contest Winners



Winners left to right: FIRST PLACE Kinnedy Mitchell, HONORABLE MENTION Catherine Scott, SECOND PLACE Kaiden Richard, THIRD PLACE Maegan White, HONORABLE MENTION McKenzie Andrus, and HONORABLE MENTION Jessica Morris



President-Elect Tim Andrews

Rotary/Lions/Kiwanis



The Rotary Club of The Woodlands was host to a combined meeting including the Lions and Kiwanis Clubs. A brief summary of service projects was provided by the president of each club. Shown from the left are Larry Smith, president of the Lions Club, Lisa Brooks, vice president of Kiwanis (Kiwanis president John Hennigan had to leave prior to the photo), Mary Matteson Parrish, president of The Rotary Club of The Woodlands, and Tim Welbes, co-president of The Woodlands Development Company.



Lamar Rotaract Takes Top Honors



The Rotaract of Lamar University won the award for Service Organization of the Year! This marks the 8th year in a row that the Rotaract Club has won this award. Club President Brett Bertles was proud to receive the award for the club's accomplishments and contributions.



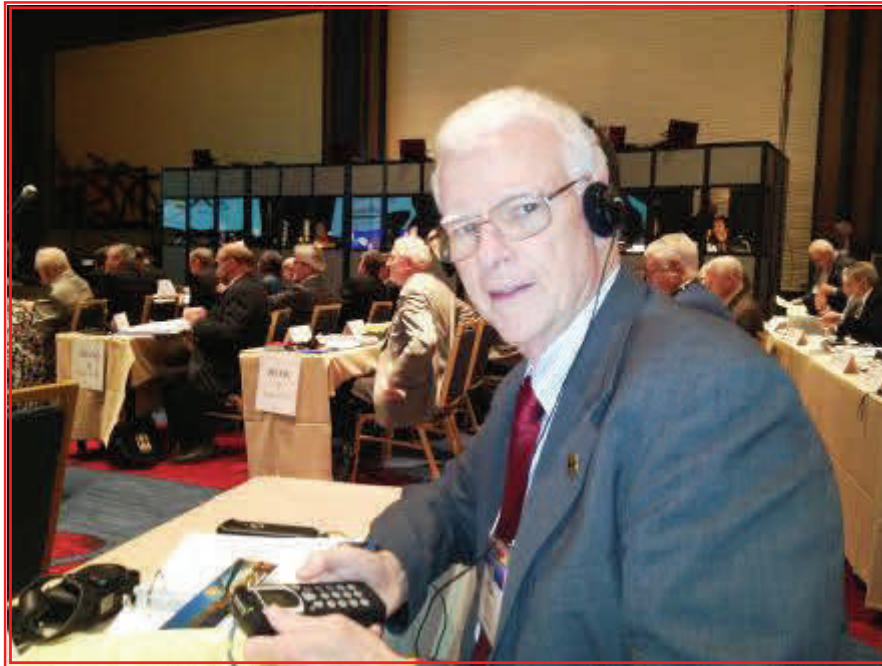
Rotarian Teresa Simpson was named Advisor of the Year at the Lamar University. As a member of both the University administration and the Rotary Club of Beaumont, she assists and advises the very active club in their campus and community service work.



Kathleen Hardey and Sarah Boehme escorted the Rotary Group Study Exchange from the British Virgin Islands on tours of the Stark Museum of Art, The W.H. Stark House, and Shangri La Botanical Gardens and Nature Center on Saturday, April 20.

From left to right, at the Stark Museum: Kathleen Hardey, Jenuel Mcsheene, Shavorn Sprauve, Shoneda (Shonda) Leacock, Shekera Wheatley, Lloyd Black, Sarah Boehme.

COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION



Delegates from Rotary's 532 districts met in downtown Chicago 21-26 April to consider changes to the policies that govern Rotary International and its member clubs. District 5910 was represented by PDG Hugh Summers of Palestine.

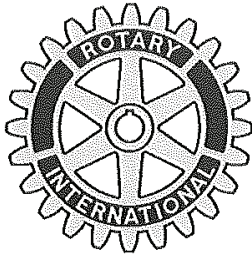


Texas Rotarians In service of
West, Texas
Donate Now
www.rotary4you.org
Rotary. Humanity in Motion.

This billboard is now up near Austin. District 5870 is now accepting Donations to assist the community of West, TX recover from the devastating explosion of a Fertilizer Plant on April 17, 2013. The first responders have done a wonderful job taking care of the immediate need and several gave their lives in a noble effort to protect others in the community. The community of West has been dealt a tremendous blow, but the spirit of the community is strong and the community will recover, and Rotarians from around the world are asking how they can help.

I would encourage every Rotarian in District 5910 to consider making a donation to help our neighbors in D5870. (Governor Brenda Walker)

THANK YOU ROTARIANS FOR CARING!



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Linda D. Hanlon, Secretary
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Club

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Secaucus Rotary Club

Mike Rudolph
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Susan Chambers-Smith
Paterson Great Falls Rotary

April 16, 2013

Rotary District 5910
985 IH-10 North, Ste 111
Beaumont, Texas

Re: New Jersey & New York Hurricane Disaster Relief Efforts

Thank you for your April 9, 2013 contribution of **\$2,890.00** to the Rotary District 7490 Walter D. Head Foundation. The funds you have donated will be utilized for the clean-up and recovery efforts associated with Hurricane Sandy.

The impacts from the hurricane are enormous, and require a coordinated effort to make a meaningful impact. Therefore the Rotary Clubs and Districts in New Jersey and New York have joined forces in a cooperative effort to address the needs of the hurricane victims. The funds you provided will be distributed among all of the impacted districts.

On behalf of the Foundation and the Rotary District Governors, I thank you for your generosity and your thoughtful wishes. Please visit www.NYNJRotary.org for information and updates on Rotary's hurricane relief efforts.

Yours in Rotary Service,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Calisto J. Bertin".

Calisto J. Bertin, Chairman

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Rotary District 7230	Greg Arcaro, District Governor (Manhattan, Bronx, Staten Island, Westchester Co., NY)
Rotary District 7250	Mario Moran, District Governor (Brooklyn, Queens, Nassau County, NY)
Rotary District 7260	Connie Gevinski, District Governor (Suffolk County, NY)
Rotary District 7490	Bonnie Sirower, District Governor (Bergen, Hudson, Passaic Counties, NJ)
Rotary District 7500	Joan Vas, District Governor (Monmouth, Ocean, Burlington Counties, NJ)
Rotary District 7640	John Andrews, District Governor (Atlantic, Cape May, Camden, Cumberland, Gloucester, Salem Counties, NJ)