

## THE DISTRICT

A Weekly Update from Governor Brenda Walker

February 25, 2013



### *Governor's Message*

*Happy 108th Birthday Rotary!*

*May Rotary during all the years that are to come continue to be a voltaic touch to civilization's nerve centers, awakening men to the dignity and importance of business as a redemptive and regenerative influence in the lives of men—and nations.*

*Paul Harris*

*The Rotarian, 1913*

*Peace Through Service,*

*Brenda*



# WELCOME TO ROTARY!



## BRYAN

L-r: New member **Don Green** is congratulated by Sponsor DGE David Johnson.



## LAKE CONROE

President Mark Stevens inducts new member **Robert Morrison** (Assistant Principal at Montgomery High School)



# ORANGE

Governor Brenda joined President Pamela Devore for the Board of Directors meeting prior to the club meeting. Brenda enjoyed dinner with board members the evening before at Spanky's.



Five of the seven Vidor High School students who recently received the coveted Mirabeau scholarship are VHS Interact members. The \$70,000 award provides meals and housing, tuition, books, and incidentals for all four years of college. The students were selected on character, leadership, and scholarship. Back row l-r: Phillip Perkins (Interact member), Dillon Nicholson (Interact member), Nic Nikoloutsos (Interact member) and Tyler Mackey. Front row l-r: Merideth Chilton (Interact member), Sharice Fontenot (Interact president), and Cheyenne Ross. This was a record number of scholarship recipients for VHS as they brought home seven of the fifteen awards given by Lamar University in Beaumont. Congratulations!!

# MAGNOLIA PAUL HARRIS FELLOW DINNER



David Arevalo



Scot Wall

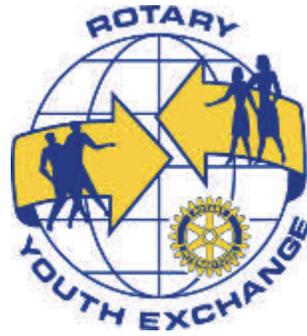


Todd Stephens



Rotarians, Interact students and guests joined President Deborah Rose Miller as she presented three new Paul Harris Fellows: David Arevalo, Dr. Todd Stephens and Reverend Scot Wall. Governor Brenda had the pleasure of inducting two new members into the Magnolia club. Pictured l-r: Sponsor Tom Grayson, Brenda, Kevin Bass (Commercial Banking), Charles Schultz (Retired-Computer Technology) and President-Elect Stephanie Saker.

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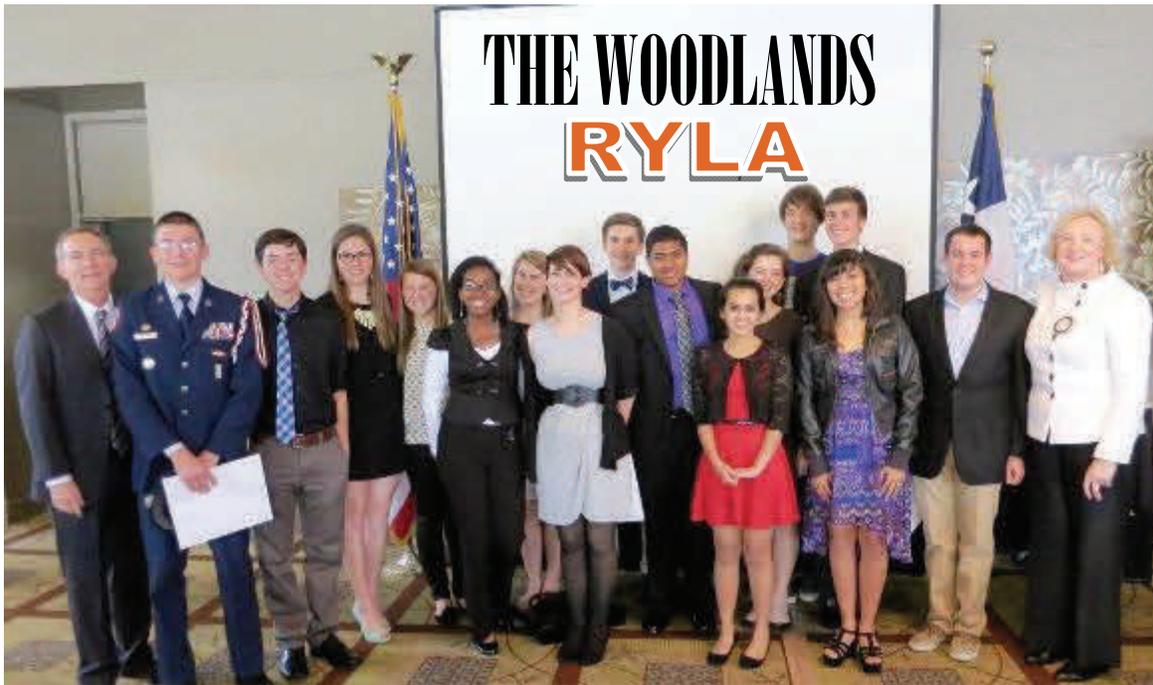
Dayton/Liberty

The Woodlands

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Rotarians,

Our dedication to youth and their understanding of cultural differences has always been exemplified through Youth Exchange. I applaud the clubs who have graciously committed to host a Youth Exchange student for 2013-2014. We have 4 inbound students who need a host club! Inbound students arriving in August must equal outbound students. Although this is several months out, hosting agreements must be made now. YE Chair Glen Mattingly and the YE committee are working diligently to get these students placed. I know there are clubs not listed who are planning to host, and we need your commitment form now. Please contact Glen asap! Stack and I have hosted two YE students, and it was a pleasure keeping our students from Japan and Germany. We still keep in touch, and it was rewarding knowing we shared our home and American values with young people from other countries. The Youth Exchange program provides an excellent opportunity for our students to gain multi-cultural perspective and establish life long international friendships!



Rotarian Rand Key, Senior Vice Chancellor of the Lone Star College System and COO, introduced 15 RYLA leaders from South Montgomery County area high schools including students from The Woodlands high School, The Woodlands College Park High School, Oak Ridge High School, John Cooper School, and The Woodlands Christian Academy. Rotary Youth Leadership Awards is Rotary's leadership training program for young people. RYLA emphasizes leadership, citizenship and personal growth during an intense three-day weekend in East Texas at The Piney Woods Baptist Encampment. Pictured at far right is President Mary Matteson-Parrish.



Jacob Herschmann was recognized by The Woodlands club as an outstanding student at the February 14 Rotary meeting. Nominated for the US Military Academy, Jacob is a top 10 student at Spring High School competes in pole vault, is a junior volunteer at Memorial Hermann hospital, and plans to be a physician.

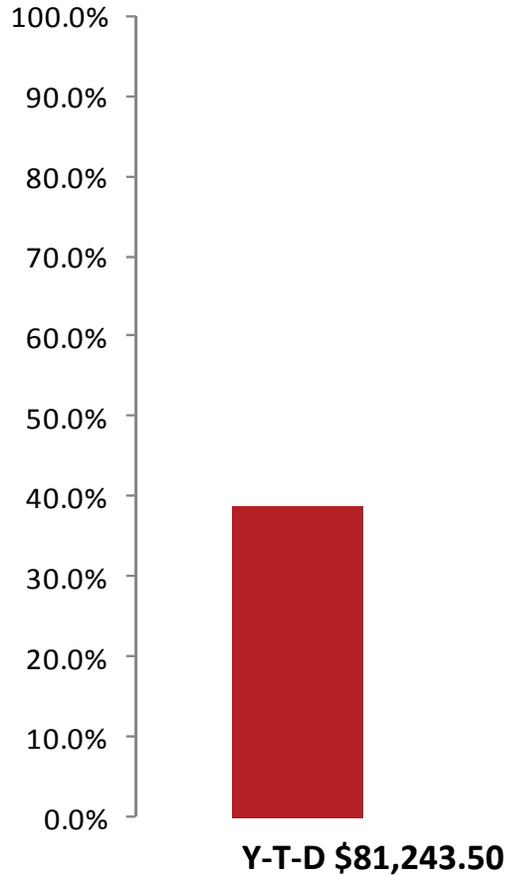
**THE ROTARY FOUNDATION**

**2012-2013 DISTRICT 5910 GOALS**

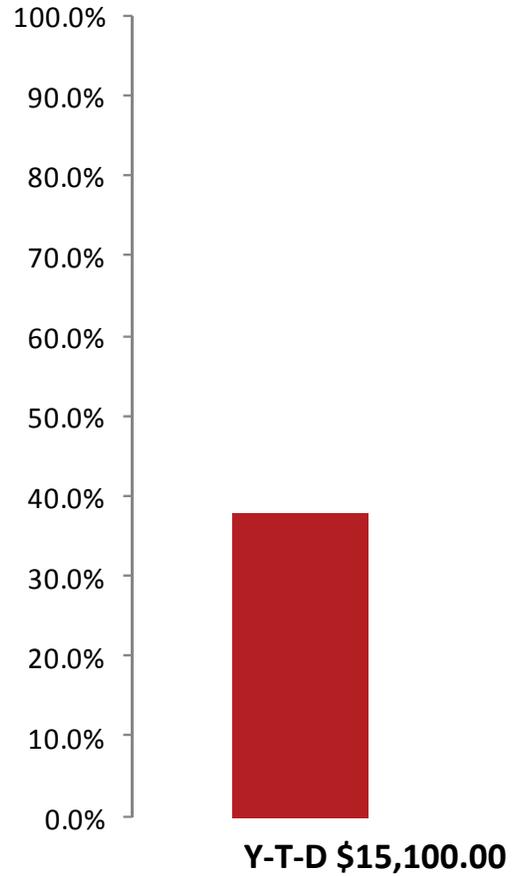
**41 CLUBS CHANGING THE WORLD**

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

**ANNUAL FUND GOAL \$209,490.00**



**POLIO PLUS GOAL \$40,000.00**



**WHY  
WE  
GIVE**





# WE REMEMBER

**Dr. Wilburn "Will" Schrank**

## **ANGELINA**

The members of the Angelina Rotary Club recently mourned the loss of a beloved Rotarian that even at age 82 continued to portray the image of what a Rotarian is to reflect, recall and remember which is the 4-Way Test model.

Dr. Wilburn R. Schrank was an incredible man and he would say that his commitment to the 4-Way Test embodied his amazing devotion to service above self. "Will" preferred name to his fellow Rotarians, became a Rotary member in 1977 and was a past Club President in the year of (1990-1991). As he traveled around the world Will always took the time to visit another club and symbolized his interest by returning to his home club with a flag and a story. Dr. Schrank was a multiple Paul Harris Fellow and also a District 5910 "Roll of Fame" recipient as well. On January 25, 2013 Dr. Schrank departed this life leaving behind his wife, son and two daughters as well as a host of family and friends. Yet it was his fellow Rotarians that filled the Lutheran pews to remember this distinguished man of compassion and further gain insight to his fascination with poetry. W.R. Schrank was born in Aleman, Hamilton County, Texas in 1930. He attended Tarleton University, Texas A&M University, and NYU receiving his PhD in Philosophy in 1967 from A&M. Will joined the Air Force in 1952 and ultimately achieved the rank of Lt. Colonel over a 24 year career. Upon retiring from the Air Force, Will began his second career as a professor and was appointed Director of Science and Mathematics at Angelina Community College where he worked for 32 years.

Will initially joined the Lufkin Rotary club and was a charter member of the Angelina Rotary Club where he remained unselfishly devoted for a lifetime.

In December Will sat among Rotarians and was determined to attend the meeting even on days others observed his distress but his independence was his perseverance.

As we honor this man of high integrity we acknowledge the legacy that will forever follow our dear Dr. Wilburn "Will" Schrank.

The family of Dr. Schrank request donations to be made to various organizations, charity of your choice which can be located on the Lufkin Daily News Obituary page for Dr. Wilburn R. Schrank. The love of the ARC is expressed to all who knew our beloved Will and comfort remains extended to his family.



Club members suited up for their first community group project for 2013 at the revitalized Texas Forestry Museum in Lufkin, Texas. The group constructed a replica of a 1890 log style cabin inside the impressive Forestry Museum for the future playground for visiting children from neighboring communities. This amazing structure will have clothes and furnishing to make the decor look as if one had stepped back in time, making it a sight to see for both young & senior. The Angelina Rotarians are funding period specific household items, toys, and youth clothing to make this an interactive exhibit. The entire structure pictured behind the ARC members was built by the group. The exhibit is scheduled to open in late Spring 2013.

Angelina Rotary Club Members Pictured in front of the Texas Forestry Museum project are front row seated:

Patricia McKenzie, Nancy Westbury, Demetress Harrell Second row: Katherine Flanagan, Bobbie Patrick, Jerry Hill, Sherry Hill, PDG Charda Bronaugh, Doug Lucas husband of Rotarian, Susan Lucas, Carol Shaw, Third Row: Brian O'Neal, ARC President Gig Langston, April Turner & Randy Cummings.



# RYLA

The Angelina Rotary club salutes the achievements of RYLA participants from the Diboll ISD Interact membership. The students were sponsored and supported by ARC with their Advisory Mentor and Counselor Sally Macher.

# PORT ARTHUR



*Rotarian Roger Cowles, left, editor of the Port Arthur News, joins with George Newsome, right, president of the Rotary Club of Port Arthur, in presenting a check for \$2,000 from funds raised by the Holly Days fund drive to Rotarian Libby Arnold, executive director of Community Care Prayer Outreach.*



*Capt. Ed Cheshire of the Salvation Army Port Arthur Branch and a Rotarian, left, accepts a \$2,000 donation from George Newsome, president of the Rotary Club of Port Arthur. The money granted to the Salvation Army came from the Holly Days holiday fund drive sponsored by the Rotary Club, The Port Arthur News, and the Retail Merchants Association. The Holly Days fund drive began in 1988 as the idea of Rotarian Ray Depwe. Rotarian Dub Brown, then editor of The News, agreed to publicize the fund drive and Rotarian Floyd Marceaux, director of the Retail Merchants Association, agreed to provide all the administrative services. There is no overhead cost for the fund drive, 100 percent of the money donated is distributed to the agencies. Over the 24 years, more than \$250,000 has been donated to local charities as a result of the fund drive.*



# The Rotary Club of Nacogdoches 2013 Annual Rotary Golf Classic

(Four-Man-Scramble)

Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013

The Pineywoods Country Club

11:30am Lunch, Cart Assignments, Rules

1:30pm Tee Off

Grand Cash Awards and Impressive Raffle Gifts

- Hole in One \* 2013 VEHICLE!
- \* Longest Drive \* CASH PRIZE!
- \* Closest to the Pin \* CASH PRIZE!

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Cash Awards

ENTRY FEE: \$100 per person/\$400 per team

(Note: Entry Fee includes: Green Fees for 18 holes of golf, Golf Cart, Lunch & Gift Bag)  
\*\*\*\*ROAMING CASH BEVERAGE/SNACK CART\*\*\*\*

Please Note: Personal Ice Chests are discouraged.

Mulligans – 4 for \$20.00

Mission Statement: It is the Mission of The Rotary Club of Nacogdoches 2013 Golf Classic to raise funds to assist our local students in financial need to continue their academic future with a Rotary Scholarship Fund and to fund local Community Projects and make a sizeable difference within our Community

Golf information: [www.nacogdochesrotary.org](http://www.nacogdochesrotary.org)