### THE DISTRICT

#### A Weekly Update from Governor Brenda Walker

July 1, 2012



Governor's Message

#### Rotarians,

Today marks the beginning of an exciting and fun year on the road in District 5910. In order to keep you informed in a timely manner, I will be sending out a weekly update each Monday with information about my visits and district activities as well as upcoming events and notices. Each update will be posted on the website for future reference. If you have district news or events you would like posted on the District 5910 website, please submit it to our Newsletter Chairman Jan Ricketts at <a href="mailto:jericketts@suddenlink.net">jericketts@suddenlink.net</a> who will be assisting Webmaster Kris McBride.

We have a lot to accomplish in our clubs and district, but I know we will rise to the challenge and have an outstanding year! Thanks for being a part of this service minded body, and I wish you *Peace Through Service* as we move through 2012-2013.

#### **DISTRICT BUSINESS**

Attention Club Presidents and Secretaries! You should have received your RI Semi-Annual Report Dues statement as well as a separate Rotary District 5910 Dues statement which are both due on July 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have not received or have questions regarding the SAR please contact <u>data@rotary.org</u>. If you have not received your district dues statement please contact District Treasurer Bobbie Applegate at <u>bobbie@setxcpas.com</u>.

## **\*\*MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

Please plan to attend the Membership/Foundation seminar September 15<sup>th</sup> at Montgomery High School near Lake Conroe. This will be the most important meeting of the year as we will be conducting Future Vision training and presenting "Ignite" which is a new Membership initiative.

# CLEVELAND ROTARY CLUB CELEBRATES 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

Rotarians and guests attended a diamond celebration on June 7<sup>th</sup> at the Texas Theatre in Cleveland. Club President Tracey Walters and President-Elect Ernestine Belt hosted the event and displayed memorabilia from past years. Governor Elect Brenda Walker presented a congratulatory letter from RI President Kalyan Banerjee.



Past Presidents of The Rotary Club of Cleveland enjoy reminiscing about the good ol' days.

#### FRIENDSWOOD INSTALLATION

The Charleston Tea Room welcomed Rotarians for the Installation of officers and President Allen Rasmussen June 15<sup>th</sup>. Governor Walker was the installing officer and presented Rotary books to the new officers. Gerald Stacey thanked outgoing board and Allen presented each guest with a cardboard mask of outgoing President Stacey.



L-R: Stack Walker, Gerald Stacey, Gerald's cardboard Rotary twin, DG Brenda Walker and 2012-2013 President Allan Rasmussen.

#### RIVP INSTALLS ROTARY DISTRICT 5910 OFFICERS

135 Rotarians and guests gathered at Bella Sera in Palestine June 23<sup>rd</sup> to celebrate the 2012-2013 installation of Governor Brenda Walker and district officers and Assistant Governors. The venue was decorated in an oriental theme in honor of 2012-2013 RI President Sakuji Tanaka. Serving as Installing Officer was RI Vice President Noel Bajat. Walker was presented the Jewel of Office and the Governor's pin and then spoke of her goals for the district. She encouraged the audience to be of service to their communities to honor the 2012-2013 RI theme "Peace Through Service" and presented ceramic peace cranes to each guest as a memento. PDG Emken Linton served as Master of Ceremonies.



L-R: RI Vice President Noel Bajat, Sis Bajat, Governor Brenda Walker and Stack Walker

#### THE BAND PLAYED ON!

Governor Walker was welcomed by a Brass Ensemble directed by 2012-2013 President Jim Sterling at the Magnolia Ridge Country Club in Liberty on June 26th. Following lunch the new officers were installed and presented small tokens collected from Rotary Governor's around the world. Outgoing President Richard Brady passed the gavel to Jim and pins were presented to officers.



L-R: Brass Ensemble, Governor Brenda with Jim Sterling and Rick Brady, Officers and Directors installation

#### **Lake Conroe Officer Installation**

President Mark Stevens and LC officers and directors took the oath of office at The Walden Yacht Club on Lake Conroe on June 28<sup>th</sup>. Outgoing President Doris Lockey presented gifts and thanked her team for a successful year. Governor Brenda Walker installed the 2012-2013 slate of officers and directors and presented them with Rotary related books. PHF's were presented to several members and Walker inducted new member Donna Quinlan and discussed District 5910 goals for the coming year.



Lake Conroe President Mark Stevens proved even an injured ankle won't keep a Rotarian down.



#### TEXAS CITY INSTALLATION

Members of Texas City Rotary Club and Texas City Rotary Anns met June 26<sup>th</sup> to install officers and directors at the Showboat Pavilion. Ben Baty served as MC and Governor Brenda Walker presided as installing officer and presented 2012-2013 board with Rotary books. President Susan Eason accepted the gavel from Past President Darel Beene. Rotary Ann's were installed and Governor Walker spoke of the formation and history of the group and presented the ladies with Japanese fans.



L-R: Stack Walker, DG Brenda Walker, 2012-2013 President Sue Eason, Bob Eason