

THE DISTRICT

A Weekly Update from Governor Brenda Walker

March 11, 2013



Governor's Message

Fellow Rotarians,

We are 8 weeks out to the district conference where we will celebrate the collective accomplishments of District 5910 clubs. Awards will also be presented so be sure your club is represented! Currently we have 32 clubs sending members. Where are our remaining 9? Register today.

Peace Through Service,

Brenda



Welcome to Rotary!



Lake Conroe

L-R: DGND Doris Lockey, President Mark Stevens, **Steve Hymel (Electrical Contractor)** and his sponsor Don Schrock.



Cleveland

L-R: **Scott Shuff**, T.W. Garrett (Membership Chair), **Eisha Jones**, President Ernestine Belt, and **John Joslin**.

WELCOME TO ROTARY!



Angelina Rotary Club is honored to have a personal friend & owner of Hollywood Dental Center Dr. Ralph Rose return to the Angelina Rotary Club membership after a 9 year absence & new member Funeral Director Mr. David Nichols be inducted by Club President Gig Langston.



Angelina Rotary Club salutes the leadership of two new members as they seek the commitment of service Above self. Both are recent Leadership Lufkin graduates.

Pictured l-r: Charter Member Dr. Patricia McKenzie, President Elect Nancy Westbury (Sullivan's sponsor), Melinda Sullivan, Michelle Briley and her sponsor Demetress Harrell.

Josh the Otter Promotes Water Safety

Bridge City-Orangefield



Interact Students and board members joined the welcome dinner for Governor Brenda and Stack.



BC-Orangefield members, "Josh the Otter" and Governor Brenda visited 1st graders to read about water safety. Each child received a book and CD from Josh the Otter courtesy of the BC-Orangefield club.



L-R: AG Lester Saucier, and President Jason Wagner presented a Bridge-City commemorative throw to Governor Brenda in honor of her visit.



CLUB BULLETIN CONTEST

Keeping your members informed is a key element of retaining members. Most club bulletin editors spend hours each week compiling items of interest for your club, and I applaud them all! Acknowledge the work of your club by entering the Club Bulletin Contest. Awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in small, medium and large club size category will be awarded at the District Conference May 3-5.

CONTEST INFORMATION

Every club editor is automatically a member of the District Judging Committee. You are strongly encouraged to attend the judging event to insure good review and input to all entries. If you do not see the other entries, you miss out on a valuable source of improvement potential for your own Bulletin! The committee will also discuss electronic versus the printed bulletin.

Please make every attempt to attend this short meeting. You and your club will benefit from the knowledge gained. Editor's: If you cannot attend, please send a representative, club president or whoever is most associated with this phase of your club's information system.

Date: March 16, 2013 (Saturday)

Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm lunch to follow

Location: Amegy Bank Community Room

13030 Hwy 6 (next to Post Office) Santa Fe, TX

Entries: Send one or more hard-copy issue(s) of your club bulletin to:

PDG Fred Sandberg

District Bulletin Chairman

14822 W First Street

Santa Fe, Texas 77517



phone 409-457-7707

Mail entries must be received before Wednesday March 13, 2013. You may bring your entry with you if you will be attending.

The criteria we use for the judging include:

1. Easy to read
2. Compact
3. Clear, clean, open, uncluttered
4. Cover should contain Rotary Wheel, or word Rotary, Annual RI Theme Logo
5. Articles
6. What members are doing
7. Project news
8. Rotary information
9. Photos of people and projects are always a plus
10. Format that appeals to visitors, new members, each to locate areas of interest, and still be useful to established members
11. Cover that emphasized clubs identity and aid in public relations
12. Date and issue number on the cover for easy filing
13. Name of editor, phone number or an email of how to contact Rotarians for more information
14. Include day, time and where club meets
15. If the bulletin is on a web page, it should be presented and formatted in a manner that a member can easily print it



YOUTH EXCHANGE



Dayton

Palestine

Magnolia

Galveston

Beaumont

League City

Lake Conroe

Friendswood

Nacogdoches

The Woodlands

Aggieland/Bryan



Anna Laura Daniel from Nacogdoches enjoying Brazil



Roger Cowles, left, editor of The Port Arthur News, joins Rotary Club of Port Arthur President George Newsome in presenting a grant for \$1,788 to Christina Green, director of the Hospitality Center. The funds were raised by the Holly Days holiday fund drive sponsored by The News, the Rotary Club, and the Retail Merchants Association. Grants of \$2,000 have already been presented to the Salvation Army in Port Arthur and Community Care Prayer Outreach in Nederland. The Hospitality Center on Gulfway Drive, an agency of Catholic Charities, provides nutritious meals 365 days a year to those in need.



L-R: President Liz Robinson, Chester Sherman and wife Dorothy

Chester 'Sonny' Sherman was honoree at the 1st annual local celebrity roast. Mother and Rotarian daughter (The Jugs) entertained the crowd. President Liz Robinson opened the roast with a "Gimme \$10" which allowed participants to share stories about Sonny. He has 58 years of perfect attendance! Congratulations Sonny.

PRESIDENTIAL CITATION

DUE MARCH 31, 2013

Presidents,

In order to receive the 2012-2013 Presidential Citation you must complete the following in the 2012-2013 Presidential Citation form:

- 1. PRESIDENTIAL CHALLENGE**
- 2. THE REQUIRED ACTIVITY UNDER EACH SECTION:**
 - A. Strengthen Our Club**
 - B. Increase Our Service**
 - C. Enhance Our Club's Public Image**
- 3. THREE ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES IN EACH OF THE THREE CATEGORIES.**

FILL OUT THE FORM AND SUBMIT TO DISTRICT GOVERNOR BRENDA BY MARCH 31, 2013.

AVENUES OF SERVICE AWARD

Presidents,

If you would like this award presented to your club honoree at the District Conference, please fill out the form and submit to RI so you will have the certificate back in time. Please complete by March 31st. Click link for form. http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/avenues_of_service_citation_en.pdf

Selection Process

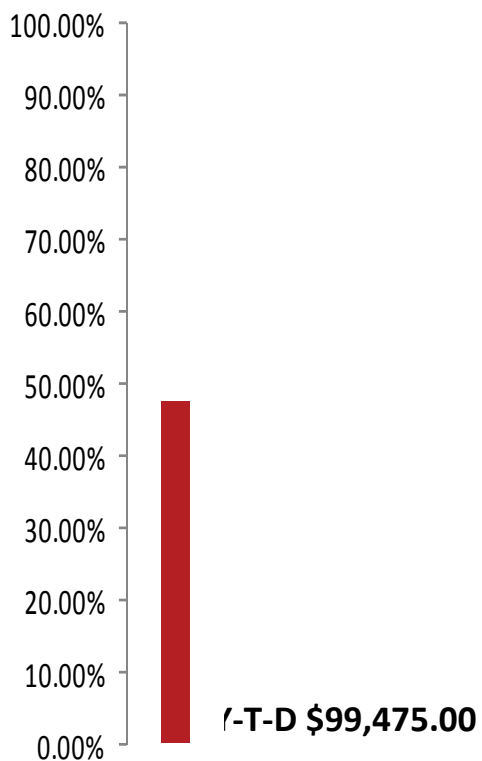
The method of selection is to be determined by the club president. Club presidents may wish to appoint a special committee to select a nominee, or may ask their board of directors to carry out this responsibility. Club nominations are to be submitted by the club president to Rotary International, with an information copy to the district governor.

Eligibility

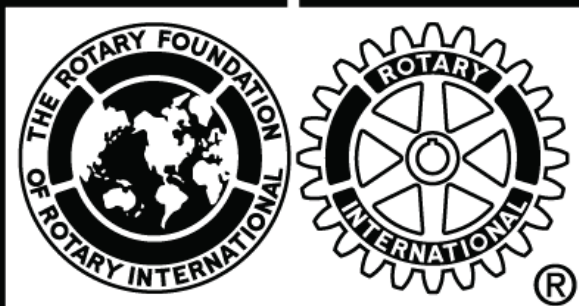
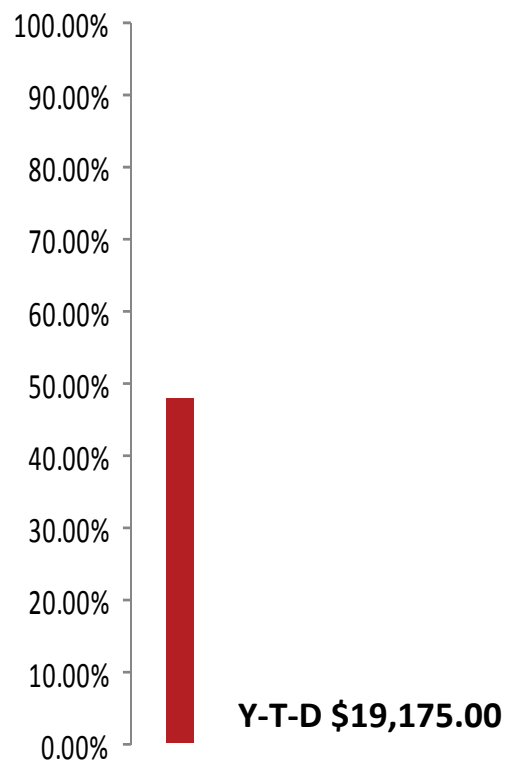
- The nominee must have consistently demonstrated support of the Object of Rotary through participation in service activities in each of the five Avenues of Service: Club, Vocational, Community, International, and New Generations.
- An individual may only receive this award once.
- The nominee must be an active Rotarian in good standing.
- Rotarians who are ineligible:
 - current club presidents
 - current, incoming, and immediate past district governors
 - current, incoming, and past RI directors
- Only one nominee is eligible per club per Rotary year.

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**





Rotary District 5910

District Assembly

Saturday, April 6, 2013

Liberty Middle School • 2515 Jefferson Drive
Liberty, Texas

Who Should Attend?

- President-Elects
- Incoming Club Officers & Directors
- Incoming Club Committee Chairs & Coordinators
- Webmasters
- New Members (Red Badgers)
- Rotarians interested in improving their respective club
- Outgoing Club Officers & Directors invited – *become a stronger resource for incoming club officers*

Why Attend the District Assembly?

The District Assembly provides incoming Club Officers / Directors / Leaders an opportunity to prepare for a successful year. By investing one-day with your club leadership team – the facilitators and subject matter experts will help prepare clubs with the tool and resources to have an efficient and effective Rotary Year.

What will we do at the District Assembly?

- Sessions on Club Officer & Director Responsibilities
- Sharing of best practices among clubs
- Q&A sessions with Rotary Subject Matter Experts
- Sessions on Rotary resources and technology
- Sessions on Club specific Service Projects
- Sessions on Club specific Fund Raising Projects
- Sessions on Club specific tips and tactics regarding Rotary Youth programming
- General Information Sharing

Special Opportunity – Rotarians Supporting Rotarians

- Be sure to bring 100+ promotional fliers or information cards regarding your club's "Signature Event" to share with other participants. Tables will be set up for clubs to share events and projects so that other Rotarians will know. Why shouldn't your club send a golf team over to "that other club" to help them with their fund raiser? Consider celebrating that signature service project – so other clubs can also make an impact within their respective community.

Meeting Location

Liberty Middle School
2515 Jefferson Drive
Liberty, TX

Registration Information

Register On-Line @
www.rotary5910.org

Agenda

- 8:30 a.m. – 9 a.m. Registration
- 9 a.m. Opening Session
- 10 a.m. Concurrent Break-Out Sessions
- Noon Luncheon
- 1:15 p.m. Concurrent Break-Out Sessions
- 3 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Closing Session

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ARRIVING ON FRIDAY EVENING?

Hotel: BEST WESTERN DAYTON INN & SUITES (14.3 mi to Liberty Middle School)

A Discounted rate has been arranged until April 1st so call now for reservations:

936-258-7600.

Rates: Standard King..\$79.00, Queen or King Suite \$ 89.00

Breakfast Included

DISTRICT CONFERENCE



Rotarians,

We currently have **32** clubs represented at the May 2-5 District Conference. Where are our other nine clubs? Please have your club send someone to the DC. Plans are being finalized for a weekend of celebration! **I am asking each club to bring a door prize valued at \$50 and a Silent Auction Item valued at \$50. Proceeds from the silent auction will be donated to **POLIO PLUS**.**

Take a look at the beautifully designed District 5910 Conference website! You can even get tips on How to create a Victorian/Edwardian costume from your closet. We are encouraging period dress for the Friday night Melodrama and Saturday Governor's Gala. Have you reserved your table for your club or committee project in the House of Friendship? Your participation and effort will make the HOF interesting and informative so what are you waiting for? Click [here](#) to register or download forms.



PROMOTING POLIO PLUS VIDOR



The Vidor club used these flyers to promote Polio Plus in the Vidor area and to meet the Public Image requirement for the Presidential Citation.

Public Image

OPTIMIZE YOUR AD WITH 7 WORDS OR LESS BOARD # 38750.1

YOU ARE THE MISSING PIECE.

DickinsonTxRotary.org

10' x 40' 3/8" = 1" SCALE

SIGNAD
OUTDOOR
1010 NORTH LOOP HOUSTON, TX 77009
(713) 861-6013

DATE _____ APPROVED BY _____

Attached is the artwork for the upcoming Dickinson Rotary billboard. The billboard will be located on FM 517, directly across from Paul Hopkins Park.