

## THE DISTRICT

### A Weekly Update from Governor Brenda Walker

March 25, 2013



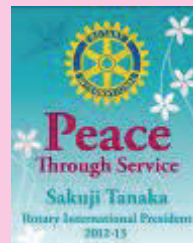
### *Governor's Message*

Fellow Rotarians,

The drab colors of winter are disappearing and being replaced with a beautiful burst of color from flowers, trees and grasses. It gives me a sense of renewal as I look forward to the last quarter of our Rotary year. We still have goals to reach, and I encourage you to do what you can to assist your home club with reaching those goals!

Peace Through Service,

Brenda



# WELCOME TO ROTARY!



Timothy Sayles, left, Manager of Gulf Coast Health, is presented a new member packet by George Newsome, president of the Rotary Club of Port Arthur. Timothy was sponsored by President-Elect Dr. Mark Porterie, deputy superintendent of the Port Arthur Independent School District.



David Beard, left, Director of the Museum of the Gulf Coast, is presented a new member packet by George Newsome, president of the Rotary Club of Port Arthur. David was sponsored by Dr. Sam Monroe, president of Lamar State College-Port Arthur.



Governor Brenda joins President Michael Thomason in congratulating our newest Paul Harris Fellow Alan George. Alan is CEO of Palestine Regional Health Center.

# BULLETIN JUDGING

**PDG Fred Sandberg met with the judging team to review club bulletins. Nine clubs submitted bulletins (what happened to the other 32?). Thanks to our team of judges! Awards will be presented at the District Conference and the winning entries will be displayed in the House of Friendship.**

## Judging Team

|                |             |              |                  |
|----------------|-------------|--------------|------------------|
| Kim Buttrum    | League City | Birda Gaskin | League City      |
| Jacque Chapman | Beaumont    | Leon Kaplan  | Galveston Island |
| Don Gartman    | Texas City  | Jan Rickets  | Lake Conroe      |



# TASTE OF GUMBO

## Port Arthur



Governor Brenda and Stack joined in the fun at the Rotary Club of Port Arthur's 26th Annual Taste of Gumbo. Funds in excess of \$11,000 are raised each year with approximately 3,000 attendees. The funds support local charities and the club presents appreciation plaques to participating restaurants. King Gumbo (P-E Mark Porterie was Chairman of the event). Top Middle (Mark Porterie, Governor Brenda and President George Newsome). Collage courtesy of Frank Cricchio.



# GALVESTON CRAWFISH BOIL



Governor Brenda congratulates new officers of a new community based Rotaract Club in Galveston. L-R: Jake Emmert, President, Stephanie Kollister, Sergeant-at-Arms, DG Brenda Walker, Vi Le, Vice President, and PDG Ulli Budelmann.



L-R: PDG Marcus and Nancy Junemann and his twin sister Joan Norris (brown jacket) enjoyed the event.



The LightHouse Charity Team "People Helping People" joined forces with Galveston Rotary Club to cook and serve the food. Outstanding partnership!



L-R: PDG Harold Fattig and Crawfish Boil Committee Chair Scott Livanec helped with logistics for the day.



Family fun!



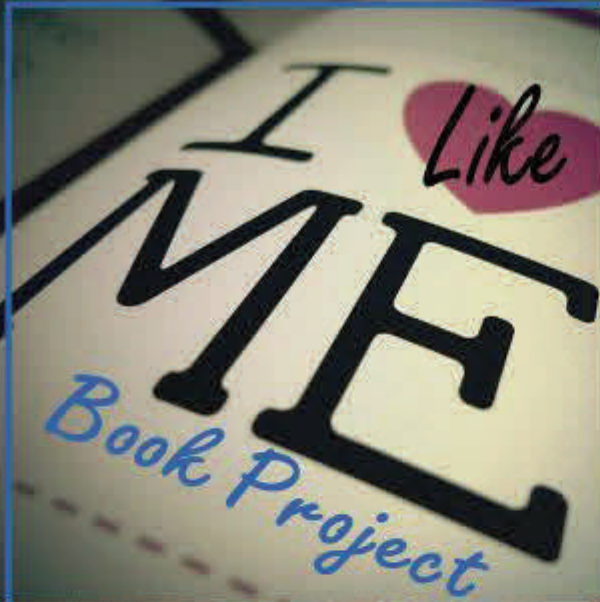
L-R: George Huson, Peggy Huson and Ann McDonald. Ann is the spouse of Blair McDonald who founded the "Don't Meth with Me" program in the Livingston club.



## MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

PDG ROSE AUSTIN (MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN) REMINDS ALL CLUBS TO MAKE SURE YOUR RECORDS ARE CORRECT IN CLUB RUNNER AND AT RI BY MARCH 31, 2013. SHE WILL USE THE DATA RECORDED TO DETERMINE MEMBERSHIP GROWTH AWARDS TO BE PRESENTED AT THE DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

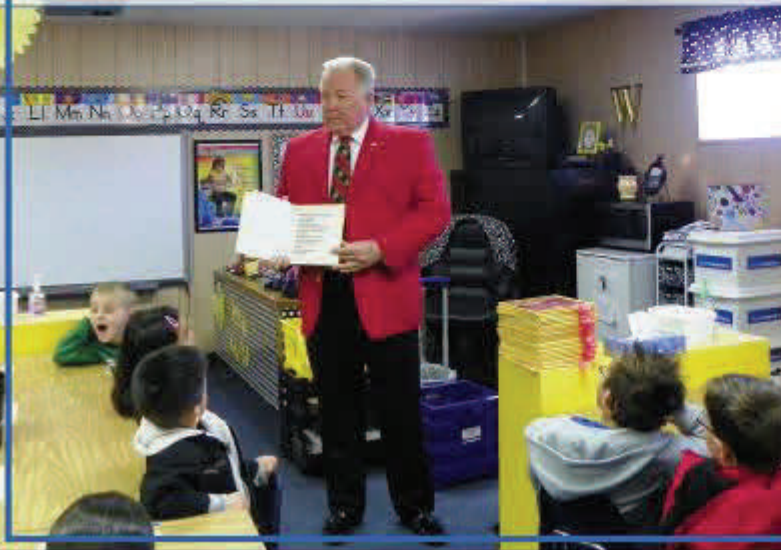




Rotary Club of Nederland  
March 5, 2013



*Thank you to all the volunteers who participated. We couldn't have done it without you!*



Nederland ISD

Hillcrest  
Highland Park  
Helena Park  
Langham



AG Bobby Simon and Nederland club members distributed "I Like Me" books to 17 classes in 4 elementary schools in the NISD

# **LAST CALL!!**

# **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.**

*Citation forms have been received from the following clubs as of today. If you have submitted the Presidential Citation and it is not on the list please notify me so we can track it down!*

**ANGELINA**  
**BEAUMONT-SPINDLETOP**  
**BRIDGE CITY-ORANGEFIELD**  
**DAYTON**  
**FRIENDSWOOD**  
**LAKE CONROE**  
**NEDERLAND**  
**NORTH PORT ARTHUR**  
**TEXAS CITY**  
**VIDOR**  
**THE WOODLANDS**



**Peace**  
Through Service

2012-13  
Presidential Citation  
**Sakuji Tanaka**  
Rotary International President





# LAKE CONROE

L-R: Supries Cherazzard (Bellaire / Houston Rotary Club), Dieulin Joanis President of Cap Hatien -Haiti Rotary, and Lake Conroe Rotarian Don Shrock.

The Rotary Club of Lake Conroe and Don and Theresa Shrock donated money to provide desks and school supplies to a Christian school in Carrefour Haiti, which is in Port au Prince.



# Service Above Self



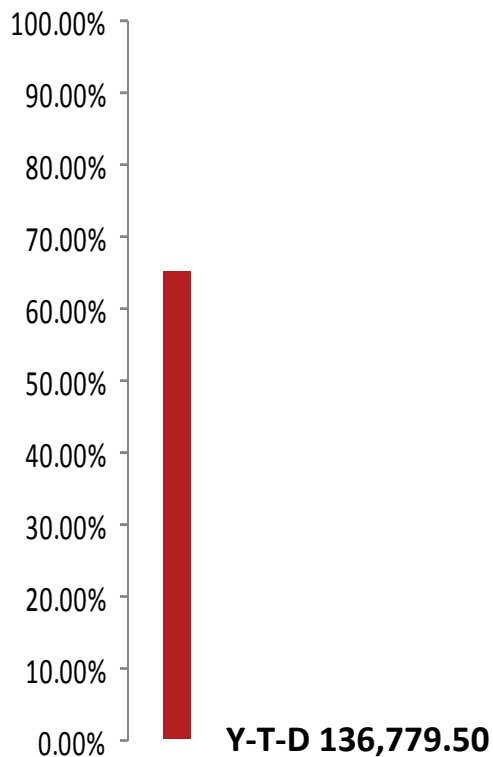
## THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

### 2012-2013 DISTRICT 5910 GOALS

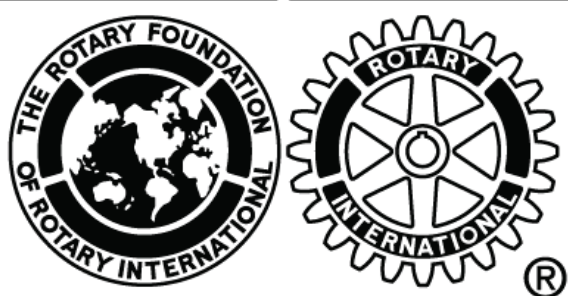
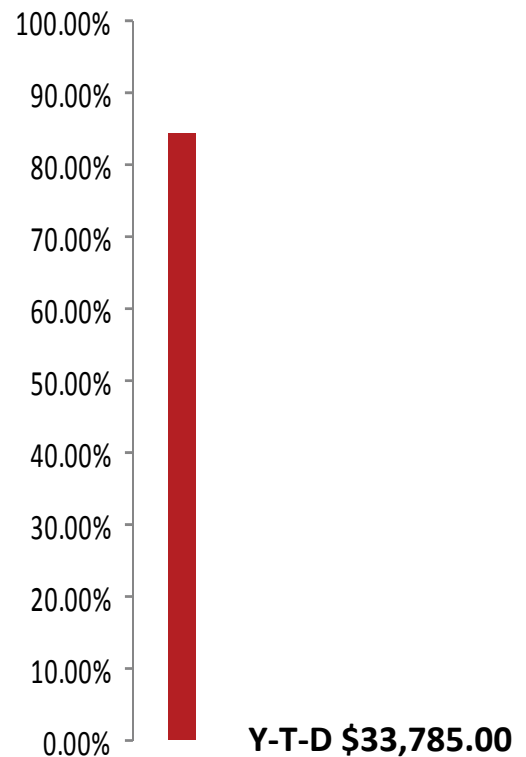
41 CLUBS CHANGING THE WORLD

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

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



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



**WHY  
WE  
GIVE**





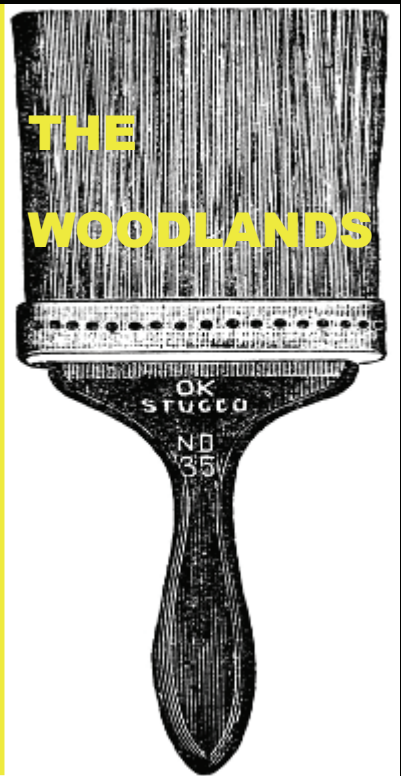
# District Conference

## House of Friendship

**Conference Chair Sloan Shuffler has announced on-line registration will close on **April 15th!** On-site registration will be \$300! We are discouraging on-site due to issues with catering so please **GET REGISTERED!!** Join us in Palestine to celebrate our Rotary year accomplishments and enjoy fellowship.**

**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 benefit **POLIO PLUS.****

**We also need booth reservations for the House of Friendship. I have seen wonderful projects across the District...so be sure and showcase them! Register today for the conference and a booth at the HOF by clicking [here!](#)**



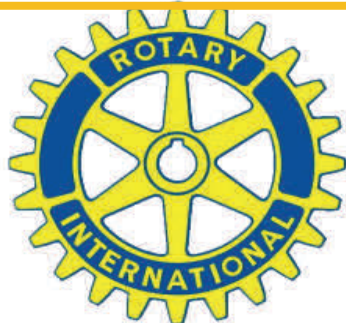
**The Montgomery County Women's Shelter received a fresh new look courtesy of The Woodlands Rotary club. The group painted 4 rooms and 2 bathrooms in a little over 4 hours. What a difference a fresh coat of paint can make!**



**VIDOR INTERACT**

**Interact and their friends in Rotary collected nearly 600 tubes of Chapstick to send to soldiers in hot, arid countries such as Afghanistan and Iraq.**





**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](http://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



# Port Arthur

Mae Terro, director of the **United Board of Missions**, which provides clothing, household items and other assistance to people in need, accepts a grant of \$1,768 from George Newsome, president of the Rotary Club of Port Arthur. The funds were part of the proceeds from the Holly Days holiday fund drive sponsored by the Rotary Club, the Retail Merchants Association and the Port Arthur News.



Ken Hill, left, director of **Port Cities Rescue Mission**, which provides housing and other assistance for those who have become homeless, accepts a grant of \$1,768 from George Newsome, president of the Rotary Club of Port Arthur. The funds were part of the proceeds from the Holly Days holiday fund drive sponsored by the Rotary Club, the Retail Merchants Association and the Port Arthur News.





**NOTICE!!! TEAMS ARE LIMITED**

But it's still not too late!

Be a gracious Sponsor and/or a Team Player  
Register today!



The Rotary Club of Nacogdoches  
2013 Annual Rotary Golf Classic

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

A wonderful day of fun, laughter,  
gentle competition and camaraderie.

Download Registration and Sponsor Forms @  
[www.clubrunner.ca/nacogdoches](http://www.clubrunner.ca/nacogdoches)