

## ***THE DISTRICT***

**A Weekly Update from Governor Brenda Walker**

**October 15, 2012**

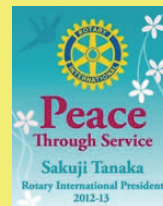


### **Governor's Message**

**Fellow Rotarians,**

**It was a fantastic weekend working along side other Rotarians in League City and Vidor. I was especially touched to witness the excitement of underprivileged children as the Vidor literacy bus rolled in. Watching the kids eagerly search for a book reinforced my view of the tremendous role Rotary plays in improving the lives of others. Take time this week to reflect on how you might brighten someone's day with a simple gesture and pass it on!**

**Peace Through Service,**





# VIDOR VISIT

L-R: PDG Ulli Budelmann, Vidor President Sally Andrews, and Governor Brenda at Eugene and Peggy Boone's beautiful home for dinner with club members.



Governor Brenda joins Interact students and kids on the Vidor Mobile Library to select books prior to feeding the kids hotdogs. The children decorated cupcakes for dessert and enjoyed an arts and crafts project.



# Welcome to Rotary!



Dr. Genese Bell, Superintendent of Splendor ISD, was inducted into the Rotary Club of East Montgomery County. Pictured with Genese is President Gary Southard.

## *Palestine Rotarian Named Citizen of the Year*



L-R: 2012 Citizen of the Year Jean Mollard was presented a plaque at the Palestine Area Chamber Banquet by 2011 Citizen of the Year Carson Wages. Both are members of the Palestine Rotary Club.

## League City Wine & Dine Fundraiser—South Shore Harbour Resort

Polio Plus was emphasized by selling bottles of “End Polio Now” wine. A stuffed polar bear advertised the club’s Polar Bear Plunge in December to also raise funds for Polio Plus. GREAT JOB LC!



Governor Brenda inserts wine tasting tickets prior to the evening event. Over 200 attended the event which included a silent auction, dance, casino games and hors d'oeuvres. Proceeds benefited the club's service projects and Polio Plus.

L-R: Governor Brenda, League City President Kim Buttrum and member Birda Gaskin. The beautiful throw was crocheted by Birda and presented to Governor Brenda in honor of her visit.





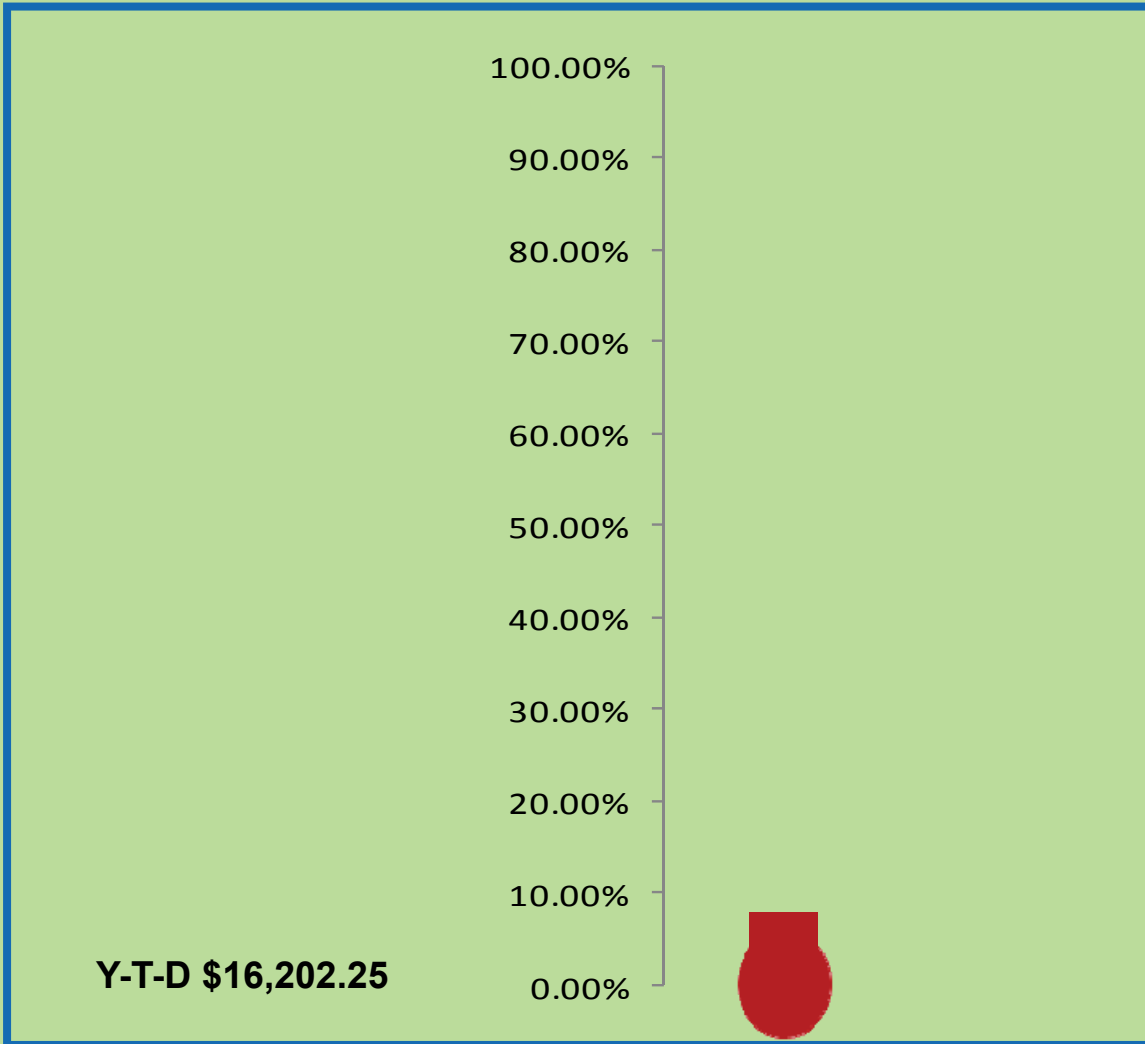
Students in Vidor High School Interact collected flip flops to donate to Vidor's United Christian Care Center to be given to children and youth needing shoes. Vidor Rotary Club members also helped by bringing flip flops. The students filled three garage bags and two boxes with flip flops. The club, chartered last April, now has fifty-one members. They also help with Read and Feed, a project of Vidor Rotary's green bus which takes food, books, and crafts to children in Vidor. Pictured are left to right secretary Ashton McDonald, Rachel Moore and Trevor Beeson.

# I N T E R A C T

## District Conference

Good news! We have over 30 who have registered for the May 3-5 District 5910 conference in Palestine. Join us as we celebrate our achievements and enjoy fellowship and fun! Those who register and pay by October 31st, 2012 will be eligible for a chance to win a free conference registration. Register by clicking the link below:  
<http://rotary5910conference.com>.

**The Rotary Foundation Annual Fund**  
**2012-2013 District Goal \$209,490.00**



***Why We Give***



# 2013-2014 CLUB OFFICERS

Who will lead your club in 2013-2014? I encourage you to select your leaders for next year now before we get into the busy holiday season. Your list of officers should be reported to Rotary International by December 31, 2012.

Consider seeking input from your past Presidents as to who will serve in this important role. It is a commitment for whoever steps up and your clubs success depends largely on its leaders.

It is easy to report your next year's officers by going to [rotary.org](http://rotary.org) and click on Member Access. You and the club secretary should have access.

## District Governor 2015-2016

It is my duty as Governor to call for nominations for the office of District Governor Nominee. This person will lead our district in 2015-2016 as Governor. The DGN must be a member in good standing and have served as President of a club for a full term. He/she must demonstrate willingness, commitment and ability, physically and otherwise to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of the office of Governor as provided in RI Bylaws section 15.090. I encourage your club to seek and support qualified candidates to run. If you are interested in furthering the object of Rotary by providing leadership to the clubs in our district please contact our Nominating Committee Chairman PDG Ulli Budelmann at [budelmann5910@comcast.net](mailto:budelmann5910@comcast.net). He will assist you with the application form and qualifications. Nominations must be submitted by December 31, 2012 to Governor Brenda.