

## **Upcoming Events**

DG Visit - Conroe Aug 04, 2015

DG Visit - Bryan Aug 05, 2015

DG Visit - College Station Aug 06, 2015

Rotary Youth Exchange Rebound Weekend

Camp Allen

Aug 08, 2015 – Aug 09, 2015

DG Visit - Vidor Aug 10, 2015

DG Visit - Liberty
Aug 11, 2015

DG Visit - Cleveland Aug 12, 2015

DG Visit - Dayton
Aug 13, 2015

<u>Interact Clubs Leadership</u> <u>Training Workshop</u>

Aug 15, 2015 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

DG Visit - Orange Aug 18, 2015

DG Visit - Woodville
Aug 19, 2015

#### **Stories**

From the Governor

Rotarians and Rotary Friends:

Hope your Rotary year has had as great a start. Wally and I kicked off our visits in July with our first stop in Palestine. This visit included the issuance of my Superhero Cape and Magic Power Ring. Both should come in handle during our travels. Next stops were Rusk, Livingston and then on to the Beaumont area for Beaumont-Spindletop, Beaumont and Bridge City-Orangefield. Next we went to the Nacogdoches area and visited Fredonia, Nacogdoches and Angelina (Lufkin).

Each club has rolled out the red carpet for us and made us feel right at home. It is special to see first-hand the service projects and "gifts" our fellow Rotarians are providing in their communities. We will have many photos to share at a later date.

August is **Membership and New Club Development Month**, which means it's time to celebrate your Rotary club, your members and the good you do in your community and around the world. This is an ideal time to discuss membership strategies for the year.

I hope you each have gone to <a href="www.rotary.org">www.rotary.org</a> and set up your <a href="mailto:"My Rotary"</a> account. Also, check out Rotary's Learning Center at <a href="http://learn.rotary.org">http://learn.rotary.org</a>. Here you can find video, presentations, webinars, and more to help you make the most of Rotary's online tools, like Rotary Club Central.

Hope you enjoy the newsletter!

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DG Visit - Hardin County Aug 20, 2015

Rotary Youth Exchange Inbound Orientation

Aug 21, 2015 - Aug 23, 2015

DG Visit - Huntsville Aug 26, 2015

DG Visit - Aggieland Aug 27, 2015

DG Visit - Lufkin Aug 31, 2015

DG Visit - Dickinson Sep 02, 2015

DG Visit - League City Sep 03, 2015

DG Visit - Port Neches/Groves Sep 08, 2015

DG Visit - Nederland Sep 09, 2015

Governor Elect Training (GETS) / Zone Institute Sep 15, 2015 - Sep 20, 2015

<u>DG Visit - East Montgomery</u> <u>County</u>

Sep 22, 2015

DG Visit - Crockett Sep 24, 2015

DG Visit - Galveston Island Sep 29, 2015

<u>District Global Grant</u> <u>Scholarship Apps Due</u>

Sep 30, 2015

DG Visit - Galveston Sep 30, 2015

#### **Doris**

Doris Lockey District Governor 2015-2016 Rotary District 5910

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#### **HEADLINE: INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

My Rotary Account

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RI President Implements Rotary Global Rewards Program

## DON'T MISS YOUR ROTARY GLOBAL REWARDS

Being a Rotarian brings many intrinsic rewards but if that is not enough, Rotarians can now qualify for the Rotary Global Rewards program. DG Visit - The Woodlands Oct 01, 2015

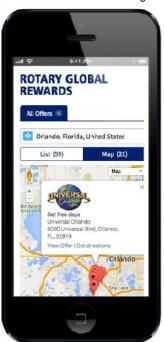
<u>College of Governors Fall</u> Luncheon

Oct 02, 2015

<u>Foundation / Membership</u> Seminar

Oct 03, 2015





This new member benefits program gives Rotary members access to discounts on a variety of products and services selected with their interests in mind.

Read more about it by linking

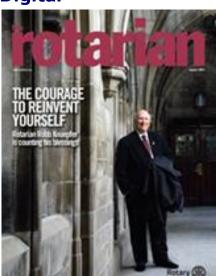
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#### Rotarian Magazine Option

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#### The Rotarian

magazine is also available in digital format. Sign up now!

## <u>SET UP YOUR MY ROTARY ACCOUNT FIRST (see previous article).</u>

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(last selection on the row of options next to the Rotary emblem. Once you move to the Member Center you will see in bold "The Rotarian".

#### The Rotarian

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Explore our regional magazines

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#### Rollin' With Rotary

## Young Professional Rotarians Hit the Road

On August 1st, 4 young professionals are going to travel across the country to celebrate Rotary, to celebrate giving, and to celebrate communities across the US.

Introducing Rollin' With Rotary. (If you cannot view the video below, click on the title.)

Rollin' With Rotary Trailer







#### **HEADLINE: DISTRICT NEWS**

#### Rotary Youth Exchange

## Rotary Youth Exchange Students Are Prepared for Year Abroad



On Saturday, July 11th, the District Rotary Youth Exchange Committee met with our five 2015-2016 outbound students and their parents.

Committee members in attendance under the leadership of PDG Glen Mattingly (Huntsville) were:

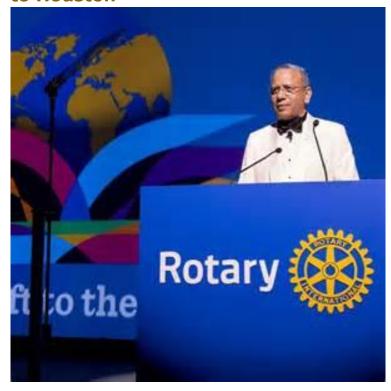
PDG Ulli Budelmann (Galveston), Carol Mattingly (Huntsville) Birda Gaston (League City), Wallace Lockey (Lake Conroe) and DG Doris Lockey.

Our outbound students for 2015-2016 will be leaving for their exchanges in August and September and return after their year abroad. The students are listed below with the sponsoring clubs indicated along with their host country.

- Jacob "Jake" Burns (Conroe) going to France
- Madison "Mattie" Lightfoot (College Station) going to France
- Callum Darby (Lake Conroe) going to Spain
- Gaston Lira (Lake Conroe) going to Germany
- Emilio Lira (Lake Conroe) going to Germany

District 5890 & 5910 All Club Dinner Invitation

## Don't Miss this Opportunity! International President Ravi Coming to Houston



Rotary Districts 5890 and 5910

Celebration of Gifts All Club Dinner

Wednesday January 13, 2016

#### **Crowne Plaza**

## Featured Guest: Rotary International President: K.R. "Ravi"

Link to Information and Invitation here.

Table Sponsorship Opportunities

Information here.

Link to Registration page here.

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#### Foundation & Membership Seminar





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## Foundation and Membership Seminar October 3, 2015 League City



Keynote Speaker will be PDG Lisa Herring, RI President's Rep and Zone 21b Rotary Public Image Coordinator (RPIC)

Governor's Travel Diary

#### **District Governor Makes Official Visits**



District Governor meets with Spindletop Club Board members: (front row) Brad Taylor, DG Doris Lockey, Karen Chapman; (back row) Bobby Chapman, Chris Lanier, Shannon Garrod, Paul Andrues, President Kathryn Warren, Kelvin Moulton.



Angelina Rotary Club President Demetress Harrell shares a moment with District Governor Doris Lockey.



District Governor Doris Lockey visited with the Rotary Club of Rusk and gave a very informative speech about upcoming events in our District.

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Beaumont Club President Pat Anderson showed District Governor Doris Lockey and her husband Wally around the Port of Beaumont facilities.

<u>District News: New Generation Exchange</u>

## **Welcome to New Generations Service Exchange Student**

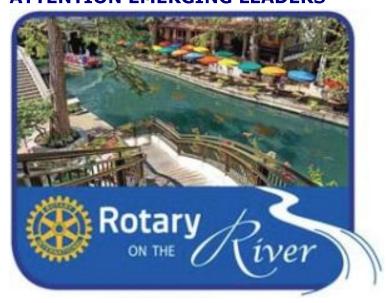


Shown in this photo with Huntsville Rotarians is Qurry Ansell, a New Generations Service Exchange Student from District 1250 in England. She will be in our district for four weeks – hosted by the Rotary Club of Huntsville for two weeks and then for two additional weeks by the Rotary

Club of Galveston. Qurry is a psychology student in England and hopes to learn more about professions in psychology during her visit here. In Huntsville Qurry is being hosted by Glen and Carol Mattingly, and her Huntsville Rotary Counselor is Marcus Gillespie. In Galveston, she will be hosted by Bill and Paula Glenn and her Galveston Rotary Counselor is Ulli Budelmann.

Zone Institute

#### ATTENTION EMERGING LEADERS



Rotary Zones are the functional units of Rotary International which, among other things, elect the directors who make up the board which governs Rotary. Each year, Zones 27 and 21b (our own) convenes an Institute to inform and educate Rotarians about the issues, challenges and opportunities confronting Rotary. Rotary Zone Institute 2015, to be held in San Antonio, is your opportunity to experience and understand what is happening in the vast Rotary world beyond our club and district.

Sessions will feature outstanding speakers and discussion leaders from throughout the Rotary world, including the Rotary International President-elect, our General Secretary (COO), RI directors and other dynamic thought leaders on issues facing our clubs, Rotary and the world-wide community.

While the Institute provides focused training for governors past, current and future, many of the most interesting and inspiring sessions are open to any Rotarians, with a special emphasis on

emerging leaders within our clubs and district. To learn why you should attend, talk to any PDG (or spouse) and visit:

http://rizones21-27.org/wpcontent/uploads/2015/03/107209-Rotary-Intl-Institute-2015-Brochure.pdf

Read more on the District's homepage also at http://www.rotary5910.org/

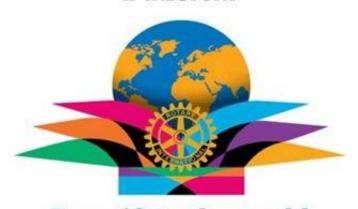
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#### District Directory

#### **2015-16 DISTRICT DIRECTORY RELEASE**

#### ROTARY DISTRICT 5910

#### DIRECTORY



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District Governor

The District Directory is available now. Printed copies are being sent to each Club's leadership. It is also distributed as a PDF on the District website.

Please remember the directory is for club/district use only. It is NOT for distribution to non-Rotarians, nor may it be used for any type of commercial mailing list.

In order to gain access to the online document:

- 1. log into the website;
- 2. return to the homepage of the website;
- 3. locate the link in the left column under Site

Pages section.

**District Conference 2016** 

#### **SAVE THE DATE**



Christina Rathbun (936) 522-8673 www.Rotary5910Conference2016@gmail.com

**HEADLINE: CLUB NEWS** 

**CLUB NEWS: Liberty** 

## Rotary Youth Study Exchange ~ A wonderful experience

By Carol Skewes, Liberty Club

The Rotary Club of Liberty participated in Rotary International Youth Study Exchange, thanks to Camilla Brady of Liberty, and Selena Contreras of Spain. The two students agreed to spend three weeks in each other's country to learn more about the region and be an ambassador for peace and understanding.



Selena Contreras and Camilla Brady are standing in front of a cathedral they visited.





Selena Contreras's family formed a welcoming party at the airport when Camilla Brady arrived in Spain on the Rotary Youth Study Exchange Program.





The Medronho tree (strawberry tree) is the symbol for which Madrid was named. Camilla Brady is standing next to the statue in the middle of Madrid of a bear eating from a Medronho tree at Point Zero, the center of the city.

At the Club meeting recently, the young ladies showed a slideshow of photos from their travels through Spain.

Camilla said, "I believe we completed the third part of the four way test by building good will and better friendships."

#### **CLUB NEWS: Vidor**

## **Vidor Club Stays Busy with Summer Camp**



Vidor Rotary Club joined Vidor ISD Community Education to sponsor a month-long summer camp for low income children in June. The camp focused on reading. Each week, children visited the Vidor Public Library's summer reading program and had a visit from Rotary's green bus, receiving a free book each week. The children had guests from Young Audiences who encouraged reading through music and puppetry. They also made craft projects based on books and authors. The experience was funded by grants from Rotary District 5910, Foundation for Southeast Texas, and Texas Commission on the Arts.

**CLUB NEWS: East Montgomery County** 

**East Montgomery Shares News of Two PHFs** 





Rotary Club of EMC is celebrating two new Paul Harris Fellows Jerry Sue Hayden and Jim Stubbs. Congratulations!

CLUB NEWS: Beaumont - Spindletop

**Beaumont - Spindletop Club Wins Award for Soap Box Derby** 



The Spindletop Rotary Club was recognized with an award for Outstanding Race Organization at this year's All-American Soap Box Derby competition held in Akron, Ohio this week. The Spindletop Club has sponsored the Southeast Texas Soap Box Derby locally for the past 14 years, awarding more than \$250,000 in scholarships to Southeast Texas students since its inception. Pictured are Kathryn Warren, Spindletop Rotary Club President and Bobby Chapman, Race Director.

#### CLUB NEWS: Galveston and Galveston Island Clubs

## **Clubs Join Together to Make Donation to Rotary Efforts**



In early May, the Rotary Clubs of Galveston and Galveston Island donated \$2,000 and \$500, respectively, to the Rotary Club of Kathmandu Mid-Town to help with earthquake relief in Nepal. The Kathmandu Mid-town Club has used these and other donated funds to distribute

tarpaulins and corrugated galvanized iron sheets to help local residents construct temporary shelters and repair damaged buildings. For additional information on the Kathmandu Mid-Town Club and its work, see http://www.rotarymidtown.org.np/.

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#### **CLUB NEWS: Rusk**

#### **Rusk Club Honors Member with PHF**



On July 22, 2015 the Rotary Club of Rusk, TX honored Forrest Phifer, a long term member of the club with the Paul Harris Fellow award. Forrest has been a loyal member of the club for 25 years, and has led and organized the clubs annual Gage Lankford firefighters competition during the July 4 parade and celebration for over 6 years. He is a practicing attorney in Rusk as well as municipal court Judge for several cities in Cherokee County. Rusk Rotary is glad to have Forrest Phifer in our organization.

Pictured on the left is Forrest Phifer, PHF and on the right is Kelly Clay, President.

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#### **CLUB NEWS: Beaumont**

## Beaumont Club Works on Project at Nutrition and Services for Seniors

#### - and has a bit of video fun to share!

Club members are having a great time working with Nutrition and Services for Seniors as they are creating a "Grow to Share" Garden which will produce fresh vegetables and fruit to share with their many, many clients. It has been a labor of love and true Service Above Self in the summer heat but

very rewarding. The first phase was completing about 170 feet of fence.

This brief video was filmed and produced by Tim Sudela who recorded all the action! Watch to the end.

Click here or on the video link below.

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CLUB NEWS: Fredonia Club

## Fredonia Club Announces Two Big Fundraisers

#### Fredonia Club Will Raise the Funds!

The Fredonia Club is selling raffle tickets for a Game Suite for up to 14 for the Battle of the Piney Woods between the SFA Lumberjacks and Sam Houston Bearcats, Saturday, October 3, at NRG Stadium in Houston. Raffle tickets are \$75 for one ticket, \$100 for two, and \$125 for three- contact Wes Jensen at Jensen.wes@gmail.com.

Our Club sponsors Meet the Lumberjacks, a big event at the SFA Student Center, at which the Stephen F. Austin football team members are introduced after a big barbeque meal. This year's Meet the Lumberjacks will be held on the evening of Tuesday, August 25<sup>th</sup>. For tickets, contact Jensen.wes@gmail.com or any other Fredonia member.

CLUB NEWS: East Montgomery County

## **East Montgomery County Club Raises Funds with Concert**





The Rotary Club of EMC hosted the third annual *Patriotic Big Band Concert* in partnership with the Kingwood Big Band, on Saturday, June 27. Almost 200 people attended the concert, which was held at Lone Star College Kingwood. The crowd enjoyed many big band classics as well as favorite patriotic songs with a jazz twist. Proceeds from the concert were used to award \$1000 to the LSC Kingwood Music Department for student scholarships as well as to help fund other Rotary projects.

We invite the Rotarians of District 5910 to save the date - June 25, 2016 @ 2:00pm - for our next exciting concert!

**CLUB NEWS: Cleveland** 

## Cleveland Club Enjoys Participation in Youth Exchange Program



In August 2014, **Caren Sausmikat**, Rotary Youth Exchange student from Germany, sponsored by the **Rotary Club of Cleveland**, arrived in Cleveland. Throughout her year here she made many new friends for a lifetime.



Caren enjoyed her time at Cleveland High School: taking part in the ROTC program, attending football games, and dressing up for the Junior-Senior prom. She attended many District 5910 events meeting other RYE students and making friends.

Don and Ernestine Belt and Kelly and Rick Axton were her host families and with them Caren was able to travel to the Grand Canyon, Disney World, and Mississippi – ending her stay in the U.S. with a trip to the East Coast.

Caren departed for Germany on July 16 leaving with memories from Cleveland and the U.S., but also leaving the Rotary Club of Cleveland, Cleveland High School, and Cleveland, Texas with wonderful memories of an amazing young lady.



AG Ernestine Belt traveled with her to Germany and is pictured here trading Club Banners with the Rotary Club of Bremen, Germany.

#### **CLUB NEWS: The Woodlands**

## The Woodlands Club Enjoys Hearing about GSE in New Zealand

The Rotary Club of The Woodlands was pleased to have two members of the 2015 GSE (Global Study Exchange) program for District 5910 share their experience and some stories from this year's program to New Zealand.



Team Leader Jerry Springfield started off by explaining a bit about how the program works. A team and co-team lead, both Rotarians are responsible for selecting their team, all non-Rotarians who have been in their vocation for at least 3 years and are between 25 and 40 years old. The goals of GSE are to further the participants vocational understanding, cultural experience and fellowship by being immersed in another culture for four weeks.

Jerry's team consisted of a diverse group:

- Chris Kovacs (also in attendance) a high school teacher and coach in College Station
- Long Viet Le a police officer in College Station
- Heather Pitts a graphic designer in Bryan at Texas A&M
- Sarah Callahan a paralegal from Vidor who has since been accepted to law school

One of his main takeaways from his experience, which he has taken back to The Woodville Rotary Club, was the fact that the Rotarians and non-Rotarians that he met were so inviting and diverse. One of their host clubs had quite the characters with a 93 year-old member that showed them the sites, in the process logging about 8 miles of walking. Another was a 70 year old, ex-hardware store business woman with purple haired woman who still rides her Harley everywhere.

Chris Kovacs spoke of his experience as a Team Member and didn't have enough good things to say about the country and the people of New Zealand. He was a bit taken aback when he realized that everyone whom he met thought that if you were



from Texas that you needed to own a truck, own a gun and wear boots in addition to your 10 gallon hat. The teams' experiences ranged from visiting local schools and industry, to visiting the local sites in and around Dunedin on the southern coast of New Zealand. It gave Chris and his fellow Team members a great new appreciation for how similar the countries are even though they are separated by half a world, and yet distinctly different cultures.

Both Chris and Jerry reinforced a number of times the breath-taking beauty of the country believing that is "likely one of the most beautiful places on earth".

Jerry closed with a Facebook post from one of the team members:

"New Zealand. You have been very, very good to me-better than I deserve.

When I left Texas 5 weeks ago, I don't think I had any idea what was really in store for me. You have been so far above and beyond my wildest dreams, and I am fundamentally changed. I've done things on this trip that I would normally never have tried, and some that I never imagined I'd ever get to experience. I've learned I'm braver and stronger and more adventurous than I thought, that it is possible to meet someone and love them after just a short time, and that I'm happiest when I'm in nature with the sun on my face and the wind in my hair. I'm heartbroken to leave, and yet excited to be home and see the ones I love. I'm coming back, New Zealand. Count on it."

**HEADLINE: Club Fundraiser Events** 

#### CLUB EVENT: Cleveland

## The Rotary Club of Cleveland is preparing for the annual

## 4-Wheeler fundraiser for scholarships and other projects.

Tickets go on sale August 21 (\$20 each) with drawing date November 4, 2015.

Contact Tommie Daniel danieljt@yahoo.com for more information.

#### CLUB EVENTS: Conroe

## **Rotary Club of Conroe Lines Up Three Fundraisers**

The Rotary Club of Conroe announces it will be hosting three fund raisers for the year to raise funds for Club Projects.

ROTARY CLUB of CONROE TEXAS U.S.A.

District 5910

 The first will be held on October
 27<sup>th</sup>featuring Texas wines, Texas beers, Texas distilled spirits, and Texas



foods. This SPIRITS OF TEXAS event coincidentally will be held days before Halloween.

- The Annual Fish Fry will be held on FAT TUESDAY, February 9<sup>th</sup> and will have a Mardi Gras theme.
- The third event is a 5K Run/Walk through historic downtown Conroe.

For more information, contact Ron Saikowski at rsaikowski@comcast.net.

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#### **HEADLINE: INTERACT NEWS**

Interact Leadership Training

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

## DATE IS QUICKLY APPROACHING!

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#### **SPREAD THE WORD!**

INTERACT OFFICER TRAINING will be held on Saturday, August 15 in The Woodlands. Please email Sally Andrews with a head count for your group so she can let the organizers know how much food to order. <a href="mailto:sandrews@vidorisd.org">sandrews@vidorisd.org</a>.

Please make sure your officers (or if you're forming a new Interact....your prospective officers) attend this great event. It's a wonderful opportunity to meet other Interact officers, learn how to effectively manage your Interact Club, and get jazzed up for a great year in Interact!

Link to the schedule of information here.

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#### Website Help

Posted by Brenda Walker on Jul 08, 2015



#### **District 5910 Website Team**

If you need help with Club Runner, please contact:

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