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Upcoming Events

Fall Outing for RYE Inbounds
Crystal Lake Lodge
Oct 21, 2016 – Oct 23, 2016

Governor Elect / Nominee Training
Oct 27, 2016 – Oct 30, 2016

Zone Institute
Oct 27, 2016 – Oct 30, 2016

Emerging Leaders Training
Oct 27, 2016 – Oct 30, 2016

RYE Long Term 2017/18 Applications Due
Nov 01, 2016

RYE Long Term Applicant/Parent Interviews
Lonestar College - Montgomery
Nov 12, 2016

Global Grant Scholarship Interviews
TBD
Nov 19, 2016

RYE 2017 Short Terms Applications Due
Dec 01, 2016

College of Governors Winter Luncheon
14545 Bay Oaks Country Club
Dec 17, 2016 11:00 AM

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District 5910 News
November 2016



Gig Langston
District Governor 2016-2017
Rotary District 5910

Stories

From the Governor

Rotarians and Rotary Friends:

FOR SALE: SMALL GREEN BUS

WHEW!!! All thirty nine clubs have now been visited. We have two Monday clubs so I put them at the end of the visits. This schedule worked out well because all the other clubs meet on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. So our weekly life for three months began by pulling out the driveway in Lufkin on Monday and returning late on Thursday. Sometimes I took the shirt off my back at the cleaners on the way home.

One of our Monday clubs is Vidor Rotary and they invited Lou and me down for a Sunday afternoon social on October 9th. Vidor has twenty seven members and President Tim Andrews must have handpicked those members with the most enthusiasm for club projects to meet with us. I wish our district could bottle their zeal for Rotary.

The main Vidor service project began six years ago when Rotarians realized that when school was not in session, many children did not access to a library or a lunch. They came up with the idea of a school bus that would be equipped as a library and

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driven by Rotarians. Vidor ISD was asked to donate a bus and after a year, the bus was received. It was painted green by the prison system in Huntsville, outfitted with colorful cabinets and loaded with donated books suitable for youths from birth to eighteen years of age. Rotarians then packed lunches and the "Little Green Bus" was off for a five year run.

The bus has visited Vidor apartment complexes weekly during the summer and monthly during the school year. Special and holiday events also find the bus parked with happy youths checking out books. "Thousands of dollars of meals have filled tummies and thousands of books have fed minds," says Sally Andrews, Vidor President Elect.

You ask, "Why is the bus for sale"? Vidor has received a regular size bus and it is being painted green and outfitted with book cases. In addition to the regular routes, next summer this bus will start working with Vidor ISD to deliver meals given by the federal government to those students who do not have transportation to the school to eat what is offered. Of course they will also be able to check out a book. Talk about a "little club that could."

Gig
Gig Langston
District 5910 Governor 2016-2017

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ZONE: Institute

Rotary Zone 21b-27 Institute Participants Accomplish World Class Feat!



Members of Rotary District 5910 are now woven into history. Together with other participants at the Zone Institute in Salt Lake City, they created the largest and greatest human Rotary wheel! The Zone 21b-27 participants are now in the Guinness Book of World Records!

Read more about the Zone Institute in the December bulletin.

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Announcement for District Governor 2019-2020 Proposals

OFFICIAL NOTICE
FOR
2019-2020
DISTRICT
GOVERNOR
PROPOSALS

This is the official notice that District Governor Gig Langston has issued a request for all clubs in the district to propose individuals to serve as the District Governor-Nominee-Designate (DGN-D) position, which will determine the governor for our district during the 2019-2020 Rotary Year. As the Immediate Past District Governor, I, Doris Lockey will serve as the Chair of the District Governor-Nominee Committee.

The current Governor succession is as follows:

2016-2017 Gig Langston – Rotary Club of Angelina (Lufkin)
2017-2018 Rhonda Herrington – Rotary Club of Palestine
2018-2019 John Hathaway –Rotary Club of The Woodlands
2019-2020 – To Be Determined

The application period for District Governor for the Rotary Year 2019-2020 is now open and will remain so through December 31, 2016.

Continue reading entire document with qualifications and procedures delineated by accessing here.

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District Finance Audit

Rotary D5910 Finance Audit 2015-2016

Rotarians:

The Foundation and Membership meeting scheduled for October was canceled. The District will delay the adoption of the 2015-2016 financial report until the Mid Year meeting scheduled in Huntsville on February 11, 2017.

Thank you,

Doris A. Lockey, IPDG
Audit Committee Report
2015-16 Charitable Foundation Financial Report
2015-16 District Financial Report

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Unclaimed Funds

ATTENTION CLUB LEADERS



Kent Hutchison has found information that will be very important to several of our clubs.

It seems that the Texas Comptroller's office is reporting that several of the District 5910 clubs have unclaimed money in the state coffers.

If your club is listed below, the Club's President or treasurer will want to check out the Texas Comptroller's website to claim: https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/programs/claim-it/

Rotary Club of The Woodlands
Rotary Club of Bridge City-Orangefield
Rotary Club of Beaumont
Rotary Club of Conroe
Rotary Club of Lake Conroe
Rotary Club of LaMarque (Mainland)
Rotary Club of Livingston
Rotary Club of Nacogdoches
Rotary Club of Nederland
Rotary Club of Port Arthur
Rotary Club of Port Neches Groves
Rotary Club of Woodville

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RYLA Volunteers

RYLA: the Few, the Proud, ... the VOLUNTEERS!

Yes, you too can become one of the important volunteers who make this experience happen each year! Volunteer registration for RYLA has begun.



The online registration page can be found on the district website under New Generations / RYLA / 2017 Volunteer Registration. More registration details will be sent out by e-mail to all regular attendees as well as Club RYLA Chairs and Club Presidents. Any questions can be sent to Michael Perez (perezink@gmail.com).

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Exchange Student Excels

Exchange Student from Hungary Wins Cross Country Race



District 5910 is hosting 11 students this year, and one of those students is an energetic 15-year-old from Hungary named Fruzsi Szilagyi. She is being hosted by the Rotary Club of Huntsville and is attending Huntsville High School.

In addition to being an excellent student, Fruzsi has a passion for physical fitness. Unlike the U.S., Hungarian schools do not have student athletic organizations, and so when she is in Hungary she trains informally on her own doing rigorous exercise routines she calls *Street Workout training*. Apparently it prepared her very well for the Huntsville Hornet Cross Country team, as she came in 1st place this past Friday, September 23rd, in a meet held in Giddings. Fruzsi ran against about 150 athletes to win the 2-mile race. Two weeks earlier, she ran against 450 students in another 2-mile race on a sandy beach in Galveston and came in 2nd place. So, in her first 5 weeks in Texas, she has won two medals – quite an accomplishment for a young lady who has never competed formally in her home country! Needless to say, we are all very proud of her and wish her well on future races!

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Books for the World

New and Exciting Changes Coming for Books for the World

Rotary's Books for the World program is working on changing its focus, and those changes will impact the way the program can be used by each clubs. These changes will allow a much larger participation from each and every club and hopefully shine a brighter light on the program. Contact Tim Andrews, the program coordinator for the district, to schedule a presentation and learn how these changes can help your club to participate. Tim's email is timandrews56@yahoo.com and his phone number is 409-656-3549.

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2017 District Conference

YOU'LL LOVE LUFKIN!



As we approach 2017 we want to prepare for what will make our membership embark upon the phrase "You'll Love LUFKIN!" As Conference Director Nancy Westbury and her team prepare for what will be a remarkable moment in history, District 5910 membership should mark your calendars as we look forward to seeing you in LUFKIN! Our District 5910 Governor is impressed by your phenomenal support and looks forward to recognizing your service.

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CLUB NEWS: Angelina

October has a been a fun month for Angelina Rotary Club!



We presented grants of $1000 each to two local teachers for projects they will do in their classrooms this year. Pictured are Becky McKinnley with St. Cyprian's Episcopal School, Rotarian Carol Shaw and Amy Jones with Central High School.



We presented Sharon Shaw with the Angelina County and Cities Health District a check for $6000 to fund our grant project of the HPV Immunization Clinics. The Health District matched the grant amount, making this a $9000 project.



We welcomed two new members, Anna Bonacci and Nancy Minton.





We held a club fundraiser at Whataburger and raised $400.





We held a Club Social at Posadas and had a wonderful time of fellowship together.

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CLUB NEWS: Beaumont

Beaumont Brought Attention to World Polio Day



World Polio Day is designed to bring attention to the progress made and the work still ahead to end this dreaded disease. Nakisha Burns, Public Relations Lane Chair, arranged for the Beaumont Club to have a brief spot on the local television show to spread the news on a local level. Zone Polio Coordinator Chuck Mason and President Ted Moor were happy to speak about Rotary's efforts and the progress of the cooperating organizations to End Polio Now.

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CLUB NEWS: Cleveland

Cleveland Shares About Exciting Programs

Cleveland Rotary Club received valuable information on host hospice services function from Luke Myers, Executive Director of Gentiva Hospice. Mr. Myers emphasized the endo of life care (six months or less to live) for the patient and up to 12-months support for the surviving family. He also covered the differences between hospice, nursing home, and home health services plus the qualifications for Medicaid, Medicare, and private insurance coverage.



Pictured (left to right): Rotarian and Program Host Dr. Darrell Myers; Christina Wood (Hospital Specialist), Luke Myers (Executive Director); Rotary President Eisha Jones.

Members of the Cleveland Rotary Club welcomed employees of Naskila Gaming of Livingston and members of the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas to discuss their Gaming Center on the Alabama-Coushatta Reservation in Polk County. Despite legal challenges by the State of Texas, the Tribe feels that they are on firm legal ground in opening a Class 2 Gaming Center, which has only several hundred electronic bingo games and is not a casino. Another reservation in Texas has operated a similar gaming center for almost 20 years. Over 210 job (190 of them full-time) have been created at the Gaming Center, in addition to the trickle down effects of a successful business that stimulates economic growth for the entire area.



Pictured (left to right): Tony Averitt, Chief Marketing Director of Naskila Gaming; Rotarian and Precinct 6 Constable John Joslin; Emma Abbey of the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe; Tina Battise and Ian Liscano of Naskila Gaming; Toahani Williams of the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe; Rotarian and Program Host Brad Browder; Rotary President Eisha Jones.

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CLUB NEWS: Dayton

Dayton Rotary Considers Character Program

By David Taylor, dtaylor@hcnonline.com; from the Houston Chronicle online; published Friday, October 14, 2016



"It's not often in Dayton that a meeting has a guest speaker dressed in the full armor of a knight, but Rotarians in Dayton recently were treated to such an event.

Chevalier James Lehman, Knight of the Temple of Jerusalem, visited the Rotarians Oct. 13.

'I'm not just a bald guy wearing armor, I'm a real knight,' he said. He was knighted for the work with children.

Lehman was at the meeting to present a character program called EarlyAct FirstKnight.

The program is tied to the Rotary Club and the famous Four-Way Test: Is it the truth? Is it fair to all concerned? Will it build good will and better friendships? Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Read the newspaper article in its entirety by linking here:http://www.chron.com/neighborhood/dayton/news/article/Dayton-Rotary-considers-character-program-9972634.php?utm_source=dlvr.it&utm_medium=facebook

Successful Fish Fry



Dayton Rotary Fish Fry was a success! Thanks to everyone who came out to support our service project. The Interact Club partnered with the Rotarians and worked the event. Over 500 plates were served and around 600 tickets were sold.

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CLUB NEWS: Lake Conroe

Lake Conroe Club Shares Rotary with Community







Rotary Club Lake Conroe hosted Business Connect On October 14th, Rotary Lake Conroe participated in a community event with the Montgomery Chamber of Commerce. We sponsored a table with a table decoration of everything about Rotary and serving the community. It was a fun day participating in the membership appreciation luncheon and promoting Rotary.

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CLUB NEWS: Lufkin

Lufkin Welcomes New Members

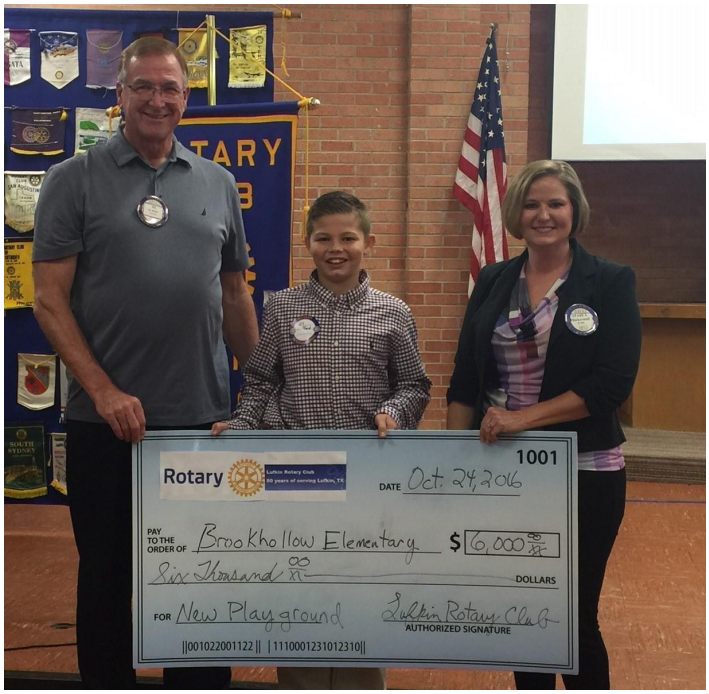
The Lufkin Rotary Club is focused on MEMBERSHIP. The club has welcomed 9 new members since July!







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Lufkin Rotary Club made a special check presentation of $6,000 to Wil Stafford, representing Brookhollow Elementary School, for playground equipment. Wil made a campaign promise when running for student body President that he would get the playground back in usable condition with safe equipment for the children to use. He raised the $10,000 needed to rebuild the playground and the Lufkin Rotary Club is proud to partner with Wil to help make his promise a reality! Pictured with Wil is Lufkin Rotary Club president Al Ross and Rotary member Starla Bickerstaff.



Lufkin Rotary Club held our first annual golf tournament at Crown Colony Country Club on Monday, October 3, and raised $8,000 for various civic projects. Rotarians working the tournament included Kate Rudasill, Hilary Walker, Valena Spradley, Starla Bickerstaff, and Emily Corbett.



Lufkin Rotary Club celebrates 60 years of baking waffles Nov 29-Dec 1, 2016.

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CLUB NEWS: Magnolia

Magnolia Rotary Enjoys Success with Tailgate

The Magnolia Rotary club from District 5910 hosted their annual Magnolia Bowl Tailgate on Friday, October 14. The event raised more than $20,000 to support the club and Magnolia ISD student scholarships. This annual community event is a fun celebration of the two high school football teams playing against each other. This year approximately 2,000 people were in attendance. Local businesses, community leaders, school district administrators and board members enjoyed listening to live music, food by Chick-fil-A and HEB and meeting with local officials.



Rotarians having fun under the tent selling food tickets and t-shirts.

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CLUB NEWS: Nacogdoches

A Variety of Nacogdoches News



Photo 1- Rotary Club of Nacogdoches annual Skeet Shoot was held October 22. Arthur Speck is Chairman. Some of the participants were 4H students sponsored by various Rotarians.



On Saturday, October 8, 2016 -- Nacogdoches High School Interact Club members went door-to-door in the Colonial Hills neighborhood -- placing flyers out for next week's "Hunger Knows No Season" canned food drive. On Saturday, October 15 NHS Interact Club members will return to the neighborhood to collect donated food items. All food will be donated to the Harvest House -- a local food pantry. #ServiceAboveSelf

Top Row: Ivan Castro, Lisbeth Escobar, Jose Soto, Paola Villarreal, Abby Franke. 2nd Row: Abhijeet Medtia, Cynthia Duarte, Salma Salazar, Andrea Castro, Gabriela Kilmer, Heiri Roldan, Adriana Castillo, Maral Katanjian, Diana Lucio, Sarah Hutchison. 1st Row: Guadalupe Garcia, Anahi Landeros, Emilia Torres



Each week, PDG Leon Hallman presents "Get to Know Rotarians". We began with the most tenured members in order to introduce these long-term members to our newest membership. It has been a ball! Pictured are: President Francis, PDG Leon Hallman, and Rotarian Danny Weaver.

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CLUB NEWS: Nederland

Nederland Focuses on Service Above Self

Nederland Rotary does so much for the community of Nederland and it is our goal to truly uphold our motto at all times, “Service Above Self”.





The Nederland Rotary Club held our Annual Spaghetti Dinner on Thursday, October 13, 2016. We sold out of most everything and this wonderful fundraiser allows us to provide scholarships for Nederland High School Students who are graduating. Our goal is to award $8000 each year in scholarships. Any left-over food prepared is donated to the local non-profit kitchens in our community.





Our Rotary Club started the first ever Interact Club this past year at Nederland High School. The organization has more than 30 members. The students participate in every event the Nederland Rotary Group hosts each year. It is wonderful when our students who are future Rotarians come out and support the Nederland Rotary Club.

Other upcoming events include:

Nederland Heritage Festival will be held on March 14-19, 2017, where we will sale our world famous Fried Oreos and Homemade Lemonade. Our pizzas and Klondike Bars are also very good. This is a week-long festival for our community and just another way we provide support to the community and our school system.

I LIKE ME BOOKS will be distributed to every kindergarten student in Nederland ISD. This is a fun day where Rotarians deliver personalized books to students at each campus.

Career Day is a day we host a half day event at one of our local community colleges and offer to our eighth grade students the opportunity to hear from industry experts about possible career choices so when they begin high school, they can work with House Bill 5 mandates to ensure they follow the correct career and educational path to obtain their career choice.

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INTERACT CLUBS: Fall Mixer

Interact Clubs Plan Mixer with Service

The next Rotaract mixer will be in the Beaumont area on November 17 from 6:30 -8:00 p.m. at Monsignor Kelly High School in Beaumont. Interact members from the area, or others who may wish to drive in, are invited. The service for the evening will be to assemble items for delivery to local hospitals and nursing homes.



District Rotarians can help by saving empty toilet paper rolls to be stuffed with a mixture of treats. The students also need gift wrap (good size scraps and partial rolls) and something to tie the ends closed, like yarn or ribbon. They also request candy, small trinkets, stickers, etc. Please donate any supplies and seeing that they get to the Interact Clubs by contacting Sally Andrews.

We will eat, mix, and do a service project, all while learning a little more about Interact, Rotaract, and Rotary! Thanks to the Monsignor Kelly High School Interact Club for hosting this event!

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Website Help

Posted by Brenda Walker on Nov 01, 2016

District 5910 Website Team

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