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District 5910



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District 5910 News

August 2017

Rhonda Herrington

Rotary Club of Palestine
District Governor 2017-2018
Rotary District 5910



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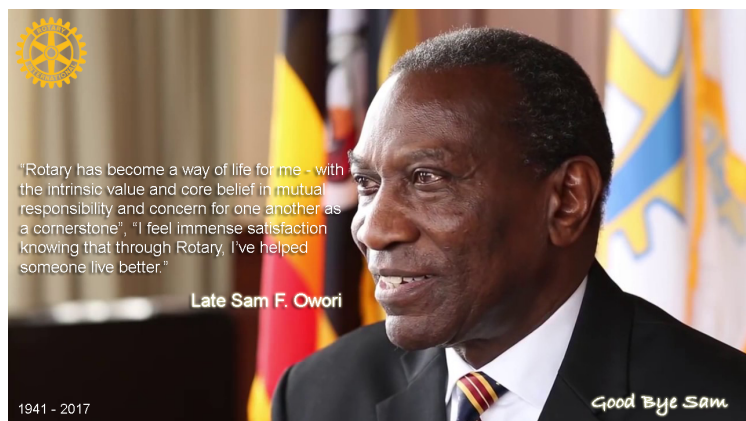
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Governor's Visit to Crockett

Aug 17, 2017

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Aug 18, 2017 – Aug 20, 2017

Governor's Visit to Sindletop-
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Governor's Visit to Beaumont

Aug 23, 2017



ZONE: Institute



**2017 Rotary Institute
Zones 21b-27**

**September 14-17, 2017
Houston, Texas**

<http://www.rizones21-27.org/rotary-institute-2017/>

Important Announcement for district chairs and emerging district leaders!

Scholarships for one half of the registration fee for Institute 2017 are now available for the following individuals:

- Emerging District Leader seminar participants
- District Membership Chair – Current and Future Chair from each District
- District Foundation Chair - Current and Future Chair from each District
- District Public Image Chair – Current and Future Chair from each District
- District Trainer – Current and Future Chair from each District

Each of these participants must register for the Rotary Institute 2017 at www.rizones21-27.org. Scholarship reimbursement checks will be provided to each participant at the end of the training session on Thursday as long as the participant has completed the entire day of training.

If you have any questions, contact Institute Chair, Rhonda Kennedy
rhonda@specialkcattle.com.

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Interact Training

Interact officer training will be held beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 12 at LoneStar College in the Woodlands. There are sessions for not only officers, but also those adults who work with and sponsor these great organizations. A light breakfast will be provided, and lunch will be served. The whole event should end around 1:00. Please make sure your Interactors are on hand. It's a great way to begin the year!

[Training Flyer](#)

[Training Agenda](#)

[Campus Map](#)

If you have questions, contact Interact Chair:

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District Public Image Chair Solicits Information

Has your Rotary club gotten any good publicity recently, or has one of your members been recognized for an award? The D5910 Rotary Public Image team wants to know!! Scan and email items or copy and paste web links showcased in your local newspaper or on a local TV or radio broadcast to bunny@bcins.net. Has your club been mentioned in a partner newsletter for your joint participation on a project?

Also, at your next fundraiser or project, designate someone to snap a great photo and send it to your local news outlet(s) with a short Who, What, When, Where, & Why. If it gets published or broadcast, send me a copy.

Need an idea? Prepare a profile story summarizing your Club's accomplishments for the 2016-2017 Rotary Year (Amount of funds donated to local charities, number of volunteer service hours for to the community, value of scholarships donated by your club, etc.). Or, highlight the Centennial of the Rotary Foundation (<http://centennial.rotary.org/en>). Post it on your website and social media page and contact your local radio station or TV station and suggest it as a story idea.

I take all submissions & prepare a special report to share with our District Governor and our Rotary Zone Coordinator. Thank you for your commitment to showcase Rotary serving Humanity this year!

Next, let's ponder the new 2017-2018 Rotary Year and RI President Ian Riseley's theme: "Rotary Making a Difference".

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District Global Grant Scholarship

It is time to get the application process started for the District 5910 Rotary Global Grant Scholarship. My name is Rebekah Maxwell and I am serving as the Chair for the Global Grant Scholars. It is excited to have the opportunity to work with fellow Rotarians and potential scholars who want to make a positive impact in our world. Some of you may know possible candidates or Rotaract members who would be great scholars. Please feel free to pass the application on to those you see fit.

I have attached the application to this email. It is in Word and PDF for ease of use.

While school acceptance is not required for the District Application, it is required for RI submission. I would highly encourage applicants on club application to have researched their choice school(s), verify that they meet all qualifications and communicate with the school their intent to at least learn of any hurdles and at most open communication/get conditional approval. If they have pending admission in writing please include that in the application.

Deadline to turn in the application is **September 30, 2017**. That date and other details are listed in the first page of the application.

Please let me know if you have any questions at this point.

Thank you!

Rebekah Maxwell

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All Club Meeting in Galveston



All the Rotary Clubs in Galveston County hosted the All Galveston County Club Meeting on Wednesday, July 19th. Keynote speaker was Kent Hutchison who delivered a presentation on "Firecracker Rotarians."



Additionally, Galveston County Rotarians meet RI President Ian Riseley's charge to plant one tree for each Rotarian in their club. Attendees of the event received a tree donated by Trees for Houston and a plant donated by Moody Gardens to be planted in the community.

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CLUB NEWS: Huntsville

Nursing Students Travel To Nicaragua To Help The Community



Dianne Langton (left), Anne Stiles, Mo Adaboy, Payton Standley, Jessica Dominguez, Morgan Wiehe, Paige Henderson, Roxana Salazar, Natalie Mouton, and McKaylie Phillips visited Lake Nicaragua during the trip.

Traveling to a new country can be an eye-opening experience. While it can provide unbelievable memories and fond stories, it can also reveal the harsh reality of the conditions others have to face on a daily basis.

Anne Stiles, professor in the School of Nursing at Sam Houston State University, Diane Langton, clinical associate professor, and David Standlee, member of the Huntsville Rotary, traveled to Nicaragua in March with eight nursing students to experience their hospital, schools, university, culture and water wells.

The students were McKaylie Phillips, Paige Henderson, Natalie Mouton, Roxana Salazar, Jessica Dominguez, Mo Adaboy, Morgan Wiehe, and Payton Standley.

During the time they spent at the hospital of León, students experienced conditions far different than the ones in the United States. They were split into pairs and rotated throughout pediatrics, the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, labor and delivery, and the postpartum unit.

[Read entire story by linking to the Sam Houston State University press release here.](#)

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CLUB NEWS: Fredonia Club

The Fredonia Rotary Club of Nacogdoches recently installed the new club officers and board for 2017-18. These officers are busy charting a course for the upcoming year.



President: Mary Frances Bradford
 Past President: Miki Lynn
 President Elect: Polly Etta Sunda
 Secretary: Albert Weatherly
 Treasurer: Joe Aguilar
 Sergeant-At-Arms: Wes Jensen
 Director: Clint Shimer
 Director: Leisha Bryant
 Director: Jeremy Terrell

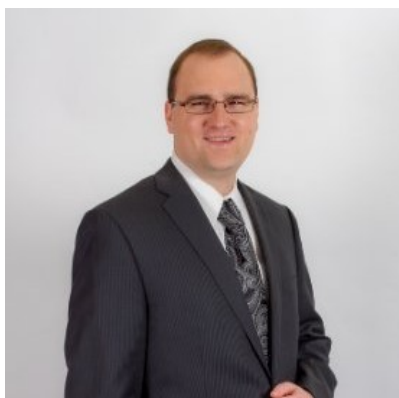
July programs included presentations from:



the SFASU College of
 Fine Arts for the 2017-
 2018 University Series
 and Children's
 Performing Arts Series,



NISD Athletic
 Director/NHS Head
 Football Coach Bobby
 Reyes



and KTRE Meteorologist
 Brad Hlozek.

The club is proud to once again host the fans of SFA Football during
 their annual "Meet the Jacks" on August 24, 2017. The event will be
 held in the Grand Ballroom of the SFA Student Center, getting
 underway at 6:00 p.m. The cost of the event is \$10 which includes

admission to the event, dinner and a chance to meet your favorite Lumberjack players.

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CLUB NEWS: Cleveland

Members of the Cleveland Rotary Club gathered at Joe's Italian Restaurant for their 2017-2018 installation of Club Officers and Directors. Outgoing President Eisha Jones thanked everyone in the club, especially her officers and directors, for the successes of 2016-2017, including the Scholarship Raffle and Baseball Tournament.

Several Past Presidents attended, with Jack Carnes celebrating 45 years as a Cleveland Rotarian.



The 2017-2018 Cleveland Rotary Officers and Directors are: (left to right): Membership T. W. Garrett; Public Image Claire Garrett; Service Kenneth Riggs; Treasurer Larry Middleton; Secretary Tommie Daniel; President-Elect Tasha Childress; Foundation and New Generations Ernestine Belt; President Scott Lambert, who will be serving his second term as President; Past President Eisha Jones.



Three new Paul Harris Fellows were announced (left to right): Claire Garrett, Public Image Chair for Cleveland Rotary who received her second Paul Harris Fellow (her first as a Rotarian); Moszellie Morales, teacher at Cleveland High School who was the faculty sponsor for the highly successful Rotary Interact Club for high school students; and Tasha Childress, Lobby Manager at Cleveland Prosperity Bank and incoming Cleveland President-Elect.



Several former Cleveland Rotary Presidents were in attendance (left to right): Eugene Wright, Jack Carnes, Bob Coleman, T. W. Garrett, Scott Lambert, Ernestine Belt, Tommie Daniel, Eisha Jones.

Members of the Cleveland Rotary Club were honored to be visited by two local recipients of the club's scholarships. Natalie Felts of Cleveland High School and David McCall III (Trai) of Tarkington High School told members how much the scholarship money meant for their education and informed the club of their future plans. Neither student is entering college as a "freshman" – both have completed impressive hours of dual college credits along with their high school classes to give them a head start on the challenges of college life. The Rotary Club scholarship fundraiser will be held again this fall to benefit graduating seniors of both Cleveland and Tarkington High Schools.



Pictured (left to right): Rotarian Tommie Daniel, Rotary President Scott Lambert, scholarship recipients Trai McCall and Natalie Felts, Rotarian Larry Middleton.

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CLUB NEWS: Spindletop

The Spindletop (Beaumont) Rotary Club 2017 Installation and Awards Banquet was held on June 20th at the MCM Elegante Hotel.



Sonny Sherman (pictured) was honored for 66 years of membership in Rotary. Sonny joined the South Park Rotary Club in January 1951. He has continued to serve as that club evolved into today's Spindletop (Beaumont) Rotary Club. Thank you for your "Service Above Self," Sonny!

The Spindletop Rotary Club voted to induct Mr. Max Carson as an Honorary Member. Max has been a Rotarian for 37 years. Congratulations Max!





Friday July 14th Spindletop (Beaumont) Rotarians and friends joined together for the annual Spindletop Rotary Club Annual Swim Meet for our special needs community. This year's event had approximately 70 participants – the highest number in the 15 year history of the event. Congratulations on another outstanding service project! Thank you to Donna Farrell and Richard Carey, Swim Meet Co-Chairs!



The Spindletop (Beaumont) Rotary Club made a donation to the Gladys City-Boomtown Museum to sponsor a building and assist with preservation of local history. This donation was one of many ways the club supports the Beaumont community through service.



The Spindletop Rotary Club's signature project, the Southeast Texas All-American Soap Box Derby, is now in its 17th year. The week of July 17th our 3 division champions – stock, super stock, and super kids- traveled to Akron, Ohio to compete in the First Energy 80th International Soap Box Derby racing event. Kids from 110 race cities around the U.S. represented their local communities in the week-long event, culminating with the championship races on Saturday. The Southeast Texas All-American Soap Box Derby Super Stock division champ Ruben Navarro won 4th place in the International Soap Box Derby finals! At the awards ceremony following the race, Spindletop (Beaumont) Rotary Club was recognized as Outstanding Race Organization, an award presented to only 7 of the 110 race cities represented. Our race director, Bobby Chapman, was also recognized as Outstanding Race Director. He shares this award with Spindletop Rotary's previous race directors Jack Hauser, Wayne Chesser, Mickey Rouse, Lloyd Koehnen and Susie Fontenot. Through the Southeast Texas Soap Box Derby, the Spindletop (Beaumont) Rotary Club serves the community through the building of goodwill and better friendships, and by awarding scholarships to Southeast Texas students. Since the project's inception in 2002, over \$300,000 has been awarded in scholarships.

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CLUB NEWS: East Montgomery County

Rotary Club of East Montgomery County inducted two Paul Harris Fellows.



President Milton Austin presented pin to Melecio Franco, immediate past president.



Milton Austin presented certificate to Michele Dykstra.

The Lone Star College-Kingwood LITERACY PROJECT



The Lone Star College-Kingwood Literacy Project in partnership with The Rotary Club of East Montgomery County gratefully acknowledges the receipt of a \$5000 grant from the East Montgomery Improvement District for the purchase of books for each first grade student in all New Caney and Splendora I.S.D Title One elementary schools.

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CLUB NEWS: Dickinson



Six times during the year, July 4, Sept. 11, Nov. 11, Presidents' Day, Memorial Day and Flag Day, teams of devoted Dickinson Rotarians faithfully post American flags in neighborhoods and at businesses in the community. For a \$50 annual subscription, this service is the primary fund-raiser for the Rotary Club of Dickinson. Dickinson is American proud, and it is beautiful to see neighborhood streets lined with American flags provided by Rotarians.

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CLUB NEWS: Vidor

Vidor Rotarians and Interactors will work at Fill the Bus, a VISD event to be held on Saturday, August 5 from 8:00 until 2:00 p.m. at Vidor WalMart. Vidor ISD will park their big yellow bus to collect school supplies for children whose families just can't quite afford them this year.



And Vidor Rotary will have the green bus on hand, collecting new or gently used blue jeans and jackets. Those will be distributed to the United Christian Care Center which will allow Vidor residents to shop for their children so everyone will be properly outfitted for back to school.



Vidor Rotary Club partnered with Vidor Independent School District this summer, delivering hot meals to indigent children and youth Monday through Thursday for six weeks. Food was provided by the USDA. The Rotarians are continuing their weekly meal and book distributions now that summer school has ended, and the group has

distributed more than 800 meals so far this summer. With six more deliveries before school starts, they expect to exceed 1000 meals given to those who need them most. The group will continue to feed kids two nights a month after school resumes in August.

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CLUB NEWS: Lufkin

July was a busy month for the members of Lufkin Rotary Club. We hosted great speakers, many guests and engaged in several community service projects. We were happy to make a difference in several ways, demonstrating our commitment to service above self.



President Mark Bush takes over from Past President Al Ross. We look forward to an exciting year for Lufkin Rotary Club! New Rotary board members are introduced: Valena Reed Spradley, Starla W. Bickerstaff, Al Ross, Mark Bush, Kate Rudasill, Kim Andrews Hennigan, Emily Corbett and Wayne Ramsey.



The return of Splash Day in North Lufkin aims to benefit the community through fun activities and safe pool time at Jones Park. This Impact Lufkin endeavor is truly wonderful. Lufkin Rotary was proud to sponsor the bounce house, which the kids loved!



Lufkin Rotary was proud to show our support for Nacogdoches Rotaryclub and their mobile library project. — with Valena Reed Spradley and Francis Green Spruiell.



There were many visitors at Lufkin Rotary Club meeting in July, including our Rotary Youth Exchange member Henry Boyle, who was visiting from the United Kingdom. We were all impressed to learn about cultural differences. A special thanks to all the Rotarians who hosted Henry during his stay – with Mark Bush.



A special thanks to all the Rotarians who hosted Henry during his stay – with Mark Bush. Also that day, the Lufkin Rotary Club was pleased to welcome a large group of guests – the Lufkin Little League All-Stars, pictured here with Dr. LaTonya Goffney.



Members of Lufkin Rotary gathered bright and early for Coffee and Conversations at Cracker Barrel. It was a great time to get to know fellow Rotarians.





Lufkin Rotary was on hand to help out every Wednesday at Jones Park for Reading in the Park, a summer reading initiative led by Lufkin ISD. We were happy to read to the children that came and donated books that were free for the children to take home. Pictured are Mark Bush, Kim Hennigan, and Jayne McCurry.



Members of the Angelina Rotary and Lufkin Rotary Clubs prepare for the "JLL's 7th Annual Back To School Bonanza" on August 12th. As part of the event, Rotary will be giving away school uniforms for those in need.

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CLUB NEWS: Lake Conroe





In July 2017, The Rotary Club of Lake Conroe has completed a new area in our signature project - Memory Park. The StoryWalk project is an area of the park where children are welcome to walk a path to read a storybook. Each sign is a page of a storybook. This project is partnered with the Friends of the C.B. Stewart West Brand Library and Rotary District 5890. A new story book is changed out several times a year.



The new children's StoryWalk was completed by Rotarians Don Carter, Wally Lockey, and Charlie Parada. This is a very nice addition for children of all ages to come out and walk the area and enjoy reading a book. This project is another joint effort of "Rotarians helping Rotarians."

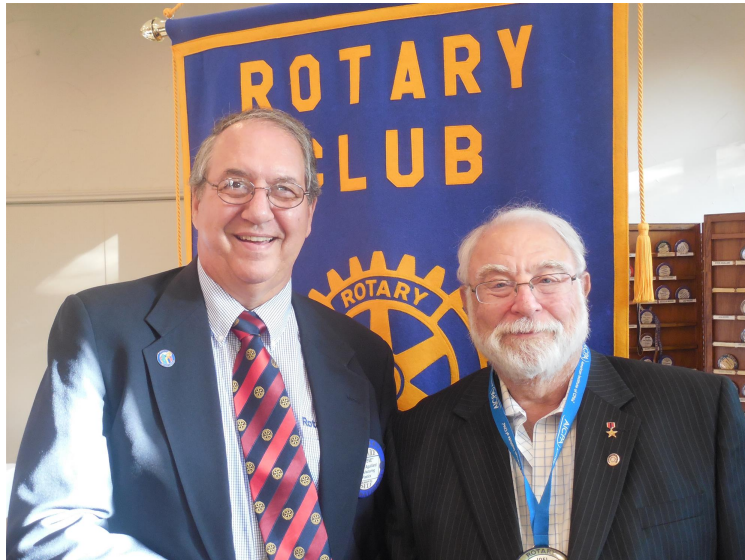
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CLUB NEWS: Orange

Orange Rotary Club installed its new officers and Board at an evening event with spouses and guests on July 11, 2017, at the Sunset Grove Country Club. Outgoing president Joel Steirman reviewed the year's accomplishments and incoming president Steve Aguillard provided a vision for the future. Other officers are Mike White, president-elect;

Ida Schossow, vice president; Kristen McCauley, treasurer; Heather Montagne, secretary; Doug Moore, sergeant-at-arms; and Gracie Henry, executive secretary. Board of Directors are: Sarah Boehme, Sue Denosowicz, Natasha Garrett, David May, Daniel Moreaux, Amy Peevey, Clay Richards, and Michael Umbenhaur. Three members of the club, Joel Steirman, Eddie Toohey, and Sarah Boehme, received certificates for perfect attendance.



Incoming President Steve Aguillard and Outgoing President Joel Steirman addressed the Orange Rotary at the installation of officers and directors. Photo courtesy The Orange Leader.



Dr. Shawn Oubre officiated at the installation.
- photos courtesy of The Orange Leader

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CLUB NEWS: Livingston

Rotary Club of Livingston Takes on the Rodeo!



President Susie Adams presented a check for \$500 to the Polk County Youth Rodeo Association.



Volunteers worked the concession stands at the Polk County Youth Rodeo. Pictured (L-R) are Gene Kohrman, Director Mickey-Kley Stephens, Director Wanda Tuft, Daniel Tuft, and President Susie Adams.

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CLUB NEWS: Conroe

Time Flies!

It's been 85 years since the Rotary Club of Conroe was formed and it is time to celebrate those many years of friendship, fellowship and most of all service. We are inviting all former members of our club, family members and friends of our club to help us celebrate this achievement. We would be so excited if our Rotarian friends from other Clubs in the district would join us too!

*Please join us
Tuesday, August 24th
at the
North Montgomery County Community Center
600 Gerald Street
Willis, TX*

We will gather for social at 11:30, Lunch at noon. Enjoy a special program that includes a recap of our Club History, our service to the greater Conroe Community, Special Recognitions and much more. The earliest enrolled and most recent Rotarian will cut the celebratory cake.

RSVP to Cecily Kelly at cecilyk@aol.com or 936-217-1509. Lunch is \$16.00.

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