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District 5910 News

April 2016



Doris Lockey

District Governor 2015-2016
Rotary District 5910

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Rotarians and Rotary Friends:

April is Maternal and Child Health Month. At least 7 million children under the age of five die each year due to malnutrition, poor health care, and inadequate sanitation. To help reduce this rate, Rotarians around the world provide immunizations and antibiotics to babies, improve access to essential medical services, and support trained health care providers for mothers and their children.

Many Clubs in our District completed projects this year for this area of focus. Projects supported this need in our communities and others supported projects around the world. We look forward to seeing many of these projects displayed in the Hall of Friendship during our District Conference.

Every three years, members from Rotary districts across the globe gather in Chicago to review and vote on proposed legislation. The Council on Legislation is an essential part of Rotary's governance. PDG Ulli Budelmann will represent our district this year. The meetings will take place April 10 to April 15, 2016. Once the COL begins you will be able to follow the meeting when you log into www.rotary.org.

I hope your April plans include the district conference? We have over 225 registered for the conference. If you have already registered and missed signing up for the golf

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tournament, Memory Park Tour or the Tapas Cooking class, it is not too late. All you have to do is go in and edit your registration. Links to register for both the conference and hotel are on the district website.

I normally wrap up my letter each month with a “did you know” item about using our new Rotary on-line tools. My recommendation this month is for current and incoming officers and directors to sign-up for the “Rotary Club Central” training course. It is definitely worth your time!

Hope you enjoy the newsletter and have an awesome Rotary month!

Be a Gift to the World,

Doris

Doris Lockey

District Governor 2015-2016

Rotary District 5910

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District Conference 2016

Register NOW for The 2016 District Conference!



TO REGISTER, CLICK ON IMAGES below:

For Conference Registration





For Hotel Reservation:



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**Please consider serving as a sponsor for
the District Conference.**

Click [here](#) to obtain sponsorship flyer.

DISTRICT NEWS: Conference Golf Tournament

**Don't Miss the Conference Golf Tournament!
Singles or Teams Welcomed!**

*District Conference
2016
Golf Tournament*

Rotary Club of
Lake Conroe
Hosts

*Friday
April 22 2016*

12:00 Shotgun Start
4 Person Scramble Format
Registration and Lunch
Begins at 10:30am

\$99.00
per player

includes green fees,
cart fee, lunch and prizes

Registration online
at www.rotary5910.org
with conference registration.
Fax or scan the team roster to
Bill Rathbun 936-522-8672
Fax: 866-297-3218
blr51@consolidated.net

(Click on image to open full-size document.)

You do not need to register a team of 4 persons unless you have a team of 4 persons from your club. Single golfers will be matched with other single golfers.

If you already registered for the Conference, and forgot to include the Golf Tournament, it is easy to go back to your registration form online at the Rotary District 5910 website and add it to your previous registration.

If you have not registered for the Conference, the Golf Tournament is just another instance of great fun which you will be missing by not attending.

If you have any questions, please contact Bill Rathbun – 936.522.8672

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DISTRICT CONFERENCE: Memory Park Tour



A highlight of the conference events will be a visit to Memory Park in Lake Conroe. This is the Rotary Club of Lake Conroe's Flagship Project. You will LOVE it!

When registering for the 2016 District 5910 Conference at La Torretta Lake Resort, go to the end of the Registration Form where Friday afternoon Memory Park Tour is located. There is not a cost for this tour, but we need a head count for transportation to and from the Park.

All of the Past District Governors have been honored with an engraved stone in the Rose Garden.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Christina Rathbun at 936.522.8673.

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DISTRICT NEWS: Conference TAPAs Demo

TAPAS Demonstration is Not to be Missed!



Another very special District Conference event planned is the TAPAS Cooking Demonstration, presented by Rotarian Chef Rick of the Walden Yacht Club. Chef Rick is one of the best and very personable.

The TAPAS Cooking Demonstration is on Friday afternoon, 2:00 p.m. at La Torretta, and it is free!

However, you need to make a reservation. Return to the registration page and add the TAPA demonstration or make sure to do it when you register.

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Books for the World

Invitation to Assist with Books for the World



The Dickinson club members worked at the Books for the World warehouse in Pasadena in February with Rotary Club members and Dickinson High School Interact kids.

Rotary Books For The World is an international service project started in 2000 and supported by Houston area Rotary Clubs, Rotaract Clubs, and Interact Clubs. Books for the World is proud to announce the shipment of the 271st 40' shipping container of books (for a total of over 10 million pounds), as well as several containers of school furniture, bicycles, and bicycle parts to Rotarian led literacy projects in 23 different countries.

Would you & your club like to help with the shipment of the next container?

Please bring a group of your club members, Interactors, Rotractors, friends and family members to help sort and palletize books on the following dates:

**April 9, May 7, and June 11,
(all these dates are 10 am – Noon);
July 16, August 20, Sep. 17, and Oct. 15
(all these dates are 9 am – 11 am);
Nov. 12 and Dec. 3
(these dates are back to 10 am – Noon)**

This is a non- air-conditioned/non-heated warehouse. Please dress appropriately. The times are adjusted to try to keep our volunteers as cool as possible. You are welcome to bring used books (of any type as long as they are in good condition) to donate to this project.

**Where?
116 Main St. Pasadena, TX
Park on Eagle St. or under Hwy 225
Be careful crossing the street and do not
leave valuables in your car. The September
and October dates will have difficult parking
because of youth football at Pasadena High
School.**

Questions? Terry Ziegler - bigzlumber@aol.com
or 713-825-1176

We always need more funding to purchase containers and to pay for shipping. Please consider asking your club to donate to this great project or to apply for a District Grant for it. See more at the project website
www.rotarybooksfortheworld.org.

In a nutshell, books (mainly out-of-adoption school books) are sent to a warehouse in Pasadena to be sorted and palletized so they can

be sent to various parts of the world to be given to students who have no books or only limited access to them. Interact, Rotaract, and Rotary volunteers gather together for 2 hours one Saturday each month to sort the books in the warehouse. Having done so, you've participated in a recognized international project and have helped to possibly change the life of a destitute child overseas.

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DISTRICT NEWS: GRANTS TIMETABLE

DISTRICT GRANT REPORTING

Reports are due April 1. If not in today your club is late in reporting and may be penalized.

The Grants Committee has **done away with Clubrunner for grants** and have two grant reports for you to choose from. Use the one that works best for you with your personal computer set up. One form is a pdf file which is the format that RI prefers and the other is a Microsoft Word Document. The goal is to make the reporting an easier process for all concerned.

Download the form of your choice and save it to your computer. When complete send **all** the information together. That means scan in all documentation- checks, invoices, photographs and attach to the grant form. Also be sure your budget is balanced; that means that your income matches the expenses. **Send only complete forms.** A special thanks to Glen Mattingly for making the blanks expandable! We all hope this makes the process easier for you.

No handwritten forms will be accepted. It must be typed

Remember the **Complete Final Report is due April 1, 2016.**

Barbara Emery
Rotary District 5910 Grants Chair
8609 Rosewood Drive
College Station, TX 77845-5553
Phone: 979-694-7698

[Reporting form in fillable .pdf format](#)
[Reporting form in Word](#)

TIMELINE

Due: **April 1, 2016** (Grants – Doris Lockey's Year)

Project report due with photos, receipts
invoices, copies of checks, and publicity.

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2016 Grant Applications

15 May 2016- Grant Requests for 2016-2017 due

Please link here to find the form to use to submit
a grant request for the 2016-17 year:

[Documents/en-ca/b21669c7-5f91-45cf-
b2a9-f5c4f8fda7a4/1](Documents/en-ca/b21669c7-5f91-45cf-b2a9-f5c4f8fda7a4/1)

For more information or answers to questions,
contact PDG Dave Johnson.

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DISTRICT NEWS: Aid for Flood Area

Aid Requested for Flood Victims

Once again we have Texans who have been greatly impacted by mother nature. The floods in the Orange County and Deweyville areas have left many homeless or with great personal loses. We have consulted both Shawn Sparrow and Linn Cardner regarding the immediate needs in these areas. Shawn is president of Rotary Club of Orange. Linn is a Rotarian and Executive Director of United Way of Orange County. Both recommend monetary donations be made to the Orange Salvation Army. Orange Salvation Army with assistance from Dallas Salvation Army is providing support for flood victims in both Orange County and Deweyville.

Donations may be sent directly to Orange Salvation Army, 1950 Martin Luther King Jr. Dr., Orange, Texas 77630.

If clubs or individuals prefer they may send donations to our District Foundation and specify "Orange County/Deweyville Floods". Mail your donation to:

Rotary District 5910 Charitable Foundation
985 IH-10 N., Suite 111
Beaumont, Texas 77706

Please feel free to contact District Governor
Doris Lockey or District 5910 Disaster Relief
Chair Hugh Summers.

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Insurance Q & As

Focus on Insurance

Every club has questions from time-to-time about insurance coverage for officers, special events, or usual activities. Ben Baty, District Insurance Chair will address a different question each month and provide the answer. If you have a specific question, contact Ben at:
benbaty11@gmail.com

Q: Ever bought a lamp or appliance from Wal Mart and it malfunctions, someone is electrocuted or it burns the house down. Who is legally liable? Of course, Wal Mart is because they are the vendor of the product. Ever have a ROTARY GARAGE SALE and the same thing happens. Someone is electrocuted or the product burns the house down. Who is legally liable?

A: THE ROTARY CLUB IS LEGALLY LIABLE because they are the vendor of the product. BUT, the Rotary Club has insurance under RI's General Liability policy.

Interact-Rotaract & Rotary TOGETHER!

Interact-Rotaract-Rotary to Mix It Up!



Interacts, Rotaracts, and Rotary Clubs will hold our Spring mixer on Thursday, April 14 from 6-8 p.m. at Orangefield High School. We will collect new or gently used socks for homeless men. We will assemble bags for them, write notes of encouragement, and decorate the bags. There will be a speaker from Lunchsacks of Love, and we will eat pizza and have soda and cookies provided by Bridge City-Orangefield Rotary. Join us!

Email Sally Andrews for more information at
sandrews@vidorisd.org.

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DISTRICT NEWS: Foundation Giving

Two Named as Bequest Society Members

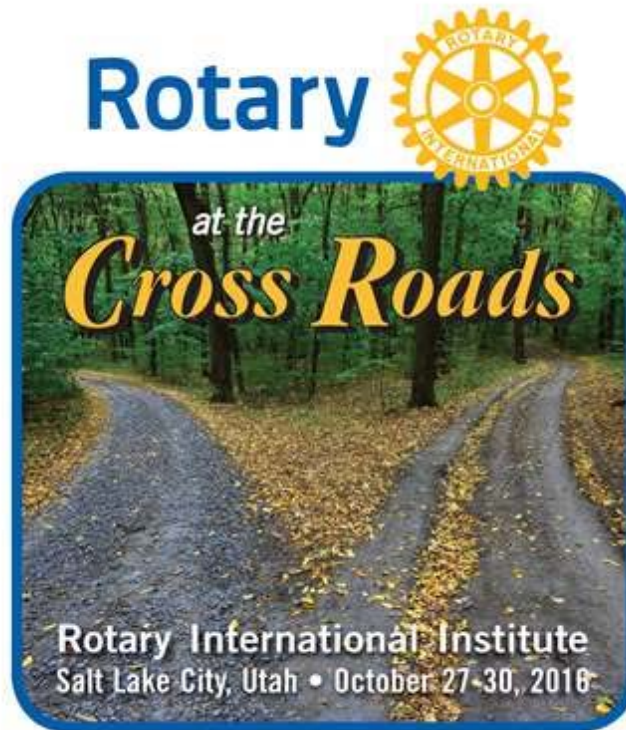


League City Rotarians Amy Killgore and Betsy Robinson receive their Bequest Society crystals from District Foundation Chair Roger McCabe.

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ZONE: Institute Invitation

Rotary Zone 21b-27 Institute



Join us for

2016 Rotary Zone 21b-27 Institute

October 27 - 30, 2016

Salt Lake City, Utah

<http://rizones21-27.org/zone-institute-2016/>

What is a Rotary Institute?

- It's like a mini international convention, filled with incredible speakers, fellowship, and invaluable training and inspiration.
- It's open to **any and all people** interested in engaging current Rotary values and efforts.
- Come and be inspired by a wide range of exceptional speakers and trainers from across the world.
- The House of Friendship highlights many of the service areas in which you can become involved.
- Get information directly from the Rotary leaders making a difference in our communities every day.
- Ask questions and express your views on the impact and direction of Rotary.
- And most importantly, your voice **WILL BE HEARD!** Reporting mechanisms in place at the Rotary Institute funnel your input directly to Rotary International. This is an incredible way to stamp your mark on our world efforts.
- If you are interested in receiving periodic email updates on the Institute, send a request with your name, your club, and your email address to bmasoncc@gmail.com.

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CLUB NEWS: Beaumont

International Women's Day: Celebrating Women in Rotary

Beaumont Rotary focused on acknowledging International Women's Day 2016 with a special meeting focused on celebrating Women in Rotary. The Club was fortunate enough to be able to host Anne Matthews, first woman to serve as Vice President of Rotary International, a director and a trustee of the Foundation. The article that follows was written by Kris Nordstrom-McBride after attending the event in Beaumont.

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"Anne Matthews: a Real Trailblazer in Rotary"

by Kris Nordstrom McBride. A Rotary Moment



We gathered in Beaumont to hear her speak. She came in honor of The International Day of Women, March 8. She was a trailblazer in Rotary, her name often preceded by the words "the first female to ...". We expected to hear of her accomplishments as a woman in Rotary.

But when she stepped to the podium, we were taken in a completely different direction.

"She" is Dr. Anne Matthews, a southern woman of great elegance and charisma and a member of the tiny Rotary Club of Columbia (S.C.) East, who became the first female vice president of Rotary International in 2013. She was also the first woman elected to serve as both a director of Rotary International and as trustee of The Rotary Foundation.

Matthews was raised on a tobacco farm in South Carolina, the youngest of 15 children. She was raised with five older brothers still in the home, as the only girl in the youngest sibling group. From an early age, her father instilled in her the belief that she could be and do anything, as long as she was willing to do the work needed to excel. Her husband passed away quite suddenly almost 20 years ago, at the young age of 53. Once she gathered her thoughts and began to settle into a new life without him, she knew she wanted and needed a change in direction. She had garnered many awards and career honors, and had always been a community volunteer, but with time on her hands and with no domestic obligations, she decided to devote the remainder of her life in service to Rotary and the world. She knew that doing the work of The Rotary Foundation was where she was meant to be.

From medical missions to Guinea to digging water wells in Nicaragua and polio immunizations in India, she has been there, on the front lines, in the trenches. She could have sat comfortably in a boardroom reading field reports or hosted dazzling fundraisers for The Foundation and left the hands-on work to the younger Rotarians, but she did not; she rolled up her sleeves, opened her pocketbook and signed on to travel the often dangerous roads of developing countries to experience firsthand the work of TRF.



Between trips abroad, Matthews speaks to Rotary Clubs across the nation.

"I am not here to talk about my accomplishments," she said. "I am here to talk about yours. Yours because when you donate to TRF, you are part of each medical mission, each vaccination campaign, each victory."

She gave us the statistics — 13 million people starve each year; 1 billion children go to bed hungry each evening; every 3 seconds, a child dies from malnutrition; 600,000 women die annually because of a lack of healthcare; 40 percent of the world's population has no access to clean water; 26 percent of adults in the world are illiterate.

But more than that, she brought the work of TRF to life for us. With her lilting South Carolina accent, the elegance of an experienced public speaker and the look in her eyes of someone who has seen both the best and the most painful that life has to offer, she was a powerful voice for the work of Rotary. Do not be a "resume Rotarian," she told us. "What a waste that would be."

Thank you, Dr. Matthews, for an insightful and unforgettable experience.

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CLUB NEWS: League City

League City Presents Informative Program

www.leaguecity.com/ActiveShooter



Your Actions Can Save Your Life PLAN NOW

Surviving an Active Shooter

These are challenging times in society. The threat of an active shooter in a populated place is on the minds of both the public and law enforcement. Active shooter situations are unpredictable and evolve quickly. Have you thought about what you and your family would do?

Current FBI Statistics

- Number of incidents are increasing
- The shooter could be anyone, there is no profile
- 70% of incidents occurred in educational or business environment
- Incidents occurred in 40 states
- Most involve a single shooter
- Incidents can occur anytime and anywhere to anyone



Location	Percentage
School	29%
Business	40%
Other	12%
Outdoors	19%

School **Business** **Other** **Outdoors**

 Saturday, April 30, 2016 from 9-11 a.m.
Johnnie Arolfo Civic Center Ballroom
Presented by League City Police Department
Sponsored by League City Rotary Club 

(Click on image to open full-size document.)

Have you thought about what you and your family would do in the event of an active shooter while you're out together? As a business owner, have you adopted procedures to safeguard your employees from an active shooter?

We have a FREE Citizen Response to Active Shooter Event training for you coming up on **Saturday, April 30 from 9-11 a.m.** Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/surviving-an-active-shooter-tickets-22123717635>

To read more about the event, visit <http://www.leaguecity.com/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=1724>

Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training (ALERTT)

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CLUB NEWS: College Station

College Station Presents Awards



For 25 years, the Rotary Club of College Station has honored the outstanding *Certified Nursing Assistants* from area nursing homes with the annual *Florence Nightingale Award*. Each honoree receives a cash award and a framed certificate. At the Rotary Club meeting on February 18, the honorees pictured below with Club President Bob Brick and Committee Chair Bill Magee were this year's recipients.

Cecilia Hruska – Crestview Nursing Facility
Helen Hanson – Generations
Janelle Luckie – Generations
Luis Hernandez - Isle at Watercrest
Tane Rodriguez - St. Joseph Manor

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CLUB NEWS: Lake Conroe

Lake Conroe Completes Linda Ricketts Literacy Garden

The RC of Lake Conroe has recently completed the Linda Ricketts Literacy Garden in Memory Park. The Garden is named for one of RCLC and District 5910's most beloved Rotarians, the late Linda Ricketts, long time Literacy Chair for both the club and the district.



The garden is a perfect place for children's classes to come and sit a spell and read. There is a Teacher/Leader's Chair and then benches at various heights. There are many many pavers that can be engraved, for the low cost of 150.00 per paver. Pavers can be purchased to honor Linda or for anyone with a love of reading!



The Lending Library Boxes are in, and they are so cool, thanks to the artistic talents of Rotarian Chuck Moore, who built them, and Rotarian Spouse Carol Berger, who painted them. Our garden location has now been registered with littlefreelibrary.org, so we will soon be "on the map" with thousands of other free lending libraries across the nation. From humble beginnings in 2009, Little Free Libraries has grown to more than 36,000 lending libraries as of January 2016. Texas has a goal of placing 1000 lending boxes throughout the state this year. For more on this wonderful organization, see their website at <https://littlefreelibrary.org>.

The Literacy Garden was partially funded by a 2015-16 D5910 Matching Grant and will be on the Memory Park Tour during the April District Conference.

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CLUB NEWS: Galveston

Galveston Recognized Literacy Month with Spelling Bee

"A picture is worth a thousand words" and these photos show the stress and the celebration of the students participating in the Rotary Club of Galveston's spelling bee.



photo credit: Jennifer Reynolds
Galveston County Daily News

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CLUB FUNDRAISER: Woodville

Woodville Golf Tourney



PRIZES GALORE including
NIKE GOLF BAGS *for each player on the 1st place team* (VALUE \$155 EACH BAG)
FUN FOR ALL • FREE LUNCH • and more

Limited to
18 TEAMS

Registration fee
\$300 PER TEAM

all proceeds go to the ROTARY CLUB OF WOODVILLE for the benefit of our community

DON'T DELAY, REGISTER EARLY contact Pete Parraz
email at a46chevy@yahoo.com or call 409.837.9936(home)

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ROTARACT NEWS: Lone Star College

Come Run/Walk for Polio!

Rotaract Club at Lone Star College is raising Polio Plus funds with a 5 K Run/Walk.



POLIO 5K FUN RUN/WALK

SATURDAY, APRIL 9TH

**\$15 For
Any Student
w/Valid ID**

**\$20 For
Non-Students**

Register at:
www.eventbrite.com
Search for "POLIO 5K"
and click the link

**T-Shirt
and
Color
Included**

All single ticket purchases are subject to the Ticket Operations fee based on the amount of tickets purchased.

We are "this close" to eradicating polio in the world!

**All proceeds go to the Polio Foundation.
Run for the cause!**

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INTERACT NEWS: Elkhart High School

INTERACT CLUB: Elkhart High

Congratulations and welcome

to the new

Elkhart High School Interact!



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INTERACT OFFICERS: Mark Your Calendars!



DATE FOR OFFICER TRAINING SLATED

Interact officer training will be held on Saturday, August 13 at Lone Star College at the Woodlands. This was a great day last year, so mark your calendars now!

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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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