



Upcoming Events

Club Bulletin Judging

TBD

Apr 01, 2017 – Apr 30, 2017

College of Governors Dinner

Ralph & Kacoo's

Apr 20, 2017 6:30 PM

2017 District Conference in Lufkin

Apr 21, 2017 – Apr 23, 2017

Short Term Orientation for Students /

Parents

Lone Star College - Montgomery

Apr 30, 2017

District 2016-17 Grant Final Report

Due

May 01, 2017

RYE Long Term Orientation for

Outbounds

Camp Allen

May 26, 2017 – May 28, 2017

District Grants 2017-18 Applications

Due

Jun 01, 2017

RYE Pre-RI Convention Meeting

Jun 07, 2017 – Jun 10, 2017

RI Convention

Jun 10, 2017 – Jun 14, 2017

District 5910 News

May 2017



Gig Langston

District Governor 2016-2017

Rotary District 5910

Stories

From the Governor

Rotary Friends:

As I was leaving the Governor's Gala last Saturday (4-22-17), my editor, Jacque Chapman, was at the door. I reminded her that I owed her a newsletter. She jokingly told me, "You still have a couple of days". I have been struggling with finding a theme for my next to last letter to 5910 Rotarians but today, I thought about being at the Texas City Hospitality Room later that night. You always enjoy a good adult beverage with the Texas City Rotarians. Their theme is, "tell me when". As I sat there looking around the room, all of us were enjoying each other's company with much laughter being heard. Next to me and Lou were our newest friends due to Rotary, Bill and Leslie Woulfin from Atlanta. Bill was President Germ's representative to our conference.

Bulletin Editor

Jacque Chapman

(If you have any comments or questions, please contact the editor)

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So how do Rotarians from diverse clubs in different cities become friends who look forward to seeing each other several times a year? We all attend District Conferences, Zone Institutes and Rotary International Conventions. I understand some non-club meetings can be expensive, but District 5910 educational meetings are not. The last Year-end Assembly had a registration fee of only \$10.00, and many clubs paid that fee, so cost is not an excuse for you not to be involved with Rotary on a District level. We are soon starting a new Rotary year. Make yourself a promise to attend DGE Rhonda Herrington's first meeting this fall. You will not only be representing your club, you will receive excellent Rotary training and foremost, you will be with Rotarians from all over our district and will enjoy their company.

Enough preaching! Please discover the friendships that are waiting for you at 5910 District meetings. Soon you will be hooked on Rotary beyond the club level. Your Rotary friends are waiting.

Yours in Rotary,

Gig

Gig Langston

District 5910 Governor 2016-2017

Earn Recognition

YOUR BANNER NEEDS ANOTHER PATCH!



RI discontinued Presidential Citation patches two years ago and will not produce in the future. Governor Gig Langston has commissioned the production of special patches for District 5910 for this year to reward your Club for outstanding achievement.

Don't miss out on receiving one!
**Complete Presidential Citation requirements
by 6-30-17!**

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District Grants

**APPLICATIONS FOR 2017-18 DISTRICT
GRANTS ARE DUE ON JUNE 1.**

**FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE
DISTRICT WEBSITE GRANTS PAGE:
[http://rotary5910.org/sitepage/district-
grants/related-page/](http://rotary5910.org/sitepage/district-grants/related-page/)**

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District Shirt Ordering

AG Becky Mason arranged for the addition of a 3/4 sleeve shirt for ladies so please make note of the new order form to order shirts with the Rotary District 5910 logo. Click on the image below to print the form in full resolution.

District 5910 Rotary shirts are available for order by any Rotarian to wear at any Rotary function. Those attending the 2017 International Convention in June are encouraged to order in the light blue color so those attending from District 5910 might find it easier to locate one another. Order additional shirts in the color of your choice. Orders of 6 or more shirts earn free shipping so gather orders from fellow Rotarians!

Rotary District 5910 Shirt Order Form



Shirts will have the new Rotary logo with "District 5910" embroidered on the front left. To purchase a shirt matching others in District 5910 at International Convention in June, order "light blue." If you wish to order a shirt in additional color(s), see the second page with options available.

Adult Sizes **\$24.99**

Short Sleeve Shirt: Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ X-Large _____

Color _____
Mens _____ or Ladies _____

Long Sleeve Shirt: Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ X-Large _____

Color _____
Mens _____ or Ladies _____

3/4 Sleeve Shirt Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ X-Large _____

Color _____
Ladies Only _____

\$26.99

2XL _____ 3XL _____

2XL _____ 3XL _____

2XL _____ 3XL _____

*Please indicate number of each size and add \$3.99 per shirt for Priority Shipping.
Shipping is free for 6 shirts or more.*

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Name _____

Address, including city and zip _____

Email Address _____

Phone _____

Make checks payable to:

CHALMERS
2002 Broadway St
Galveston, Texas, TX 77550

or contact Keith Bassett to pay by credit card or via Paypal.
Email: chalmerslogos@att.net or 409-457-5570

Click "Read more" to see the additional color options.

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Rotary Youth Exchange Activities

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April was a very busy – and fun - month for the RYE students. On the first weekend in April, our district's ten inbound students traveled to the Texas Hill Country for a 3-day stay at the Star M Ranch located near Harper, Texas. Students were accompanied by Glen and Carol Mattingly, Doris and Wally Lockey, Marcus and Nisa Gillespie, Hugh Summers, Ulli Budelmann and Birda Gaskin. It was a very special adventure for everyone, both students and Rotarians.

For many years Rotarians Chuck and Becky Mason have invited the RYE group to spend a weekend at the Star M Ranch, a property owned by his brother and sister. It is an amazing place. The main house, a large, rustic two-story home with large pool overlooks the beautiful hill country scenery. When the group arrived each student was presented a cowboy hat and red bandana, which really got the kids into the Texas spirit. They spent much of the first afternoon swimming in the pool and relaxing after the long drive. That evening, and on Saturday, the group went “off-roading” around the ranch in ORVs. The kids really enjoyed the rugged terrain and bumpy rides while sitting in the back of the ATVs. Saturday was especially fun as the ranch

foreman, Rolando, gave everyone a chance to ride horses and practice roping. (It's harder than it looks – even when the cow is made of metal and not moving. J) Doris and Wally Lockey were the camp cooks and did a great job of keeping everyone well fed with delicious food.



The third weekend in the month was the District conference and all of the inbound students attended – along with the nine students from our district that will begin their study abroad experience in August. Bringing the inbound students together with the outbound students helps encourage the outbound students - who are naturally a little apprehensive about leaving family and friends for almost a year. But, when they see how much fun the inbound students have had, and, most importantly, how close they have become, it gives them more than enough encouragement to start their journey. Each of the inbound

students spoke at the conference, conveying something of what this year has meant to them. They are all very grateful to Rotary for supporting them and making this experience possible. The conference is a wonderful experience for everyone; but it's also bittersweet, because it is the last time that all of the inbound students will be together as a group. It's hard on everyone, including the RYE counselors; but, to have the opportunity for everyone to meet one another and share in each other's lives for a year, and to grow so close, is deeply rewarding.



When school ends, most of the inbound students will elect to participate (at their own cost) in a two-week trip to either the eastern or western USA – one last adventure before going home.

Seeing these kids, who come from all around the world, become such good friends gives hope that the peoples of the world may someday come together and recognize and embrace our common humanity. That is the hope of all of those who work in the RYE program. These young people truly are our ambassadors of goodwill.

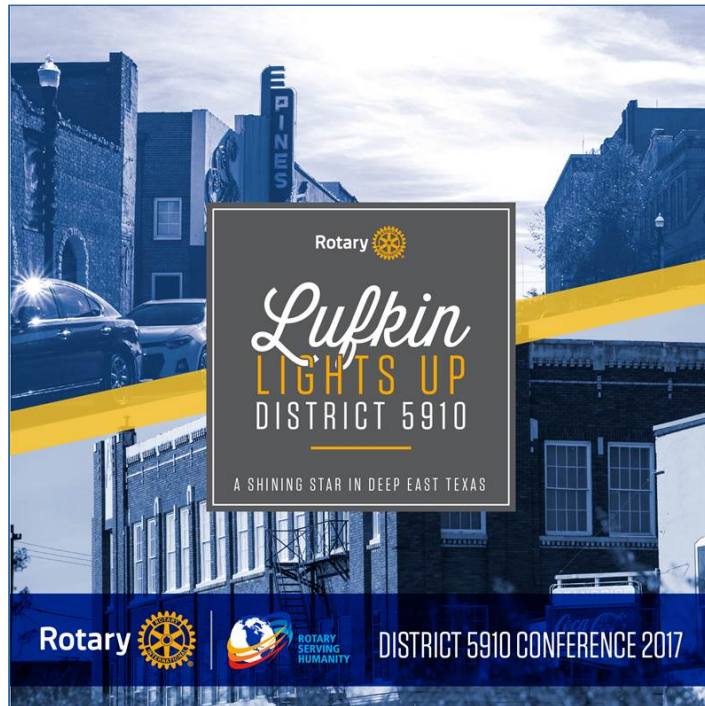


Inbound and outbound students at the District Conference in Lufkin

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2017 District Conference

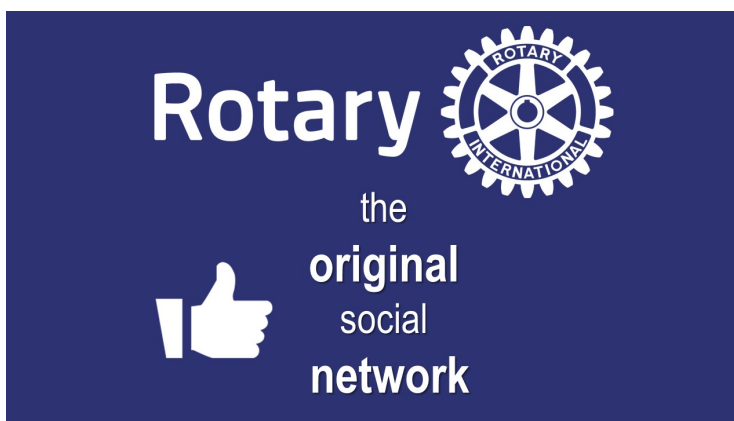
2017 Rotary District 5910 Conference
by Demetress Harrell – Membership Development



Membership Matters as demonstrated by the success of our recent District 5910 Conference.

This years 2017 Conference in Lufkin, Texas was a tremendous reflection of the exceptional membership of our 39 clubs. We were honored to celebrate the remarkable labor of our clubs with District Governor Gig Langston and the RI President's Representative Bill Woulfin. This work of Rotary begins with the commitment of leaders and the goodwill of their efforts to impact the community around them. We hope this conference allowed attendees to know "Why You'll Lufkin" each time you visit this amazing city of entertainment. From the impressive scramble of our golf tournament to the fiesta party downtown, we defined the essence of a city that is unselfishly devoted to visitors.

Conference attendees enjoyed the opening presentation, "Rotary: The Original Social Network" by Keynote Speaker, Kent Hutchison. Kent submitted a printed version of his entire talk for you to read and share. You can open the document by clicking on either of the the images below.



Lufkin Lights of Rotary and we hope you enjoy some of the conference photos as captured by photographer Tim Sudela, PE of the Beaumont Club! [Visit the 2017 District Conference page on the website.](#)

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Membership Matters

Congratulations Spindletop Rotary Club & President Karen Bobby Chapman
#MembershipMatters 23.26% member growth in District 5910 **#awesome** — with Bobby Chapman.



Recognition of Liberty Club

Did You Read About Our Liberty Club?

The Rotary Club of Liberty, Texas was featured in the World Roundup article in The Rotarian magazine, April 2017. (pgs. 14-15). A big round of applause for fellow Rotarians and the project that landed them this nod of approval from the magazine.

World Roundup

Rotary projects around the globe

2] UNITED STATES



Bells are a point of civic pride in Liberty, Texas, where dozens of concrete bells — sold by Rotarians — adorn residential lawns, businesses, and a park in the town of about 8,300 northeast of Houston. “It was the brainchild of one of Liberty’s members, Bill Brackin, who had the idea to use it as a fundraiser for two purposes: to go to PolioPlus and to rebuild the Liberty Bell Tower,” which houses a replica of the Philadelphia original, says Carol Skewes, a past president of the Rotary Club of Liberty who is now with the Rotary Club of Baytown, Texas. About 80 of the 300-pound, 3-foot-high bells have been sold for \$300 each, and, after expenses, \$6,000 has gone toward each of the two causes.

UPCOMING EVENT: Lake Conroe

Lake Conroe Expands Annual Event!

We invite you to join us for our annual
Los Compadres Golf Tournament
Dinner and Auction

Friday, May 5th, 2017

at
 La Torretta Golf Course

We will also be hosting our first ever

BUNCO HAPPY HOUR

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|  <p>Los Compadres Rotary Club of Lake Conroe Annual Golf Tournament Cinco De Mayo La Torretta Golf Course Friday, May 5, 2017</p> |  <p>Fajitas, margaritas, salt & lime Get ready to roll the dice... it's Bunco Fiesta time! Please join the Rotary Club of Lake Conroe in our first annual Bunco Happy Hour! *Hosted beer, wine, and lite bites. When: Friday May 5th 4:00 - 6:00 Where: La Torretta Lake Resort \$30 entry fee \$50 entry fee + fajita dinner *reservations will be accepted</p> |  <p>Los Compadres Rotary Club of Lake Conroe Annual Golf Tournament Cinco De Mayo La Torretta Golf Course Friday, May 5, 2017</p> |
| <p>GOLF : 1 p.m. Shotgun Start AUCTION: 6 p.m. Awards Dinner and Auction for more information vsewards@bluelakegolf.com Sponsorships Available Starting at just \$50.00</p> | <p>LADIES BUNCO HAPPY HOUR AT LOS COMPADRES We invite you to join us for our first ever BUNCO HAPPY HOUR in conjunction with our annual Los Compadres Golf Tournament and Auction Friday, May 5th, 2017 Come for BUNCO, Stay for the Dinner and the Auction!</p> | <p>FUN, FELLOWSHIP And FUNDRAISING All Afternoon and Evening! Come Join The Party! Contact Chair Victoria Edwards for more information vsewards@bluelakegolf.com</p> |

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FUNDRAISER: Texas City

Rotary Club of Texas City
42nd Annual Frances Levissee Golf
Tournament
May 25, 2017
Bayou Golf Course, Texas City

The Rotary Club of Texas City is proud to host the 42nd Annual Frances Levissee Memorial Golf Tournament on May 25, 2017. Proceeds from the golf tournament will go toward scholarships for Texas City High School students.

Like years past, the golf tournament at Bayou Golf Course in Texas City is sure to be a fun afternoon of golf, fellowship and networking. We encourage you and your company to consider being a part of this year's tournament. There are various sponsorship opportunities for your consideration. Tournament check-in will start at 11 a.m. followed by lunch at 11:30 a.m. and a shotgun start set for 12:30 p.m.

Registering for the tournament is simple and easy. Return registration form to Dawn Tholcken at atdewintexas@sbcglobal.net or simply go

to www.texascityrotary.org to pay online. Payment can be made by credit card or by checks made out to the Texas City Rotary Foundation. The Foundation is a 501 (c) 3 organization, making any donations tax deductible.

If you have any questions about the golf tournament, please feel free to contact the Golf Tournament Co-Chairs **Kirk Broiles** kbroiles@gmail.com or Ruth Rendon at rmrendon@marathonpetroleum.com. [Download the registration form by linking here.](#)

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CLUB NEWS: Nacogdoches

Nacogdoches: Keeping Texas Beautiful for 20+ Years!



April 8 was Texas Trash Off day, and committee chair, Milton Moorer had a multitude of help, including Rotaract and Interact students, community members, and fellow Rotarians.



Milton and the club treated all to breakfast after the service project. Rotary Club of Nacogdoches has picked up trash on Hwy 7 West for more than 20 years, and Milton has chaired the committee since we began! Highway 7 is one of the main state highways coming into our beautiful community!

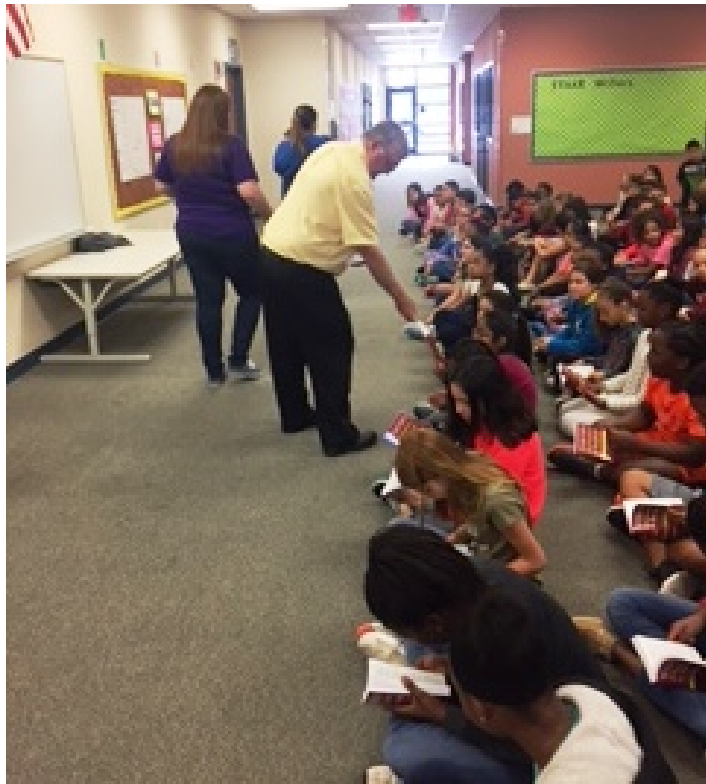
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CLUB NEWS: Dickinson

With assistance from a District 5910 grant, Dickinson Rotary put dictionaries in the hands of every 3rd grade student at Calder Road Elementary, Lobit Elementary, Bay Colony Elementary and Hughes Road Elementary. Before delivering the dictionaries, a book plate was put inside each dictionary containing the Rotary emblem. During the presentation of the dictionaries, the Rotary 4-Way Test was shared with students, and students used their dictionaries to find and discuss key words from the 4-Way Test. Students were also given a 4-Way Test bookmark. Students, teachers and administrators are very appreciative of the Rotary Dictionary Project.



Rotarians Amanda Flannery and Pat Bumpus discuss the 4-Way Test with students at Hughes Road Elementary.



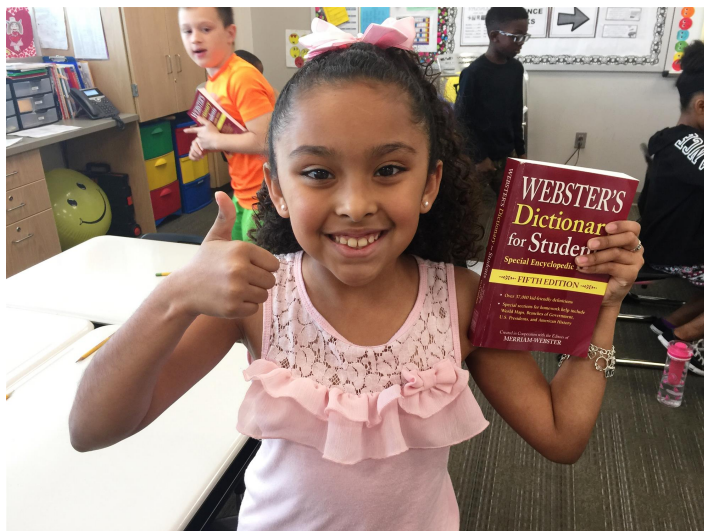
Rotarian, Bob Bragg, helped distribute dictionaries to students at Bay Colony Elementary



Happy students at Bay Colony Elementary



Rotarians, Pat Bumpus, Tim Gerdes and Jack Matkin, with students at Calder Road Elementary



A happy 3rd grader at Lobit Elementary

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CLUB NEWS: East Montgomery County

Rotary Club of East Montgomery County Celebrates 20th Years



The Rotary Club of East Montgomery County held its 20th Anniversary celebration on March 25th at the Texan Drive Stadium Community Room in New Caney. Approximately 100 guests attended this event including charter members, Governor Gig Langston and other district leadership, PRID Andy Smallwood, its sponsoring club (Rotary Club of Humble) and others from neighboring District 5890. Club representatives reported on the club 20th year history including its numerous educational, cultural and humanitarian projects. The highlight of the program came when club president Melcio Franco presented the three remaining charter members with a certificate from Congressman Kevin Brady denoting their honor, accomplishments and service recorded in the Congressional Record of the 115th Congress. These charter members are PDG Rose Austin, Mike Smith, and Barbara Knox.

Rotary Club of East Montgomery County Holds Spelling Bee



The Rotary Club of East Montgomery County held its annual Spelling Bee on March 30 at the EMCID Complex Building in New Caney. The Spelling Bee included 28 teams, the largest to date. Brenna King, Valeria Temple and Lisa Bender from White Oak Middle School spelled the winning word: onomatopoeia. This was the team's first participation in the Spelling Bee. The Bee raised approximately \$7,000. Proceeds fund scholarships.

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CLUB NEWS: Cleveland

Cleveland Police Need Our Support



Members of the Cleveland Rotary Club welcomed Chief Darrel Broussard of the Cleveland Police Department who praised the dedication of the Cleveland officers and the many support employees behind the scenes who work to keep everyone safe. There are many challenges, with all law enforcement “put under the microscope” by social media. Emphasis is on ways to identify those with drug or other special needs problems and separate them from the criminals who need arresting. Cleveland has more arrests than the other areas of Liberty County combined! There is a proposal for a Mental Health Officer for Liberty County to help free up time and resources of the police officers. Chief Broussard said that training remains the key, and the support of the community is necessary. Pictured are Rotary President Eisha Jones and Cleveland Police Chief Darrel Broussard.

Ernestine Belt Receives Rotary Honor



Cleveland Rotary member Ernestine Belt has received her third Paul Harris Fellow Award from Rotary club. The award is named in honor of the Rotary founder and recognized individuals who contribute, or who have contributions made in their name, of \$1,000 to the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International. Ernestine is a Past President of the Cleveland Rotary and is currently serving as Assistant Governor for District 5910 which includes East Montgomery/Lake Conroe/Cleveland/Dayton. Congratulating Ernestine on her honor are (left to right): Club President Eisha Jones, Rotarians Kenneth Riggs, Ernestine Belt, Larry Middleton, Tommie Daniel, Scott Lambert, and Amanda Brooks.

Club Inspired by Cleveland High School Graduate



Members of the Cleveland Rotary Club welcomed Neil Holmes, a 2004 graduate of Cleveland High School and a Professional Bull Rider on the PBR circuit who has traveled worldwide and competed successfully in many rodeos, including Houston. Mr. Holmes embraced opportunities, including joining the Cleveland ROTC and continuing his higher education, and encouraged everyone to pursue their passion in life. He has returned to Cleveland with a degree in Agronomy from Prairie View A&M University and opened Holmes Hometown Tires on East Houston Street. Pictured (left to right): Rotarians Scott Lambert, Charlie Rice, and Tommie Daniel; Rotary President Eisha Jones, Guest Speaker Neil Holmes, Rotarian and Cleveland ISD

Superintendent Darrell Myers, Rotarian and Tarkington
Superintendent Kevin Weldon, Rotarians Ernestine Belt and
Larry Middleton.

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CLUB NEWS: Dayton

ayton Rotary Club had a great update on their partnership program Early Act, First Knight (EAFK). On April 27, Richter Principal, Mrs. Lecia Eubanks and Assistant Principal, Mrs. Rebecca Wood presented to the Club. The two ladies started with showing pictures of the kick-off Jousting Ceremony that was held in January at the Anson Rigby Memorial Rodeo Arena. More pictures followed with the building of the medieval set that is used at their regular 'knighting and awards' ceremonies. The Richter staff along with Richter's PTO, came together over several Saturday team-building sessions to build the EAFK props. The Richter students have studied perseverance and honesty as their first two traits in daily powerful character education lessons, along with reciting the Rotary's 4-Way Tests daily. Two knighting ceremonies have also taken place with the third ceremony scheduled for the end of the month. They thanked the various Rotarians that have helped in the two programs and invited all of them to the May ceremony.

The Richter Administrators discussed not only the EAFK program, but the transition this year into a K-5 campus. Mrs. Eubanks praised the other two elementary campus principals Ms. Nelly Tinkle (SFA) and Mrs. Brandy Strolberg in this year's challenging but exciting transition year. Mrs. Eubanks explained that each elementary campus piloted a program that next year will be implemented on all three campuses. The EAFK program was piloted at Richter. At Stephen F. Austin Elementary, the 5th grade students will be going through an Etiquette program to teach students social and soft skills needed in today's world. Kimmie M. Brown Elementary held a very successful Father/Daughter Valentine Dance. Mrs. Wood also discussed that each campus had participated in a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) day. The students of all of the campuses loved the interactive and student-engaging lessons and activities. They concluded to the Rotarians "Dayton ISD is committed to educating the whole child, not just focusing on one singleton state test. We want all of our students to graduate with a well-rounded education."



Assistant Principal, Mrs. Rebecca Wood (left) and Principal, Lecia Eubanks (right)

CLUB NEWS: The Mainland

Rotary Club of the Mainland Renovates Girls Softball League Building with Help of District Grant



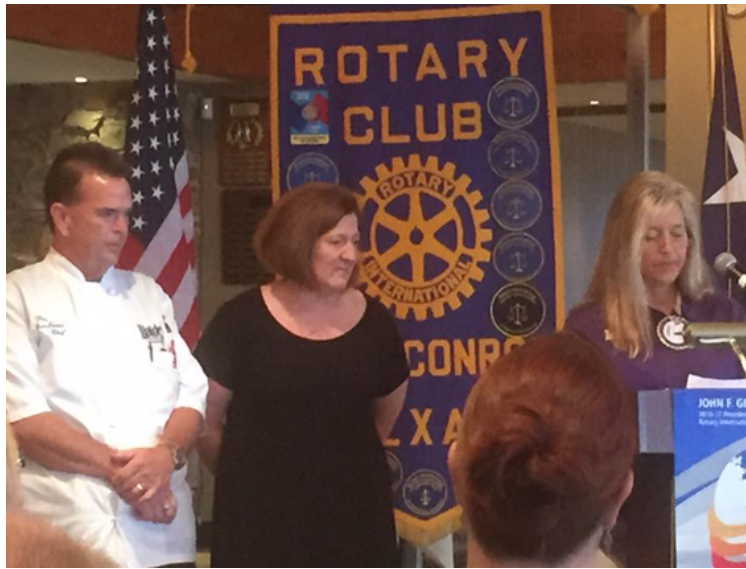
Over 20 years ago, the Rotary Club of the Mainland (then known as the Rotary Club of La Marque) got involved with the Santa Fe Girls Softball League by helping build the League's field house/utility building located at 12330 6th Street, Santa Fe, TX.

The Santa Fe Girls Softball League is a non-profit organization in Santa Fe, Texas. All girls ages 5-16 are welcome to play. The League offers a fall ball season and a spring ball season and serves over 700 girls each year. Fast forward to 2017, and the building had experienced wear and tear and needed a new roof, flooring, siding and other repairs. The League approached the club again for help. The Rotary Club of the Mainland applied for and was awarded a \$3,000 grant from Rotary District 5910 for the project, and put up \$3,000 of their own club's funds to cover all the costs. The project was started on Sept. 3, 2016, and it was completed on Dec. 26, 2016. An unexpected result of the renovation has been the sprucing up of the entire park where the softball fields are located. Motivated by how nice the building looks, parents and other volunteers have replaced fencing and are renewing other areas of the park.

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CLUB NEWS: Lake Conroe

Lake Conroe Makes Special Presentation



Chef Rick Adams was honored with the District's highest achievement: the District Roll of Fame. Rick Adams has served in all avenues of service in the RC Lake Conroe through his 10 years as a Rotarian. He has served as the New Generations officer and chair over the last 4+ years. He has had perfect attendance in 2016 /2017 year. He has helped with the District Conference in 2015 /2016 year. Rick Adams has served as a chair for New Generations over the last several years. He focuses on the Montgomery Interact Club. He has helped with several projects including: (1) Operation Prom where he promotes donations for deserving seniors to go to prom night that they otherwise would not be able to go. (2) Ronald MacDonald house. He coordinates the collection of aluminum can tabs all year long to donate to Ronald MacDonald House. (3) He heads up our Candy Roll project where last year both Willis and Montgomery High Interact clubs stuffed and wrapped over 10,000 candy rolls at Christmas for distribution to needy kids in Mexico. (4) large participation in the District Grant project, Clothing for Kids.

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CLUB NEWS: Friendswood

Friendswood Welcomes New Rotarian



The Rotary Club of Friendswood welcomes new member Judith Wiggins, pictured with David Smith, Meredith Levine, and President Elect Luis Briones.

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CLUB NEWS: Angelina

Angelina Rotary Club had a busy month of April



We completed our last HPV Immunization Clinic as part of our District Grant.



We inducted 2 new members. Welcome Rotarians Crystal Williams and Ashley Berry.



We held one of our club meetings at the Salvation Army Adult Day Center where we took a tour of the facility and learned what the Center offers our community.



We held a Club Assembly and made final plans for the District Conference. Club members worked together to assemble the bags conference attendees received at registration.

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ZONE: Institute

*What Exactly Is a **Rotary Zone Institute**?*



A Rotary Zone Institute is like a mini international convention, packed with incredible speakers, fellowship, invaluable training, and inspiration. And the next Institute is being held in Houston! It's open to **any and all people** interested in engaging current Rotary values and efforts.

Come to be inspired by a wide range of exceptional speakers and trainers from across the world.

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.

Take advantage of this opportunity to participate in an energizing event with fellow Rotarians from across Texas, New Mexico, Colorado, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Wyoming, Montana, and Utah.

If you would like to receive periodic emails with information about what's planned as well as a link for registration, email bmasoncc@gmail.com.

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Website Help

Posted by Brenda Walker on Nov 01, 2016



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