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District 5910 News July 2017

Rhonda Herrington

Rotary Club of Palestine
District Governor 2017-2018
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[Introduction of International President](#)



Ian H. S. Riseley Rotary International President 2017-18

Ian H.S. Riseley is a chartered accountant and principal of Ian Riseley and Co., a firm he established in 1976. Prior to starting his own firm, he worked in the audit and management consulting divisions of large accounting firms and corporations. His firm specializes in income tax and management advice for individuals and small businesses. He has a master's degree in taxation law and graduate diplomas in accounting and income tax.

Riseley has been a member of the boards of both a private and a public school, a member of the Community Advisory Group for the City of Sandringham, and involved in Sea Scouts and sporting groups, as well as honorary auditor or adviser for a number of charitable organizations.

Riseley's honors include the AusAID Peacebuilder Award from the Australian government in recognition of his work in East Timor, the Medal of the Order of Australia for services to the Australian

community, the Distinguished Service Award and the Regional Service Award for a Polio-Free World from The Rotary Foundation.

A Rotarian since 1978, Riseley has served as treasurer, director, Foundation trustee, and member and chair of numerous RI and Foundation committees.

He and his wife, Juliet, a past district governor, are Major Donors and Bequest Society members of The Rotary Foundation. They live on seven hectares at Moorooduc, where they practice their personal philosophy of sustainable and organic living. They have two children and four grandchildren.

Read more about President Ian Riseley [here](#).

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Meet the 5910 District Governor

Meet District 5910 Governor

On June 24, Rhonda Herrington was installed as the 2017-18 District 5910 Governor by PDG Hugh Summers and many members of her club in support.

District Governor Rhonda is a member of the Rotary Club of Palestine where she has served as president, director, and was the club's bulletin editor for ten consecutive years.

She served for eight years as District Chairperson of RYLA, for two years as District Youth Service Director, for three years as an Assistant District Governor, and was District 5910 Convention Co-chair in 2004. She is a Multiple Paul Harris Fellow, member of the Rotary Roll of Fame, and recipient of the Avenues of Service Recognition. Rhonda has been a Rotarian since 1998 with 18 years of perfect attendance. She has had the pleasure of hosting 5 Rotary Youth Exchange students in her home, from Thailand, Corsica, Germany, Brazil and Soviet Republic. Rhonda has also been involved with directing the Zone Tones for Zone 21b and 27.



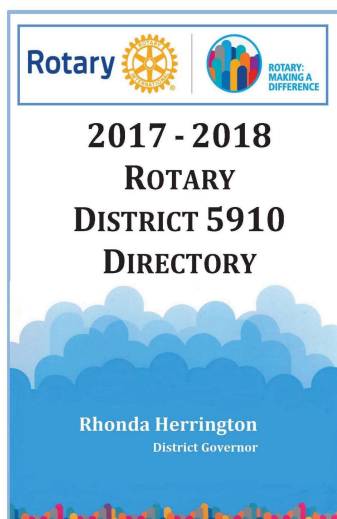
Professionally, Rhonda has been an educator for 35 years. She is District Director of Fine Arts for the Palestine Independent School District. She has been State President of Kindergarten Teachers of Texas and Chairperson of one of the standing committees of the Texas chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, an international organization of key women educators. In her free time she is the founder and director of the Anderson County Community Chorus and Orchestra; is music director at Grace United Methodist Church in Palestine; on the Board of Directors of the Palestine Public Library; President of Anderson County Meals on Wheels; on the Board of the ICEE (Institute where Creativity Empowers Education Success).

In 2013, she was named Volunteer of the Year by the Palestine Chamber of Commerce. She has 2 grown children and 5 grandchildren.

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District Directory Published



The 2017-18 District Directory is available online as a download for members only. You will be required to log-in to download or view a copy.

This directory is for club/district use only.

It is NOT for distribution to non-Rotarians,

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TORONTO Convention



District Governor Rhonda Herrington and PDG Brenda Walker found a royal Canadian mounted policeman and decided to register for the Toronto Convention 2018 immediately!

You can too; go to:



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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 in September! Register to attend now!

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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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".

Bunny Pratt | D5910 Public Image Chair | bunny@bcins.net | 979.571.9826

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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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CLUB NEWS: Friendswood

Friendswood Rotary welcomes Youth Exchange Students



Club President, Jerry Ericsson, and Vice President, Gary Kay, introduce Rotary Youth Exchange students Sebastian Bartlett of Friendswood and Simon De Preiumont of France.

Friendswood Officer Installation





Rotary Club of Friendswood held its Annual “Installation of Officers” Banquet. The 2017-2018 Club Officers and Committee Chairs are: President Luis Briones, President Elect Monir Moghaddam, Immediate Past President Jerry Ericsson, Vice President Sally Branson, Secretary Monir Moghaddam, Treasurer Gerry Stacy, Sergeant-at-Arms Charles Baumgardner, Club Administration Chair Linda Thomas, Service Projects Chair Jerry Ericsson, New Generations Chair Gary Kay, Public Relations Co-Chairs Carol Marcantel and Karen Capps, Membership Chair David Smith, Social Fellowship Leader Charisse Arning, Rotary Foundation Chair Charles Baumgardner, Reverse Draw Fundraising Co-Chairs Sally Branson and Trish Hanks, and Sporting Clay Shoot Fundraising Co-Chairs Brett Banfield and Allan Rasmussen.

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CLUB NEWS: Lake Conroe

LAKE CONROE GIVES SPECIAL AWARD

The Non-Rotarian of the year award is recognition given to a local citizen who is not a member of a Rotary Club, but has a Rotary heart. Rotary Club of Lake Conroe Non-Rotarian of the Year Award was presented to Terri Jagers by Gary and Janet Milleson.



Pictured from left to right are Janet and Gary Milleson, Rotary Club of Lake Conroe President Audrey Blevins, RCLC Non Rotarian of the Year Honoree Terri Jagers.

She is recognized for her work in organizing the efforts with government agencies, private sector groups and faith-based organizations supporting 2,000 children needing assistance in Montgomery County area. She has been named the top child advocate volunteer in the state. Terri began working for the Montgomery County Child Protective Services/Child Welfare Board in 2009, but her commitment to helping children in need goes back to 1985 when she became active in child welfare and foster care programs. Terri and her husband, Pat, have been foster parents to 25 children and formally adopted five children.

Paul Harris established the Rotary International in 1905 by combining fellowship and service. A quote by Paul Harris states, *"If you have the love of your fellow man in your heart, my friends, you are a potential Rotarian."*

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CLUB NEWS: Dayton



The Rotary Club of Dayton, Texas is involved in a service project involving the construction of 6 bus stops in the Dayton community.



Every bus stop has the names of the donor as well as a Rotary emblem.



Under the good leadership of our current president, Jessica Johnson, two bus stops are already completed with four more on the way.



We are proud to be Rotarians in Dayton where we are putting “service above self” and “making a difference” in the lives of the community! The new president, Garry Masterson will continue the good work with a great club in Dayton.

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CLUB NEWS: Hardin County

The Hardin County Rotary Club held the annual banquet in June and gathered a large group of Rotarians to present the group's first Interact award.



The Interact Award was presented to Bryce Coble, graduating senior of Lumberton High School who will be joining the U.S. Navy. He attended RYLA in January 2016, and was sponsored by the Hardin County Rotary Club. When he came to speak to the club about his RYLA experience, he and fellow attendee Michael Whitman were challenged to start up an Interact Club. They accepted the challenge and Bryce was elected as the Charter President of the Club. His leadership was the catalyst for the newly formed club's tremendous involvement right out of the gate. Through his leadership, they participated in such things as: Cleaning the football stadium, diaper drive for Caring Hearts (a non-profit), several area multi-club Interact projects (Christmas gifts for care-givers, etc.), Trunk or Treat, Village Creek Clean Up, developed their own Interact shirts, car wash fundraiser as well as supporting the Hardin County Rotary Club with its own projects of Readers From Rotary, Lumberton City wide Easter Egg hunt and golf tournament. Bryce had the highest percentage of attendance in all of these events and has set a strong course for the incoming leadership. He was awarded a check for \$250 for being the 2016-17 Outstanding LHS Interactor.

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CLUB NEWS: Liberty

Liberty Club Scholarship Project



The Rotary Club of Liberty held the 5th annual Wine Tasting on Thursday, June 22 at the Magnolia Ridge Country Club. Seven wines were served along with a delicious steak dinner. Fun was had by all and money raised will go to the Rotary Friends Inc. 2018 scholarship fund.

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CLUB NEWS: Port Neches-Groves

The Port Neches – Groves Baseball team recently earned recognition as State Champions, and were rated 12th in the nation of high school baseball teams. Head Coach Scott Carter was a visitor at the Port Neches – Groves Rotary Club on the same occasion as District Assistant Governor George Newsome was attending to install the Club's new officers.



George was pleased to have a photo of himself with the Championship trophy.

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CLUB NEWS: Orange



Orange Rotary Club members Daniel Moreaux and Clay Richards present The Four Way Test banner to Interact Club of LCM High School

The Orange Rotary Club will be planting trees as a service project. Plans are underway to partner with other organizations, and there are opportunities for including other nearby Rotary clubs. Contact incoming president Steve Aguillard for more information. The project is part of the Orange club's strategic planning process, which the Board has embraced to give focused direction.

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CLUB NEWS: Conroe





The Rotary Club of Conroe held its quarterly Blood Drive at Wiesner Automotive in Conroe. This blood drive was chaired by Rotarian Thomas Stewart who excels in extracting blood from unsuspecting Rotarians like Brita Tarver who is comptroller for Wiesner Automotive and Sarah Tillman (shown in orange dress) who is State Representative Will Metcalf's Administrative Assistant. The Rotary Club of Conroe challenges the Rotary Club of The Woodlands periodically to see which Club can supply more blood for the greater Houston area's blood needs. This need is especially large when you take into consideration that the world's largest Medical Center is housed in Houston!

The last noon meeting of the Rotary year for the Rotary Club of Conroe featured State Representative Will Metcalf talking about the achievements of the Texas Legislature. Rotarian Sarah Tillman who is the Administrative Assistant for Will is in the background operating the Power Point.



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Rotary Club of Conroe has held its meetings for several years at the First Baptist Church with this meeting being the last meeting to be held at the First Baptist Church. Officer installation was held on June 27 at the April Sound Country with retiring President Ron Saikowski handling the Gavel to incoming President Cecily Kelly. The Rotary Club of Conroe will be moving its meetings to the Conroe Chamber of Commerce in their large meeting room located three blocks away in historic downtown Conroe.

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CLUB NEWS: Dickinson

The Dickinson Rotary Club 2017-2018 Installation Dinner was held Wednesday, June 28 at Marais. President Jim Barry recognized officers, board members and club members for their service, and Past District Governor, Ann Bragg, installed new officers and board members. Dickinson Rotary is a great team committed to Making A Difference!



New Officers and Board Members:

Front - Carla Voelkel, President; Ann Bragg, Board Member (Foundation); Laura Koehler, Assistant Sergeant at Arms; Steve Casey, Sergeant at Arms

Back - David Parker, Board Member (Membership); Tim Gerdes, Board Member (Service Projects); Jim Barry, Past President, Jack Matkin, President-Elect, Glen Burton, Board Member; Tim Paulissen, Secretary/Treasurer; Tom Cassano, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

Not pictured - Wayne Miles, Vice President; Kim Rich, Board Member; David Paulissen, Board Member (Public Relations)



Past District Governor, Ann Bragg installing incoming President, Carla Voelkel.



President, Jim Barry, was presented a special plaque and given special thanks for his year of leadership by incoming President, Carla Voelkel.



President Jim Barry recognizing Laura Koehler.

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[Interact Leadership Training](http://rotary5910.org/bulletin/view/60e592bc-d06d-4eff-8a17-b28e689683f9/)

Interact Training is Awesome Experience

Plan Now to Attend on August 12



Just a reminder that officer training for Interact Club leaders will be on Saturday, August 12 at Lone Star College in Montgomery. Mark your calendars, because it's always great.

There are also sessions for sponsors!



More information will be coming soon.

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