

**THE OBJECT OF ROTARY**

THE OBJECT OF ROTARY IS TO ENCOURAGE AND FOSTER THE IDEAL OF SERVICE AS A BASIS OF WORTHY ENTERPRISE AND, IN PARTICULAR, TO ENCOURAGE AND FOSTER:

**FIRST.** THE DEVELOPMENT OF ACQUAINTANCE AS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR SERVICE;

**SECOND.** HIGH ETHICAL STANDARDS IN BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS, THE RECOGNITION OF WORTHINESS OF ALL USEFUL OCCUPATIONS, AND THE DIGNIFYING OF EACH ROTARIAN'S OCCUPATION AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE SOCIETY;

**THIRD.** THE APPLICATION OF THE IDEAL OF SERVICE IN EACH ROTARIAN'S PERSONAL, BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY LIFE.

**FOURTH.** THE ADVANCEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING, GOODWILL, AND PEACE THROUGH A WORLD FELLOWSHIP OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL PERSONS UNITED IN THE IDEAL OF SERVICE.

**THE FOUR-WAY TEST**

FOLLOWED BY ROTARIANS WORLDWIDE IN THEIR BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL LIVES, THE FOUR-WAY TEST WAS CREATED BY ROTARIAN HERBERT J. TAYLOR IN 1932. IT HAS SINCE BEEN TRANSLATED INTO MORE THAN 100 LANGUAGES AND IS USED BY ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS THROUGH THE WORLD.

OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY OR DO

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WELCOME TO THE FIRST DAY OF THE 2008-2009 ROTARY YEAR.

THIS YEAR IS CERTAIN TO BE FUN AND EXCITING AS WE WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE

DREAMS REAL! THANKS TO JEFF FOR HIS LEADERSHIP OVER THE PAST 2 YRS.

AS YOU ALL KNOW, MY HUSBAND KEVIN AND I RECENTLY HAD THE HONOR AND PLEASURE OF ATTENDING THE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION IN LA. ATTENDING THIS AWESOME CONVENTION ALLOWED ME TO BECOME MORE FAMILIAR WITH ALL OF THE WONDERFUL INITIATIVES THAT ROTARY IS INVOLVED IN AND COME BACK WITH A GREATER UNDERSTANDING OF OUR FOCUS AND DIRECTION FOR THIS UPCOMING YEAR. PLUS, IT REALLY PUMPED ME UP!! I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH YOU SOME OF WHAT INSPIRED ME.

WE JOINED MORE THAN 20,000 ROTARIANS AND SPOUSES, REPRESENTING 170 COUNTRIES AND LISTENED TO MESSAGES FROM WILF WILKINSEN, IMMEDIATE PAST ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT AND OUR NEW ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT, DK LEE. THEY SHARED PROFOUND INSIGHT INTO WHERE ROTARY HAS BEEN AND WHERE WE ARE GOING. THEIR VISION, AS OUR TOP ROTARY LEADERSHIP, IS SOMETHING I HOPE TO COMPEL YOU WITH AND EMULATE – IF ONLY IN SOME SMALL WAY HERE IN THE ROCK ISLAND ROTARY CLUB.

ARE YOU AWARE THAT YOU ARE

- ONE OF 1.2 MILLION ROTARIANS WORLDWIDE?
- A MEMBER OF ONE OF 33,000 ROTARY CLUBS?
- A MEMBER OF THE OLDEST CLUB IN OUR DISTRICT (DISTRICT 6420)?

PRETTY AMAZING, ISN'T IT? THERE IS SO MUCH GOING ON IN ROTARY, AND RIGHT HERE IN OUR CLUB, IT CAN BE OVERWHELMING! LET ME TRY AND VERBALIZE SOME OF IT TO YOU.

**THIS IS A YEAR OF MAKING DREAMS REAL.**

WHAT ARE YOUR DREAMS? I AM DREAMING OF A DAY WHEN POLIO IS ERADICATED FOR GOOD WORLDWIDE. I AM DREAMING OF MORE CHILDREN LIVING PAST THE AGE OF 5 BECAUSE OF CLEANER WATER AND MORE HYGENIC SURROUNDINGS.

LET'S DREAM TOGETHER.....

**POLIO ERADICATON**

IN NORTHERN NIGERIA, WHERE EACH HOUSEHOLD REPRESENTS A NEW CHALLENGE IN THE CAMPAIGN TO END POLIO, A TEAM OF ROTARIANS WALKS DOOR TO DOOR IN SEARCH OF CHILDREN AT RISK. ONCE THESE CHILDREN ARE LOCATED, THE TEAM MEMBERS MUST PERSUADE THE RELATIVES TO ALLOW IMMUNIZATION. IT'S NO EASY TASK. YET CONSIDER THAT WHEN ROTARY STARTED ITS POLIO ERADICATION CAMPAIGN, 125 COUNTRIES HAD POLIO. TODAY, THERE ARE JUST FOUR. AND NIGERIA IS NOT GIVING UP THE FIGHT.

THE POLIO PLUS PROGRAM PROVIDES FUNDING FOR VACCINE AND TRANSPORTATION FOR MASS IMMUNIZATION CAMPAIGNS AS WELL AS SUPPORT FOR SOCIAL MOBILIZATION, SURVEILLANCE AND LABORATORIES TO HELP CARRY OUT THE FINAL STAGES OF GLOBAL POLIO ERADICATION. ROTARIANS HAVE RAISED FUNDS THAT WILL AMOUNT TO MORE THAN \$650 MILLION IN SUPPORT AND PROVIDED HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF VOLUNTEER HOURS. ROTARY IS A SPEARHEADING PARTNER WITH THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION, UNICEF, AND US CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL IN AN INITIATIVE TO ERADICATE POLIO WORLDWIDE. AS A RESULT OF THEIR EFFORTS, TWO BILLION CHILDREN UNDER AGE FIVE HAVE RECEIVED POLIO VACCINE, FIVE MILLION PEOPLE WHO MIGHT OTHERWISE BE PARALYZED ARE WALKING TODAY, 500,000 NEW CASES OF POLIO ARE PREVENTED EACH YEAR, AND THE NUMBER OF POLIO CASES HAS DECLINED BY 99 PERCENT WORLDWIDE.

**\$100 MILLION CHALLENGE GRANT**

THE BILL & MELINDA GATES FOUNDATION HAS AWARDED THE ROTARY FOUNDATION A \$100 MILLION GRANT, WHICH ROTARY WILL MATCH, DOLLAR-FOR-DOLLAR, OVER THREE

YEARS. IT IS THE LARGEST GRANT EVER GIVEN TO A VOLUNTEER SERVICE ORGANIZATION AND REPRESENTS A TREMENDOUS VALIDATION OF THE APPROACH AND SUCCESS OF OUR POLIO PLUS PROGRAM.

THE INITIAL \$100 MILLION WILL BE DISTRIBUTED BY THE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION THROUGH GRANTS TO THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION AND UNICEF IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF POLIO IMMUNIZATION ACTIVITIES IN 2008. WE WERE TOLD AT CONVENTION THAT \$40 HAS ALREADY BEEN DISBURSED.

### **WHY IS MORE FUNDING FOR POLIO ERADICATION REQUIRED?**

AT A FEBRUARY 2007 MEETING OF ALL POLIO ERADICATION STAKEHOLDERS, THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION NOTED THAT AN URGENT INJECTION OF ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR POLIO ERADICATION ACTIVITIES WAS REQUIRED TO REACH THE ERADICATION GOAL. OVER THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS, POLIO ERADICATION EFFORTS HAVE INTENSIFIED BY INCREASING THE NUMBER OF SUPPLEMENTARY IMMUNIZATION ACTIVITIES IN THE POLIO-ENDEMIC, HIGH-RISK, AND IMPORTATION COUNTRIES. INDIA, FOR EXAMPLE, IS CONDUCTING IMMUNIZATION ACTIVITIES ALMOST MONTHLY IN SOME AREAS AND REACHING TENS OF MILLIONS OF CHILDREN DURING EACH ACTIVITY. THIS INCREASED EFFORT REQUIRES ADDITIONAL RESOURCES.

### **WHAT ARE WE BEING ASKED TO DO?**

ROTARY CLUB AND ROTARIAN PARTICIPATION IN THIS EFFORT IS CRUCIAL TO MAKING IT A SUCCESS. EACH CLUB IS BEING CHALLENGED TO ORGANIZE A PUBLIC FUNDRAISING EVENT TO RAISE A MINIMUM OF \$1,000 ANNUALLY FOR THE NEXT THREE YEARS. INDIVIDUAL ROTARIANS ARE ALSO INVITED TO PERSONALLY TAKE PART IN THE

CHALLENGE, WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON NEW CLUBS AND MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT YET HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN POLIO PLUS, ROTARY'S PRIORITY PROGRAM. <EXPLAIN THE ROTARY NIGHT AT THE BALLPARK, AUG. 12TH>

### **CHILDHOOD MORTALITY**

IN PLANNING FOR OUR NEW CLUB YEAR, RI PRESIDENT DK LEE ASKS US TO CONSIDER THE MILLIONS OF CHILDREN WHO NEVER EVEN HAVE THE CHANCE TO DREAM. EVERY DAY, MORE THAN 26,000 CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF FIVE DIE FROM PREVENTABLE CAUSES. AS APPALLING AS THAT NUMBER IS, IT IS A DECREASE FROM THE FIGURE OF 30,000 WHICH BROUGHT THIS MATTER OF GRAVE CONCERN TO DK LEE AND ALL OF US AS ROTARIANS. UNICEF'S *STATE OF THE WORLD'S CHILDREN 2008* REPORT STATES THAT "BY 2006, THE MOST RECENT YEAR FOR WHICH FIRM ESTIMATES ARE AVAILABLE, THE ANNUAL NUMBER OF CHILD DEATHS GLOBALLY FELL BELOW 10 MILLION, TO 9.7 MILLION, FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE RECORDS BEGAN." WE GUESS THAT SOME OF THE IMPROVEMENT IN CHILD SURVIVAL RATES CAN BE DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTED TO ROTARY PROJECTS THAT HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY ADDRESSING PROBLEMS RELATED TO HEALTH, HUNGER, AND LITERACY FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF 1.2 MILLIONS ROTARIANS FOCUSED THEIR SERVICE EFFORTS ON KEEPING EVEN MORE CHILDREN ALIVE?

UNICEF ESTIMATES THAT FULLY TWO-THIRDS OF THE 9.7 MILLION DEATHS IN 2006 WERE PREVENTABLE. WITH ROTARIANS WORKING TO PROVIDE VACCINES, ORAL REHYDRATION THERAPIES, ACCESSIBLE HEALTHY CARE FOR MOTHERS AND NEWBORNS, AND OTHER RELATIVELY SIMPLE INTERVENTIONS, MORE BABIES WILL NOT ONLY SURVIVE BUT GO ON TO LIVE HEALTHY, PRODUCTIVE LIVES.

## **OTHER INITIATIVES AND PROGRAMS WE ARE EXCITED TO CONTINUE**

**ROTARY FOUNDATION** (goal for the year is \$8000)

### **EVERY ROTARIAN, EVERY YEAR**

THERE ARE THOUSANDS OF CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS WORKING THROUGHOUT THE WORLD THAT MAKE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THOSE IN NEED. BUT THE ROTARY FOUNDATION IS THE ONLY CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION FUNDED BY CONTRIBUTIONS FROM ROTARIANS, FOR PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS IDENTIFIED BY ROTARIANS, AND ADMINISTRED BY ROTARIANS AT THE PROJECT SITE.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION IS **YOU** – EVERY ROTARIAN, EVERY YEAR.

AS A FELLOW ROTARIAN FROM INDIA SAYS, “INTEGRITY IN MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS AND PROVIDING HOPE TO MILLIONS AROUND THE WORLD MAKES GIVING TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION A PLEASURE AND A PRIVILAGE. ONCE YOU BEGIN GIVING, YOU ALWAYS DESIRE TO GIVE MORE. EVERY ROTARIAN, EVERY YEAR IS A COMMITMENT FOR LIFE.” YOUR INVESTMENT IN OUR ROTARY FOUNDATION BRINGS HELP AND HOPE TO THOSE WHO NEED IT MOST AROUND THE WORLD. THE ROTARY FOUNDATION’S GOOD WORKS ARE ONLY LIMITED BY OUR IMAGINATION, ACTIONS, AND CONTRIBUTIONS.

PLEASE JOIN ME IN GIVING YOUR ANNUAL GIFT TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION!

THERE ARE 3 BASIC FUNDS TO CHOOSE FROM WHICH INCLUDE:

- SHARED FUNDS (AFTER 3 YEARS IT COMES BACK)
  - USED FOR: AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS, DISTRICT SIMPLIFIED GRANTS, WORLD PEACE SCHOLARSHIPS, SPECIAL DISASTER DONATIONS, UNIVERSITY TEACHER GRANTS AND POLIO PLUS
- RESTRICTED GIVING
  - CAN GO TO POLIO PLUS (QUALIFIES FOR PAUL HARRIS CREDIT) OR DONOR ADVISED FUNDS (SUCH AS KATRINA AND TSUNAMI RELIEF)
- PERMANENT FUND
  - BENEFACTOR – AN OUTRIGHT GIFT OF \$1,000 OR MORE. ALSO CAN BE IN A WILL OR ESTATE PLAN.

- BEQUEST SOCIETY – ESTATE PLAN GIFT OF \$10,000 OR MORE
- NAMED FUND – GIFT OF \$25,000 OR MORE
- ALL FUNDS DONATED TO THE PERMANENT FUND ARE NEVER SPENT. INTEREST CAN BE DESIGNATED FOR ANNUAL GIVING OR RESTRICTED GIVING.

IF YOU HAVEN'T YET, I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO BECOME A PAUL HARRIS FELLOW. PAUL HARRIS FELLOWSHIP RECOGNITION IS GIVEN IN APPRECIATION TO ANYONE WHO CONTRIBUTES, OUTRIGHT OR CUMULATIVELY-OR IN WHOSE NAME IS CONTRIBUTED-A GIFT OF \$1,000 OR MORE TO THE ANNUAL PROGRAMS FUND. THE RECOGNITION CONSISTS OF A CERTIFICATE, PIN AND MEDALLION PROVIDED TO YOU AT A SPECIAL PRESENTATION DURING A CLUB MEETING. CURRENTLY, OUR CLUB BOASTS MORE THAN 250 PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS.

BETTER YET, CONSIDER JOINING THE PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY, A SPECIAL DISTRICT RECOGNITION PROGRAM DESIGNED FOR ROTARIANS WHO WISH TO SUPPORT THE ROTARY FOUNDATION IN A MORE SUBSTANTIAL WAY EACH YEAR. CURRENTLY IN OUR CLUB, WE HAVE 3 PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY MEMBERS. BUD PHILLIS, FRED LUCKENBILL AND RUTH LEE HAVE MADE A COMMITMENT TO CONTRIBUTE \$1,000 OR MORE A YEAR TO THE ANNUAL PROGRAMS FUND, POLIO PLUS, OR OTHER PROGRAMS THEY MAY CHOOSE TO SUPPORT.

### **YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM**

THIS ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM SUPPORTS CLUBS AND DISTRICTS TO SEND AND HOST STUDENTS AGES 15-19 WHO TRAVEL ABROAD FOR CULTURAL EXCHANGES OF ONE WEEK TO A FULL YEAR. THE GOALS OF RYE ARA:

- DEMONSTRATE ROTARY'S RESPECT AND CONCERN FOR YOUTH;
- TO PROMOTE WORLD PEACE AND CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING;
- ENCOURAGE LEADERSHIP, CULTURAL AND LANGUAGE SKILLS.

### **ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE STATISTICS**

MORE THAN 9,000 STUDENT EXCHANGE GLOBALLY EACH YEAR.

96% OF STUDENTS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE THEIR ENCHANGES EACH YEAR.

95% OF ALL ROTARY DISTRICTS PARTICIPATE IN THE ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM.

92 COUNTRIES AROUND THE WORLD HAVE DISTRICT CHAIRS TO SUPPORT YOUTH EXCHANGE.

- LOVES PARK FALL ORIENTATION/TRAINING FOR YEO'S AND NEW INBOUNDS (AUGUST)

### **AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLAR PROGRAM**

THIS INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM FOR UNIVERSITY-LEVEL STUDIES SENDS ABOUT 800 STUDENTS EACH YEAR TO SERVE AS AMBASSADORS OF GOODWILL WHILE ABROAD. AS OF SUNDAY EVENING, OUR CLUB HAS AGREED TO SPONSOR AN APPLICANT WHO HAS THE DESIRE TO BE THE AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLAR CHOSEN BY OUR DISTRICT. ONCE WE RECEIVE HER APPLICATION AND DATA, WE WILL SHARE THAT WITH THE CLUB.

### **INTERACT**

AREA ROTARY CLUBS ORGANIZE AND SPONSOR THIS SERVICE ORGANIZATION FOR YOUTH AGES 14-18. MORE THAN 10,900 CLUBS IN 121 COUNTRIES PARTICIPATE. OUR CLUB CURRENTLY SPONSORS ONE INTERACT GROUP AT ROCK ISLAND HIGH SCHOOL, WITH THE HOPE OF BROADENING OUR REACH AND INCLUDING OTHERS IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

### **RYLA**

ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS (RYLA) IS AN INTESIVE TRAINING PROGRAM FOR YOUNG PEOPLE. TALENTED HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH ATTEND A WEEKEND CAMP OF SEMINARS ORGANIZED BY OUR DISTRICT AND HELD IN EARLY MAY.

THE RYLA PROGRAM ENABLES YOUNG PEOPLE TO DEBATE ISSUES OF PROFESSIONAL

RESPONSIBILITY AND HUMAN RELATIONS, IMPROVE LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNICATION SKILLS, AND MEET ROTARIANS WHILE HAVING FUN AND MAKING FRIENDS. FOR YOUNG ADULTS, RYLA PROVIDES THE OPPORTUNITY TO REFINE SKILLS AND EXPLORE PERTINENT TOPICS WITH THEIR PEERS AND ELDERS. FOR ROTARIANS, RYLA OFFERS THE CHANCE TO HELP DEVELOP LEADERS, SHARE VALUABLE EXPERTISE, AND BRIDGE THE GAP BETWEEN GENERATIONS.

**GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE PROGRAM**

IS A SHORT-TERM CULTURAL AND VOCATIONAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM BETWEEN

DISTRICTS IN DIFFERENT COUNTRIES FOR NON-ROTARIAN PROFESSIONALS AGES 25-40.

OUR DISTRICT LEADER AND CHOSEN GSE MEMBERS WILL BE GOING TO BRAZIL THIS

COMING YEAR AND WILL BE SELETED IN AUGUST.

**LOCAL SERVICE PROJECTS**

YOUTH BUILD, LITERACY AND METRO YOUTH

**FUNDRAISING INITIATIVES**

A NEW APPROACH TO LOOK AT WHAT EVENTS WE CAN FOCUS ON AND THAT REALLY

MAKE THE BIGGEST IMPACT. THIS INITIATIVE IS BEING CHAIRED BY AMY SENH

**BUDGET PRIORITIES**

MAKING SURE WE ARE BEING FAIR AND EQUITABLE TO THE COMMUNITY PARTNERS WE

CHOOSE TO FINANCIALLY SUPPORT. CARL CREGER, CHAIR.

**HOW DO WE ACCOMPLISH ALL THERE IS TO DO?**

**WE MUST ENCOURAGE AND PROMOTE ROTARY AND BUILD OUR MEMBERSHIP!**

OUR NEW RI PRESIDENT HAS SET SOME VERY AGGRESSIVE GOALS THIS YEAR. WITH

INPUT FROM THE DISTRICT GOVORNERS THOSE GOALS INCLUDE AMBITIOUS PLANS TO

INCREASE MEMBERSHIP BY 10% (TO 1.3 MILLION ROTARY MEMBERS.) THE MORE

ROTARIANS THERE ARE, THE MORE WORK CAN BE DONE.

OUR CLUB'S GOAL WOULD BE TO ADD 9-10 NEW MEMBERS, WHILE RETAINING CURRENT MEMBERSHIP. SOUNDS DO-ABLE TO ME.

THINK BACK. WHY DID YOU CHOOSE TO JOIN ROTARY? WAS IT BECAUSE SOMEONE ASKED YOU? WHO CAN YOU INVITE TO JOIN US? WE ALL KNOW PEOPLE WHO CAN ANSWER THE 4 QUESTIONS POSITIVELY. WHO DO YOU KNOW? OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY OR DO

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WHAT STEPS CAN WE TAKE-STARTING TODAY?

- MAKE THE CLUB VISIBLE, RELEVANT AND ATTRACTIVE TO THE COMMUNITY
- CREATE A FRIENDLY, FUN ATMOSPHERE
- CONSIDER THE OBVIOUS IN RECRUITMENT TECHNIQUES & SOURCES
- EXTEND OUR MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN BY PROACTIVELY SEEKING MEMBERS BEYOND THE "CIRCLE OF ACQUAINTANCE" OF CLUB MEMBERS
- STREAMLINE PROCESSES
- EXTEND AN INVITATION TO JOIN!!
- BE PREPARED, HAVE THE TOOLS OF THE TRADE READY

LET'S CONCENTRATE ON RETENTION

- MEMBER RETENTION BEGINS WITH RECRUITMENT AND CONTINUES THROUGH ORIENTATION AND THE INDUCTION, THE MENTOR FOLLOW-UP PROGRAM, AND THE FLOW OF INFORMATION THAT DEVELOPS AN UNDERSTANDING AND ENTHUSIASTIC PARTICIPANT IN ROTARY ACTIVITIES – LIKE FAMILY OF ROTARY ACTIVITIES, YOUTH EXCHANGE, FUNDRAISING EVENTS, ONE OF OUR SERVICE PROJECTS OR COMMUNITY ACTION ACTIVITIES. WE ARE EVEN CONSIDERING PARTNERING WITH OTHER QUAD CITY CLUBS TO BUILD A HABITAT HOUSE, NOW THAT SOUNDS LIKE A TRUE "HANDS ON" OPPORTUNITY!

ATTEND DISTRICT LEVEL MEETING AND CONFERENCES THAT WILL BROADEN YOUR

UNDERSTANDING OF - AND COMMITMENT TO - ROTARY.

- KEEP YOUR MEMBERS BY IMPROVING YOUR CLUB PROGRAMS

I AM EXCITED ABOUT ALL THE POSSIBILITIES OF THIS COMING YEAR. AS YOUR CLUB PRESIDENT, WHEN FACED WITH OPTIONS, IDEAS AND CHALLENGES, YOU WILL CONTINUALLY HEAR ME ASK THE QUESTION “WHAT IS THE BEST THING FOR OUR CLUB?” IT IS TRUE THAT CONSISTENCY, CONTINUITY AND CHALLENGE ALL LIVE SIDE BY SIDE WHEN COMMUNICATION IS OPEN.

I AM COUNTING ON ALL OF YOU TO GET INVOLVED, HELP US MEET OUR GOALS AND ENTHUSIASTICALLY JOIN ME IN A GREAT YEAR IN ROTARY.

TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE DREAMS REAL BY GIVING ALL CHILDREN THE CHANCE TO GROW UP AND HAVE DREAMS OF THEIR OWN. THANK YOU.