

# YOUR 10 BEST

A new and regular feature of the DHT will be YOUR TEN BEST, and we encourage you to be a part of it. Essentially, it is a Top 10 list – in no particular order – that is relevant to you and your community.

Today, Rotary District Governor Kevin Hilgers, pictured with spouse Janice Macneice, looks at his 10 Best Rotary recollections with positive impact on the local community.



**KEVIN HILGERS**

•Submit YOUR 10 BEST to [frinne@bowesnet.com](mailto:frinne@bowesnet.com), photos optional but welcome, and be eligible for some great prizes from the DHT •



**GREENATHON**

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The annual Greenathon not only keeps our city clean, it provides an opportunity for young people to participate and consider what it takes to keep a community beautiful.

**YOUTH SHELTER**



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Youth shelter Sunrise House was in part founded and supported by Rotarians.



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**FOOD DRIVE**

The Foodbank Drive is an annual event that replenishes the shelves for those who need it. A huge undertaking in the capable hands of the three Rotary Clubs, Rotaract and Interact Clubs.



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**ROTARY HOUSE**

Rotary House is a homeless shelter that was launched with a half-million dollars in Rotary funding. The facility was a Rotary Centennial project and funded by the three local Rotary Clubs and Rotaract Club.



**YOUTH EXCHANGE**

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The Rotary Youth Exchange program is world famous. Every year, three local youths spend a year abroad, and the clubs host three inbound students. Some say if every youth was an exchange student there would be no wars.



**COMMUNITY LOTTERIES**

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Four major lotteries in the community allow the Clubs to continue their good work locally and around the world. This includes the Cash and Camping and Cars for Christmas Lotteries, the Sunrise Car Lottery and the Dream Home lottery.



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**HANDS-ON PROJECTS**

"Hands on projects" like building the Muskoseepi Park Playground or putting in fences at PARDS keep Rotarians involved.



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**FIGHTING POLIO**

The Polio Plus campaign is "This Close" to eradicating polio from the world – forever. Rotarians fundraiser for this and hope to achieve their goal soon.



**VEHICLES TO MAZATLAN**

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Vehicles to Mazatlan is a program where Rotarians find older emergency vehicles or school buses, drive them to the Mazatlan area – and donate them to Rotarians in that area that ensure they go to local community groups. To this day there are almost 40 well-maintained and appreciated vehicles there at schools, zoos, day cares and more.



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**LEADERSHIP**

Developing community leaders. Rotary has many objectives including enhancing leadership skills. It's fun to watch new members learn from others, grow and become stronger members of the community.



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