Three Members Recognized for their Completion of the Club's Mentorship Program

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Three members, Martha Kennedy, Peter Mackenzie and Russ Grodzuik of the Rotary Club of Kelowna Sunrise, who had been inducted into the club during the current Rotary year completed an eight week mentorship program. In recognition of their successful completion of the program, Bill Reynolds and Steve Goddard presented the three members with *Sunrise Mentorship Program* certificates which declared that this certificate is being presented to you in "......honour and appreciation for completing the Sunrise Rotary Mentorship Program, to help you begin your exciting journey in Rotary."



The mentors for the three members included Linda Frandsen who paired with Martha Kennedy, Bill Reynolds who mentored Russ Grodzuik, and Graham Bell who provided guidance and support for Peter Mackenzie, are congratulated for their commitment and efforts to enable these three new Rotarians to experience a positive beginning with a service club that will impact them for the rest of their lives.



The Mentoring Program involves the assignment of a mentor from the membership who meets the required criteria to serve as a role model, coach, and confidante offering support, knowledge, insight, perspective and wisdom useful to a new member of the club for a period eight weeks after the new member has been inducted.

The program is instrumental in enabling new members to gain a thorough understanding of Rotary International and the Rotary Club of Kelowna Sunrise, and of how they can become an integral member to enjoy all of the benefits of Rotary and to contribute actively in serving the community and the world through Rotary.

New members who understand Rotary and its principles, recognize the value of Rotary in the community and the world, and have the opportunity to become immediately involved in several different aspects of Rotary will soon recognize the value of participation in Rotary, become connected with their fellow Rotarians, develop new friendships, and experience a 'sense of belonging' in the organization. Eventually, a new member who enjoys these experiences will become totally immersed in the work of the club and RI and become committed to its ideals, goals, and the growth and development of the membership and the club.

Ultimately, the club will benefit if all new members are provided with an effective and comprehensive orientation program. The club will enjoy the commitment of dedicated Rotarians who recognize the value of a strong and growing club. The club should experience membership growth and retain its membership to make it a vibrant club, which will better serve the community and the world.

For a firsthand account of Linda Frandsen's recent experience as a mentor with the Rotary Club of Kelowna Sunrise, click on Service Areas and Committees on the left hand side of the Home Page, then proceed to Club Service, then to Membership and finally to Mentorship Program. Linda's account is included as a download at this point on this site page.