Tom Paterson Honoured by The Rotary Foundation

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Tom Paterson, the club's current International Service/Foundation Committee director, was honoured by The Rotary Foundation for his continued support of the Foundation and the work that it does to help those in need throughout the world at the club's regular meeting on April 19th. Tom, a benefactor and Bequest Society member, was recognized for his generous financial contributions that enabled him to achieve another level, this time a PH+8 in the Paul Harris program.



Ed Kolybaba, a member of the International Service/Foundation Committee, presented the award to Tom Paterson on behalf of the Foundation, and while doing so took a few moments to speak about the mission and focus of the Foundation.

Kolybaba shared that the mission of The Rotary Foundation is to support the efforts of Rotary International in the fulfillment of the Object of Rotary, Rotary International's mission, and the achievement of world understanding and peace through local, national, and international humanitarian, education and cultural programs. He added that the programs of the Foundation include an array of projects that save and invigorate the lives of people throughout the world and enhance international friendship and understanding. Kolybaba stressed that becoming a Paul Harris Fellow, however, is a milestone, not a destination; and that no matter how much we have contributed in the past, whether it be to the Annual Fund or to the PolioPlus Fund, the Foundation will continually need our financial support to enable it to fulfill its mission.