

Pete Erickson  
PDG 5060 (1999-2000)  
TRF Chair  
President Moses Lake Rotary now and in past years

## **ROTARY SERVICE**

A Rotarian since 1980 he has served on a variety of club and district committees and was selected to serve as District Governor in 1999/2000. Following his year as Governor he has served Rotary as a Major gifts Advisor, Program Chair for the Portland Institute, a four-year term on Northwest PETS committee, and was selected to serve as the district representative to the Council on Legislation in 2004, 2007 and 2010. 2012 completed his four-year term on the executive committee of Pacific Northwest PETS and he chaired the event in 2011. He has been heavily involved with Moses Lake Rotary Scholarship Foundation

The Rotary Foundation has recognized him with both the

- Meritorious Service Award and the
- Distinguished Service Award.
- Service above Self award. (In 2014 RI recognized him with the highest honor)

A dedicated family man he was married for 55 years. He has one daughter and two grand-children. Committed to the mission of the Rotary Foundation he and his entire family are Paul Harris Fellows and he and Melinda are Major Donors and Bequest Society members. The family established an endowed fund in memory of Melinda that will provide a peace seminar each year at Upsala University in Sweden.

## **PERSONAL LIFE**

Retiring after 30 years in the public-school system, Pete continued to manage Triple "E" Orchards until it was sold in 2003. He recently retired as the Director of the satellite campus for Heritage University in Moses Lake, Washington, a small private not for profit university whose mission is to provide accessible quality higher education to multicultural populations that are educationally isolated. This retirement completes a 50-year career in education.

An active community member, he has been recognized for his many years of service to the Volunteer Fire Department, The Sister City Organization and the Moses Lake Rotary Scholarship Foundation. His service continued at the state level serving 14 years as a Director of the state Middle Level Principals Association. Additionally, he has served as a director for the state chapter of Ducks Unlimited.