

February 2023 Dear Rotary family,

February is the month of love. And I am so in love with all the club is doing. Together we are creating a membership that reflects our community and building relationships.

Our momentum continues. We have 5 members who will be inducted in March. Keep sharing the love and value of Rotary and asking people from the community to join.

Our weekly meeting attendance is holding steady with an average of 35 members in person and 13 members on zoom. I hope by now that you are realizing the energy that happens in a room full of people. Please make an effort to attend in person as often as you can; this is where you will get the most benefit of connecting with others.

To continue to be transparent in our operations and expectations, the board has ratified a <u>Board of</u> <u>Directors Responsibilities</u> document. This will help current and future board members know their expectations.

The Pay It Forward Fund (PIFF) has been developed and approved by the Board. This will help members understand how their PIFF contributions will be allocated. Plus those needing assistance will be aware of the process. Pay It Forward Guidelines

Our Fundraiser for the year is fast approaching. This is our chance to share the value of Rotary and raise some money for two organizations that are doing important work in the community. We have several table sponsorships available. Make sure you get your tickets today and invite your friends. It is going to be a fun night. You will not want to miss it!

The board has voted to have our incoming exchange students listed as honorary members. This will help strengthen the connection between our club and each student during their exchange and beyond. An honorary membership does not cost the club anything but the honorary member is listed in our roster. We will be presenting the honorary membership to the Interact Advisor, Christie Payton, too. I will present her certificate of membership during an upcoming Interact meeting.

Your next leader, Gary Provo, is at the annual PETS training. I can't wait to see Gary's vision to lead our club. When asked to serve on a committee or lend your talents, I encourage you to say yes! We are the best we can be when we each bring our talents to a group with the same mission.

Thank you for your support! I love my Rotary family. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns. And if we haven't already, let's connect! You can schedule an appointment at <u>https://bit.ly/MeetupwithJill</u>.

Yours in Rotary,

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