

## Prez Sez

Kelly Peterson

Still on the west coast as I write this. I do miss the mountains and people. The traffic, the smoke (wildfire), and currently \$5.95 for gasoline, not so much. I was here first to go to a wedding, then to spend time with my parents, both which have had recent health issues that presents the need for me to visit more often while I still can... Sometimes, I feel the universe is punishing me for moving so far away. I also had to have the talk with my parents that just because I'm their eldest child, and the only daughter, is not a reason that I continue to be the first call when either of them have an emergency (from them, neighbors, EMS...) and that I have TWO brothers that live in the same town as them! I also assured them I would not be



offended or feel slighted if I am not the first call. It's so awkward having to say, "um you do know I live in Iowa?"

As people get older (not talking about anyone who is reading this ;) - you think a lot about your legacy, what you will leave behind as your "mark" in this world. For some it is the family they've created and nurtured through the years, for others it is their accomplishments professionally, and, it is often paying forward the blessings you have had to do good in causes that you are passionate about. For many of us, that is the work of Rotary. For some have spent decades supporting the work of Rotary through our time, talent and treasures. The Rotary Foundation allows you to keep on supporting the worldwide good and service of Rotary through planned giving. I know I've thought about it, and now after my time with my parents helping them sort out a few details of this time of their life, I realize it is time to stop thinking and to act...how about you? Rotary Planned Giving (847) 866-3100 or plannedgiving@rotary.org for more details.

Yours In Service, Kelly

# Scribbles...

# Tim Olejniczak - Travelogue

Club member Tim O. entertained us with an account of his recent trip to the UK. He and his partner, Billie, first went to Dublin, Ireland, and were able to attend the Nebraska football game - though alas, they were unable to bring any luck to the Huskers. They went on from Dublin to London. One stop was at Kensington Palace, home of the late Princess Diana.

Their visit ended the day after Queen Elizabeth died, which was fortunate timing, as everything closed for the 14-day period of mourning: that would have been an unfortunate loss of investment in the trip!







September 30, 2022 *This Week's Program:* Abigail Sui/Iris Tun Ethnic Minorities of Burma/Refugees <u>Arranged By:</u> Ed Arnold

Ed Arnold <u>Greeter:</u> Kyle Pieper <u>Invocation:</u> Wendi Wilson <u>Sergeant:</u> Donna Larson <u>Scribe:</u> Derek Sparks

#### 2022-23 Officers & Directors

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#### **Future Programs**

**10/7:** Brooke Heldt YMCA Supportive Housing

10/14: TBA

### This & That

#### <u>Monday</u>

West Polk County, Toyota of Des Moines, (Noon) <u>Tuesday</u> Ankeny, Ankeny Golf & Country Club, (11:45)

Johnston, Hyperion Golf & CC, (7:00 am) Dallas Center, Memorial Hall, (Noon) Norwalk, Echo Valley Golf Course, (6:30 am) West Des Moines, DM Golf & CC, (Noon)

#### <u>Wednesday</u>

East Polk County, Caring Hands, (7:00 am) Adel, Patrick's Restaurant, 211 S 7th St, #C, (Noon) The Greater Des Moines Club, check the District 6000 website for time and location

#### <u>Thursday</u>

Waukee, Des Moines Golf & Country Club, (6:45 am) Des Moines, Embassy Club - Ruan Bldg, (Noon)

Winterset, Pizza Ranch, (Noon)

#### <u>Friday</u>

Des Moines, AM, Drake University - Courtside Club (7:00 am)

### Upcoming Events

Rotary Social Thursday, October 27

**Iowa Wolves Polio Plus Basektball Night** Saturday, February 4, 2023 *(a)* 7:00 PM

Items for the Nor'Wester should be submitted by end of the day each Monday. Please send to: Jenifer Mercer-Klimowski

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## Rotary Planned Giving

### Planned Giving Personal Story

Protecting babies from unintended harm has been the most meaningful part of being a Rotarian for Kay Resler (Rotary Club of Davis, CA). Kay traveled to Kenya as part of a Global Grant team that provided training and education to medical professionals. This trip helped



inspire her to include The Rotary Foundation in her estate plan to ensure that Rotary will always have the resources needed to help communities around the world.

In Kenya, Kay's team found a lack of understanding about the dangers of shaken baby syndrome (SBS). Kay noted, "Remarkably, some of the nurses and doctors said they believed that shaking a baby was the right thing to do when a child was crying inconsolably." The team's training produced immediate results. "After our presentations, which included simulation dolls, the medical professionals understood the devastating effects of SBS." They were able to share this information with parents and caregivers, protecting children throughout the community.

Kay has generously supported Rotary with her time and talent over the years, including serving as club president and while on the club Board, attending three international conventions and travelling to China with a delegation of Rotarians "spreading the word about Rotary."

Recently she decided to give back financially to The Rotary Foundation as part of her long-range financial and estate planning. "I have been fortunate and decided this was a way that I could leave a meaningful legacy," Kay explains.

"I know that the Foundation has a proven track record, so who better to entrust with carrying out my wishes than an organization that I truly believe in? I'm just an ordinary person," Kay shares. "And I feel good knowing that, through my eventual gift to the Foundation, I will leave a legacy that helps Rotary make the world a better place."

Including a bequest in your will or living trust to The Rotary Foundation is one of the easiest ways to support us after your lifetime

# Future Information





	Ed Arnold - Program Chair			
	<u>Greeter</u>	<b>Invocation</b>	<u>Sergeant</u>	<u>Scribe</u>
Oct 7:	Brad Helgemo	Leray Glendenning	Dave Piersel	Dianne Downing
Oct 14:	Eric Idehen	Mark McAndrews	Larry Sample	Jake Heston
Oct 21:	Ntwari Gakunzi	Doyle Sanders	Jenifer MK	Bill C. Corwin
	Can't complete vour	assigned duty? Please assist K	Celly Peterson by finding you	ır substitute!

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