

"Rotary- neighbors, friends, and problem-solvers who come together to make positive, lasting change in communities at home and abroad."



Rotary Moccasin Flower

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VITAL STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP: 182

ROCHESTER ROTARY RISERS: Michon Rogers

GREATER ROCHESTER ROTARY: Melanie Tschida

ROTARY eCLUB ONE: Sarah Burrington

OTHER CLUBS: Ray Johnson and Sue F. Johnson –
Rotary Club of San Diego Downtown and Rotary
Club of Coronado

NEW MEMBERS: Christine Bakke, Jerry Schliep,
Will Waggoner

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
February 1	Scott Lemke	
	Joe Messick	Wilmington, DE
	Chuck Steidinger	Cissna Park, IL
February 6	Danae Gaio	Rochester, MN
February 10	Christopher Ness	Litchfield, MN
	Doug Rovang	Eldora, IA
February 12	Karen Ricklefs	Elmore, MN
February 13	Richard Brubaker	Macon, GA
February 14	Elizabeth Karsell	Rochester, MN
February 23	Diane Ilstrup	Carroll, IA
February 29	Roger Kempers	Puebla, Mexico

If we have missed your birthday, please let us know.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



TRCR'S 2018-19 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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FEBRUARY 23 IS ROTARY'S BIRTHDAY

Rotary will celebrate its 113th birthday on February 23. We will recognize the event and enjoy a birthday treat at our Rotation Day locations on February 22, and Rotarians are encouraged to wear Rotary logo apparel in celebration of the event. If you don't have Rotary apparel, there's still time to purchase something [online](#).



THANK YOU FROM RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE ROCHESTER

Friends of Rotary, thank you for the Holiday Classic tickets! Our Ronald McDonald families I spoke with were excited to attend! Thanks to the steering committee members who worked hard planning it and the Rotarians who passed tickets along to RMH. It's appreciated!

Sincerely, Samantha Rother

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

Weekly Meetings

- February 1 Service First Thursday**, Rochester Public Library, (101 2nd St SE), 11:00 am–1:00 pm
- February 8 Traditional Meeting**, “Reids on the Road,” presented by Karmen & George Reid, Charter House, Edwards Hall (211 2 St NW), 11:30 am–1:00 pm
- February 15 1905 Meetings**, Charter House, Express Employment Professionals, Trinity Lutheran Church, 11:30 am–1:00 pm
- February 22 Rotation Day**, Rotarians’ Places of Vocation, 11:30 am–1:00 pm

Thanks to all who helped with the January meetings: Greeters: **Cynthia Daube, Richard Brubaker, Bari Amadio, Bill Van Vugt;** Cashier: **Michon Rogers;** Sergeant-at-Arms: **John Woodruff;** Visitors Desk: **Sinéad Chick;** Music: **Doug Porter;** Reflections: **Ashok Patel, Kelly Engler, Wes Duellman;** Four Way Test: **Ashok Patel, Bill Bourne, Richard Brubaker;** Introduction of Visitors: **LJ Johnson;** Presenters: **Elaine Case, Pasquale Preza**

ROTARY OPEN HOUSES

By President Elect & Membership Chair Sara Gilliland

The three Rotary clubs of Rochester are working together to invite non-Rotarians to open house events designed to attract new members. We want to make the community aware of Rotary and give non-Rotarians a glimpse of how they can make a difference through Rotary.

The open house events are offered at a variety of times of the day to accommodate different schedules. Guests are encouraged to come when they’re available during any of the following times.

- March 13, 2018 – *Cambria*, 400 S. Broadway, #105, Rochester, 4:30 PM – 6:30 PM
- April 3, 2018 = *Café’ Steam*, 315 S. Broadway, Rochester; 7:00 AM – 8:00 AM
- May 8, 2018 - *125 Live for Active Adults*, 125 Elton Hills Drive NW, Rochester; 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

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Other Meetings & Events

- February 5 Channel One Service**, Channel One Building (131 35 St SW), 6:00-8 pm
- February 6 Rotary Club of Rochester Board**, OMC Regional Foundation Conference Room (102 Elton Hills Dr.) 7:00 am
- February 8 Around the World Gala Committee** meeting, Charter House, 1:00 pm
- February 12 Rotary Club of Rochester Foundation Meeting**, OMC Regional Foundation Conference Room, (102 Elton Hills Dr), 4:30-6 pm
- February 14 Rotary Clubs of Rochester World Community Service Meeting**, Edina Realty Conference Room (1301 Salem Rd SW) 7:00 am
- February 19 Youth Exchange Committee Meeting**, People’s Food Co-op (519 1st Ave SW), 6:00-7:00 pm
- February 21 Rotary Information Meeting**, location TBD, 12:00-1:00 pm
- February 22 Around the World Gala Committee** meeting, Rochester Area Foundation (12 Elton Hills Dr.), 1:00 pm
- February 28 Wine Down Wednesday**, Forager Brewing Company (1005 6th St NW), 4:00 pm

February Rotary Anniversaries

Tamsen Leimer	2 years
Tony Enquist	3 years
Paul Richardson	3 years
Dave Piepgras	5 years
Tank Sholem	7 years +
Josef Chlachula	9 years
James Frye	10 years
Kay Hocker	12 years
Carla Nelson	13 years
Audrey Betcher	17 years
Allie Good	21 years



Welcome New Members!



Janice Domke with returning member Jerry Schliep



New Rotarian Will Waggoner with sponsor Sara Gilliland



New Rotarian Christine Bakke with sponsor Paul Tieskoetter

ROTARY OPEN HOUSES *continued from page 2*

How Can You Help? Invite friends, neighbors, work colleagues to any of the events. Help us spread the word about the events by sharing on social media, putting up a sign at your office, extending a personal invitation, etc.

What the Attendees Can Expect: A representative of The Rotary Club of Rochester, Greater Rochester Rotary, and the Rotary Risers will host each event. We've planned information to highlight about how our clubs connect people, transform communities and solve problems. The format is casual conversation, not a formal presentation. We'll offer each attendee a free ticket to attend a future Rochester Rotary club meeting of their choice.



As Rotarians, we have so much to be proud of and so many ways to enjoy our Rotary experience. Please reach out to people you know who would make great Rotarians and invite them to one of these events.

Feel free to contact Sara Gilliland, The Rotary Club of Rochester Membership Chair, with any questions.

The Rotary Club of Rochester 2017-18 Club Progress Towards Goals		
CATEGORY	2017-18 GOALS	As of January 31, 2018
Membership <i>(started the 2017-18 Rotary year at 185)</i>	183	182
Rotary International Foundation Annual Program Fund	\$15,000	\$8,440 (54% of goal)
Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY)	100%	16%
PolioPlus	\$4,000	\$7,033 (175% of goal)
District 5960 Fast for Hope Project	\$1,000	\$0 (0% of goal)
Rotary Club of Rochester Foundation	\$10,000	\$8,270 (82% of goal)



February is Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

Conflict and violence displace millions of people each year. Half of those killed in conflict are children, and 90 percent are civilians.

We refuse to accept conflict as a way of life. Rotary projects provide training that fosters understanding and provides communities with the skills to resolve conflicts.


HOW ROTARY MAKES HELP HAPPEN

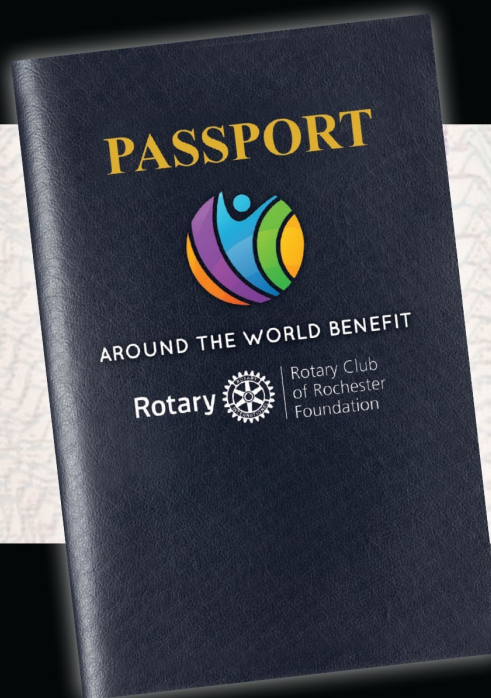

Through our service projects, peace fellowships, and scholarships, our members are taking action to address the underlying causes of conflict, including poverty, inequality, ethnic tension, lack of access to education, and unequal distribution of resources.

Rotary makes amazing things happen, like:

- **Improving quality of life.** Rotary members founded the People for People Foundation, which has helped 10,000 families afford food, clothing, rent, utilities, medications, and other necessities.
- **Raising awareness of bullying.** Rotaract clubs in the Philippines conduct antibullying campaigns in schools to teach children how to handle conflict peacefully from an early age.
- **Protecting domestic violence survivors and their families.** The U.S. state of Louisiana has the fourth highest incidence of death caused by domestic violence. Local Rotary members met this issue by helping a shelter provide food, clothing, legal advocacy, and counseling to over 500 women in one year.

<https://www.rotary.org/en/our-causes/promoting-peace>


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AROUND THE WORLD BENEFIT
The Rotary Club of Rochester Foundation

Rochester Event Center

SAVE THE DATE!
Thursday, April 26, 2018 5:00-9:00 PM

WELCOME TO THE 2018 CONFERENCE OF CLUBS

<http://rotary5960.org/page/2018-conference-of-clubs>

Rotary District 5960

April 19 & April 20, 2018

Mystic Lake Center, Prior Lake, MN

Let's celebrate YOU and Rotarians throughout District 5960 who continue to make a difference, now and for the future. You'll notice that we've rebranded the annual spring event to reflect the collaboration that enables our district to be a leader in achieving Rotary initiatives. Plans are well underway to make the 2018 Conference of Clubs a memorable and fun event!

Festivities will officially kick off the evening of **Thursday, April 19**, with a cocktail hour followed by a WOW evening. Members of District Governor Kyle Haugen's hometown club, Prior Lake, will be opening their homes to conference attendees for an evening of fellowship, sharing and, of course, great food!

You will have the opportunity to sign up for FOOD & FRIENDSHIP and be welcomed into a Prior Lake Rotarian's home for dinner. You'll leave with 6 to 8 new friends! Friday's schedule of events will be jam-packed. We'll start at 8 a.m. sharp and go non-stop until the music ends well into the evening hours. We're working on securing a surprise major speaker. Lots of break-out sessions are planned that will focus on inspiring/important topics.

The 2018 Conference of Clubs is sure to leave all who attend feeling the impact of Rotary, as we collectively join in Making a Difference, **Now & For the Future**.

Learn more and register [here](#).



Thank you for your service, LJ



Thank you to LJ Johnson, "retiring" from role as Rotary Information Officer after more than 30 years.

Mark Dripps
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Meet Lara, she is a Rotary Exchange student. Never seen hockey before coming to MN. She is now hooked on the game and has become a lucky charm for the Wild. 4 games, 4 wins including Friday night vs Vegas Knights, she won't be going home when the Wild make the playoffs!



2018-19 RI PRESIDENT BARRY RASSIN WANTS ROTARY MEMBERS TO *BE THE INSPIRATION*

By Hank Sartin, Photos by Monika Lozinska

<https://www.rotary.org/en/rotary-international-president-rassin-theme-2018>

Rotary International President-elect Barry Rassin laid out his vision for the future of the organization on Sunday, calling on leaders to work for a sustainable future and to inspire Rotarians and the community at large.



Rassin, a member of the Rotary Club of East Nassau, New Providence, Bahamas, unveiled the 2018-19 presidential theme, *Be the Inspiration*, to incoming district governors at Rotary's International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA. "I want you to inspire in your clubs, your Rotarians, that desire for something greater. The drive to do more, to be more, to create something that will live beyond each of us."

2018-19 RI President Barry Rassin announces his presidential theme, *Be the Inspiration*, at Rotary's International Assembly.

Rassin stressed the power of Rotary's new vision statement, "Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves." This describes the Rotary that leaders must help build, he said.

To achieve this vision, the president-elect said, Rotarians must take care of the organization: "We are a membership organization first. And if we want to be able to serve, if we want to succeed in our goals — we have to take care of our members first."

Rassin asked the incoming district governors to "inspire the club presidents, and the Rotarians in your districts, to want to change. To want to do more. To want to reach their own potential. It's your job to motivate them — and help them find their own way forward."

Resources

[Find 2018-19 theme logo and materials](#)

[Rotary Days 2018-19 brochure](#)

[Watch videos from the assembly](#)

[Read reactions from participants](#)

Progress on polio

Rassin noted that one source of inspiration has been Rotary's work to eradicate polio. He described the incredible progress made over the past three decades. In 1988, an estimated 350,000 people were paralyzed by the wild poliovirus; just 20 cases were reported in 2017 as of 27 December. "We are at an incredibly exciting time for polio eradication," he said, "a point at which each new case of polio could very well be the last."

He emphasized that even when that last case of polio is recorded, the work won't be finished. "Polio won't be over, until the certifying commission says it's over—when not one poliovirus has been found, in a river, in a sewer, or in a paralyzed child, for at least three years," he said. "Until then, we have to

keep doing everything we're doing now." He urged continued dedication to immunization and disease surveillance programs.

Sustaining the environment

Rotary has focused heavily on sustainability in its humanitarian work in recent years. Now, Rassin said, Rotarians must acknowledge some hard realities about pollution, environmental degradation, and climate change. He noted that 80 percent of his own country is within one meter of sea level. With sea levels projected to rise two meters by 2100, he said, "my country is going to be gone in 50 years, along with most of the islands in the Caribbean and coastal cities and low-lying areas all over the world."

Rassin urged leaders to look at all of Rotary's service as part of a larger global system. He said that this means the incoming district governors must be an inspiration not only to clubs, but also to their communities. "We want the good we do to last. We want to make the world a better place. Not just here, not just for us, but everywhere, for everyone, for generations."



Rotary's Six Areas of Focus

- PEACE AND CONFLICT PREVENTION/RESOLUTION
- DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT
- WATER AND SANITATION
- MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH
- BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY
- ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

EXCLUSIONS:

Scholar may NOT be (1) a Rotarian; (2) an employee of a club, district, or other Rotary entity, or of Rotary International; (3) the spouse, a lineal descendant (child or grandchild by blood or stepchild legally adopted or not), the spouse of a lineal descendant, or an ancestor (parent or grandparent by blood) of any person in the foregoing two categories.



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GLOBAL GRANT FELLOWSHIP

Fall 2019/Winter 2020

Applications are available online at www.rotary5960.org. Applications are due to local clubs by March 17, 2018, and interviews will be on scheduled in early May, 2018.

Global grants must relate to one or more of the six areas of Rotary focus, have a long-term impact and must be for a graduate level program.

Global grants must be sustainable and measurable (How will the scholar's studies support one or more of the areas of focus?); A global grant's minimum financing is \$35,000

Global Grant Fellowships (Scholarship) fund studies for a period of one to four academic years in graduate level programs.

Scholarship funds may be used for tuition, room and board, books, travel expenses, visas, inoculations, as well as any humanitarian projects the club or district has planned that relate to the scholars studies.

Items required at time of district application (April 2018)

- Proposed field of study within one of the six areas of Rotary focus
- Proposed degree and timeline
- Estimated budget
- Proposed humanitarian project in the host district (optional)
- Letter of acceptance to proposed school

Complete information regarding:

1. The scholar's program of study relates to the selected area of focus.
2. The educational and professional goals of the scholar and how the scholarship will help to advance these goals.
3. How the scholar will use his/her education to address a need on a long-term basis in his/her hosting and/or international sponsoring community(ies)?

Items required at time of international application (Fall 2017-Spring 2018)

- Letter of acceptance to proposed school
- Foreign language proficiency exam results
- Host partner club/district and host counselor information
- Detailed budget

"Thank you so much for the Rotary Clubs of Rochester's support of the GATEway Science Fair with a grant from the 2016 Holiday Classic tournament. We would like to extend an invitation to Rotarians to attend the Science Fair on Saturday, February 17, 2018.

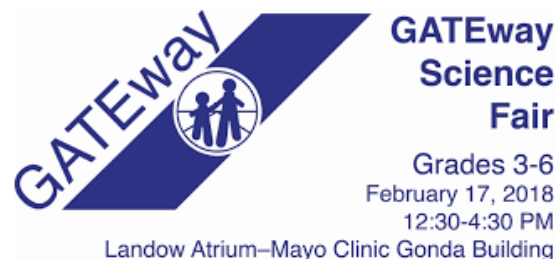
The Fair will be in the lobby and subway levels of the Mayo Clinic's Gonda Building. Projects will be on display from 1:30 to 4:30 pm. In addition, the Science Museum of Minnesota will have presentations at 1:30 and 3:00 pm. At this time, we are pleased to report we have 236 students enrolled and over 200 projects to see.

When you come, parking is free in the Damon Ramp (3rd Ave. SW). You might need to pull a ticket to enter but there will be no charge at the exit. Take the elevator to the subway level to enter the Science Fair. Please note that during most of the afternoon the street level Gonda Building doors will be locked so the Damon subway will be the only reliable entrance. See the attached file for more detail about the day's events and where to park.

Please stop at the door greeter's table to get a name badge and wait for an escort. The greeter will page a member of our team so they can show you around the Fair. We would love to see you at the Science Fair and show you what your financial support means to this community!

Don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions."

Dee Voldal (507-722-2820), gatewaysciencefair@gmail.com
GATEway Science Fair Planning Team



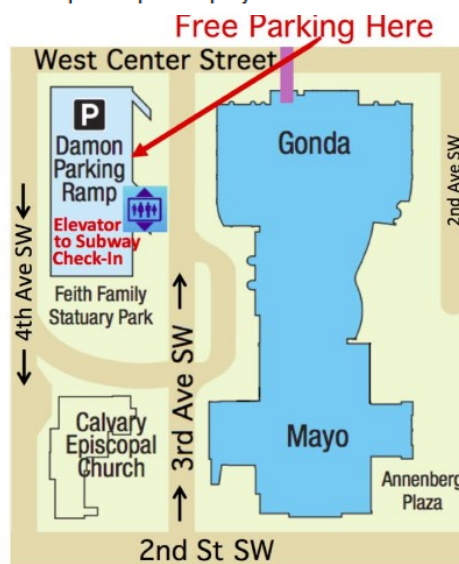
Grade 3-6 GATEway Science Fair – Saturday, February 17, 2018
Landow Atrium, Subway Level of the Mayo Clinic Gonda Building
Hosted by Mayo Foundation Chapter of Sigma Xi

Event Schedule

1:30-2:30 PM	Group 1—Review Session (students explain their projects to reviewers) Group 2—"Solids, Liquids, and Gases" Presentation by Science Museum of MN (Phillips Hall)
2:30-3:00 PM	Group 1—Student Snack Break (Patient Cafeteria) Group 2—Student Snack Break (Phillips Hall)
3:00-4:00 PM	Group 2—"Solids, Liquids, and Gases" Presentation by Science Museum of MN (Phillips Hall) Group 2—Review Session (students explain their projects to reviewers)
4:00-4:30 PM	Open to the general public
4:30 PM	Student receive their written review sheets & pack up their projects

Parking: All participants and visitors to the Science Fair should park in the Damon Parking Ramp. The entrance to the Damon Ramp is at 65 3rd Ave. SW, just across from the Mayo Clinic Gonda Building. There will be no charge for parking, even if you need to pull a ticket to enter.

Fair Entrance: From the Damon Parking Ramp, take the elevator or stairs down to the Subway Level. The greeter table will be just ahead as you exit the elevator. Please note the greeter table will not be staffed until the students are in place for their 1:30 activity. While we estimate we will have more than 100 projects on both the subway and lobby levels of the Gonda Building, this Damon Ramp subway entrance will be the only way to enter the Fair between 1:30 pm and 4:00 pm.



GATEway is the Rochester Chapter of the Minnesota Council for the Gifted and Talented,
a 501(c)(3) statewide nonprofit organization.

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THE FOUR-WAY TEST

- Is it the truth?
- Is it fair to all concerned?
- Will it build good will and better friendships?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

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Links to STRIVE – Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic

District 5960: www.rotary5960.org

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