

WEEK 20 FOUNDATION MINUTE – ON GRATITUDE

As we focus on Foundation Giving this month, we also focus on giving thanks for the many blessings and opportunities we have received. Consider these words from the past:

**"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words but to live by them." *John F. Kennedy***

**"At times, our own light goes out and is rekindled by a spark from another person. Each of us has cause to think with deep gratitude of those who have lighted the flame within us." *Albert Schweitzer***

**"If you are really thankful, what do you do? You Share." *W. Clement Stone***

As Rotarians the words of these luminaries from the past should spur us to action. Kennedy's words remind us that living Rotary's ideals is critical – not just to talk about them. And Schweitzer's message urges us to light up our individual Rotary passions to make a difference in someone else's life. As you consider the gifts you have received, consider sharing what you can, by supporting a Rotary cause, whether near or far. Be thankful and generous this Thanksgiving season.