

## WEEK 21 FOUNDATION MINUTE – SIMPLE GIFTS

Our celebrations of Thanksgiving will be different this year, with virtual family interactions, traditions upended and empty chairs at many tables. But the reason for celebrating is unchanged, despite these challenges – that of Gratitude for what we DO have – and a reminder to share our gifts with others who have less.

Rotarians are Givers – of time, talent, and treasure. We focus on the treasure during Foundation month, as our donations to the Annual Fund drive Rotary’s humanitarian mission through projects around the world. People who know Rotarians, know we are People of Action and that we try to make life better for others – whether a smile, opening a door for someone else, packing a box at a food pantry or writing a check. It doesn’t take much to make life a little better for someone we will never meet – or to brighten up a stranger’s day.

As Rotarians, let’s light up our individual Rotary passions to make a difference in someone else’s life. Consider sharing whatever you can, by supporting a Rotary cause, whether near or far. Talk about your Rotary giving with your families and the many people helped by your donations over the years. As the saying goes, Charity starts at home. Be thankful and generous this Thanksgiving season.