

DISTRICT 5170

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CURRENT NEWS OF DISTRICT 5170 AND THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

FROM THE DISTRICT TRF CHAIR

BY PDG ORRIN MAHONEY

Belated Happy New Year (belated because we had no January newsletter). As we know, calendar New Year means mid Rotary year, over half way to our annual Foundation goals, and I am happy to report that we are well on our way to meeting our Annual Fund goals for the year. As you will see, many Clubs are exceeding these goals and I am confident we can match the Annual Fund number from the past few years. While results are still coming in, I do want to highlight those Clubs, big and small, that have exceeded their goals already this year.



Name	Number of Members	Annual Fund Goal Amount	Goal % Achieved	AF Per Capita	– Annual
					YTD
Los Altos Sunset	8	\$1,600.00	339%	\$678.13	\$5,425.00
Piedmont-Montclair	27	\$1,000.00	150%	\$55.56	\$1,500.00
Santa Cruz Sunrise	100	\$30,000.00	135%	\$406.31	\$40,631.00
Santa Cruz	103	\$16,000.00	131%	\$204.13	\$21,025.00
Castro Valley	56	\$10,000.00	119%	\$212.68	\$11,910.00
Sunnyvale Sunrise	10	\$1,800.00	117%	\$210.00	\$2,100.00
Cupertino	203	\$60,000.00	112%	\$332.22	\$67,441.00
Santa Clara	58	\$10,000.00	108%	\$185.52	\$10,760.00
Saratoga, CA	82	\$30,000.00	107%	\$391.77	\$32,125.00
Silicon Valley Rainbow	13	\$1,500.00	107%	\$123.08	\$1,600.00
Oakland #3	264	\$100,000.00	103%	\$388.62	\$102,596.34
Capitola-Aptos	45	\$10,000.00	101%	\$223.33	\$10,050.00

While the total annual fund donation is critical, we also have an increased focus on EREY this year. While still early, we have four Clubs that have already achieved 100% EREY status: **Alameda, Fremont Bridge, FUN Sunset, and the Rotary Club of San Jose Silicon Valley.**

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Just a reminder that we have two drawings for Clubs to gain significant DDF credit. Here are the drawing details.

TRF 2022-23 Drawing

Overall Annual Fund

- 1 point for every \$100 contribution to the Annual Fund (and polio)
- Prize is \$5,000 in DDF. Worth \$9,000 if used in a Global Grant

EREY Drawing

- Each Club has an equal chance if they achieve EREY status.
- Prize is \$2500 in DDF. Worth \$4,500 if used in a Global Grant

For Overall Annual fund, contributions as of Mar 1, 2023

Drawing at the March Leadership Meeting

For EREY, contributions as of July 1, 2023

Drawing at the July Leadership Meeting

Finally, while our focus for the first half of the year is the Annual Fund, I do want to provide an update on Polio. I am happy to report that we ended the calendar year making significant progress in the battle to eliminate Polio from the world, especially in Afghanistan. Fingers crossed, 21 weeks with no new cases. We are really close. (For more information, see *Tina's Polio Update* in this issue.)

The
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The mission of the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.

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Around the Clubs

Tri-Valley Evening's Rotary Guatemala Wheelchair Distribution and Literacy Project 2023

By Sara Ennor, President-Elect, Rotary Club of Tri-Valley Evening (pictured in Guatemala with husband, Rotarian Jim Vlantis)



Rotary is opportunities, including an opportunity to set foundations for a better world today and into the future; an opportunity to give aid and solace immediately; and an opportunity to help others imagine a better future.



The work of David Gilpin [Past President of Tri-Valley Evening Rotary (TVER)] secured Rotary grants for the Remote Area Community Hotspot for Education and Learning [RACHEL] program expansion across Guatemalan schools. The RACHEL installations promote literacy. TVER retained Howard Tours to help design/administer a trip to Guatemala that included visiting and viewing the school sites that have RACHEL unit installations. About 20% of the Guatemalan population is illiterate but this number is much higher in rural areas. Spanish is common but not universally spoken. Indigenous Mayans live in

widely separated villages and speak 27 unique Mayan languages. Often, residents of one village will not speak the language of another village in a neighboring canyon and neither village will speak Spanish. The RACHEL units make educational materials accessible to students via tablet computers, and enabled remote learning via COVID. The RACHEL curriculum teaches problem solving, speech/communication, language [including Spanish], comprehension and teamwork.

Our tour began at the German Club in Guatemala City, a beautiful place and the site for the first distribution of wheelchairs to poor and indigenous people. The only dependable things for US Rotarians in place like Guatemala City is there will be a rule of which Americans are unaware, and traffic. The wheelchairs arrived in



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Boxes of Wheelchairs Arriving

the late morning. Beneficiaries began arriving at 8:00 am. Family members carried them, a few with chairs more duct tape than metal; some had crutches. All in need.

Work, pandemonium with the unloading, unpacking and organizing the wheelchairs, and vetting beneficiaries, characterized our first day. US Rotarians and tour members hunkered to work under the direction of key Rotarians from Guatemalan and those with the tour. Experience counts. Through the experience, direction, effort and improvisation of Brad Howard, a veteran wheelchair distributor, people in need of mobility got

chairs this day. Guatemalan Rotarians Ricardo Romero, Monica Davila, and Sergio Garcia, President of, Rotario Club Vista Hermosa satellite Club Uwara, and the Club Este of Guatemala City, provided essential knowledge of Guatemala, working with Brad Howard Tours on the logistical tour-hotels, sites, and transport. They also canvassed in-country Rotary clubs to obtain beneficiaries. Over 140 chairs were delivered.

Furthering knowledge of Guatemalan culture generally, the tour motor-coached from Guatemala City to beautiful Lake Atitlan and Antigua, a UNESCO World Heritage site, pausing at villages to view RACHEL unit installations. One site is run by an NGO, "Creating Opportunities for Guatemalans," under its director Vicky Horsfield. It is an enrichment school for teaching literacy and computer skills - programing and updating software and maintaining and fixing the intranet hubs and computers used to access the hubs. The program will accept broken computer systems to fix for a fee, providing an income stream to sustain the literacy program into the future, while students learn critical vocational skills.

Additional wheelchair distributions were completed in Antigua. One distribution was to the Obras Sociales Santo Hermano Pedro Hospital. These chairs will be made available to those who, after surgery, need them as determined by their doctors. In an adjacent village, Pastores, chairs were distributed directly to people, many lacking legs, many just unable to walk and in need of mobility. who without this distribution would have continued to live lives of limitation and privation.

Another important point – not all chairs were given to people directly by U.S. Rotarians. The area of Guatemala navigated by this tour is extremely mountainous. People live in small, isolated villages with difficult road access. Some beneficiaries – even though living in Antigua and Guatemala City – simply could not leave their homes. Guatemalan Rotarians of Rotario Club Vista Hermosa satellite Club Uwara, and the Club Este of Guatemala City and their partner clubs picked up unpacked boxes of the wheelchairs and brought them to people in need where they lived and to their local villages.

During our week in Guatemala we saw human angst and privation; we experienced the meaning of Rotary working across borders, giving aid and solace, creating foundations for a better tomorrow.

The Major Donor's Journey Continues

By Pat McMenemy, District 5170 Major Donor Chair



As Rotarians throughout the world celebrate a New Year, many Rotarians renew their commitment to “Service above self” and imagine new possibilities on the 2023 horizon.

And, as we move forward into 2023, many Rotarians continue to engage in productive partnerships to address our world's most persistent issues.

2023 may be the first year you have had an opportunity to consider the possibility of becoming a Major Donor of The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International.

The Rotary Foundation's Areas of Focus help set Rotary's global priorities, and help harness the combined strength of Rotarians to improve the health and livelihood of communities near and far worldwide.

Did you know ?

Major Donors provide *Major Support* to Rotary's 7 Areas of Focus:

- Providing clean water, sanitation, and hygiene
- Fighting Disease
- Saving mothers and children
- Growing local economies
- Promoting peace
- Protecting the Environment
- Supporting Education

With the support of Major Donors — Rotarians design achievable, sustainable projects, and share their plans with knowledgeable partners, community leaders, and experts. We craft projects within organizational guidelines to ensure that we are improving lives in the most lasting, effective and meaningful ways.

Whether you are about to make your first donation as a Rotarian or you are already a Major Donor of The Rotary Foundation, please take a few moments today to reflect upon your 2023 giving goals to The Rotary Foundation.

The people who make Rotary so effective, through their generosity and passion for positive change, come from all over the world and all walks of life. Even so, they share a powerful common trait: they're compelled by a desire to share their good fortune with others, simply because they can make a positive impact for someone whose life has not been easy.

“In Rotary, we indeed measure our value not by what we have, but by what we have given, by the good we have done in the world, and by our capacity to do even more.”

R. Ravindran 2015-16 President, Rotary International *and*

Ray Klinginsmith 2015-16 Trustee Chair, The Rotary Foundation

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LET'S ALL AGREE TO BECOME BEQUEST SOCIETY MEMBERS IN 2023



By PDG Russ Hobbs, Rotary Club of Santa Cruz

I have always been pretty good at reading the “Tea Leaves.” And when I learned that District Governor Nominee Jill Duerig and her husband Tom had just made a second Arch Klumpp Society gift this year of \$250,000 to The Rotary Foundation (yes, two such gifts), I had an “epiphany”—The Rotary Foundation will probably be front and center in Jill’s year as Governor (2024-2025).

Jill is very aware that not every Rotarian is in a position to do what she and her husband Tom have done. But every Rotarian does have (or should have) a will. A simple “codicil to the will” could designate a percentage of your estate to The Rotary Foundation, so you don’t even need to put in an amount, just a percentage. I recently had my family’s wills and trusts updated by a trusted Rotarian estate planning attorney in our district, and I recommend that you too consult with an attorney that could help your family (and Rotary) as well.

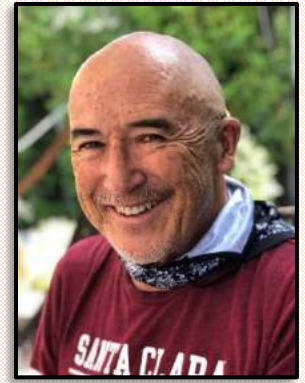
Ways that you could leave part of your estate to The Rotary Foundation include this often overlooked way—“stuff”. Most of us have “stuff” we no longer need or want, and that no one in the family wants either. So leave it The Rotary Foundation! The most common types of “stuff” (in legalese, “tangible personal property”) acceptable to The Rotary Foundation include: “art (\$25,000 or more), jewelry (\$10,000 or more), coin or stamp collections, furniture, or any similarly unique asset or collectible.” The Rotary Foundation will not accept: “automobiles, boats, airplanes. or motorcycles.” Other less known kinds of “stuff” you can leave to The Rotary Foundation include what are called “Nontraditional Assets,” which include intellectual property like royalties, copyrights, patents, contract rights, and oil, gas, and mineral interests. To see if your “stuff” would be acceptable to The Rotary Foundation just contact (giftadministration@rotary.org) .

There are many other ways to leave part of your estate to The Rotary Foundation including life insurance. My guess is that many of you have an old \$25,000/\$50,000 life insurance policy you took out on yourself, or your kids when they were babies you no longer need, that are still active, and gathering dust in a tin box. You can contact your life insurance agent (I know, that is kinda scary right?) and have him or her fill out a “contingent beneficiary form naming The Rotary Foundation for all or part of the proceeds (which must be at least \$10,000).

To become a Bequest Society Member, all you need to do is pledge at least \$10,000 to The Rotary Foundation. So whether you can write a check as Jill did, have your lawyer add a codicil to your will, have your life insurance agent fill out a change of beneficiary form, or you just have some “stuff” that no one in the family wants, you could give to The Rotary Foundation, jewelry, art, or just an interest in an oil well. Here is our new slogan— “LET’S ALL AGREE TO BECOME BEQUEST SOCIETY MEMBERS IN 2023”

MY BEQUEST SOCIETY IDEA – USE THE BENEFICIARY CHANGE FORM FOR YOUR PERMANENT LIFE INSURANCE

By Mike Kearns, Rotary Club of Niles Fremont



Several years ago, my alma mater Santa Clara University suggested I make the university a partial beneficiary of one of my life insurance policies. Since my financial objectives had changed since I originally purchased my first life insurance plans, instead of cancelling the coverage, I repurposed it. I named the university as a beneficiary of one of my policies. Since I still owned the policy, there wasn't any tax deduction. Had I changed the ownership as well, future premiums would have been deductible. Consult your tax person on this.

I used the above approach including the Rotary Foundation as a beneficiary for \$10,000 to satisfy the minimum needed to become a Bequest Society member.

I titled my beneficiary, "\$10,000 of the proceeds or less than said amount to the Rotary Foundation. Balance to Michael and Audrey Kearns Revocable Trust."

After the change was completed, I attached a copy of the beneficiary to the Bequest Society application. DONE.

Also, since most of my life insurance is "PAID UP," there is no out of pocket expense.

Simple.

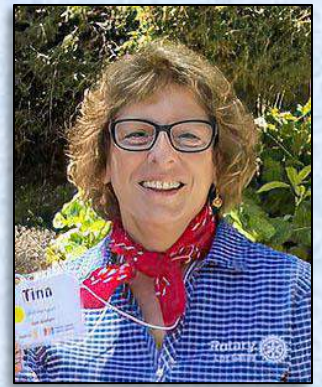
The Rotary Foundation transforms your gifts into service projects that change lives both close to home and around the world.

Since it was founded more than 100 years ago, the Foundation has spent more than \$4 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects.

With your help, we can make lives better in your community and around the world.

Tina's Polio Update

By Tina Orsi-Hartigan, PolioPlus Chair



Welcome 2023 with good news in the fight against polio. It has been 21 weeks since the last case of wild polio virus occurred anywhere in the world!

Things were trending in the right direction in 2021 when the cases of wild polio virus totaled 6. However, 2022 brought more outbreaks and the cases rose to 30. The world took notice and the re-emphasis on fighting polio through the global funding of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative's strategic plan is bearing fruit. We are all a part of funding this initiative through Rotary International's 150 million dollar pledge to support the plan.

Our District 5170 was number one in our Zones in polio giving last year. I know we can do it again this year! Our PolioPlus campaign begins in March and I'd like you to consider becoming a member of the PolioPlus Society. This is a District program where members pledge to donate \$100 per year until polio is eradicated. Please answer the call when your club PolioPlus chairs ask for your donation.

Wild Poliovirus Weekly Update

08 February 2023

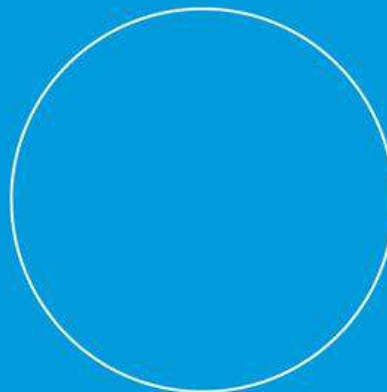
2022

30 children paralyzed by polio



2023

0 children paralyzed by polio



*Non endemic

www.polioeradication.org
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World Health
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POLIO IMMUNIZATION DAY IN INDIA

By DGN Jill Duerig, Rotary Club of Livermore Valley



In a month or two, our District will start its Polio Plus drive, asking for donations to The Rotary Foundation to support immunization days in various areas across the world. These donations are matched two-to-one by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, so a \$100 donation by a Rotarian results in \$300 made available for the fight against polio. In most places, polio has already been eradicated but there are a few hotspots left, including the countries of Afghanistan and Pakistan. Due to their proximity to India, India still immunizes children under five even though India, itself, has been wild polio-free for 11 years. India does these events twice a year.



We are welcomed. (Note the Rotary logo above the fence. Also note that the children wore no shoes.)

In September I was lucky enough to participate in a regional polio immunization day in India organized through Brad Howard Tours. It was a great opportunity to see our Rotary dollars at work. After training by the World Health Organization, I was able to be part of a team of community-based health workers and Rotarians (both local and American) giving many children in the Delhi Region the oral polio vaccine. Here are some of my observations, with a few pictures.

Brad Howard Tours has been leading Rotary delegations to participate in polio immunization days for about 15 years so that relationships were well-developed, with every local Rotary club rolling out the red carpet and wanting to show off other projects they were doing in the area. One of these projects was supporting a hospital treating polio victims. Another was a vocational training center. Everyone was welcoming and it was clear the projects were impactful, with both Rotarians and participants proud of their accomplishments.



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Marking fingertips purple

The polio immunization process was in three parts. The first day, Rotarians worked with local health care workers to first immunize those under five who came to various stations around the "village." After a child was immunized, the second step was to mark his or her left pinky fingertip with a purple marker so the immunization teams would know the child had already received the vaccine. The local health workers had a cute way of checking age before immunizing - they'd look at teeth (if any were missing, the assumption was that the child was five or over) and arm length (as kids grow, they can reach over their heads and scratch the opposite ear when they turn about five).

Babies often arrived in arms; as the baby cried, a couple drops were placed in the open mouths. Older children remembered the sweet taste and approached eagerly, mouths open and ready to receive the drops.

The third part was accomplished the second day, when we went house-to-house and checked for the purple fingertips, immunizing children under five in the household if they didn't have the purple pinky. Once a house had been checked, the local health care workers with whom we were working would leave a chalk mark somewhere on the outside of the home so we'd know it was checked.

I have to say that I really fell in love with all the kids, who seemed well-fed, healthy and happy despite their living conditions (many lived in mud huts that were about 6 feet by 4 feet base and about 5 feet high - yet they'd decorate the exteriors!). And the commitment of grandparents, parents and even older siblings to make sure the little ones received their immunizations was heartwarming. It was inspiring to work side-by-side with local Rotarians and community-based health care workers, dedicated to improving the health of future generations.



I make a new friend



Our Rotary crew and friends

PHIL'S UPDATE

By Phillip Dean, Triple Crown Donor Chair

Major Contributors to the Rotary Foundation are Major Donors, Bequest Society Members, and Paul Harris Society Eligible members.



Major Donors to The Rotary Foundation are those individuals, married couples, non-Rotary affiliated Foundations, and Corporations who contribute an outright or cumulative gift of at least \$10,000 to The Rotary Foundation, regardless of gift designation: Annual Fund, PolioPlus, Approved Global Grant, and the Endowment Fund. These are cash donations. Recognition Points cannot be used. The following shows the minimum donation required at the indicated level and the number of District Rotarians who have qualified at each level.

	<u>Level</u>	<u># Rotarians</u>
Level 1	\$10,000	252
Level 2	\$25,000	46
Level 3	\$50,000	12
Level 4	\$100,000	5



Arch Klumph Society - These are also cash donations, at a higher level. Arch Klumph Society donor levels:

	<u>Level</u>	<u># Rotarians</u>
Level I	\$250,000	6
Level II	\$500,000	2
Level III	\$1 million	
Level IV	\$2.5 million	
Level V	\$5 million	
Level VI	\$10 million +	



Paul Harris Society Eligible

One additional group of Major Contributors consists of members who donate a minimum of \$1,000 in cash within one year. During this Rotary year, 2022-2023, 219 members have made the donation. In the records, these members are called Paul Harris Society Eligible. Some Rotarians pledge to make the donation every year. These are Paul Harris Society Members. A total of 163 District Rotarians have joined the Paul Harris Society (PHS). Although all PHS members pledge to make the donation every

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year, many of them do not. So far this year, 76 (47%) of the PHS members have done so. In addition, 143 non-PHS District Rotarians, have made the \$1,000 donation.

PLANNED GIVING

Through a planned gift, donors can provide ongoing support to Rotary programs. Donors can choose structured gifts to be made after their lifetimes, and take advantage of financial and tax benefits, which vary by country. The most common gift structure is a provision in an estate plan. Major Contributors to The Rotary Foundation also includes commitments to the Endowment Fund.

Bequest Society - To join the Bequest Society one must pledge a minimum donation to The Rotary Foundation Endowment Fund in their Estate Plan at levels as follows:

	<u>Level</u>	<u># Rotarians</u>
Level 1	\$10,000	31
Level 2	\$25,000	11
Level 3	\$50,000	7
Level 4	\$100,000	11
Level 5	\$250,000	3
Level 6	\$500,000	3



Legacy Society - The Legacy Society was formed to recognize the dedication and foresight of Rotarians and friends of Rotary who have committed to make a future gift of \$1 million or more to The Rotary Foundation.

	<u>Level</u>	<u># Rotarians</u>
Level I	\$1 million	4
Level II	\$2.5 million	1
Level III	\$5 million	
Level IV	\$10 million +	



Triple Crown Donors

Within Rotary District 5170, Triple Crown Donor is a special designation for those Rotarians who meet three criteria for giving to The Rotary Foundation:

1. Make The Rotary Foundation a beneficiary of \$10,000 or more in your Estate Plan, thereby becoming a member of the Bequest Society;
2. Donate at least \$10,000 to The Rotary Foundation over any period of time, thereby becoming a Major Donor;

3. Give a minimum of \$1,000 cash to The Rotary Foundation during the current Rotary Year.

Summary of Triple Crown Donors in District 5170 in the 2022-2023 Rotary year, as of 12 January 2023:

- Triple Crown Donors: 28 members
- Members who are Major Donors and Bequest Society members but have not yet donated \$1,000 this year: 26
- Triple Crown Donors for 2021-2022: 49
- Repeat Triple Crown Donors for 2022-2023: 26 of the 49
- New donors in 2022-2023 (so far) 1

Potential Donors - There are lots of potential Triple Crown Donors in District 5170 and they are being notified as to how close they are to qualifying.

- Did not repeat last year: 23
- Are Major Donor and Bequest Society but no \$1,000 this year 26
- Are Major Donor and \$1,000 donation but not Bequest Society 29
- Number of Rotarians who meet any two of the criteria: 126

If you would like to know your status regarding eligibility for Triple Crown Donor designation, or for more information about any of the above categories, please feel free to contact me.

Phillip Dean

District 5170 Triple Crown Donor Chair
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Around the Clubs

Your fellow Rotarians would love to hear about any international or local projects in which your club, group of clubs, or area, participated in or is working on, funded in whole or in part by The Rotary Foundation. If you might be interested in submitting an article for our "Around the Clubs" feature, or have any questions, please let me know. (Project-related photos are very welcome.)

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Humanitarian Missions to Ukraine: My Update

By Harbir Bhatia, Rotary Club of Santa Clara



Can you believe it will be almost a year in a couple of weeks since the war on Ukraine began on Feb 24, 2022. Though some say it was in 2014. In any case, it's been almost a year for me since my family and I have been supporting the humanitarian aid efforts.



Since my last article in July, I have gone twice to Ukraine and am now about to leave on my fourth trip. There is so much news to cover from the ground that isn't often seen or heard from the major news outlets. Naturally, it's not possible to cover everything all the time and only on Ukraine. On the second trip, I went further in and came back with more insights. Number

one, that there is extreme loss of infrastructure in the east, south, and KYIV north. Winter was around the corner. I and another Rotarian from Ukraine, Ruslan A, also the head of two charities, Direct Help and VO Kharkiv, contacted everyone we could to raise the alarm that winter is coming. We went to USAID in DC and were lucky to be able to get their attention. The money however was already handed to Ukraine at that time. So we would need to go to Ukraine to get more support. When I did visit Ukraine on the 3rd trip, in October, I did have a chance to meet with some wonderful people from the UN and USAID. However, the process to get the funds is not easy.

By that time, we had already had multiple rounds of Disaster Response Grants, and that seemed to be more effective and timely. From those funds we had been able to provide food, shelter supplies, medical supplies, vehicle, and more. This time the transportation to get into Ukraine was a bit more of a struggle. Finally, when I did make it I first visited Kyiv north, Bucha – Boryspil – Hostomel – Irpin and other areas. My Sikhs for All team there focused on providing aid to smaller towns. People would line up for us to bring food. Hostomel was one of the towns north west of Kyiv capital. It was in a terrible shape, but you would not know unless you specifically went there. The amount of destruction was so hard to believe because the next city over was fine. It was because it was on the war path and burned and destroyed with thousands of bullets in every structure. It felt so wonderful to give the people hugs and to see the smiles on their faces when we handed them bags of food. Each bag was about 40-50 pounds to last a family for about two weeks.



After, we visited the nearby cities of Kharkiv, which had been recently liberated like Izum. We delivered supplies to the members of the town by Izum. They had only one working vehicle during the

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time of occupation. We met one of senior woman, a babushka. She was so happy to see us. We gave her some money and food. She responded this was better than World War II. At least we came to visit her with some food. Though, when you looked at her, you could see what measures she had to go to for warmth. She had plastic bags tucked into her shoes to provide insulation.



We went to South East Ukraine, Dnipro and Zaporizhia. Shelters were overflowing with people, with little infrastructure to support them, and now winter was upon them. I needed to see more. The head of Zaporizhia administration reluctantly agreed to take me and Olga Zmiskaya, founder of Kharkiv Multinational, to the war zone. They thought I was crazy, but it was a matter of seeing and sharing with the rest of the world. Once we crossed into warzone territory, we heard live shooting and the bombing started. We had to immediately run underground to shelter. Soon after we had to leave because it was too unsafe. However, on that drive you could see the situation – no large vehicles to evacuate people, limited methods to bring supplies in, roofs and walls with giant holes, few buildings left standing not completely shattered. Oleg, the former president of the Rotary Club of Zaporizhia took us to see these places. I wonder how people continue

to live on in such an environment. The effects of the power outages meant little light or power for running shelters and hospitals, and more. I couldn't imagine how the makeshift shelters could manage without light because people were practically on top of each other with little space. How would they get around ,cook, clean ,etc.?

Along my visits to all these sites, I had been collecting objects from some of the cities that were from schools, various sizes of bomb shells, different types of bullet shells, art pieces or pictures of families that were killed. So I could communicate a sense of what was here and help others feel closer to the situation.

On my return, I went through KYIV towards Boryanka and Bucha, and one of the power plants was destroyed. The head of administration, Daniel, cried saying I can't save my people because I can't shoot down the drones at night without light or night vision goggles. I saw and experienced the impact firsthand. As I was packing to leave, the lights went out and I had to pack in the dark and was not able to differentiate what was to be packed or not.

I arrived at the Polish airport and was about to board the plane, when I got arrested by four airport police. I was taken to the security check to show them what was in my suitcase. Due to packing in the dark, I accidentally packed



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the live ammunition given to me to see in Zaporizhia. I explained the situation and of course had to through some procedures etc. It was an experience to say the least. However, I was fine and safe. Of course I was nervous and a bit scared, but after a half-day of questioning and having everything searched including my tiny receipts stuffed away my bags, my personal items, and so on, I was finally released. Imagine what it would be like to live like this.



Now imagine no electricity to turn on a stove or a heater or a light, or if you are in surgery and the lights go out. The biggest challenge at this time was power. So we launched the power4U campaign to help rally people around the greatest demands right now: heat, power, electricity, and light. I and Ruslan went to LA with selective charities to negotiate with generator suppliers and were able to make a deal to send generators to Ukraine at a discounted price, and hopefully get more from suppliers as donations. We held a fund raiser on Jan 29th, 2023 to get enough funds to get more generators. We tried to create an immersive experience with some of the art and objects I had been collecting, the food, Ukrainian items, and more. With some of the grant fund and this, we can purchase a whole container of generators. LTG Ben Hodges joined us online and encouraged that we support the nation with generators. We raised about

\$75,000. Power is critical in today's times, right after water and food. Our Ukraine team has been collecting funds, medical aid, and supplies to send with the containers. Contact Richard Godfrey and Ramesh Hariharan if you would like to send some more medical supplies. Overall this is a team effort with people of action. The people's network and the resources make it possible for us to help move the needle. If anyone wants to continue supporting the effort please donate here

<https://www.rotarydistrict5170.org/sitepage/ukraine-relief-project> or contact me Harbir K Bhatia hkb.rotary@gmail.com

Once the shipment is ready to go, I will be heading to Ukraine. On the way I plan to stop by in Turkey to help with rescue and the humanitarian effort due to the massive earthquake. As of today, over 11,000 people have died. *[Editor's note" since Harbir wrote this article, the death toll has risen to over 28,000.]* My heart goes out to the families who face such losses.

I will report on the Turkey and Ukraine visit in the next newsletter.

Together, we have the power to make a difference!



Around the Globe: February, 2023

By Cecelia Babkirk, Stewardship Chair for District 5170



If you haven't been following Rotary District 5170's International Service and Grants news, you might wonder what the photo at the left depicts, so I will tell you.

The person in this photo is one Dr. Andriy, the person in charge of the first Medical Emergency Clinic placed in service in the Kharkiv region, Ukraine on December 15. In Ukraine all physicians in conflict areas wear military fatigues. They are not all military, but it is done for their safety. The unit placed in Kharkiv is two kilometers (approximately 1.25 miles) from the

front line there and serves more than 100 civilians each day. The Ukraine company producing these units and provides local jobs, has already initiated version two of the units, based on the short experience with the first unit.



Ukraine continues to play prominently in our activities and the photo is the tangible proof that you can deliver badly needed humanitarian assistance in high-stress environments in record time using global grants. These photos show a mobile emergency clinic that was funded through The Rotary Foundation in 30 days from submission of the application



to funding. Our district's grants team, zone leaders, and I have developed a process that we call "Grant-in-a-Box". Since that project was funded and implemented, more than \$600,000 has been committed from US and European Rotary Clubs and districts and our goal is to have thirty of these units in the conflict zones in Ukraine by June. But more about that later.

A little about Rotary Grants business:

1. The Rotary Foundation recently issued new policies and guidelines for the seven areas of focus and our grants team is working to update the spreadsheets we hope every grant writer is using as they plan their project. Those updates will be on the rotarydistrict5170.org web site in the coming weeks.
2. **IMPORTANT FOR ANYONE PLANNING A GLOBAL GRANT IN D9212 (Kenya, Ethiopia, Sudan and Eritrea)** - Due to Stewardship issues in that district, the Trustees have decreed that the maximum number of grants allowed to any one club in those countries is two. Ordinarily the maximum is ten. This is causing enormous confusion. If you are planning a project in those four countries, please contact me for assistance. My email address is rotariancecelia@gmail.com
3. If you are planning a global grant-funded project anywhere, please refer to the spreadsheets we created for each area of focus, to help plan your project. We use these when we review every

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grant prior to submission. Yes, every global grant gets a review now and it will not be authorized until we have completed the review.

4. Thanks in part to the demand to fund assistance to Ukraine, the Max the Match program is out of funding for the rest of the 2022-2023 Rotary year.

5. Our own wizard of Rotary grant funding, Jon Winston, AKA District Grants Subcommittee Chair, divulged to me that our district has \$6 million in open global grants currently! It's a remarkable achievement from a remarkable district - kudos to everyone who made this possible!

And now, onto the efforts in Ukraine....

Things have moved very quickly on the Ukraine support front. Here are some of the highlights:

1. The first "Grant in a Box", a template global grant, to support Mobile Emergency Clinics, was approved by The Rotary Foundation a few weeks ago. At least eight others are queued up with more waiting in the wings for clubs and districts to commit. Our own Oakland #3 club contributed \$3,000 of DDF to that first project, with another \$4,000 committed to the next grant in line, but many others have generously stepped up, including purchasing DDF with cash through the Max the Match program. In total, this effort will provide 30 much-needed emergency clinics near the front lines of the conflict zones in north and eastern Ukraine. The total raised through these global grants will be \$1,125,000. Clubs in our district are hosting three grants with a total of five units and worldwide, over \$600,000 has been committed to these grants.

2. The Rotary Foundation has reopened a funds appeal for donations restricted to Ukraine and Pakistan and have begun accepting new Disaster Response Grant applications. They are initiating the program by first approving grants that were in the pipeline when the original DRG funds ran out in December. Our fourth DRG, championed by Harbir Bhatia, RC Santa Clara, is first in line, when there are enough funds.

3. Speaking of Harbir, she is making her fourth trip to Ukraine to confirm that the funds raised through Disaster Response Grants and private donations are being used as prescribed. She recently initiated a major fundraiser to support the DRG efforts and we are sure she will report in a future letter, the interventions that the fundraiser supported.

In case you wanted to know....

1. What is a "Grant in a Box"? It's actually a process that was devised by the grants team in our district, along with the Global Grants Specialists in Zones 26/27 and the wonderful staff at The Rotary Foundation (TRF), to streamline the global grant process so that the massive needs could be addressed more quickly. We reason that if you have a highly replicable intervention taking place over a wide area, you can use the same forms and format, have it "pre-vetted" by the appropriate staff at TRF and replicate it easily. Once the first one is approved, all should be approved, if the Regional Grants Officer (RGO) is the same for all the grants. However, if anything in the intervention is not the same as the pre-vetted application, then it will not be expedited. The several months of advance work are paying off and over the coming months, we expect to fund twenty of these grants in the next three or four months. Our goal is that every one of these grants can be completed from

submission to funding in 30 days, instead of 94 (the average). So far, this is proving to be the case with the first attempt.

2. Yes, but what is the anticipated impact? The first unit, shown in the photos above, is already treating over one hundred civilians every day, who DO NOT have ANY medical care available in the conflict zones. When the 30 units are in place, that will be over three thousand people everyday! These units will be in service for at least ten years. Many lives will be saved, for sure. policies and guidelines for the seven areas of focus by The Rotary Foundation. I won't go into the full grants training here - there are plenty of district and RI resources and we recommend that you utilize them.

About District Grants - District Grants can be used for both local and international projects. What is the difference is between what Harbir Bhatia (RC Santa Clara) is doing and what the grants team is doing? Harbir's track is and has been disaster response, which is a short term solution to pressing needs and it is important in a situation like this. These efforts are not necessarily sustainable and often by themselves, do not meet the eligibility requirements for global grants. Running two tracks is the way our clubs can address both situations - immediate help and longer term help. The grants team is working on longer term, sustainable solutions that meet the requirements and policies of a given area of focus. The global grants are funded primarily by DDF and some cash, where the disaster response activities are funded through cash and District Grants, which are essentially cash projects. I'll talk more about this below.

3. What will your next Grant-in-a-Box project be? We don't know yet. We are looking for high-impact projects that are highly replicable within a narrow framework and that are sustainable and meet the requirements of an area of focus. Who knows? It is starting to look like the earthquake in Turkey/Syria could provide some possibilities and Ukraine can generate projects long into the future. Our district is deep in contacts in Turkey. Reports there are that the Rotarians in Turkey have already mobilized and are providing substantial relief efforts in the affected areas. Once the dust settles there (literally), our global grants team will make a trip to meet with the district leaders, to figure out what might work and initiate the community assessments that will be necessary. Stay tuned...

This brings me to the coming year...

The first weekend in March is traditionally the weekend for Presidents Elect training. At that time, our club Presidents will receive the DDF that has been allocated to the clubs for use in the 2023-2024 Rotary year.

This is important because we ask the clubs to formally state whether they want to use the DDF for global grants or district grants. Global grants are typically, though not exclusively, used for international projects that meet the strict guidelines for sustainability and compliance with the projects. In the end, they are cash grants and they do not carry all of the requirements of global grants. They are easy to do.

If your club wants to designate some or all of your DDF to district grant projects, note that district grants are a way to fund disaster response. Instead of sending cash donations to the Disaster Response Grant program, you can use District Grants to send cash to specific disaster response effort,

such as Harbir's or develop one of your own. If it goes to The Rotary Foundation, most of the time it cannot be designated to a specific disaster and your club has no way to know how or where the funds were spent. This is not a bad thing. It just is.

As always, your highly competent and friendly grants team is here to help!

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Until April, when I will talk about Programs of Scale, Rotary's newest (3 years) grant program,

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Turkey and Syria were struck by a devastating earthquake on 6 February that has killed tens of thousands of people, destroyed thousands of homes and other structures, and left people across the region without shelter in bitterly cold winter weather.

The Rotary world responded to this catastrophe immediately. RI President Jennifer Jones activated our disaster response efforts, communicated with the affected districts, and encouraged governors in those regions to apply for disaster response grants and share information about their relief efforts so that Rotary can amplify the calls for support.

The Rotary Foundation Trustees decided that all donations made, from now until 31 March, to the Turkey/Syria Disaster Response Fund will be used to aid earthquake relief projects. In addition, the Trustees made available more than \$125,000 to Rotary districts affected by the earthquake through District Response Grants.

For more information click [HERE](#)

Julia Snip

RI Trustee Chair's Message



February 2023

One of the fascinating things about Rotary is that we are many things at once. We are a service organization based on action. We are also a professional and community networking group, not to mention a place to find friendship and fun.

And, when you stop to think about it, you and I are also part of a peace organization. I saw this in 2013 when I represented Rotary at an international symposium on advancing a peaceful democratic transition for Myanmar. Despite recent setbacks, the fact that Rotary was at the table demonstrates that the world sees us as peacebuilders who are not deterred by the most difficult issues.

How did we earn this reputation? Through literacy projects that help people expand their minds and viewpoints. And through water, sanitation, and hygiene projects that create common ground for communities in conflict. The Rotary Action Group for Peace promotes hands-on service projects, and our annual international conventions unite thousands in a celebration of global harmony.

Perhaps the most visible face of this cause is the Rotary Peace Centers program, now in its 21st year. Today, more than 1,600 Rotary Peace Fellows are advancing the cause of peace in more than 140 countries. On 1 February, we open applications for the next generation of peace fellows. Encourage your local peacebuilders to learn about Rotary and apply for this unique fellowship.

And soon, we'll be recruiting fellows for a new peace center in the Middle East and North Africa region as we begin working this year with a recently selected partner university. Made possible by a generous gift of \$15.5 million to The Rotary Foundation from the Otto and Fran Walter Foundation, the addition of this center furthers Rotary's vision of peacemaking in action.

As we celebrate Rotary's 118th anniversary and Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Month, we can be proud of the many ways Rotary promotes peace. Without The Rotary Foundation, and your support of it, none of that would be possible.

You can directly support this work through the Foundation by visiting rotary.org/donate and selecting the peacebuilding and conflict prevention area of focus. I also encourage you to contribute to the Ian and Juliet Riseley Endowed Fund in The Rotary Foundation to support peace projects.

If Paul Harris could see us now, he would be amazed by the astonishing growth of the little club he founded in 1905 and the global force for good — and peace — that Rotary is today.



ROTARY GLOBAL GRANT SCHOLARSHIP APPLY TODAY!

Apply for the Rotary International annual Scholarship: A \$30,000 Rotary Global Grant Scholarship will be awarded in the 2023-2024 school year for graduate-level coursework-research outside of the United States.

The mission of The Rotary Foundation, a not-for-profit organization, is the advancement of world understanding, goodwill, and peace. Rotary builds international relationships, improves lives, and creates a better world to support peace efforts and end polio. Rotary does all this by promoting worldwide peace; fighting diseases; providing clean water; sanitation & hygiene care; securing maternal & child health care; supporting basic education & growing local economies and supporting the environment.

For the Rotary District 5170 website application and details, please download: <https://rotarydistrict5170.org/sitepage/scholarships/>

For any scholarship questions, please contact Dr. Noe Pablo Lozano, Palo Alto University Rotary Club President 2021-22, District 5170 Global Grant Scholarship Co-Chair, Stanford Engineering Associate Dean-Emeritus, noe@stanford.edu or Dr. Rita Chiang, Cupertino Rotary Club, Co-Chair Global Grant Scholarship Committee, Foothill College Economics Instructor, yhchiang327@gmail.com or your local Rotary Club.

Application Deadline

March 1, 2023

Candidate Interview

**April 1, 2023
(location TBA)**

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For more information and forms visit

<https://rotarydistrict5170.org/sitepage/scholarships/welcome>, or click [HERE](#)

Monthly Contribution Report

(As of February 3, 2023)

Club Name	Members	EREY	%EREY	Annual Fund Goal	Annual Fund YTD	AF Per Capita	Other YTD	Endow YTD	- Total -
Alameda	58	13	22%	\$10,000.00	\$7,305.00	\$125.95	\$700.00	\$0.00	\$8,005.00
Almaden Valley	22	3	14%	\$0.00	\$2,870.00	\$130.45	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$2,970.00
Campbell	20	3	15%	\$3,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$75.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$1,750.00
Capitola-Aptos	45	34	76%	\$10,000.00	\$10,050.00	\$223.33	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,050.00
Castro Valley	56	20	36%	\$10,000.00	\$11,910.00	\$212.68	\$2,025.00	\$0.00	\$13,935.00
Cupertino	203	171	84%	\$60,000.00	\$67,191.00	\$330.99	\$5,840.00	\$200.00	\$73,231.00
Dublin	43	17	40%	\$13,000.00	\$8,014.00	\$186.37	\$2,975.00	\$0.00	\$10,989.00
East Palo Alto Bayshore	21	1	5%	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$47.62	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
E-Club of Silicon Valley	46	13	28%	\$10,000.00	\$6,401.31	\$139.16	\$1,995.00	\$0.00	\$8,396.31
E-Club of Silicon Valley Health & Wellness	68	0	0%	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$1.47	\$12,145.00	\$0.00	\$12,245.00
E-Club Silicon Valley Smart Village	47	1	2%	\$1,000.00	\$100.00	\$2.13	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Evergreen Valley, San Jose	18	0	0%	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Freedom	25	4	16%	\$0.00	\$1,075.00	\$43.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$1,325.00
Fremont	33	11	33%	\$13,000.00	\$10,850.00	\$328.79	\$950.00	\$0.00	\$11,800.00
Fremont Bridge	18	16	89%	\$2,000.00	\$1,900.00	\$105.56	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,900.00
Fremont Morning	19	9	47%	\$8,000.00	\$3,200.00	\$168.42	\$0.00	\$12,527.06	\$15,727.06
Fremont-Union City-Newark Sunset	19	19	100%	\$2,250.00	\$1,115.00	\$58.68	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$1,165.00
Gilroy	99	32	32%	\$23,000.00	\$12,974.00	\$131.05	\$3,000.00	\$50.00	\$16,024.00
Gilroy After Hours	60	30	50%	\$0.00	\$965.00	\$16.08	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$965.00
Gilroy Sunrise	14	5	36%	\$2,500.00	\$1,950.00	\$139.29	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,950.00
Hayward	51	4	8%	\$5,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$58.82	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$3,050.00
Hollister	58	15	26%	\$0.00	\$4,125.00	\$71.12	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$4,225.00
Livermore	96	40	42%	\$66,000.00	\$43,488.03	\$453.00	\$8,226.00	\$1,000.00	\$52,714.03
Livermore Valley	47	23	49%	\$16,000.00	\$8,530.00	\$181.49	\$1,275.00	\$250,000.00	\$259,805.00
Los Altos	168	62	37%	\$40,000.00	\$31,473.00	\$187.34	\$15,560.52	\$0.00	\$47,033.52
Los Altos Sunset	8	6	75%	\$1,600.00	\$5,425.00	\$678.13	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,425.00
Los Gatos	120	16	13%	\$45,000.00	\$10,410.00	\$86.75	\$2,352.94	\$0.00	\$12,762.94
Los Gatos Morning	37	25	68%	\$20,000.00	\$14,331.00	\$387.32	\$700.00	\$0.00	\$15,031.00
Milpitas	26	15	58%	\$0.00	\$2,562.00	\$98.54	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,562.00
Mission San Jose	19	12	63%	\$2,500.00	\$2,273.00	\$119.63	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$2,473.00
Morgan Hill	101	44	44%	\$32,000.00	\$15,776.58	\$156.20	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$16,776.58
Mountain View	30	14	47%	\$0.00	\$6,665.00	\$222.17	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,665.00
Newark	37	4	11%	\$0.00	\$955.00	\$25.81	\$70.00	\$0.00	\$1,025.00
Niles (Fremont)	99	26	26%	\$30,000.00	\$25,670.00	\$259.29	\$2,335.00	\$1,000.00	\$29,005.00
Oakland	264	71	27%	\$100,000.00	\$89,896.34	\$340.52	\$3,149.40	\$1,100.00	\$94,145.74
Oakland Uptown	13	6	46%	\$6,000.00	\$2,650.00	\$203.85	\$1,650.00	\$0.00	\$4,300.00
Palo Alto	118	52	44%	\$20,000.00	\$18,583.00	\$157.48	\$3,314.00	\$300.00	\$22,197.00
Palo Alto/University	92	28	30%	\$0.00	\$13,475.54	\$146.47	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$13,775.54
Piedmont-Montclair	27	8	30%	\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$55.56	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
Pleasanton	65	14	22%	\$12,500.00	\$9,644.53	\$148.38	\$2,750.00	\$0.00	\$12,394.53
Pleasanton, Dublin, Livermore	13	10	77%	\$0.00	\$6,200.00	\$476.92	\$1,250.00	\$0.00	\$7,450.00
Pleasanton North	69	23	33%	\$20,000.00	\$8,800.00	\$127.54	\$8,122.00	\$0.00	\$16,922.00
San Jose	423	1	0%	\$40,000.00	\$1,129.00	\$2.67	\$1,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$17,129.00
San Jose East-Evergreen	20	10	50%	\$0.00	\$4,000.00	\$200.00	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$4,025.00
San Jose Silicon Valley	15	13	87%	\$45,000.00	\$42,570.00	\$2,838.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$42,570.00
San Juan Bautista	32	24	75%	\$4,000.00	\$3,278.50	\$102.45	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,278.50
San Leandro	38	6	16%	\$18,000.00	\$13,395.00	\$352.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$13,395.00
San Lorenzo Valley (Felton)	44	20	45%	\$6,500.00	\$5,250.00	\$119.32	\$1,170.00	\$0.00	\$6,420.00
Santa Clara	58	36	62%	\$10,000.00	\$10,760.00	\$185.52	\$2,253.00	\$0.00	\$13,013.00
Santa Cruz	103	59	57%	\$16,000.00	\$21,025.00	\$204.13	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$21,025.00
Santa Cruz Sunrise	100	60	60%	\$30,000.00	\$39,257.00	\$392.57	\$2,745.00	\$120.00	\$42,122.00
Saratoga	82	41	50%	\$30,000.00	\$32,125.00	\$391.77	\$4,645.00	\$0.00	\$36,770.00
Scotts Valley	19	9	47%	\$3,800.00	\$2,500.00	\$131.58	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$2,600.00
Silicon Valley	77	0	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Silicon Valley Chinese	17	0	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Silicon Valley For Global Impact	53	0	0%	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Silicon Valley Passport	38	4	11%	\$2,000.00	\$1,775.00	\$46.71	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$2,225.00
Silicon Valley Rainbow	13	2	15%	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$115.38	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
Silicon Valley Star (Sunnyvale)	14	3	21%	\$0.00	\$566.67	\$40.48	\$333.33	\$0.00	\$900.00
Sunnyvale	61	22	36%	\$0.00	\$7,300.00	\$119.67	\$4,500.00	\$0.00	\$11,800.00
Sunnyvale Sunrise	10	6	60%	\$1,800.00	\$2,100.00	\$210.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,100.00
Watsonville	77	0	0%	\$10,000.00	\$100.00	\$1.30	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Totals	3,786	1,236	33%	\$806,950	\$664,535	\$12,562	\$100,006	\$281,297	\$1,045,838
Data as of 3 February 2023					Highest in Category				

Do not be alarmed if these numbers are different from others that you may have obtained from another source. These data were obtained from The Rotary Foundation on February 3, 2023. Since the Foundation is dealing with more than one million members, and member donation data is received randomly and can take as much as a week to be registered, some of these numbers may have already changed.

Key to headings:

EREY – Every Rotarian Every Year – Number of club members who made a donation this Rotary year; EREY% - Percent of club members who contributed in the current year (EREY/Number of members); AF – Annual Fund; Other YTD – Other funds donated (apart from AF) such as PolioPlus; Endow YTD – Total funds donated to the Endowment Fund up to the current date. (Cash donations, but not legacy giving.)

ROTARY TRIVIA

Trivia Question No. 1:

In 1955, the U.S. Postal Service issued a commemorative stamp honoring Rotary's 50th anniversary. What was its face value?

- (a) 1¢;
- (b) 2¢;
- (c) 8¢;
- (d) 10¢; or
- (e) \$1.00

Trivia Question No. 2:

In which year did the number of Paul Harris Fellows reach the 1 million mark:

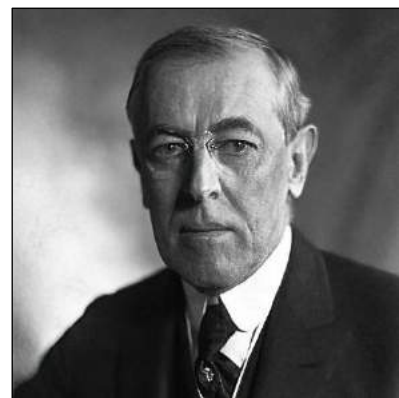
- (a) 1966;
- (b) 1976;
- (c) 1986;
- (d) 1996; or
- (e) 2006?

Trivia Question no. 3:

Before the founders of the first Rotary Club selected "Rotary" for their club name, which of the following potential names did they consider:

- (a) Men With Friends;
- (b) The Blue Boys;
- (c) The Conspirators;
- (d) The Round Table; or
- (e) All of the foregoing?

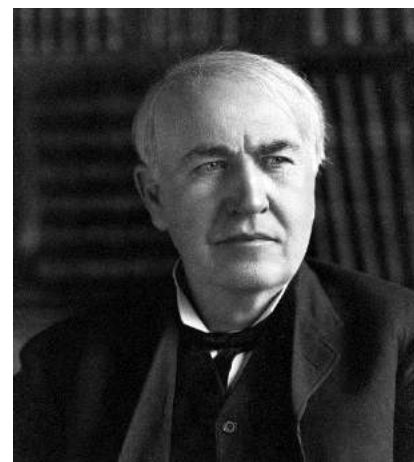
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**Can you Identify
this famous
honorary
Rotarian?**

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**How about this
other famous
honorary
Rotarian?**

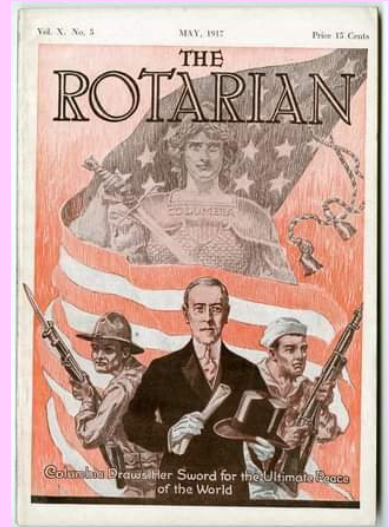


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ANSWERS



The famous Rotarian first pictured is Woodrow Wilson, who was an honorary member of the Rotary Club of Birmingham, Alabama, and who served as the 28th President of the United States. Wilson agreed to be featured on the cover of the first issue of *The Rotarian* that was published after the U.S. entered World War I. (May 1917 issue.)



The second honorary Rotarian pictured is Thomas Edison, who was an honorary member of the Rotary Club of Orange New Jersey. Edison registered 2,332 patents. His contributions to scientific and technological development include the incandescent light bulb, the phonograph, and the motion picture camera.

Answer to Trivia Question no. 1: (c) In 1955, the U.S. issued an 8¢ stamp to honor the 50th anniversary of Rotary's founding.

Answer to Trivia Question no. 2: (e) The number of Paul Harris Fellows reached the 1 million mark in 2006.

Answer to Trivia Question no. 3: (e) The founders of the first Rotary club considered all of the names mentioned in the trivia question before they decided on "Rotary."