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June is Rotary Fellowships month. Rotary Fellowships are independent groups of Rotarians, their spouses, and Rotaractors who share a common passion. Being part of a fellowship is a fun way to make friends from around the world. For history buffs there is the Rotary Global History Fellowship that traces the history of Rotary and highlights milestones in its development. If your interest is music you might want to join the International Fellowship of Rotarian Musicians that often makes a choral presentation at the International Convention. Speaking of which you could also join the International Fellowship of Rotarian Convention Goers if you particularly enjoy our annual gatherings. Other Fellowships include wine, canoeing, and computer users. More than thirty in all. A full list is available on the RI website including information about starting your own fellowship.



Fellowship is an appropriate topic to end the Rotary year because it is the key to the success of our organization. The contacts we make and maintain at our weekly meetings create the friendships that make possible the cohesion and sense of purpose that allow us to carry out the service projects that are the basic activities of our clubs. Fellowship is indeed the core of Rotary.

As we arrive at the end of the Rotary year I would like to express my sincere mahalo for the opportunity to serve as your District Governor. It has been an experience that far exceeded my expectations and will remain as one of the most rewarding of my life. I'll soon put the "P" before the DG: Past in time perhaps but never in my heart.

Aloha!

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