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A Message From Our District Governor

NOVEMBER IS FOUNDATION MONTH

“Every Rotarian, Every Year” is the Foundation goal. With 1.25 million members worldwide, if we could receive \$100 from each, The Rotary Foundation could have \$125 million to fund its many humanitarian and educational projects. The Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member program asks only that you commit \$100 each year for 10 years. After completing that commitment and becoming a Paul Harris Fellow, we encourage that you sign up again. Many members accelerate the program with additional contributions over the course of a year, and they complete their fellowship commitments in just a few years.

As Rotarians, you know full well what a modest donation can do when combined as a matching grant with club fundraising. With about \$60,000 of club funds we have leveraged over \$200,000 for Project Hope, our humanitarian project in Kisumu, Kenya. Many clubs in the district are performing local projects with Rotary Foundation funds in the form of District Simplified Grants. Read about them in the Friday Facts, where we highlight a different project each week.

Think about the Educational Programs of the Rotary Foundation. TRF is the world's largest scholarship foundation. It sponsors Ambassadorial Scholars, Peace and Conflict Resolution scholars, Group Study Exchanges, and Grants for University Teachers.

All of this starts with your commitment and your contribution. To make it fun and easy, we have our Foundation Raffle each year. Your contribution of \$100 provides you with a tax deduction AND 10 chances to win. Over a hundred prizes in the \$50 to \$100 range will be distributed in December to lucky winners. Additionally, three lucky winners will be announced at our Centennial Gala and Foundation Dinner on February 12 where the top prizes will be given.

We're counting on you.

DAVID L. GALLAGHER
Centennial District Governor



DG Dave Gallagher, DGE Mark Oliver and PDG Nick Mascitelli at the Zone Institute in Hawaii

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