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Wishing you all a wonderful Holiday time, I am humbled to be your District Governor. No matter what religion we practice, and those of no definable faith, your dedication to the beliefs and causes of Rotary are an inspiration to me!

Membership News

The first half of the Rotary year is just about over and our Membership numbers are:

- Membership began July 1, 2018 with 2,058 members and ended July 31 with 2,078 members;
- We ended August with 2,072 members;
- September ended with 2,064 members;
- We finished October with 2,058 members;
- We finished November with 2,059 members.

As you can tell, through that time, we had a NET INCREASE of one member. Our goal is to end the year with a NET INCREASE of 100 members. We have a ways to go. And, unfortunately, we have lost one Club; the Des Peres Rotary Club will close effective December 31, 2018, after 28 years of serving their community and the world.

We are all part of the Membership Committee in our Clubs and our District. We should all be on the look-out for individuals who show the principles and ethics that Rotary espouses. Imagine if even only half of us (approximately 1,030 Rotarians) brought in a new member this year. Our numbers would be staggering. Imagine too what we more we could do as Clubs and as a District to make a change in our community and in the world!

Calendar of Events - Let's Support Each Other, January, 2019

These Clubs are holding events during December, 2018. Please consider supporting their efforts.

And, if you wish your event to be published, please let District Governor Linda Puchbauer know.

- Jan. 10, 2019 Cape Girardeau Rotary Club Kickoff Reception & Foundation Fundraiser
- Jan. 2019 Dexter Rotary Club Chili Day
- Jan. 2019 Crestwood/Sunset Hills Rotary Club Food Packing
- Jan. 2019 Arnold Rotary Club Trivia Night
- Jan. 25, 2019 Overland Rotary Club Mouse Races, 50/50 Drawings, Auction @ Wild Acres Banquet Center

December is Disease Prevention Month

Our health is everything. Yet 400 million people in the world can't afford or don't have access to basic health care. We believe good health care is everyone's right.

Disease results in misery, pain, and poverty for millions of people worldwide. That's why treating and preventing disease is so important to us. We lead efforts both large and small. We set up temporary clinics, blood donation centers, and training facilities in underserved communities struggling with outbreaks and health care access. We design and build infrastructure that allows doctors, patients, and governments to work together.

Our members combat diseases like malaria, HIV/AIDS, Alzheimer's, multiple sclerosis, diabetes, and polio. Prevention is important, which is why we also focus on health education and bringing people routine hearing, vision, and dental care.

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