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Dear Friend,

Ever since I joined Rotary, I have been utterly impressed with how passionate Rotarians are about doing good in the world. Be it on a global scale where we are helping to eradicate Polio and are now up for the next big task: Malaria; or working on the local level where The Rotary Club of Kent has been serving the greater Kent Community for 65 years:

- Granting college **Scholarships**
- Providing weekend food for children through our **Backpack Buddies** program
- Providing **Dictionaries** to third grade students
- **Distributing food** for thousands of families during the pandemic
- Working with many local organizations to fight homelessness, food insecurity, mentor and teach children, educate refugees, and support the community in many other ways.

With YOU, our partners, we can accomplish great things in our community and in the world. Our fundraising theme this year is “**Hearts of Gold**” and we invite you to join us once again to support our annual **Escapades Auction at Green River College on March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024**. The auction is made up of a wide variety of donations from individuals, companies, and community organizations and we expect about 200 guests at the live event and hope to raise over \$100,000 to make a difference in our community.

Our guests are drawn to opening their **Hearts of Gold** to support the many causes that we can serve with the proceeds. We cordially invite you to consider one of the sponsorship opportunities which will also allow you to put your brand in front of an influential local audience. We also welcome in-kind donations for our silent and live auctions and, of course, we want YOU to be part of the event by attending.

Please see the attached flyer for the donation and sponsorship opportunities that best fit your **Hearts of Gold**. For more information, and to register for the event, please see <https://www.kentrotary.com/escapades.php>.



On behalf of the members of The Rotary Club of Kent, and the 1.4 million Rotarians worldwide, please accept my sincere gratitude for your consideration to support us in making our community a better place!

Yours in Service,

Axel Henning  
President-Elect  
Rotary Club of Kent

