*Sent to all Members*

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Dear {%FName%},

This is a Rotary Foundation Minute provided by District 6220 Governor-Elect and Paul Harris Society Coordinator Roger Utnehmer (Oot-name-er). Please share with club members by reading at weekly meetings and posting on social media and in newsletters.

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“This is a Rotary Foundation Minute.

Life-changing accomplishments of The Rotary Foundation are the most significant take-away from attending the International Assembly of more than five hundred District Governors Elect in Orlando, Florida.

Hearing a Rotarian from Latvia talk about fear that his country will be next to become war-torn and destroyed, a Polish Governor-Elect sharing stories of Ukraine mothers and children finding safety from war in her country, a Mexican Rotarian tell about the polluted water in his community causing the death by polio of his older sister, all combine to emphatically remind us we belong to a world-wide service organization with “international” in our name.

Clean water in Guatemala, a new Rotary Peace Center opening in Turkey, near-eradication of polio in Pakistan and Afghanistan, are all reality today because of The Rotary Foundation.

Rotary International is one of the world’s most impressive non-governmental organizations. From being a key catalyst in the formation of the United Nations to supporting mothers and children throughout the world, Rotary International is comprised of good people who do great things.

The good works of Rotary are only possible because those of us blessed with the good fortune of living in the United States of America share our prosperity. And it makes all the difference in the world.

This has been a Rotary Foundation Minute. Thank you.”

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