



SHARING ROTARY

Are you aware of the responsibility most Rotarians fail to perform? Paying their dues? Attending meetings? Contributing to the Club's Foundation? Participating in club events and projects? Nope—none of these!

Of all the obligations a person accepts when joining Rotary, the one in which most Rotarians fall short is "sharing Rotary." The policies of Rotary International clearly affirm that every individual Rotarian has an "obligation to share Rotary with others and to help extend Rotary through proposing (or sponsoring) qualified persons for Rotary membership." Current statistics suggest that less than 30 percent of the members of most Rotary clubs have ever made the effort to propose a new member. Thus, in every club, there are many Rotarians who readily accept the pleasures of being a Rotarian without ever sharing that honor with another qualified individual. The Rotary policy on club membership states: "In order for a Rotary club to be fully relevant to its community and responsive to the needs of those in the community, it is important and necessary that the club include in its membership all fully qualified prospective members located within its territory." One merely has to perform a simple search through their own contact list to realize how many worthy individuals they know and have not reached out to that would make wonderful Rotarians. Sponsoring a customer, neighbor, client, supplier, executive, relative, business associate, community member or friend into Rotary is an outstanding way of honoring those you know, and surely everyone must know at least one person who should belong to Rotary.

HAVE YOU ACCEPTED YOUR OBLIGATION TO SHARE ROTARY?

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BA[R]KER'S DOZEN



13 THINGS YOU DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT...

ELAINE HELLER

1. I am originally from Michigan. My family moved to WA when I was five, so I didn't get much say in the matter.
2. I am most likely to max out credit card at a bicycle store.
3. My secret talent is being able to strike up a conversation with almost anyone.
4. I have never been downhill skiing.
5. I went to five schools by the end of 7th grade, then stayed in the Wapato school district through high school.
6. My first job was picking strawberries. I was 7 years old.
7. My astrological sign is Scorpio (yup, I'm Valentine's Day baby).
8. The first live concert I ever saw was Heart at the Yakima Speedway in 1977.
9. The last book I read was *A Gentleman in Moscow* (Rotary book group ROCKS!).
10. My first car was 1967 Datsun 1600 roadster.
11. I first went overseas at age 19. It changed my perspective entirely, which is why I am involved with Rotary Youth Exchange.
12. My worst subject in school was Art—there is a reason I work with numbers for a living!
13. I don't have a middle name. My parents tell me it was hard enough to come up with a first name, let alone two.

New Member Shout Out

We are excited to welcome to the Rotary Club of Bellevue:



Dr. Dave Knopfler
Overlake Hospital Medical Center
Healthcare Services—
Hospital Management
Sponsor: Molly Stearns



Ivan Duran
Bellevue School District
Education—Public Schools
Sponsor: Steve McConnell



David Winokur
Overlake Hospital Medical Center
Healthcare Services—
Hospital Management
Sponsor: Molly Stearns

GUESS THE ROTARIAN



HINT: When he's not walking down J Street and keeping *databases* in order, he's helping organize *business opportunities* amongst Club members.

Email your guess to: membership@bellevuerotary.net

Correct answers receive one entry to a prize drawing for a \$25 Bellevue Collection gift card.

Guesses due by the last day of the month of the current issue. Must be a current member of the Rotary Club of Bellevue to be eligible to receive the prize.

LAST MONTH'S ANSWER



Alan Fulp

Winner:

Jim Hogue