2018-19 DISTRICT AWARDS PROGRAM
OFFICIAL JUDGING SHEET

CLUB SIZE       SMALL CLUBS
CATEGORY       COMMUNITY SERVICE

1ST PLACE __________________________________
2ND PLACE __________________________________
3RD PLACE __________________________________
4TH PLACE __________________________________
5TH PLACE __________________________________

JUDGE NAME  ______________________________
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DISTRICT 5960 AWARDS CHECKLIST FOR ROTARY YEAR 2018-2019

ITEMS DUE BY MARCH 15, 2019

AWARD CATEGORY: COMMUNITY SERVICE

Rotary Club of: Chain of Lakes Rotary

Club Division: □ Large Club  □ Medium Club  □ Small Club

Check for each item completed:

☑ Completed a significant, visible project in the local community (Describe in narrative)
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☐ Other (Describe in narrative)

List three of your best Community Service projects for this year:
1. [Name of Project]  Club Members participating %
2. [Name of Project]  Club Members participating %
3. [Name of Project]  Club Members participating %

Total number of Community Service projects accomplished this year

Provide a narrative description of your three best Community Service projects listed above and any detail supporting the checked items above, including the impact of the Club's efforts. Using the attached form, limit your response to one page, and use Times New Roman 12pt font size. You are allowed to use up to six pictures (all on one page) to accompany your narrative to support your application.

A narrative follows: ☑ Yes  ☐ No
Community Service

This year’s Rotary theme of “Be the Inspiration” served as a backdrop for the Chain of Lakes Rotary club to continue to seek out opportunities to work within our community and go above and beyond what one might look at as community service. In 2018 we continued to look at new ways to interact in our community while at the same time build upon and nurture established partnerships.

The Centennial School District continues to be one of our most valuable partnerships in the community and this past April we coordinated the 1st annual Centennial High School Senior Service Day Project with them and it resulted in amazing success. Senior High Schoolers were given the opportunity to sign up to do community service projects for a 2-hour period at 22 various locations around the cities of Circle Pines, Lexington, and Lino Lakes: place like nursing homes, city halls, police and fire stations and the Centennial library. It was quite the event with the over 340 students and 30 plus adult volunteers being served a lunch back at the school donated by Texas Roadhouse. This year’s event will involve the middle school and Chain of Lakes Rotary is looking forward to participating and help support their projects in whatever ways we can.

Chain of Lakes Rotary held their Annual Chain of Giving event in April as well. Our popular Casino night raised over $11,000 in 2018 and the money that was raised was donated to the Centennial HS Angel fund and the IQ kitchen for the Anoka County Centennial Library expansion. Over 200 community members attended the event and continues to include most of the membership helping put on the event.

The Shawn Silvera Rotary Run continues to be a fundraiser that we are proud to be a part of with along with the City of Lino Lakes and the YMCA. This year our Chain of Lakes Rotary group supported the 1st annual High School Challenge which offered a traveling trophy for the winners. Local sporting teams though out our area came to compete with the Centennial Football team winning the award over the other cross-country teams and track teams. It was and awesome competition for the high schools. This 5k race is also open to the public and offered a Splash and Dash and 2k walk run. Overall the race earned $8,000 which went to support our STRIVE scholarship program along with the Junior Explorers and COPS program supporting local police families.

In September Chain of Lakes Rotary had a unique and special opportunity to support our local environment. Joining up with Marty Asleson from the City of Lino Lakes and local longtime volunteers of Peltier Lake, Wayne LeBlanc, Rotarians bought and helped plant over 15 trees to support the habitat for the nests of the Great Blue Heron and Great Egret. On one of the hottest summer days Chain of Lakers took a small boat to the island and planted 20 various species of trees that will grow and support the habitat. We are already planning for the 2019 planting event.

Our rotary also puts on a habit for humanity build the we partner with Thrivent Financial. During this day we put up trust and moister barrier in the upper and lower parts of this house. The family had 5 kids and 2 adults that never had a home of their own.
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AWARD CATEGORY: COMMUNITY SERVICE

Rotary Club of: Lake Elmo

Club Division: _Large Club _Medium Club _Small Club

Check for each item completed:

1. Completed a significant, visible project in the local community (Describe in narrative)
2. Performed at least one new community service project this year (Describe in narrative)
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9. □ One of more members participated in a One Rotary Summit and shared information and ideas with the Club or Board
   □ Other (Describe in narrative)

List three of your best Community Service projects for this year:
1. Lake Elmo Elementary Inclusive Playground Club Members participating 60%
2. Camp Kari Shuttle Ride Club Members participating 90%
3. Serving Ice Cream Sundaes on 7/4/18 Club Members participating 50%

Total number of Community Service projects accomplished this year ______

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A narrative follows: □ Yes □ No
Lake Elmo Rotary Club 2018-2019—Community Service – Small Club

1) Lake Elmo Rotary collaborated with the Lake Elmo Elementary PTA to raise funds to build an inclusive playground at the school. The PTA needed to raise $99,500 over what the School District’s $200,000 contribution. Lake Elmo Elementary has the most physically challenged children in the School District. They wanted to replace their old playground with a base and equipment that the children in wheelchairs could access. Lake Elmo Rotary attended meetings of other Rotary Clubs with the Lake Elmo PTA to support them when they presented to the Clubs.

a) We received a District Grant for $7,500 with three clubs participating. A PTA member who is a mother of a special needs daughter was a guest speaker at our Gold Plate Dinner on September 21st. We received an additional $3,613 from those who attended the event and we matched their donations for a total of $7,226 added to the District Grant of $7,500 totaled $14,726.

b) We helped install the new equipment on 7/27/18 along with community volunteers who did and did not have students attending the school.

c) This service project involved two of the six areas of focus. Saving children - providing a safe play area where children with special needs can play side by side with children that do not have disabilities. Supporting Education - by allowing children to get physical exercise together to support their learning in the classroom. We brought dictionaries to four 3rd grade classrooms at Lake Elmo Elementary on 12/12/18 and presented them to the children. We provided 25 scholarships on 10/24/18 (anonymously) to the Lake Elmo Elementary 5th Graders to make it possible for less privileged children to attend Camp St. Croix with their classmates.

2) Lake Elmo Rotary contacted Family Means in Stillwater to see what we could do locally to bring holiday spirit to children in our community. They invited us to join their “Santa’s Workshop” on 12/20/18 at the community center at Cimarron, in Lake Elmo. Stillwater Motors provided the toys; we dressed like Elves and Santa. We did crafts with the children and took pictures of them on Santa’s lap. We also helped the parents pick toys for their children. This was a new partnership for us this year and we will continue it in the future. The families were very grateful.

3) We worked with Family Means to conduct a needs assessment for our community. We learned that the children in our community need extra support to help them stay out of trouble and complete their education. We will be providing funds and volunteering with children from elementary through high school.

4) Ice Cream Social 7/4/18 – serve over 300 ice cream sundaes to families after the Lake Elmo Parade, Inclusive Playground 7/27/18, Golf Kart Shuttle Rides at Washington County Fair 8/3/18, National Night Out 8/7/18, Dictionaries to Lake Elmo 3rd Graders 12/12/18, Served Lake Elmo Inn prepared dinners at the Ronald McDonald House on 9/4/18, 11/6/18, 1/1/19 and 3/5/19, hosted two very successful blood drives and more.

5) Members participated with Stillwater Clubs at the Community Thread Wine tasting on 9/30/18. We raised tips to fund Christmas gifts and meals through Community Thread.
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AWARD CATEGORY: COMMUNITY SERVICE

Rotary Club of: Princeton (MN)

Club Division: __Large Club  ___Medium Club  X_Small Club

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List three of your best Community Service projects for this year:
1. The Moving Wall (3 day event)  Club Members participating 95.0%
2. EXPO Pancake Breakfast  Club Members participating 75.0%
3. Road-Side Clean Up  Club Members participating 45.0%

Total number of Community Service projects accomplished this year: 4

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A narrative follows:  ☑ Yes  ___No

6 | Rotary District 5960
Princeton Rotary Club – Princeton, MN
District 5960 Award Category: Community Service

The Princeton Rotary Club began its year to “Be the Inspiration” by participating in a multi-organizational effort to bring The Moving Wall to Princeton Minnesota. Our Club had a food booth at the event and Rotarians locally and from other communities volunteered in numerous capacities at this three (3) day event. This event provided volunteers and guests a once in a lifetime experience. Veterans and family members were given the chance to begin healing. It gave the community the opportunity to say words that were long overdue. Welcome Home and Thank You for your service!

The Club also took on the challenge of continuing a long tradition of having Fireworks on the 4th of July. This is an event that has been coordinated in the past by another organization, which reached out to us for help coordinating the event. We have taken this opportunity to build a partnership with the American Legion Post 216 of Princeton, and look forward to inviting them to partner on activities in the future.

Our Rotarians enjoy working with youth of all ages and have been supportive of programs within the community that inspire personal growth and family interaction. Some of these programs include our Rotarians participating in Youth Mentoring, Reading Buddies, a Student of the Month program, Judging a Bots competition, The Big Read Community-Wide reading project. These projects are ongoing throughout the school year.

Each year our Rotarians enjoy bringing family members and other youth along as we do our Roadside Clean-up. It offers Rotarians the chance to take with each other and share one on one time.

The Princeton Ambassadors have been involved in several of the community service and fundraising projects, such as the food booth at The Moving Wall event. The Ambassadors manned the booth with our Rotarians, which allowed both to learn more about the other, emphasizing the importance of mentorship and community service to others.

The Big Read Community-Wide literacy project was designed to get families reading together. This was the 2nd year that the school district hosted this opportunity. We were grateful to be a part of it.

Each year the Chamber of Commerce and the Princeton Ambassador Program host a Distinguished Service Awards Dinner. This dinner offers organizations, businesses and individuals the opportunity to acknowledge/recognize people in a community-wide setting. The Princeton Rotary Club takes this opportunity to recognize their Paul Harris Recipients and share a bit about Rotary.

The Moving Wall event was one that members of Princeton and surrounding communities are still talking about. Its impact has been far reaching. We received our first District Grant this year and the project will not be completed until next year, but people are talking about it and the impact it will have for individuals locally. The projects that the Princeton Rotary Club have chosen to spearhead or partner on are ones with power and purpose to Inspire individuals to look beyond their own being and touch others.
DISTRICT 5960 AWARDS CHECKLIST FOR ROTARY YEAR 2018-2019

ITEMS DUE BY MARCH 15, 2019

AWARD CATEGORY: COMMUNITY SERVICE

Rotary Club of: St. Paul Sunrise

Club Division: ☑ Small Club

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List three of your best Community Service projects for this year:
1. Yard Work Sale. Fundraiser for the YMCA  Club Members participating 56% 
2. Pencils Project Meal Service  Club Members participating 77% 
3. Oral Hygiene Drive  Club Members participating 80%

Total number of Community Service projects accomplished this year 11

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6 | Rotary District 5960
Community Service: St Paul Sunrise Rotary Club

- **District Grant - Guatemala Women’s Center**: Sunrise Rotary raised approx. $8,000 toward supplying the new Guatemala Women’s Center with needed kitchen and other supplies to operate effectively. The Guatemala Women’s Center provides life skills education to young women in Guatemala to allow them to be self-sufficient and independent. As women complete the program, they go back to their communities to teach other women these skills.

- **Alley Cat Parties**: Alley Cat provides a gathering space for Rotary and others to build community and to give to The Family Place, Ramsey County’s Day Shelter for Families Experiencing Homelessness. Three evenings during the summer featured music in the back yard and a live auction. This year, Alley Cat raised $3000 for programming for The Family Place.

- In our second year we partnered with “**Family Values for Life**” an organization that provides resources for families and youth in St. Paul. Free workshops are provided to women at the YMCA that teach essential life skills and empower them emotionally and financially to make better life choices. “U-Turn 180” is a place where youth and families can gather for a meal and extracurricular activities in a safe environment. We donated backpacks and school supplies for the back pack give away and volunteered at the Community back to school night where the back packs were given away. We collected food and helped distribute Thanksgiving Dinners to over 80 families We partnered with Episcopal Homes to provide winter coats and warm clothing for them in December.

- October: Provided food and served a meal for families at Jeremiah House.

- December: We worked at the YMCA Christmas Tree Lot to help raise funds for youth and families to attend the YMCA.

- We began a partnership with Brittany’s place, a safe shelter for girls in St. Paul that have been sexually exploited and trafficked. We donated Christmas gifts with a value of $700. In February, we facilitated a writing workshop to provide an outlet to express the experiences and hope for the future. This April, we are hosting a private pool & pizza party for the girls at Episcopal Homes, our community partner.

- Besides the service projects listed above we also did the following: Produce distribution and serving meals for Open Hands Midway (food shelf in the Midway Area), Smile Oral Hygiene Drive in April,

- **Provided funds to our club foundation**. So far this year, our club foundation provided funding to International Village Clinic (grant), Gordon Parks High School (student scholarship), White Bear Lake Rotary (grant support), **Guatemala Woman’s Center (St Paul Sunrise District Grant)**, New Brighton/Mounds View Rotary (grant support), Lake Minnetonka/Excelsior Rotary Club (grant support), Open Hands Midway, District Sex Trafficking Website.

- Areas of focus include: Promoting Peace (with Annual forum), Saving Mothers and Children (Britney’s Place, YMCA events, Guatemala Women’s Center, Jeremiah Program), Supporting Education (Gordon Parks activities), Growing local Economies (Highland Events, MPS Hello).
Community Service