Its hard to believe the Rotary year is over one month old. As I begin my club visits, I am reminded of the family of Rotary. As you can see from the pictures, I am happy and proud of my immediate family but since my installation as the District Governor, my children and grandchildren have come to see why Rotary has been so
important to me. Meeting long time members, new members and leaders in Rotary is so enriching.

August is Membership Month, which means it’s time to celebrate your Rotary club, your members, and the good you do in your community and around the world.

**Say it loud, say it proud!** Let everyone in your social network know that you are a proud member by changing your Twitter and Facebook profile to the I’m a Proud Member, I’m a Proud Rotaractor, or I’m a Proud Interactor but I AM AUDACIOUS!

Rotary clubs are known for the high-impact service projects they undertake locally and globally. Share stories about your service projects and how they improve lives on Rotary Showcase.

**What does Rotary mean to you?** Rotary members have pushed polio to the brink of eradication, delivered clean water to those in need, improved their local communities, provided scholarships to the next generation of peacemakers, and continued to do good in the world.

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**Camp Enterprise coming up in November**

Camp Enterprise, a business camp for high school 1-3, 2018.

Sponsored by the Rotary Clubs of District 5950 and 5960, which covers the entire Twin Cities area, Camp Enterprise is an extensive three-day camp offering students the opportunity to participate in leadership activities focusing on the Free Enterprise System.

The camp is held at Camp Ihduhapi, in Loretto, MN, about 30 minutes west of Minneapolis.

With 120 students participating, the attendees are divided into teams of 6-8 people and are provided a case study (or business). In “Shark Tank” fashion, the teams must develop a business and marketing plan to present to the venture capitalists (Sharks) on the last day of camp to secure financing.

There are $5000 worth of scholarship money awarded at the camp. Camp Enterprise is in its 39th year and has sold out the past 3 years (about 25 spots still open). There are over 80 Rotary volunteers from the 2 districts that coordinate the camp. Mentors and other volunteers are still needed.

For questions regarding the registration process, please email us at the website at [www.campenterprise.org](http://www.campenterprise.org).
Rochester's Rotary Clubs look to women for leadership

There was an article published in Rochester newspaper celebrating Women in Rotary. What a fantastic article to let the world know about Rotary and its diversity.

So for two consecutive years, the once male-only service organization is led in our city by a group of dedicated and community-focused women. For those of us who participate in the mission activities and programming of Rochester Rotary, it's impossible to imagine our clubs without the people who not so long ago were denied membership. In all that Rotary International takes on — promoting peace, fighting disease, providing clean water, saving mothers and children, supporting education, and growing local economies — women from nearly every country in the world are vital contributors to its success.

Rotarians can’t imagine it any other way.
A Special thank you to Past District Governor Kyle Haugen

Congratulations for a great year of your leadership. It was one in which you did “Make a Difference”. So many changes on the district level with the team concept, new Organizational layout of the district leadership, Awards Program to name a few.

“We were honored to recognize Ann Frisch as a Rotary: Champion of Peace, and Jon Stillman with a Regional Service Award for a Polio Free World. We developed a Human Trafficking Initiative with District 5950 that has great potential in the next few years and have set our District on the right track by creating a new “District specific” Strategic Plan that will help us support our clubs as much as possible!”

Thank you for Making a Difference as District Governor. District 5960 is better because of your Leadership.
Core Values

Fun
Service
Integrity
Leadership
Inclusion
Innovation

These are big picture priorities, not specific goals. The specific goals and action plans will be developed by standing teams, such as the Membership Team and Public Image Team, using SMART Goals. District 5960 has a Strategic Plan in place for guidelines in setting goals. Please go to the district website to read it in the Resource Library.

MEMBERSHIP IN DISTRICT 5960

| Membership on July 1, 2018 | 2,767 |
| Membership Currently       | 2,788 |
| Net Increase in Membership | 26    |

What a great start to the new Rotary year! Keep up the great work and Inspire others in Rotary.
DISTRICT GOVERNOR MIKE BECKER’S CLUB VISITS

July 11th - Albert Lea

President Steve Vanek welcomed me to the Albert Lea club. They are a close knit club and are trying to add to their membership. They have been featured in the local paper many times for their support of local projects.

July 18th - Greater Mankato

Assistant Governor Kenny Klooster and President Lisa Cownie welcomed me to their meeting. Exciting things are happening there with their five year commitment to the Rotary Education Room at the Childrens Museum. Working hard to make the board a team. I got to have a question and answer time for all of the members.

July 13th - N.St.Paul/Maplewood/Oakdale

This was President Shawn Berry’s first meeting as President and it was such a special day, he wore a tie. The club has a fundraiser, Clay Shoot on September 14th. They have identified the needs for membership and have created a special team. Shawn is one of Rotary’s Emerging Leaders.
DISTRICT GOVERNOR MIKE BECKER’S CLUB VISITS

July 19th - Rice Lake / Barron County
Home of PDG Marlene Gargulak and with current President Steve Bowman it was a full meeting and got to have a nice discussion with the board. The clubs hold a joint fundraiser, Rose Sale and Holiday party. The are working on a Club Foundation

August 2nd - Hastings
I was joined by AG Jack Haugen and President Brian Schommer was welcoming and in meeting with the board it was realized that they wanted to have a Club Champion for Goals and Foundation support. Having Jack Haugen there who is a lead on the Foundation Developing Team set a date for a meeting to help the club and their support of the Foundation. They have an upcoming fundraiser, Rivertown Live on September 7th.

August 1st- Rochester Rotary
The three Rochester clubs, Risers, Greater Rochester and The Rotary Club of Rochester, held a joint meeting and had a lot of fun with a game of Jeopardy. Rochester’s three clubs have many combined teams with Public Image, Fundraiser (Holiday Basketball Tourney), Leadership Team, etc.
DISTRICT GOVERNOR MIKE BECKER’S CLUB VISITS

August 2nd - Stillwater Noon

I arrived early to see a special presentation from Andrew Steele, ELCA for an update on the Reconciliation Center and Clinic project in Juba, South Sudan. AG Scott Mercer was there to present a check. It was a well attended meeting and the doing a great job of making their club leadership a team effort. There is a seven year commitment that includes the President position as part of the transition. They have a nice diversity and President Doug Brady has a strong team for support.

August 8th - Winona

Assistant Governor Mark Dripps and I visited the club and also met with President Tom Wynn and the board. They are an active club with programs such as; Feed Our Starving Children, Know Your Neighbor and a Dictionary program. The have a fundraiser Ride the Ridges on September 15th. They are currently exploring ways to let the world know about their good works with Impact Branding. Fun visit.
We are excited to announce that our district will be presenting **One Rotary Summits** on **September 13 and September 18** this Rotary year. These summits emphasize the relationship among Membership, Public Image, and Humanitarian Service (the latter especially through The Rotary Foundation) and are a unique and effective way to help club members understand and become truly engaged in the opportunities offered by Rotary. The first session will be from 5:30-8:45 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 13 at Vanelli’s on the Lake in Forest Lake. The second session will be from 5:30-8:45 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 18 at the United Methodist Church in Northfield. Light meals will be served during each session.

**WHY ROTARY?**

**WHAT:** DISTRICT 5960 ONE ROTARY SUMMIT

**WHEN/WHERE:** Dates: Sept 13, Vanelli’s By The Lake, Forest Lake, MN  
Sept 18, United Methodist Church, Northfield, MN

**TIME:** 5:45pm to 8:45pm

**MEAL:** Light meal included

**COST:** Free/registration required: www.rotary5960.org

**WHY:** This is your opportunity to learn why and how Rotary is changing lives in our communities and around the world. Participate in focused discussions about the great opportunities and benefits of being a Rotarian.

Membership –  
Public Image –  
Foundation  

BE THE INSPIRATION
Sushil Kumar Gupta selected to be 2020-21 Rotary president

Sushil Kumar Gupta, of the Rotary Club of Delhi Midwest, Delhi, India, is the selection of the Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International for 2020-21. He will be declared the president-nominee on 1 October if no challenging candidates have been suggested. Gupta wants to increase Rotary’s humanitarian impact as well as the diversity of its membership.

“As individuals, we can only do so much,” Gupta said in a statement. “But when 1.2 million Rotarians work together, there is no limit to what we can achieve, and in the process, we can truly change the world.”