

# **Rotary Minute**

## **D6960 Club use for week of 09/03/2018**

*The Rotary Minute is a nugget of information for your club members during this upcoming week. It is for you to read at your club meeting. It will vary in information about Rotary. At times there may even be a short YouTube video to show your club.*

### **SHARING ROTARY WITH NEW MEMBERS**

Are you aware of one of the responsibilities or obligations most Rotarians fail to perform?

Not what you think.

Of all the obligations a person accepts when joining a Rotary club, the one in which most Rotarians fail 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 qualified persons for Rotary club membership."

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 area".

One merely has to glance through the chamber of commerce directory to realize that most clubs have not invited qualified members of all businesses and professions into Rotary.

Only a Rotarian may propose a customer, neighbor, client, supplier, executive, relative, business associate, professional or other qualified person to join a Rotary club.

### **Have you accepted your obligation to share Rotary?**

The procedures are very simple, and everyone must know at least one person who should belong to Rotary. Discuss the many ways to bring in new members into your club with your Membership Chairman.

Finally, do not forget, **retaining existing members** in your club can be just as important. Make sure all club members are on a committee and asked to be involved.

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