

Rotarian Bruce Earl



Bruce Earl has been a member of the Orem-Lindon Rotary Club since 1980 after following in his grandfather's footsteps, and this journey has been a wonderful part of his life marked by deep commitment to community service.

During the interview, Bruce highlighted the club's extensive community service projects both locally and internationally. One of the main global endeavors that has been a major part of the club has been the polio eradication campaign. As one of the club's main projects, along with world polio day coming up soon, this was the first campaign that was mentioned by Bruce. He went on to mention a project as well for building stoves in Central America to improve their living conditions. The rotary club is also focused on local projects and campaigns such as the youth exchange program, leadership development academy, and the community coat drive. All of these, along with an extensive number of others, are ways that the Orem-Lindon Rotary Club provide valuable opportunities and assistance to local residents.

Mr. Earl emphasized the importance of the Rotary's principles of service, fellowship, and diversity. One main problem that he mentioned was the cost of living in Utah and particularly the affordability of housing. He shared his personal experience about his daughter having difficulty in finding affordable housing, and how the support that the club brings could help with this issue. This was one of the problems that Bruce thinks that the rotary club could try and help with.

Outside of the club, Bruce also has his own personal goals on how to benefit the community as a whole. He first expressed his desire to help raise the membership of the club as well as raise awareness of the club's principles. He hopes in the future that there will be more emphasis on community-focused initiatives that more people could be involved in. Bruce shared his desire to see a more improved traffic flow, specifically on i-15, a reduced bureaucracy, and an increased amount of kindness to each other. Bruce said, "Try to be proactive in showing kindness, endorsing kindness, and getting people to look at each other as human beings and not 'you're in my way.'" I see this quote as a testament to Bruce's life goals and his own personal mission as a member of the rotary club.

The mission of the rotary club is one that Bruce firmly stands behind. He acknowledges the importance of being willing to give back to the community and the value of building relationships with the community through service. Mr. Earl encourages individuals to be open-minded and to embrace diversity. Bruce's commitment to service and having a passion for making a difference highlight his impact on the club and serve as an inspiration to others.

Interviewed by Caleb Reams, UVU student