## **Roger Belden Lewis**



Roger Belden Lewis was born in Cedar City, Utah, and has been a staple in the Orem-Lindon Rotary Club. He is a husband, father of five boys, and a loving grandfather. Mr Lewis expresses that his involvement with Rotary began early in life with his grandfather. The presence of Rotary has always been constant throughout his life, from parent and child programs to Little League Baseball and then finally when the Provo Rotary Club was establishing the Orem-Lindon Club. He has contributed to the six priority goals of Rotary International, he participated in the student exchange program that was a regular program of Rotary International.

Mr Lewis is the oldest member of the Orem-Lindon Club and his presence is important to club members because of his loyalty. He spent most of his life surrounded by activities and events of Rotary and provides a strong example of what Service above self (the motto of Rotary International) looks like. Over the summer, the Orem-Lindon Rotary Club held an all-you-can-eat pancake fundraiser in a park in Orem to raise money to provide coats for kids around the Orem/ Lindon area. This is where I was able to meet Mr Lewis's oldest son, who is the father of one of my brother's best friends from high school, Jackson Lewis.

Mr Lewis, by virtue, has committed himself to providing service in any and every way within his capacity. Whether it is connecting a network of people together, attending Rotary events regularly, or getting his family involved. Mr Lewis is most proud of the growth of the club and the many great things they do for the community. When asked if there was one thing, he wished Rotary would bring back, he expressed that the student exchange program is his biggest hope to provide opportunities for education for students around the world.

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