## **Rotary Foundation**

The Foundation is the not-for-profit arm of Rotary that's supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians and friends of the Foundation who share its vision of a better world. It has spent hundreds of millions of dollars on humanitarian programs since 1947.

#### **PolioPlus**



Rotary International

PolioPlus is the most ambitious program in Rotary's history, a global partnership dedicated to the worldwide eradication of polio. Working with organizations like the UN, World Health Organization and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Rotary has led the private sector in the battle to rid the world of this debilitating disease. After 25 years of hard work, Rotary and its partners are on the brink of achieving the dream of a "polio free" world, with just two polio-endemic countries remaining.



#### **Humanitarian Grants**

Humanitarian grants enable Rotarians to support service projects that provide water wells, medical care, literacy classes, and other essentials to people in need. Through the Humanitarian Grants Program, Rotarians have received \$1.6 billion in grant awards since 1947 The Four-Way Test is a code of conduct for Rotarians to apply to any endeavor in their professional or private lives.

- 1 Is it the truth?
- 2 Is it fair to all concerned?
- 3 Will it build good will and better friendships?
- 4 Will it be beneficial to all concerned?



Packing Backpacks for nutritionally at risk children in New Paltz

## **New Paltz Rotary Club**

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# New Paltz Rotary Club



# "Service Above Self"

# **Meetings**

Thursdays at 12:15 PM alternating between in-person and remote meetings

## Garvan's

215 Huguenot Street New Paltz, NY 12561

Visit our website for Zoom information

The New Paltz Rotary Club has been actively participating in both community and global services since 1965

## What Do We Do?

- Backpack program provides weekend food for nutritionally at-risk local school children - over 15,000lbs of food each year
- Touch a Truck provides hands-on learning and fun for kids of all ages, UC Fairgrounds
- New Paltz Halloween Parade
- Photos with Santa & Holiday Lighting
- Clean-Up and maintenance of Rotary Park, built in 2005 for community enjoyment
- Win-A-Bundle, Wheel Spin and March Madness fundraising events in October, November, January and March
- Golf Scramble Tournament in June for Scholarships and other projects
- The Walkathon in May to support our backpack program
- Provide Scholarships
- Sponsorship of inbound and outbound international exchange students
- Actively support the "Friends of Guirgho" project which provides electricity, potable, running water, technology and upgraded school facilities and materials in Burkina Faso.
- Annual fishing derby at SUNY-NP to help local kids learn to fish
- Advise and support the New Paltz High School Interact Club
- Provide emergency supply closet/drawers to schools in New Paltz
- Provide Shelter Boxes and other disaster relief, both local and international
- COVID test kit & mask distribution in partnership with Village of New Paltz
- Support FAMILY of New Paltz as needed
- Provide gift cards to needy families in New Paltz Central School District
- Contribute to Rotary Foundation annually

# Why join Rotary?

Do you enjoy working with others to make a difference in the local community and in the world? Would you like to help advance international understanding and world peace?

If so, you should consider joining Rotary.

Rotary is an international organization with more than 1.2 million members and over 35,000 local clubs. Each club focuses on service within its community, and on solving international challenges like:

- Peace and Conflict Resolution
- Disease Prevention and Treatment
- Water and Sanitation
- Maternal and Child Health
- Basic Education and Literacy
- Economic and Community Development
- Environment Protection

# **A Brief History**

Rotary was founded in 1905 by Paul Harris, a Chicago attorney who wanted to encourage fellowship among business acquaintances. Weekly meetings in those first years literally rotated among member offices, providing the club with its name.

The early clubs quickly adopted a focus on service, which continues today in the words of the Rotary motto: "Service Above Self."

The idea and ideals of Rotary soon expanded throughout the US and around the globe, where Rotary brings together people of all races, nationalities, religious faiths and political beliefs in a common mission of service to the community and the world, promoting global peace and international understanding.

## **Member Responsibilities**

#### **Participation**

Service and fellowship are two important components of Rotary. Members are encouraged to be active participants in club meetings, projects and social events.

We meet each Thursday at 12:15pm and alternate between virtual and in person meetings. There is a \$22 fee for in person meetings, which includes lunch at Garvan's. Fees are waived for invited guests

#### Dues

Annual membership dues of \$150 or \$220 for corporate memberships Foundation

Members are asked to donate \$140/year to the RI Foundation

## **Five Avenues of Service**

Rotary's commitment to Service Above Self is channeled through:

**Club Service:** Strengthens fellowship and ensures the smooth functioning of the club.

**Vocational Service:** Serves by sharing vocational expertise and promoting high ethical standards in business and personal life.

**Community Service:** Identifies and executes club projects and activities that improve life in the local community.

International Service: Advances Rotary's humanitarian efforts around the world and promotes global understanding and peace.

**New Generations:** Matches youth and young adults with leadership development activities, service projects, and exchange programs that foster world peace and cultural understanding.