

PO Box 844, Bolton, ON L7E 5T5
Meetings: Wednesday 6 :00 PM – Caledon Equestrian Park
(200 Pine Avenue, Palgrave)
www.palgraverotary.ca



Dear _____

A Rotarian you know has asked us to extend a personal invitation to you to become an Associate Member of the Rotary Club of Palgrave. This would allow you to get to know our Club without committing to a full membership right away.

As you may know, our efforts are directed to making a difference for individuals in our community and internationally, not-for-profit organizations and the environment we live in.

Help us to enrich the quality of life for those living in our community and elsewhere where the need is great. At the same time, enjoy the networking and friendship of a renowned team.

Community

Rotarians are volunteers who live or work in our community, close to the pulse of what is needed. We establish new projects and support ongoing projects that enhance the quality of living in our community.

Local Youth

We provide scholarships, bursaries and leadership awards to local students as well as offer support for existing youth organizations and international exchange programs.

Local Charitable Giving

We support many social service, medical and not-for-profit community organizations.

International

Our international service extends to countries where the need is greatest through “hands-on” Rotary projects and established NGO aid organizations.

Because you Care

Help us make a difference in our community, to our youth and internationally. Give us some of your time to show you how.

As an Associate Member of the Rotary Club of Palgrave, here is what you would be committing to for a one year term:

- Attend at least one of our weekly meetings per month. We meet every Wednesday at 6pm at the Caledon Equestrian Park, 200 Pine Avenue, in Palgrave
- Join any one committee of your choice
- Participate in one of our fundraising events.
- One-time payment of the Associate Membership Fee of \$100
- Payment of the dinner fee (\$20 per meeting attended). Your first dinner is complimentary for you and a guest.

As an Associate Member of the Rotary Club of Palgrave, here are the benefits you will recognize in your first year:

- You will receive our weekly Bulletin to be kept aware of all events and what happened at each meeting
- You get to “try us on” to see if our Club fits your life, your schedule and your needs
- You get to experience all the wonderful things we do and have fun at the same time!

Your Option to Join as a Full Member

At any point during the year of your Associate Membership, we would welcome your application to become a Full Member. At that point, we welcome you with an induction ceremony and you will receive your Rotary wheel pin to wear proudly at any meeting at any Rotary Club around the world. Your decision is required before the conclusion of your Associate Member year.

If you would like to be considered for Associate Membership, please complete the enclosed information and agreement form and return to the Membership Chair.

Sincerely,

Janice Bezanson
Membership Chair

Community Projects

Rotarians live or work in our community, close to the pulse of what is needed. Here is some of what we do and who we support locally:

- ✓ Palgrave Terry Fox Run
- ✓ Peace Ranch
- ✓ Caledon Meals on Wheels
- ✓ White Birch Program
- ✓ Family Transition Place
- ✓ Bethell Hospice
- ✓ Vera Davis Centre
- ✓ Caledon Seniors Centre
- ✓ Palgrave Christmas Tree Lighting
- ✓ Stationlands Pavilion and maintenance of the Palgrave portion of the Trans-Canada Trails
- ✓ Palgrave Pond maintenance

Local Youth Projects & Support

- ✓ Scholarships & bursaries awarded to students at Humberview SS, St. Michael's Catholic SS and Robert F Hall Catholic SS
- ✓ Annual Leadership Bursary Awards to local youth nominated by community members
- ✓ Camp Enterprise
- ✓ International Student Exchange
- ✓ Palgrave Scouts, Palgrave Girl Guides
- ✓ Mono Mills Scouts
- ✓ Bolton Sea Cadets
- ✓ Caledon Parent-Child Centre
- ✓ Humberview SS Alpha Dogs Robotics Team
- ✓ Bolton Camp – "Girls Can Too" Project
- ✓ RYLA Youth Leadership Camp

International Giving & Support

- ✓ Canadian Aid for Chernobyl
- ✓ Doctors without Borders
- ✓ Sleeping Children Around the World
- ✓ Wheelchair Foundation
- ✓ Eradication of Polio through "Polio Plus"
- ✓ Support for refugees
- ✓ Water programs in Guatemala and other countries
- ✓ School bathrooms in Honduras
- ✓ Aid for Haiti

What is Rotary?

Rotary is over 1.2 million service-minded individuals belonging to an international organization of service clubs found in over 200 countries worldwide. We encourage high ethical standards in all vocations and help build goodwill and peace in the world. Through over 34,000 local Rotary Clubs, like ours in Palgrave, service projects are initiated to address today's challenges including literacy, disease, youth development, hunger, poverty and lack of clean water.

What do we do?

Rotary Clubs plan and carry out a remarkable variety of humanitarian, educational and cultural programs that touch people's lives in our local and global communities

Who are Rotarians?

We are your neighbours, your friends, and your family. The Rotary Club of Palgrave is made up of business and professional people from all walks of life who work and/or live in the areas of North Caledon and South Simcoe.

The Mission of Rotary International

To provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through its fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

The Mission of Rotary Foundation

To enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.

The Mission of the Rotary Club of Palgrave

To provide selfless service in our local community and around the world, through involved and engaged members in order to benefit our communities and to promote high ethical standards, fellowship, and goodwill worldwide.

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Associate Membership Application Form

Name _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

E-mail _____

Residence Address _____

Professional Classification _____

Club Activities that would interest you: _____

The Terms of Associate Membership

- ✓ I agree to attend at least 12 meetings during the next 12 months
- ✓ I understand Associate Membership is for maximum of 1 year
- ✓ I agree to work with at least one Committee during my time as an Associate Member
- ✓ I understand I will be assigned a Mentor for guidance and learning for my time as an Associate Member
- ✓ If I choose to become a Full Member, I understand that my name will be submitted to the Board of Directors for approval and that I will be subject to the regulations governing a new member
- ✓ I agree to pay the Associate Membership fee of \$100
- ✓ I agree to pay for meals at meetings which I attend
- ✓ I understand I will receive an Associate Member badge
- ✓ I understand that I can attend as many meetings as I wish so long as I register appropriately
- ✓ I understand I will have access to the Club website
- ✓ I understand that I can participate in all Club social events

Applicant's Signature _____

Date _____

Record of Action on the Application

Application Recommended by: _____

Received by Membership Chair on: _____

Submitted to the Board on: _____

Board Decision: Approved Not Approved

Applicant & Sponsor Notified on: _____