

Introducing... Rotary Club of Halifax Harbourside



"Service above self"



Left – Rotary Rafters at the Tidal Bore; Above – The women of Harbourside with a former Rotary International President at a Conference in Halifax

The Purpose of Rotary is... to encourage and foster:

1. Development of **acquaintance** as an opportunity for service;
2. High **ethical standards** in business and professions; recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations;
3. Application of the **ideal of service** in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
4. Advancement of **international understanding, goodwill, and peace** through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

- ✓ 33,000 clubs...
- ✓ 200 countries...
- ✓ 1.2 million members

Rotary FUNamentals

We have FUN through our involvement in the following five "Avenues of Service":

1. Club Service focuses on strengthening fellowship and ensuring effective functioning of the club – to develop acquaintance and opportunity for service
2. Vocational Service encourages Rotarians to serve others through their vocations and to practice high ethical standards
3. Community Service covers the projects and activities the club undertakes to improve life in its community – health, literacy, community development, environment and more
4. International Service encompasses actions taken to expand Rotary's humanitarian reach around the globe and to promote world understanding and peace
5. New Generations Service recognizes the positive change implemented by youth and young adults through leadership and development activities

- ✓ Networking is an aspect of every meeting!
- ✓ RAH RAH RAH... Fellowship – we enjoy "Rotary After Hours" (RAH) – casual socializing after work about once a month
- ✓ Social activities from dinners to rafting, car rallies, pole dancing, wine tasting, games nights & more!
- ✓ Programs – at about 3 meetings per month, we learn from speakers on topics as diverse as climate change, health policy in Nova Scotia, incredible service projects around the world, Geo-caching, the Future of the Halifax Port Authority... and more!

Rotary Clubs are nonpolitical, nonreligious, and open to all cultures, races and creeds



Harbourside Women's Whitepoint Weekend Retreat

Community Service

Our Community Service projects include:

- ✓ A graduation party and summer camp scholarships for Grade 9 students at St. Pat's Alexandra School. We sponsored a Reading Challenge there as well.
- ✓ We give to "Amanda's Gift" program to support education for youth in care
- ✓ We work with a "Start-to-Finish" reading/fitness program at a school
- ✓ We help the Salvation Army with their Kettle Campaign



New Generations Service

Interact Club for 12-15 years old students at Oxford School



Our Expectations of Members

- ✓ Adhere to the Four-way test
- ✓ Commit to the 5 Avenues of Service
- ✓ Time: Be engaged – show up! Participate in at least one committee, support projects & the Rotary Foundation...learn and offer leadership through service
- ✓ Talent: Enrich the Club with your talents, knowledge & enthusiasm - & have fun in the process!
- ✓ Treasure: \$200 annual dues + optional meals, 50-50 tickets, project support... your choice re donations to auctions, Foundation etc.

The Four Way Test that Rotarians adhere to...

Of the things we think, say or do...

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Vocational Service

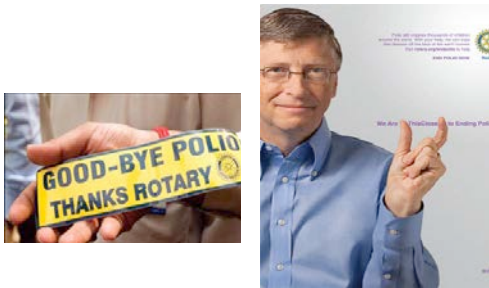
Harbourside members enjoy learning about the vocations of our members... we are a diverse group - our professions include a bank manager, lawyers, fundraiser, nurse, educators, RCMP officers, real estate agent, fire fighter, travel agency owner, physiotherapists, financial planners... and more! We have interesting programs; we do fun vocational learning activities... and we work with Junior Achievement.



International Service

Harbourside members are very involved in international service:

- ✓ Youth Exchange - we send a high school student on an exchange and welcome a foreign student to Halifax each year
- ✓ Group Study Exchange - we participate in hosting groups of young professionals from other countries who come to HRM on a learning tour
- ✓ Ambassadorial Scholars - we have supported students who study peace and conflict studies internationally
- ✓ Shelter Box - we actively participate in this program to provide shelter and emergency supplies to regions experiencing
- ✓ We support a water project in Kenya and a development project in the Dominican Republic where our members provide hands-on service



The **Rotary Foundation** is a not-for-profit corporation whose mission is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. Over \$1.8 billion has been contributed toward many programs including the eradication of polio. The Gates Foundation has given \$100 million to that effort. We give to the Foundation and we receive grants and support from it.

FUNdraising Activities

Mother's Day Brunch - This longstanding fundraiser continues to grow each year. The event at the Cunard Centre features a wonderful meal, entertainment for children, a silent auction and more!

Rose Day - Each year, we pack and deliver over 600 dozen imported long-stemmed red roses throughout Metro for this annual fundraiser.



Exchange students, a local PolioPlus volunteer in Africa, Shelter Box display



Do you want to learn more?

Check out our website: www.rotaryhalifaxharbourside.ca

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Join us at a meeting (check our website first to confirm, in case we are having a field trip or have changed the meeting details): Friday mornings at 7:15 a.m. at the Westin Hotel (Yuk Yuk's)