## **Rotary Foundation**

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



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 theprivate 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 polio-endemic countries remaining.

## Humanitarian Grants

Humanitarian grants enable Rotarians to support service projects that provide water wells, medical care, literacy classes, and otheressentials to people in need. Through the Humanitarian Grants Program, Rotarians havereceived \$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 <u>newpaltzrotaryclub@gmail.com</u> P.O. Box 352, New Paltz, NY 12569 www.newpaltzrotary.org



https://www.facebook.com/NPRotarian

https://www.instagram.com/newpaltzrotaryclub/

DONATIONS ACCEPTED THROUGH Venmo @NewPaltzRotaryFoundation-1 PayPal @newpaltzrotaryfoundation





" Service Above Self "

Meetings Thursdays at 12:15 PM\*

### Garvan's

215 Huguenot Street New Paltz, NY 12561

\*Alternating between in person and remote

visit website for Zoom info

The New Paltz Rotary Club has been actively serving our community and the world since 1965

### What Do We Do?

- Backpack program provides weekend foodfor nutritionally at-risk local school children
- Touch a Truck hands-on learning and fun for kids of all ages, Ulster Co Fairgrounds
- New Paltz Halloween Parade and Christmas Tree Lighting
- Arbor Day Community Clean-Up and maintenance of Rotary Park, which we builtin 2005 for community enjoyment
- Win-A-Bundle, March Madness, and Wheel Spin (Facebook) fundraiser events in October, March and ongoing, respectively
- June Scholarship Scramble Golf Tourney
- Sponsorship of an inbound and an outbound international exchange student each year
- Actively support the "Friends of Guirgho" project which provided upgraded classroom facilities and materials to the children of rural villages in Burkina Faso.
- "Photos with Santa" event in December
- Free annual fishing derby at SUNY New Paltz to help local kidslearn to fish
- Shelter Boxes and other disaster relief, both local and international
- COVID Test Kit and mask distribution in partnership with the Village of New Paltz
- Advising and support for the New Paltz High School Interact Club

Each year NP Rotary contributes 15,000 pounds of food to the Backpack program, \$15,000 to needy NP families during the holidays, \$10,000 in scholarships to NP students,thousands of dollars worth of food to Family of New Paltz, \$3,000 to Friends of Guirgho, and over \$2,000 to the Rotary Foundation

# 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 morethan 1.2 million members and 35,000 individual clubs. Each club focuses on service within their communities, and collectively 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

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

They 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 communityand 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 clubmeetings, projects and social events.

We meet each Thursday at 12:15. We currently meet both virtually and in person. In person meetings are at Garvan's in New Paltz. There is a \$22 fee per in person meeting, which includes lunch. Fees are waived for invited guests.

#### Dues

Annual membership dues of \$140

### **Avenues of Service**

Rotary's commitment to Service Above Selfis channeled through five avenues of service:

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

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

**Community Service:** Identifies and executes club projects and activities thatimprove 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.