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**YOU ARE THE MISSING PIECE!** 

**JOIN ROTARY AND FIND OUT WHY.**

**“ROTARY IS A MAGNET FOR LEADERS- ROTARY IS A SERVICE ORGANIZATION WHERE ONE CAN NETWORK, SHARE IDEAS, SERVE OTHERS AND TAKE ACTION!”**

**MISSION OF ROTARY:** Rotary is a civic minded group of business people that enjoy and organized way to contribute to the community and needy areas around the world. Rotary members use their skills and expertise to enhance cross-cultural understandings, create professional networks and do good in the world by serving others less fortunate. Rotary is a non-religious and non-governmental group that is open to all races, cultures and creed.

***Rotary is a responsible organization that uses nearly 90% of funding for program expenses – check out Charity Navigator!***

**BENEFIT OF ROTARY:** Rotary helps develop and enhance leadership skills and is committed to some of the world’s most challenging causes. Rotary areas of service aim to promote peace, prevent disease, provide access to clean water and sanitation, enhance maternal and child health, and improve basic education and literacy.

***Rotary has approximately 1,200,000 members and 34,000 clubs around the world!***

**HISTORY OF ROTARY:** Rotary started in 1905 by a man named Paul Harris. The Rotary name came from the first Rotary Club that rotated their meeting locations to different members’ office or business location.

**MOTTO:** *“Service Above Self” and the Four Way Test is “Is it the Truth, Is it Fair to all Concerned, Will it build goodwill and better friendships and it is fair to all Concerned.”*

**ROTARY’S POLIO PLUS ENDEAVOR:** Rotary is committed to the eradication of Polio. Please visit [www.endpolionow.org](http://www.endpolionow.org) – **After more than 25 years Polio is now only in 2 countries!**

**In 1985 there were over 350,000 cases of Polio - in 2015 there were only 51 cases!**

**“WE CAN NOT GO BACK”** - The “war on Polio” is as strong as ever!!

**YOUTH:** Rotary has college aged groups called Rotaract, High school age groups called Interact, Youth Leadership exchanges, etc.

## THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

The Rotary foundation was started in 1917 and formally organized in 1929. It has today received donations totally more than 1 billion.

The Foundation transformed your financial gifts into projects that can change lives both close to home and around the world.

**District Grants:** Smaller, short term action grants (Such as the Rotary Club of Concord building a putting green or taking Veterans on Fishing Trips)

**Global Grants:** Supports larger International activities that are sustainable (Such as the Cleft palate project)

In 1929 the first gift of \$500 was given from the Rotary Foundation to the International Society for Crippled Children that later grew into Easter Seals!

**Join Rotary and see if it can change you live and the lives of others!!**

