

About The Rotary Club of Madison

From its charter night of May 24, 1923, in the refectory of Drew University, the Rotary Club of Madison was destined to be one of the great clubs in Rotary. Currently the club has more than 85 members, making significant contributions in the community through their unique skills, talent and interests.

You'll find Rotarians involved with community events, such as Bottle Hill Day and May Day, and active in service projects that enhance the quality of life in Madison. Our major fundraising activities include The Taste of Madison and a year-end 50/50 raffle, which enable the Club to provide college scholarships and charitable assistance to organizations in need. In September 2010, our Club co-sponsored the Rotary Family Festival which featured rides, games and food from local merchants.

The Rotary Club of Madison welcomes men and women from diversified business, professional, and personal vocations. In its leadership role as a service organization, the Madison Rotary Club extends membership to people who will voluntarily and willingly dedicate themselves to the ideals of Rotary International and a commitment to "Service Above Self."

Rotarians are guided by the 4-Way Test in all of their actions:



Is it the truth?

Is it fair to all concerned?

Will it build goodwill and better friendships?

Will it be beneficial to all concerned?



Club Meetings

The Rotary Club of Madison meets every Thursday, and members have the option of attending a lunch or breakfast meeting. Lunch occurs at Rod's Restaurant next to the Madison Hotel in Convent Station. Members start to gather at 12:00 pm; the meeting begins at 12:15 and ends at 1:30. Breakfast takes place at the Madison Area YMCA, starting at 7:47 am and ending around 8:30.

After an opening song, the Pledge of Allegiance and an invocation, guests are introduced and the meeting begins. Club projects and activities are planned and discussed. Good news about families and fellow Rotarians may be shared.

We frequently have guest speakers who enlighten us about an interesting topic. At other times, a Club member will share developments in his or her field of expertise or update members on the status of a Club service project.

Helping in the Community – The Rotary Club of Madison is focused on helping local community groups as well as supporting Rotary projects that are global in scope. In recent years, the Club's fundraisers have supported many worthy causes and charities, such as:

Boy/Girl Scouts of America
Cheshire Home
Colonial Symphony
Community Soup Kitchen
Dress for Success
Family Service of Morris County

Friends of Madison Shade Tree
Grace Counseling Center
Interfaith Food Pantry
Madison Area YMCA
Madison Day Care
Madison Eagle Christmas Fund

Madison High School Scholarships
Madison Little League
Madison Public Library
Madison Senior Center
Madison Volunteer Ambulance Corps
Playwrights Theatre of New Jersey

Project Community Pride
Rotary Camp Merry Heart
Rotary Gift of Life
Rotary Int'l Foundation
Rotary Polio Plus

Are You Interested in Becoming a Rotarian?

The Madison Rotary Club invites you to learn more about our club. If you would like to get involved, to make a world of difference in our communities and to make the world a better place in which to live, then there's a place for you in our organization.

In return, you will enjoy fun and fellowship, the company of local business, professional and community leaders, the personal satisfaction of helping others and the pride of belonging to a worldwide, world-class organization that provides you with friends around the world.

For additional information please access our website www.madisonrotarynj.org/

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Over a Century of Service

In the early-1900s, Paul Harris, a young lawyer in Chicago, frequently met after hours with colleagues and fellow professionals to discuss the issues and concerns of the times.

A man of vision, he recognized the benefit of formalizing the meetings so the group could share in the knowledge and solutions each member could offer.

The first meeting of the Rotary Club of Chicago was held on February 23, 1905. It was named the "Rotary Club" because meetings were rotated at members' places of business. Membership grew rapidly and soon the Rotarians could no longer meet in business offices. So, they gathered once a week, as Rotarians do today, at breakfast, lunch and dinner meetings.

Today, weekly meetings are held by more than 33,000 Rotary Clubs with approximately 1.2 million members in more than 200 countries. It continues its long tradition of offering business/professional people the opportunity to provide service in local, national and international communities.

Principal Club Officers for 2018-2019

Michel Belt, *President*

Liz Parker, *President-Elect*

Tayfun Selen, *Vice President*

Dave Farrell, *Treasurer*

Tanya Van Order, *Recording Secretary*

Barry Kroll, *Membership Secretary*

Jeannie Tsukamoto, *Immediate Past President*

Jim Allison, *Membership Chair*

Your Invitation to Learn about



The Rotary Club of Madison, NJ

A Service Organization Making

A World of Difference by Helping

Our Communities since 1923

*Celebrating Decades of
"Service Above Self"*