



WHAT WOULD IT TAKE TO CHANGE THE WORLD?

Maybe you've seen a need in our community and wondered how you could help. Maybe you want to use your professional skills to help others -- or even learn new skills. Maybe you're seeking connections with other service-minded professionals locally and abroad. Then maybe Rotary is for you!

Rotary International is the world's first service club organization, with 1.2M+ members in 33,000+ clubs worldwide. Rotary Club members are volunteers who work locally, regionally, and internationally to combat hunger, improve health and sanitation, provide education and job training, promote peace, and eradicate polio under the motto

Service Above Self



Enjoy the Fellowship of Rotary Service!

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service.
- High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society.
- The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, & community life.
- The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business & professional persons.

Membership Finances: Reasonable club dues \$50/quarter (including District & International); invoiced quarterly. Weekly dinner/ meeting room charges. Member initiation \$40. [070115]



IS ROTARY FOR YOU?

Learn more about our **Rotary Club of Falls Church**. Join us for our dinner meeting, 6:30 pm on most Thursdays:

Harvest Moon Restaurant
7260 Arlington Blvd.
Falls Church VA 22042
Family-style Chinese Dinner \$15.
Check website for our schedule.

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OUR HISTORY

The **Rotary Club of Falls Church** has been an integral part of the community since its chartering on June 30, 1952 by the Rotary Club of Arlington.



We are part of Rotary District 7610, which covers the northern and eastern regions of Virginia. Our club's banner design is from the small colonial Falls Church, which

obtained its name from the nearby Little Falls of the Potomac River. We are a small club "with big impact"! Our members are from all corners of the world, and we are diverse in ages, genders, and professions as well.

Rotary International is a worldwide organization of business and professional leaders, providing humanitarian service and encouraging high ethical standards in all vocations. As members of the oldest service club in the world, Rotarians represent a cross-section of their community's business owners, executives, managers, political leaders, and professionals – people of all ages who make decisions and influence policy.

Best of all, our members build life-long friendships and networks through fellowship – and obtain personal fulfillment by providing volunteer service to others.



OUR CLUB PROJECTS

Our club projects cover the **Rotary Five Avenues of Service**: Community Service, International Service, Club Service, Vocational Service, and Youth (New Generations). We select our service projects based on the local needs of our community and international interest areas. Our members work on projects relating to health, hunger,

environmental concerns such as clean water, literacy and education.

One of our club's priorities is New Generations, because investing in our youth is our future. Our Club sponsors local students in the District annual student competitions: Speech Contest for high school students; G. Graham Green III Music Contest for high schoolers; Essay Contest for middle schoolers.

Interact is Rotary for ages 14-18. We sponsor 2 clubs and activities at Bishop O'Connell High School Club & Thomas Jefferson High School for Science & Technology. We provide an annual Interactors college scholarship award.



High School Speech Contest Finalists, Feb. 2014.

The Falls Church Rotary has also sponsored other Rotary youth activities such as:

Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) - weekend leadership camp for high schoolers.

Youth Exchange Student - selected students have the opportunity to study abroad.

Group Study Exchange - young adults participate in exchange visits to different countries each year. We sponsored the 2010 GSE team to Jamaica.

World Peace Scholar - nominated student selected by Rotary International to study abroad.

Is it the TRUTH?

Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Will it bring GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIP?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

LOCAL PROJECTS

Our other community activities have included:

- 'Adopt a Street' - Washington St., Falls Church
- Operation Earth Watch
- Service projects of our Interact Clubs
- Beech Tree Elementary School garden
- PDG Pete Petro Playground
- Support various local social service agencies

INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS

Some examples of our recent global service:

- RI Community & Economic Development Global Grant with Rotary Club of Cochin-Harbour, India, District 3210 (\$53K)
- Stop Hunger Now
- Medical relief & sewer system, Chantal, Haiti.
- Open World Exchange group from: Russia
- Brazil: equipment for handicapped.
- ShelterBox.org: emergency disaster relief.
- \$5K to build footbridges in Peru and Ethiopia.
- Jamaica : Literacy Center & ambulance.

ANNUAL FUNDRAISERS

Include: Fall Citrus Sale, Beverage Sale: Memorial Day Parade, Family of Rotary Nationals Baseball Game (August). We also host a June special dinner meeting to celebrate Rotary Fellowship Month.



ROTARY TIMES TV PROGRAM

Our club is proud to sponsor and produce this unique TV interview program, thanks to club member Ahmed Selim. Two shows are taped on last Tuesday each month at Fairfax Public Access (FPA), featuring community groups as well as area Rotarians. **ROTARY TIMES currently airs on Cox Fairfax cable channel 10:** 1st & 2nd Mon. 7 am; 1st & 2nd Fri. 8 pm; & 1st & 2nd Sat. 4 pm. Also carried on Verizon FiOS TV in NoVa & Comcast Cable, Reston. Club members serves as production volunteers. More info: selimas@netzero.net.