

# Service Above Self



CENTERVILLE ROTARY CLUB





# Why Rotary?

“Whatever Rotary may mean to us, to the world it will be known by the results it achieves.” – Paul P. Harris

So how do you make a difference in the world?

For 1.2 million people around the globe they chose to join Rotary International. They chose to come together to create positive, lasting change in their communities and around the world. Seventy of those people are members of the Centerville Rotary Club. They are your families, your friends and your co-workers. They are out there making a difference in the lives of our neighbors both here and abroad.

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# What is Rotary International?

Rotary International is the world's first service club, founded in 1905 by Paul P. Harris. The collective energy of Rotarians around the globe is focused on six critical and widespread humanitarian needs:

- Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
- Disease prevention and treatment
- Water and sanitation
- Maternal and child health
- Basic education and literacy
- Economic and community development

It is through the efforts of Rotary International, in partnership with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, that the Global Polio Eradication Initiative has eliminated new cases of polio in all but THREE countries around the world.

Today, 1.2 million Rotarians belong to over 35,000 Rotary clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas.



*The first four Rotarians:  
Silvester Schiele, Paul P. Harris,  
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# What is Centerville Rotary?

Centerville Rotary is comprised of South Dayton government leaders, professionals, business owners and retirees who care about local and community issues and who enthusiastically share their expertise to address those issues. Centerville Rotary is the coming together of friends for the common good and distributes over \$30,000 annually for international and local service projects.

Recent international support went to the eradication of polio; and borehole water pump projects in Africa.

In the past, local support built a gazebo at Benham's Grove, a shelter at Oak Grove Park, a memorial garden and evergreen forest at Grant Park and a walkway and a Little Free Library at Schoolhouse and Iron Horse Parks.

Annually, the club awards six to eight scholarships to high school seniors plus distributes dictionaries to all 3rd graders and thesauri to all 5th graders in the local schools. Recent club grants have purchased 2460 coats for Hannah's Treasure Chest, built steps at The Castle, provided food for children year round, sent Blue Star Mothers holiday stockings to the troops, helped the VA Center fund a new grotto garden, and helped students advance their education through College Promise. This past year club financial support also went to the Americana Festival, BOGG Ministries, Brunner Literacy Center, Brigid's Path, Centerville-Washington Diversity Council Martin Luther King Breakfast, and the Centerville High School Interact Club clean water initiative and Spirit Chain.

But Centerville Rotary doesn't just give money. Recently, the sweat equity of members went into serving meals at House of Bread, mulching gardens at Grant Park, packing groceries at St. Vincent de Paul, sorting books for Project Read and providing collection boxes and household books for Habitat for Humanity. The club also sponsored high school students at a leadership training weekend and Rotary District speech contest, and hosted an exchange student from Peru, Rodrigo Fernando Granica Tinajeros.

As Rotarian Clem Renouf said, "Rotary takes ordinary men and gives them extraordinary opportunities to do more with their lives than they ever dreamed possible."

Centerville Rotary Club women and men prove this every day.





# How Does Centerville Rotary Do It?

Centerville Rotary members sustain the club and its service projects through dues, donations and volunteer time. The club meets every Thursday at noon at The Clubhouse at Yankee Trace, where service meets friendship to create fun and productive meetings that lead to better lives for all.

But club members do not do it alone. The community supports the work of Centerville Rotary by coming to the club's annual Pancake Breakfast. It will be held on Saturday, October 27, from 7 am until noon at Centerville High School West Commons. Key corporate and individual sponsors for this year's breakfast, whose donations help thousands of individuals in our community and around the world, include:

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# Are You Ready for Rotary?

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Come as a guest to one of the club's Thursday meetings at noon.  
Contact Membership Chair, Ann Blackburn at 937-510-3238 or  
ablackburn1162@gmail.com

Come to the club's annual pancake breakfast. Tickets are \$6.00 for all-you-can eat pancakes, sausage, juice and coffee (children 5 and younger free). Tickets can be purchased from any club member or purchased at the door the day of the event.

Saturday, October 27, 2018  
7:00 am until Noon  
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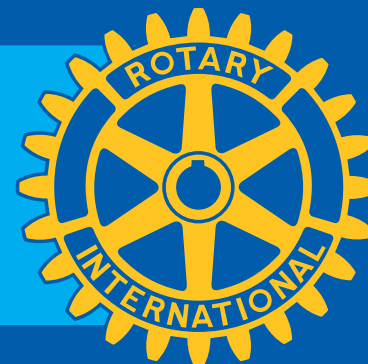


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