

PolioPlus

PolioPlus, Rotary's most ambitious program to date, focuses on global immunization efforts and has played a leadership role with the World Health Organization, CDC, and UNICEF in bringing the world to the brink of polio eradication. The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation has contributed US\$355 million to Rotary to support PolioPlus activities.



Start with Rotary and good things happen.

Brief facts about the Elmira Rotary Club

- The first formal meeting of the Elmira Rotary Club was held in the music room of the M. Doyle Marks Store on September 13, 1916. Some of the "live wires" on the Binghamton Club motored to Elmira to help with the preliminary work.
- The organization meeting was held in the same place on September 27, 1916. J. Maxwell Beers acted as temporary secretary. 72 names were recommended as charter members.
- The first big meeting of the Elmira Club was held Friday, October 6, 1916, when the Binghamton Club transferred its regular meeting to Elmira, and 109 of its members came up by special train. The meeting was held in Federation Hall and the officers were formally installed. The first weekly luncheon was held on Friday, October 27, 1916.
- 36 Elmirans constituted the charter roll.
- Leslie D. Clute, the last remaining active charter member died April 24, 1978.
- In 2016, the Elmira Rotary Club has 37 members, with an active Interact Club and Rotaract Club.

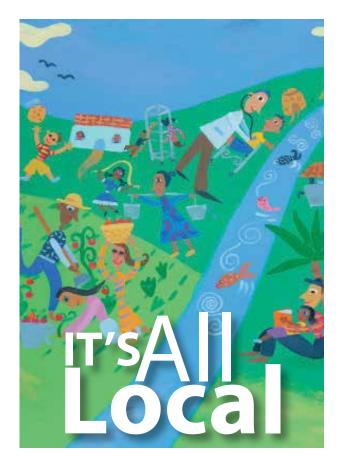
The **4-WAY TEST** of the things we think, say or do:

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



ELMIRA ROTARY CLUB

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Rotary Club of Elmira, New York

Club No. 4774 District 7120 - Rotary International

Meeting Time: Tuesday at 12:00 Noon Holiday Inn Riverview (Downtown Elmira) www.elmirarotary.org info@elmirarotary.org



What Is Rotary?

Rotary is a global network of community volunteers.

Rotary club members are business, professional, and community leaders in your locality who meet regularly to plan and implement community service activities and network with other professionals. For those interested, members can also choose to become involved in international humanitarian service efforts. More than 1.2 million men and women in over 200 countries and geographical areas belong to over 33,000 Rotary clubs.

Rotary builds international understanding through scholarships, exchange programs, and humanitarian grants. Throughout the world, Rotary clubs participate in a broad range of educational, intercultural, and humanitarian activities designed to improve the lives of others.

Benefits of Membership

Belonging to a Rotary club provides members with an opportunity to make a contribution to their own communities and to communities around the world.

Members may join Rotary for many reasons, including community involvement, personal development, professional networking, and camaraderie with fellow members. But perhaps the most important benefit is the satisfaction gained from making a real difference in the world.



Adopt-A-School Program at Diven Elementary School

PROGRAMS

Elmira Rotary Club Awards Programs

- Phoenix Award
- 4-Way Test Award
- Youth Salute

Elmira Rotary Club Youth Programs

- Youth Exchange
- Interact Club (High school students)
- Rotaract Club (College students)

EVENTS —

Elmira Rotary Club Annual Events

- Arctic League gift packing
- Camp STAR (Southern Tier Area Rotary clubs)
- Salvation Army Bell Ringing
- Dancing With Our Stars/Lip Sync Battle fundraisers

PROJECTS

Elmira Rotary Club Ongoing Projects

- · Bi-monthly Saturday lunches at the Community Kitchen
- Adopt-A-School Program with Diven Elementary School
- Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup Program

Elmira Rotary Club Major Projects

- Help launch Capabilities Inc. 1960
- Help start Glove House 1968
- Buses for the Office of the Aging 1973
- Electronic carillon for the Courthouse in Elmira 1974
- Sailplane sculptures in Riverside Park 1980
- All Kids Playplace at Harris Hill Park 1991
- Tanglewood Nature Center & Museum pond 1993
- Circulating system for pool at the YWCA of Elmira 1994
- Renovation of Glove House 1995
- Computer equipment for Southern Tier Hospice 1995
- Computer equipment for Literacy Volunteers 1996
- Delivery van for Capabilities Inc. 1996
- Ouatranno Park 1997
- Help fund van for Southern Tier Food Bank
- Kitchen equipment for Salvation Army
- Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Local Chapter 2003
- Entrance arch at Eldridge Park 2005
- Funding for drinking water system in India 2007
- Swingsets at Diven Elementary School 2010
- Room sponsor for The Potter's Hands Foundation 2015
- Braille trail at Tanglewood Nature Center 2017

For more information about Elmira Rotary Club programs, events and projects, please visit: www.elmirarotary.org





Adopt-A-Highway program

Community Kitchen



Camp STAR

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:

- 1. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- 2. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying by each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- 3. The application of the idea of service by every Rotarian to personal, business, and community-life;
- 4. The advancement of international understanding, good will, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional individuals united in the ideal of service.



They profit most who serve best "Service Above Self"