

History of the Little Red Schoolhouse

In 1818 the great-grandfather of Paul Harris, Founder of Rotary International, built "The Old Chapel Building." In 1928 District 37 bought this historic building. In 1933 it was dedicated as "The Little Red Schoolhouse." Paul Harris returned to Wallingford for the dedication ceremony.

The cherished "Little Red Schoolhouse" was built in the town where Paul Harris grew up and learned some of the most important values of his lifetime. Those values now form the basis of the worldwide service organization he established.

Today, the Schoolhouse acts as a historic site that stores and displays Paul Harris memorabilia and is the meeting place of the Wallingford Memorial Rotary Club.



*Paul Harris visits
The Wallingford Memorial
Rotary Club in 1933 when it was dedicated
as "The Little Red Schoolhouse"*

Rotary International

With more than 1.2 million members including professional, business and community leaders around the world, Rotary International is a humanitarian service organization. Dedicated to high ethical standards, Rotary International strives to encourage goodwill and peace in the world.

Today, there are over 33,500 Rotary clubs in over 200 countries. With the motto "Service Above Self," Rotary's main goal is to help build goodwill in the community, the workplace, and throughout the world.



The Little Red Schoolhouse

in Wallingford, Vermont USA

The Boyhood Home of Paul P. Harris
Founder of Rotary International



Paul Harris Memorial Garden

This photograph shows the Memorial Garden on the grounds of the Schoolhouse. You may purchase engraved bricks or engraved pavers — a wonderful way to honor a Rotarian in your club, a past president or governor, or a loved one.

The Schoolhouse Is Important to Rotarians

The Little Red Schoolhouse has been supported by local Rotarians for over 80 years. Escalating maintenance costs demand a larger commitment to maintaining and preserving the facility.

The Rotary District 7870 Foundation has taken ownership of the Little Red Schoolhouse and, with on-site assistance from the Wallingford Rotary Club, will protect and maintain the Schoolhouse.

This is why we need your help.



Close up view of engraved pavers and bricks

Building an Endowment

Our goal is to build an endowment to protect and preserve the Little Red Schoolhouse in Wallingford, Vermont where Rotarians and friends of Rotary from around the world come to visit. We believe that this historic building in the town where Paul Harris gained the values that created Rotary International, is one of the most important historic Rotary landmarks.

You Can Help

Please help us by supporting this historical property, through your financial contribution. You may make a tax-deductible donation to purchase a brick or other item for the Paul Harris Memorial Garden. The Rotary District 7870 Foundation is a non-profit, tax-exempt IRS 501(c)(3) charitable organization.



Yes I want to support the Little Red Schoolhouse in Wallingford, Vermont.

Enclosed is a gift of: \$25 USD \$35 USD \$50 USD \$100 USD \$150 USD Other: _____

Paul Harris Memorial Garden Rotary Wheel Prices

- Bronze Rotary Wheel in center with recognition plaque \$10,000
- Engraved Gear Teeth — 12" x 16" (Call for character limit). \$1,500
- Engraved Concrete Pavers — spokes 4" x 8" (3 lines, 21 characters each) \$300
- Engraved Red Bricks — between spokes 4" x 8" (3 lines, 21 characters each) \$200

Please make your selection and indicate the inscription you wish engraved. Maximum: three lines, 21 characters (including spaces) on each line for 4" x 8" selections.

Line 1: _____
 Line 2: _____
 Line 3: _____

Make checks payable to: **Rotary District 7870 Foundation**

Mail to: **Rotary District 7870 Foundation
 Alan Kanegsberg, Treasurer
 9 Old Coach Road, Bow, NH 03304 USA**

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