

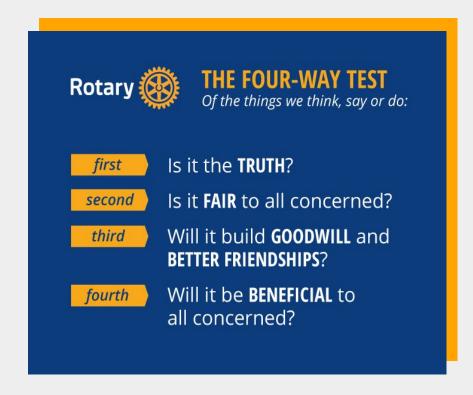
# Rotary of Stow-Munroe Falls Welcome and Overview

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## **Rotary Rundown**

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## What is Rotary?

Whatever Rotary may mean to us, to the world it will be known by the results it achieves

-Paul Harris, Rotary Founder



#### What is Rotary?

- ❖ Founded in 1905 as a place where professionals with diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas and form meaningful, lifelong friendships.
  - Over time, Rotary's reach and vision gradually extended to humanitarian service. Members have a long track record of addressing challenges in their communities and around the world.

❖ Global organization with more than 35,000 clubs in 220+ countries

- We dream big and set bold goals.
  - ➤ We began our fight against polio in 1979 with a project to immunize 6 million children in the Philippines. Today, polio remains endemic in only two countries — down from 125 in 1988.



#### **Rotary Timeline**

#### 1912-1930 Expanding Our Reach

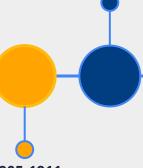
Become international Rotary Foundation International Convention

#### 1958-1984 Global Service

Club Interact & Rotaract Exchange Programs Grants & Fighting Polio

#### 2005-present Focusing Our Impact

USAID Partnership Local and Large-Scale Initiatives



#### 1905-1911 Founding Years

First service project
First publication
New motto:



#### 1931-1957 Cultivating Leaders

Consultant to US delegation of UN Paul Harris Fellow Recognition Four Way Test:



#### **1985-2004 Bold Goals**

Women Join Polio Plus Peace Centers & Conflict Resolution



#### Who We Are

The heart of Rotary is our dedicated members, who share the ideals of service, friendship, diversity, integrity, and leadership

-Rotary International



#### **Being A Member**

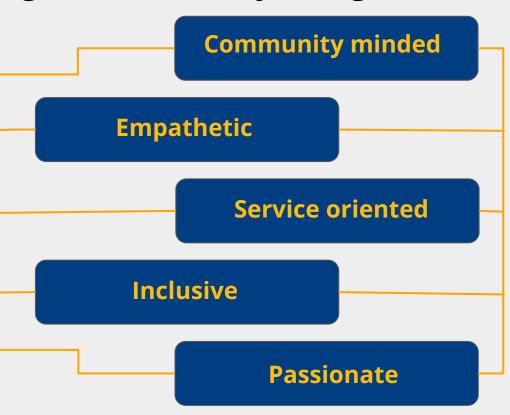
Everyday people doing extraordinary things

Who can be a Rotary member?

## ANYONE!



- **Business men and** women/young professionals
- Retired
- **Parents**
- **Community Leaders**
- Did we mention... anyone?





#### **Being A Member**

#### Benefits and Value to Rotary Membership

- Like-minded connections
  - New friendships (local, national and even international!)
  - > Service above self mindset
  - Care about community and lasting, positive change

- Social Outings and Fundraisers
  - 5th Wednesdays: plays, wineries, restaurants, activities
  - Golf Outing
  - Reverse Raffle

- Take action through service
  - Real impact on your corner of the world
  - Tackle local and international issues

- Flexible
  - Give as much time as you can
  - Meetings are available in-person and via Zoom



#### **What We Do**

# WE CONNECT PEOPLE



1.4 million members worldwide

## WE TRANSFORM COMMUNITIES



47 million volunteer hours yearly

# WE FUND SUSTAINABLE PROJECTS



~\$333 million awarded for global Service initiatives



#### We Are People Of Action!

We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

































## We Are People Of Engagement!















## We Are People Of Fellowship!











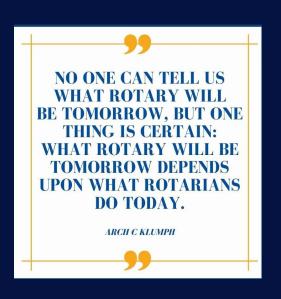






#### **New Members**

#### What does becoming a Rotarian look like?



- ★ Join us for a meeting
  - Wednesday mornings @ Bellacino's in Stow
  - Breakfast on us!
- ★ 3 months free membership
- ★ Sponsored and mentored by current Rotarian
- ★ Enjoy the beginning of something special!!!



#### **Member Stories**



**Brad Ruth** 



John Pribonic





**Mary Dula** 



**Scott Miller** 





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## Q&A



## Thank you!



