

How Did Rotary Begin?

Rotary is the world's first service club. A young lawyer, Paul P. Harris, and three of his friends, started the Rotary movement in Chicago in February of 1905. The group wanted to recapture the friendly spirit that they had experienced in the small towns they grew up in and had lost in the bigger city. Their weekly meetings "rotated" among their offices; hence the name "Rotary" that would become internationally known.

How Do I Join The Madison Rotary?

Contact a club member who will become your sponsor. A roster of current members is on the website. You must attend four meetings as a guest. Between these meetings you will be asked to meet with a club member who will give you an overview of Rotary and the responsibilities that accompany membership.

Following approval by the Board of Directors, your nomination for membership will be announced to the Club. You will take the final step to become a member by participating in a formal induction ceremony.



New Member Induction



Installation of Officers

What is Rotary?

Service above self

Rotary is a worldwide organization of men and women who are business and professional leaders. Rotary provides humanitarian services, encourages ethical standards in all vocations and helps build goodwill and peace in the world. Approximately 1.2 million Rotarians belong to more than 32,000 Rotary clubs located in 166 countries.

The main objective of Rotary is service in the community, in the workplace, and throughout the world. Rotarians develop community service projects to address needs in their local communities and in the international community. Additionally, they support programs for educational opportunities and international exchanges for students, teachers and other professionals.

History of Madison Rotary Club

The Rotary Club of Madison was chartered on June 11, 1928 as part of the Tritown Rotary Club of Madison, Guilford and Clinton, with Madison considered the founding club. Since its founding, the Madison Rotary Club has endeavored to live up to the motto of Rotary International by providing "Service Above Self" to the local, state, national and international communities.

Due to its exemplary efforts worldwide, this club has been the two time recipient of the Rotary District 7980 coveted Pet-tengill Award.

In 2008 the Madison Club celebrated 80 years of service with a special evening event that was attended by a large group of Rotarians, including the District Governor and nineteen past presidents of the Club. Citations were received from Rotary International President D. K. Lee, Rotary District Governor Rick Benson and Connecticut Governor Jodi Rell.

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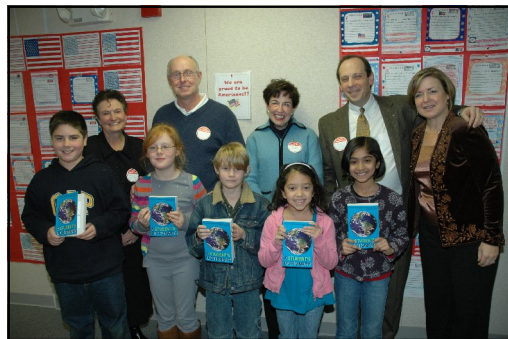
**The Eradication of Polio Worldwide
is The Number 1 Priority of Rotary
International**

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The Four Way Test

Of the things Rotarians think, say or do, we ask ourselves:

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



3rd Grade Dictionary Presentation

Please Join Us - Madison Rotary Meets:

Day: Thursdays
Time: 12:15
Place: Friends & Co. Madison, CT

Fund Raising Projects



Annual Golf Classic



Annual "Capitol Steps" Theatre Event

Education Programs

- Awarded over \$125,000 in College Scholarships
- "Student of the Year" Awards in all Madison Public Schools
- Dictionary Project for all 3rd Grade Students
- Daniel Hand High School Interact Club



DHHS Student of the Year, Brielle Sydor

Community Service Projects



Warm the Children



Amber Alert Registrations



Madison Community Services

- Madison Youth Sports
- Local Eagle Scout Projects
- Odyssey of the Mind
- SARAH
- Junior Achievement

International Projects

- Haitian Health Foundation
- International Group Study Exchange
- International Youth Exchange Program
- Eradication of Polio Worldwide
- Water Filters and Lending Libraries for Dominican Republic Schools
- Drilling of Fresh Water Wells for African Country of Uganda

The Object of Rotary

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:

- FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- SECOND. 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;
- THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.



Community Service Award Presentation to Ron Henschcliffe of the North Madison Fire Department