



Dear Chamber member:

As a member of the Greater Catonsville Chamber of Commerce, you have identified yourself as a community leader – someone who believes in the well-being and success of Catonsville, and the people who live here. The Rotary Club of Catonsville is recruiting new members, and we're seeking people like you - the best and the brightest. People who can bring ideas, talents and passion to an organization dedicated to doing good works for our community. To that end we're inviting you to meet our members and learn more about Rotary as a unique service club and how you might participate.

**You're invited to join us for a Social Hour  
Tuesday, April 30, 2013 / 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
ROLLING ROAD GOLF CLUB  
814 Hilltop Rd., Catonsville, MD 21228**

**We will offer refreshments and a cash bar. A brief programs begins at 6:45pm.**



Founded in 1905, Rotary is the first and the oldest service club in the United States. Today there are 1.2 million Rotarians worldwide, making up 34,000 clubs, in over 165 countries. The focus of Rotary members is to work on a broad range of humanitarian, intercultural, and educational activities to improve the human condition. Our outreach efforts not only benefit groups-in-need at the community level, but provide assistance to national and international causes.



And Rotary is making a *real* difference. For the last 30 years, Rotary International has collaborated with the World Health Organization and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to eradicate polio worldwide. Since that time, the incidence of polio has decreased by more than 99 percent through immunization efforts that have reached about 2.5 billion children.

But most importantly, and the reason we are reaching out to the Chamber members, is that Rotary is making a big difference right here in Catonsville. During the past decade, our local Club has raised over a quarter million dollars in critically needed funds through activities like the Annual Fall Into Fitness 5 & 10 K, The Bull and Oyster Roasts, and various public dances and concerts.

Our efforts have helped fund the work of important Catonsville organizations: **The Samaritan Women; the Catonsville Public Library; CCBC-Catonsville; the Catonsville Family Y; St. Agnes Hospital; the Catonsville Emergency Food Ministries (CEFM), and the Catonsville Tree Canopy Project.**



Each year, the **Rotary Dictionary Project** gives a free dictionary to every third grade student in this community. And, this past summer, we helped to fund the **Catonsville Mural** on Bloomsbury Avenue, which celebrates our community's rich history.

The Catonsville Rotary Club meets on Tuesday evenings for dinner and to socialize, network and plan future fundraising projects. We also invite speakers to address our group, as well as organize social get-togethers.

We hope you will come see for yourself how great things can happen when like-minded people join to serve the community and beyond...and have fun in the process! Rotary clubs are nonreligious, non-governmental, and open to every race, culture, creed and gender.

RSVP by April 22 to: Steve Arum at [smarum1940@gmail.com](mailto:smarum1940@gmail.com). **And please bring a friend!!**

Sincerely yours,

*Bill Lorenz*

President

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