

## *The Object of Rotary*

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 acquaintances 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.

## *Four Avenues of Rotary Service*

### **Club Service**

Focuses on strengthening fellowship and ensuring the effective functioning of the club.

### **Vocational Service**

Encourages Rotarians to serve others through their vocations and to practice high ethical standards.

### **Community Service**

Covers the projects and activities the club undertakes to improve life in its community.

### **International Service**

Encompasses actions taken to expand Rotary's humanitarian reach around the globe and to promote world understanding and peace.

## *The Four-Way Test*

Of the things we think, say, or do  
**FIRST...**

Is it the **TRUTH**?

**SECOND...**

Is it **FAIR** to all Concerned?

**THIRD...**

Will it build **GOODWILL** and  
**BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

**FOURTH...**

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all  
concerned



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**about Rotary**

**Visit the Rotary International**

**Web site at**

**[www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)**

Visit our web site:

**[www.ofallonrotary.org](http://www.ofallonrotary.org)**

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**Welcome**  
*to the*  
**Rotary Club**  
*of*  
**O'Fallon, Illinois**



**Jill Pietrusinski**  
Club President  
2011-2012

*You are*  
**WELCOME to**  
*Visit with us at our*  
*weekly meeting*  
**Mondays at Noon**

**Katy Cavins Center**  
**308 East 5<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**O'Fallon, IL**

## *The O'Fallon Rotary Club*

The O'Fallon Rotary Club was chartered on May 19, 1925 with 15 members. Today, the O'Fallon Rotary Club has about 80 members and has sponsored the formation of Rotary Clubs in Lebanon, Waterloo, Columbia, Fairview Heights, as well as the O'Fallon Sunrise Club.

The Club participates in a variety of community and international service projects each year that include:

**Adopt-A-Highway** — twice a year members clean up Highway 50

**City Parades** — hosts annual Children's Parade and enters floats in the Homecoming and Christmas parades.

**Salvation Army** — volunteers ring bells to raise money for the Salvation Army

**Scott Appreciation Day** — members run the welcome booth at the annual picnic

**Rotary Youth Exchange** — annually host H.S. students from various foreign countries

**Group Study Exchange Team** — hosts a five-member team of foreign business leaders

**Student of the Month** — sponsors an OTHS student each month during the school year

**Scholarships** — awards two \$1,000 scholarships to graduating students

**Mentoring** — members and spouses mentor students at local grade schools

**Red Cross Blood Drive** — members donate blood and sponsor a blood drive twice per year

**Adopt-a-Family** — members adopt a deserving family each year at Christmas

**Polio Eradication** — supports Rotary International efforts to eradicate polio from the face of the earth.

## *What Rotary Means*

### *To the COMMUNITY, A Rotary Club*

- Promotes a friendlier community by providing genial fellowship and thoughtfulness of others;
- Helps reduce friction by providing a common meeting ground and appealing to unselfish motives; Cooperates with, and thereby strengthens, other local organizations;
- Strives to develop a spirit of cooperation in the handling of matters of public welfare;
- Serves as a training ground for constructive leadership—an invaluable asset to the community;
- Links the community with many thousands of other worldwide Rotary communities.

### *To a MEMBER, a Rotary Club*

- Provides an opportunity to express, in a practical way, the desire to be of service;
- Increases the opportunity to express in action the desire to be helpful to others;
- Constantly widens one's circle of friends; □Increases members knowledge of other businesses and professions, and their concerns;
- Provides a friendly contact and a hearty welcome in many cities in the world;
- Gives the satisfaction of participating in a movement which builds understanding.

### *Rotary Motto:*

## **SERVICE Above Self**

## *What is Rotary*

**ROTARY** is an organization of business and professional persons united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

**ROTARY** is the world's first service club. The first Rotary Club was founded in Chicago, IL on February 23, 1905 by a lawyer, Paul Harris, and three of his friends. Weekly meetings were "rotated" among the founders.

**ROTARY** is some 1.2 million service-minded men and women belonging to over 31,000 Rotary clubs in 168 nations around the world.

**ROTARIANS** meet weekly for fellowship and interesting programs dealing with topics of local and global importance. Membership is by invitation and reflects a wide cross-section of community representation.

**ROTARIANS** plan and carry out a remarkable variety of humanitarian, educational, and cultural exchange programs that touch people's lives in their local communities and our world community.

**ROTARY** is the Rotary Foundation, that each year provides some \$90 million for international, scholarships, cultural exchanges, and humanitarian projects--large and small—that improve the quality of life for millions of people.

### *Membership Responsibilities*

Each member of the Club is expected to attend regular weekly meetings and is required to attend 60% of meetings each quarter. Members can attend or make up meetings at any Rotary Club in the world.

Each member is required to pay annual dues and expected to support Club activities and projects.