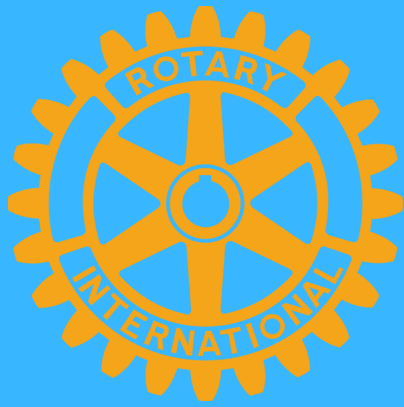


ROTARY PASSPORT



Our motto:
SERVICE ABOVE SELF



THE FOUR-WAY TEST

of the things we think, say and do:

- 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?**

The 4-Way Test, our ethical guide, has been translated into more than 100 languages and is often recited at Rotary meetings.

Welcome to the **Rotary Club of**

Our **Membership Dues** are

We meet regularly on

To help you identify and lean into your passion for Rotary, please work through this booklet.

You will improve your knowledge of **ROTARY INTERNATIONAL**, our local **ROTARY CLUB** and **THE ROTARY FOUNDATION**.

Perhaps this process will refine your answer to the question:

WHY ARE YOU A ROTARIAN?

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

is the world's oldest service organization and one of the most widely recognized.

ROTARY IS MADE UP OF 3 PARTS:
**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL,
OUR CLUBS AND
THE ROTARY FOUNDATION.**

It is helpful to understand how these three aspects of Rotary work together.

There are over 1.4 million Rotarians under the umbrella of Rotary International.

Within our District 6820, almost 2,000 Rotarians support the needs of our Central Mississippi communities and collaborate with Rotarians around the world to have a lasting impact.

ABOUT ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

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

ROTARY CORE VALUES

For more than 100 years, the Four-Way Test, Object of Rotary, and the Avenues of Service express our commitment to service, fellowship, diversity, integrity, and leadership

THE 4-WAY TEST

(printed on the inside cover of this booklet)

These are the principles that serve as a foundation for our relationships with each other and the actions we take in the world.

THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

Is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worth enterprise.

WHERE WE ARE



387,663 Asia

337,842 USA, Canada, & Caribbean

295,099 Europe, Africa, & Middle East

90,422 Central & South America

43,219 Great Britain & Ireland

34,634 Australia, New Zealand &
Pacific Islands

*#s represent Rotary Club members as of 2023

Congratulations, you are
part of one of the most
engaged and inspiring
networks in the world!

You can join Rotarians across the globe!

There are over **33,000 clubs** in
more than **200 countries**.
Our district alone has **45 clubs**.
You can find a meeting and
meet Rotarians when traveling
around our District or most
countries around the world!

myrotary.org

Search by Club name, meeting
location, distance from you,
language, or meeting day.

OUR CLUBS

In communities across the globe, our members come together to strengthen their connections to friends and neighbors and their commitment to improving lives.

Though grounded in the same values, each club is unique.

ROTARY AVENUES OF SERVICE

Club Service

Community Service

Vocational Service

International Service

Youth Service

ASK A ROTARIAN

People across our district and around the globe join Rotary for a variety of reasons.

For all of us, our passions and priorities evolve. Hopefully you will find your best self by getting involved in Rotary.

Please explore why you became or are thinking of becoming a Rotarian.

Ask your fellow Rotarians how long they have been a Rotarian and what resonates with them.

Ask our club leaders what District Grant project we have sponsored.

The Rotary Foundation

Founded more than 100 years ago, the Foundation has spent more than \$4 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects.

TRF Mission

The Rotary Foundation helps Rotary members to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by improving health, providing quality education, improving the environment, and alleviating poverty.

When we contribute to TRF, we fund projects

locally and across the globe. Giving to TRF is primarily at the discretion of the individual Rotarian, though some clubs have chosen to include a portion in the club dues. Half of our TRF giving returns to our District as **District Designated Funds** to fund District (local) grants and global grants led by our clubs. TRF enables life-changing, sustainable projects!

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Through 2023/24 Rotarian contributions, The Rotary Foundation funded:

\$60K for District (local) grants

\$25K for disaster response grants

\$108K for global grants

The fiscal and project stewardship by The Rotary Foundation is the engine that enables the international service impact we Rotarians make!



ROTARY 7 AREAS OF FOCUS

Rotary organizes international and local service within 7 Areas of Focus

1. Basic education & literacy
2. Community economic development
3. Disease prevention and treatment
4. Maternal & child health
5. Peacebuilding & conflict prevention
6. Water, sanitation, & hygiene
7. Environmental issues

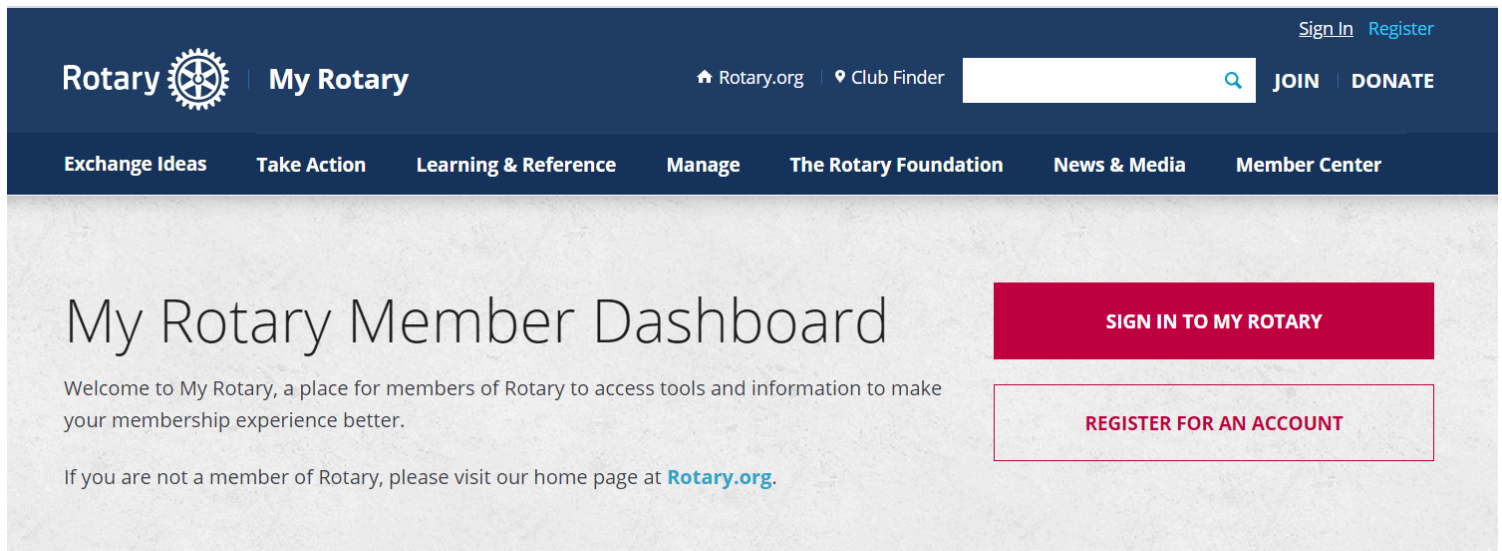
**When you contribute to TRF
you are making global and
local projects possible!**

Connect with Rotary International

On your computer, tablet or smart phone

Open Rotary.org

Register your **“My Rotary”** account



The screenshot shows the My Rotary Member Dashboard page. At the top, there is a dark blue header with the Rotary logo and 'My Rotary' text on the left. On the right, there are links for 'Sign In' and 'Register', a search bar with 'Rotary.org' and 'Club Finder' suggestions, and buttons for 'JOIN' and 'DONATE'. Below the header is a navigation menu with links for 'Exchange Ideas', 'Take Action', 'Learning & Reference', 'Manage', 'The Rotary Foundation', 'News & Media', and 'Member Center'. The main content area has a light gray background. On the left, it says 'My Rotary Member Dashboard' and 'Welcome to My Rotary, a place for members of Rotary to access tools and information to make your membership experience better.' Below that, it says 'If you are not a member of Rotary, please visit our home page at [Rotary.org](https://www.rotary.org).' On the right, there are two buttons: a solid red button that says 'SIGN IN TO MY ROTARY' and a white button with a red border that says 'REGISTER FOR AN ACCOUNT'.

My Rotary Gives You Access To

- The Idea Exchange
- News & media updates
- Under **The Foundation**, access your **“Grant Center”** because someday you may be on a Global Grant team!
- The Member Center

Explore & Enjoy!

Connect with our Club & District 6820

- Go to www.dacdb.com.
- Enter the primary email you supplied when you joined your club as your login name.
- Click on “Forgot/Reset Password” to have an email sent to you to setup your password.
- Stay up to date on your club’s current officers and members. You can also find Rotarian member contact info, District 6820 officers, and your membership stats.

Get to know our Club leaders

- Ask our President why they joined Rotary and what their goals are for the upcoming year.
- Ask our Vice President/President-elect what is their personal passion for Rotary.
- Ask our immediate Past President what defined their year of club leadership.
- Find a club member that can tell you the origin story for our club.

MORE ABOUT OUR CLUB

PROGRAMS

We all have unique networks and ideas. Please speak with our club Programs Coordinator to suggest speaker or program ideas!

OUR CLUB COMMITTEES

Join a club committee!

SOCIALS

Please ask what informal social activities are available to build stronger friendships.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Please ask what service projects and local organizations the club supports and share new ideas.

YOUR INTERESTS?

How would you like to engage?

- **Community Service**
- **International Service**
- **Meeting Set-up**
- **Programs / Speakers / Events**
- **Outreach & Membership**
- **Youth Service Outreach**

Please let our club leaders know as we want to engage you in club activities!

GET INVOLVED

Whether your sweet spot is supporting club efforts on a committee, offering to lead a project, or working toward a club leadership role, there are many opportunities.

Beyond club leadership some choose to advance into district leadership. Follow your passions and make an impact!

Please speak with our club leaders and other Rotarians to find your fit!

ROTARY & POLIO

Rotary has been the driving force in the effort to **end Polio worldwide**. The eradication of polio is one of our longest standing and most significant efforts.

Along with our partners, we have helped immunize more than **2.5 billion children** against polio in **122 countries**.


We have **reduced polio cases by 99.9 percent** worldwide and we won't stop until we end the disease for good.



**END
POLIO
NOW**

**WORLD
POLIO
DAY**

OCTOBER 24TH

Rotary  *"Rotary in particular has inspired my own personal commitment to get deeply involved in achieving eradication." Bill Gates*

A Bit of History - PAUL HARRIS



For 119 years, Rotary members have been addressing challenges around the world.

It started with the vision of one man -

PAUL HARRIS.

The Chicago attorney formed the Rotary Club of Chicago on February 23, 1905, so diverse professionals could exchange ideas, form meaningful, lifelong friendships, and give back to their communities.

Maybe someday you will want to become a **PAUL HARRIS FELLOW.**

The Paul Harris Fellow recognition acknowledges individuals who contribute, or who have contributions made in their name, of \$1,000 to [The Rotary Foundation](#).

ROTARY CLUBS IN DISTRICT 6820



Bay Springs	Laurel
Belzoni	Leland
Brookhaven-Lincoln County	Lexington
Canton	Louisville
Capital Area Sunset-Jackson	Macon
Carthage	Madison-Ridgeland
Central MS E-Club	Meridian
Clinton	Natchez
Collins	Newton
Columbus	North Jackson
Ellisville	Philadelphia
Eupora	Rankin County
Flowood	Rolling Fork
Forest	South Hinds County
Gluckstadt	South Rankin
Greenville	Starkville
Greenwood	Taylorville
Hollandale	Vicksburg
Indianola	Waynesboro
Inverness	West Jackson
Itta Bena-Morgan City	Winona
Jackson	Yazoo City
Kosciusko	

ASK YOURSELF:

Who do I know that I would enjoy adding to our club membership?
Having lunch with each week, serving alongside, enhancing their life.

INVITE THEM TO JOIN YOUR CLUB