



Rotary was founded in 1905 in Chicago by Paul P. Harris. It became the world's first and most International service club.

Rotary has become a worldwide organization of business and professional leaders that provides humanitarian service, encourages high ethical standards in all vocations and helps build goodwill and peace throughout the world. Approximately 1.2 million Rotarians belong to more than 31,000 clubs located in 166 countries.

Rotary club membership represents a cross-section of the community's business and professional men and women. The workd's Rotary clubs meet weekly and are non-political, non-religious and open to all cultures and creeds.

The main objective of Rotary is service – in the community, in the workplace and throughout the world. The Rotary motto is "Service Above Self."

Although Rotary Clubs develop autonomous service programs, all Rotarians worldwide are united in a campaign for the global eradication of polio. In the 1980's, Rotarians raised US \$240 million to immunize the children of the world; by 2005, Rotary's centenary year and the target date for certification of a polio-free world, the Polio-Plus program contributed US \$500 million to the cause as well as an army of volunteers to promote and assist at national immunization days in polio-endemic countries around the world.

#### Weekly Involvement



Lakeshore Rotary Club members meet at 12:12 pm every Thursday afternoon at:

The First Church of God 5767 Red Arrow Hwy. Stevensville, MI 49127 (just off I-94, Exit #22)

for a buffet lunch and fellowship. A presentation is scheduled each week to cover a local, regional or international subject of interest.

Our meetings conclude no later than 1:30 pm.





#### Making a World-Wide Difference Since 1905



Service Above Self

## Recent Grants



- Over \$100,000 contributed to the Biosand Water Filtration Project, which provides clean drinking water to people in the Dominican Republic
- Annual contribution to the Lakeshore Excellence
  Foundation
- Annual Peace Essay contest for middle school students
- Annual participation in the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA), where the club sends high school students to a weekend leadership camp
- Over \$20,000 donated to polio eradication efforts
- Significant sponsor of Lakeshore Band participation in the 70th D-Day Memorial Anniversary in Normandy, France
- Ongoing financial support of the "Lest We Forget" program
- Lighthouse Forever Fund Gallery Deck level support

## Fundraising Projects

The Lakeshore Rotary Club conducts a variety of fundraising events to support our local community, District #6360 and Rotary International.

# Hands-On Projects



- Provided over 1,000 volunteer hours refurbishing North Lake Park in Lincoln Township – an ongoing partnership with Lincoln Charter Township
- Sponsored the annual Seniors Night, where the community's elderly attend a theatrical performance by Lakeshore High School students
- Members of the Club have traveled to the Dominican Republic to install water filtration systems, enabling their residents to have clean drinking water
- Supports the International Youth Exchange program on an annual basis
- Clean-up and tree-planting projects on Interstate 94
- House construction for "Habitat For Humanity"
- Participation in the "Polio Plus" program field

## Yesterday and Today



In late 1973 two Lakeshore School Administrators, Bill Galbreath and Fred Schmidt enlisted other local professionals to form a group that became the Rotary Club of Lakeshore on April 24, 1974. The Club has experienced continual growth over the years and currently has membership of approximately 55 local professionals.

The Rotary Club of Lakeshore has lived up to the ideals of the Charter Members. Service projects and fundraisers were instituted immediately, and the Club has always put the motto "Service Above Self" into practice. The Rotary Club of Lakeshore has provided four District Governors and sponsored three new Rotary Clubs over the years.

As strong supporters of the Rotary Foundation, many of our Club members have achieved the status of Paul Harris Fellow. This fund promotes educational and humanitarian programs throughout the world.

