



What is Rotary International?

Over 100 years ago a group of young Chicago professional men wanted to get to know each other better and to become better businessmen to serve the community. For their meetings they rotated from each of their offices . . . hence the name "Rotary." The organization soon grew and grew and expanded across the country. They adopted as their purpose "Service Above Self" a slogan that is still Rotary's hallmark. Presently there are over 35,000 clubs throughout the world with over 1.2 million members.

What is the Middleville Rotary Club?

Chartered in 1938, the Middleville Rotary Club has seen hundreds of members. We abide with the motto Service Above Self in our community to help people in a multitude of ways. We are always looking for new ways to be helpful. Through the years the Middleville community have responded to our fund raising projects and how we allocate our money

How have we helped our community in the past years?

- The Rotary Club has awarded scholarships to TK High School seniors to further their goals as they seek a higher degree or apprenticeship.
- We help pay for distribution of free age appropriate books for children throughout Barry County.
- We installed the Community Clock in downtown Middleville.
- We erected the Gazebo on the Paul Henry Trail.
- We help support the local food bank.
- We cleanup roadsides three times yearly.

- We provide refreshments at events such as the Riverside Music, County Fair.
- We do sharpening events that allow people to get anything needing a new sharp edge.
- We create fund raising events (such as the Duck Race and the Middleville Directory) that allows us to meet our financial needs to fund our projects.

The membership is open to men and women.

We meet weekly for a meal, fellowship and a program which informs and entertains us. Currently we meet in the Fellowship Hall of the United Methodist Church in Middleville at noon on Tuesdays, except on the third Tuesday of each month when we meet at 6:30 p.m. This allows some members who have difficulty meeting at noon. We encourage members to attend meetings every week.