



Join Rotary!

The Rotary Club of the Torrington and
Winsted Areas, Inc.

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Acquaintance
Fellowship
Connections Ideas Opportunity

Action Fair Respectful Ethical
Expertise
Integrity
Accountability Honor

Understanding International Youth
Diversity Peace
Membership Commitments United

Community Education Health
Vocational
Service

Economy Club Scholarship Friendship
Relationships Development

Leadership
Sincere Responsible Professional



Torrington and Winsted Areas Rotary Club

20 REASONS TO JOIN!

Friendship: In an increasingly complex world, Rotary provides one of the most basic human needs: the need for friendship and fellowship. It is one of two reasons why Rotary began in 1905.

Business Development: The second original reason for Rotary's beginning is business development. Everyone needs to network. Rotary consists of a cross section of every business community. Its members come from all walks of life. Rotarians help each other and collectively help others.

Personal Growth and Development: Membership in Rotary continues one's growth and education in human relations and personal development.

Leadership Development: Rotary is an organization of leaders and successful people. Serving in Rotary positions is like a college education. Leadership: - learning how to motivate, influence and lead leaders.

Citizenship in the Community: Membership in a Rotary club makes one a better community citizen. The average Rotary club consists of the most active citizens of any community.

Continuing Education: Each week at Rotary there is a program designed to keep one informed about what is going on in the community, nation, and world. Each meeting provides an opportunity to listen to different speakers and a variety of timely topics.

Fun: Rotary is fun, a lot of fun. Each meeting is fun. The club projects are fun. Social activities are fun. Serving others is fun.

Public Speaking Skills: Many individuals who joined Rotary were afraid to speak in public. Rotary develops confidence and skill in public communication and the opportunity to practice and perfect these skills.

Citizenship in the World: Every Rotarian wears a pin that says "Rotary International." There are few places on the globe that do not have a Rotary club. Every Rotarian is welcome - even encouraged - to attend any of the 33,000 clubs in over 200 nations and geographical regions. This means instant friends in both one's own community and in the world community.

Assistance when Traveling: Because there are Rotary clubs everywhere, many a Rotarian in need of a doctor, lawyer, hotel, dentist, advice, etc., while traveling has found assistance through Rotary.

Entertainment: Every Rotary club and district has parties and activities that provide diversion in one's business life. Rotary holds conferences, conventions, assemblies, and institutes that provide entertainment in addition to Rotary information, education, and service.



20 Reasons to Join Continued

The Development of Social Skills: Every week and at various events and functions, Rotary develops one's personality, social skills and people skills. Rotary is for people who like people.

Family Programs: Rotary provides one of the world's largest youth exchange programs; high school and college clubs for future Rotarians; opportunities for spouse involvement; and a host of activities designed to help family members in growth and the development of family values.

Vocational Skills: Every Rotarian is expected to take part in the growth and development of his or her own profession or vocation; to serve on committees and to teach youth about one's job or vocation. Rotary helps to make one a better doctor, lawyer, teacher, etc.

The Development of Ethics: Rotarians practice the 4-Way Test that governs one's ethical standards. Rotarians are expected to be ethical in business and person relationships.

Cultural Awareness: Around the world, practically every religion, country, culture, race, creed, political persuasion, language, color, and ethnic identity is found in Rotary. It is a cross section of the world's most prominent citizens from every background. Rotarians become aware of their cultures and learn to love and work with people everywhere. They become better citizens of their countries in the process.

Prestige: Rotary members are prominent people: leaders of business, the professions, art, government, sports, military, religion, and all disciplines. Rotary is the oldest and most prestigious service club in the world. Its ranks include executives, managers, professionals - people who make decisions and influence policy.

Nice People: Rotarians above all are nice people - the nicest people on the face of the earth. They are important people who follow the policy of "it is nice to be important but it is more important to be nice."

The Absence of an " Official Creed": Rotary has no secret handshake, no secret policy, no official creed, no secret meetings or rituals. It is an open society of men and women who simply believe in helping others.

The Opportunity to Serve: Rotary is a service club. Its product is serving. Rotarians provide community service to both local and international communities. This is perhaps the best reason for becoming a Rotarian: the chance to do something for somebody else and to sense the self-fulfillment that comes in the process and return of that satisfaction to one's own life. It is richly rewarding.





The Rotary Club of the Torrington and Winsted Areas, Inc.

We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders. Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves. **Rotary is ultimately service through friendship!**

The Advantage of Joining Rotary

Service through Friendship

Friendship	Citizenship in the World
Business Development	Entertainment
Personal Growth & Development	The Development of Social Skills
Leadership Development	Family Programs
Citizenship in the Community	The Development of Ethics
Continuing Education	Cultural Awareness
Public Speaking Skills	Nice People
	The Opportunity to Serve

These are just a few of the benefits of joining Rotary!

Rotary 4-Way Test

From the earliest days of the organization, Rotarians were concerned with promoting high ethical standards in their professional lives. One of the world's most widely printed and quoted statements of business ethics is **The Four-Way Test**, which was created in 1932 by Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor.

Of the things we think, say or do:

Is it the TRUTH?

Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

What Our Local Club Accomplishes



We support local organizations in need and award grants to worthy non-profits. We bestow scholarships on worthy college-bound students and support graduates of vocational programs. We organize and sponsor the famous Winsted Pet Parade each May, an 80+ year tradition, and host a very successful annual Golf Tournament, our sole fund-raiser. We volunteer for various other service projects as opportunities arise. We have participated in international relief efforts and additionally have sponsored members who have acted as emissaries and who have represented our club in trips to places such as Haiti, Nepal, Tanzania, and Guatemala where we have provided grants for specific relief projects.

Meeting Date, Time, Location

Every Tuesday at Greenwoods Country Club,
300 Torrington Street, Winsted.

12:00pm-Lunch/Club Meeting

12:55pm-Weekly Speaker Begins

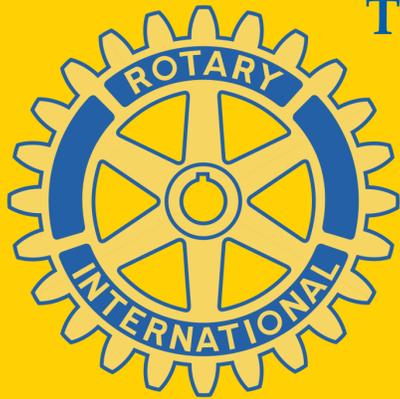
1:30pm-Meeting adjourns.

Rotarian Responsibilities

Rotary members are expected to:

- Join and participate in one rotary committee.
- Book a weekly speaker approximately once a year.
- Raise funds for Rotary Golf Tournament.

Become a Rotarian Today! Apply online at www.twrotary.org



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WHO YOUR SUPPORT BENEFITS!



SCAN TO LEARN MORE!

\$16,000

AVERAGE PER YEAR IN



Local Support

- Christmas Village Susan B. Anthony
- American Mural Project
- Salvation Army-Winsted
- Friendly Hands Food Bank
- Community Soup Kitchen
- Winsted YMCA Homeless Shelter
- Torrington BOE School Readiness
- Torrington High School Project Graduation
- Warner Theatre Youth Baseball
- Tour of Litchfield Hills Miles 4 Moe
- Neighbor to Neighbor Fund
- FISH McCall Center for Behavioral Health
- Winsted Youth Baseball
- Torrington Library
- Rising Star Camp
- Brooker Memorial

\$6,000

AVERAGE PER YEAR IN

International Support

- ♦ Ukraine Relief Fund
- ♦ Tanzanian Children's Fund
- ♦ Haitian Health Fund
- ♦ Mekele Blind School
- ♦ Afghanistan Relief Fund
- ♦ R.I. Polio Eradication
- ♦ Guatemala Water Project



\$22,000

AVERAGE PER YEAR IN



College/Trade Scholarships



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Cost of Membership

Required Costs

Dues	\$240.00 per year
Meals @ \$12.00 each for average 46 weeks	\$552.00 per year
Fundraising/Golf Outing *	\$300.00-\$400.00 per year OR 6-8 points
Total Required Annual Cost **	\$1,192 (If all golf points are earned, then total required cost drops to \$792.00 per year).

Encouraged Costs

50/50 Raffle • \$1.00 to \$2.00 per week	\$52-\$104 per year
Fines and Happy Dollars • \$1-2/week	\$52-\$104 per year
Golf Outing* Dinner	\$50 (if attending)
Paul Harris Dinner Cost	\$60 (if attending)

Voluntary Costs

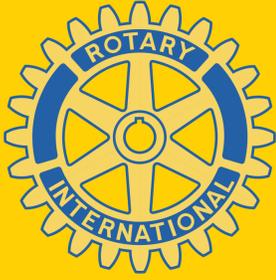
Rotary Foundation Contribution	\$100 (\$25 per quarter)
Golf Raffle	Personal choice

Total Cost Range: \$792.00-\$1500.00+***

***Golf Outing** – Members can earn points toward their \$300-400 responsibility by soliciting contributions, and by committing early. Points are proportional to the dollars raised. Six points by April 30th equals \$300; after April 30th, the obligation becomes \$400, or eight points. There is also an optional raffle for door prizes at the dinner after the tournament. If a member does not seek out sponsorships and earns points, the member is responsible for paying the \$300-400 obligation.

****Total Required Cost-** Please be aware that all individuals are responsible for paying dues when billed. Payment by an organization/business for an individual is permitted; however, if the paying organization/business can no longer pay the fees for the individual, financial responsibility falls to the individual. *Lapsed payment may result in expulsion from the club.*

*****Total Cost-** Subject to change and partially dependent on individual means and generosity. Most members average about \$1,000 per year.



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COMMITTEES

Rotarians are asked to serve on at least one committee. Rotarians may serve on multiple committees or change committees during their time with the club.

Vocational and Youth Service: The Vocational and Youth Service Committee serves to promote high ethical standards in business and the professions, recognizing the worthiness of all useful occupations, and foster the ideal of service in the pursuit of all vocations. The committee develops and supports projects that help Rotary members, and potential future members, promote and direct their talents towards society's needs. Through programs, education, and scholarship, this committee serves to dignify and grow appreciation for occupations and careers using, for example, classification presentations, youth scholarships, shadow and mentor programs, and promotion of youth participation in Interact Clubs and RYLA.

Annual Pet Parade: The Annual Rotary Pet Parade is a long-standing tradition in Winsted. The Pet Parade is the oldest pet parade in the nation and features several parade divisions, marching bands, rotary and local dignitaries, and the Laurel Queen and King. The Pet Parade also features a poster contest for area school children.

Membership & Club Service: The Membership and Club Service Committee monitors all aspects of membership, including recruitment, retention and education. It promotes the bringing of guests, conduct membership surveys, propose policy concerning membership issues and concerns, assure meeting logistics and meals, and propose and organize special membership drives and activities.

International: The International Services Committee fosters international understanding and good will, and promotes Rotary's six areas of global focus, by connecting clubs, building foreign relationships, assisting with international projects, and inspiring Rotarians toward international visits and hosting, developing an annual giving plan, managing a travel budget, and generally promoting educational and social programs and activities that advance Rotary International's six areas of global focus.

Golf Tournament: The annual tournament is the chief fundraiser for the Torrington/Winsted club and is the means by which the club can support the community. Each year the club gives back to the community approximately \$50,000 in direct grants, scholarships to high school seniors, and in support of various worthy international projects.

Fundraising and Special Events: The Fundraising and Special Events Committee supports the Rotary Club by engaging in efforts that raise funds and awareness of the Rotary ideal. The Committee collaborates to set annual fundraising goals, propose fundraising events and coordinate and implement the events and activities. Event specific subcommittees may be established to carry out the Committee's plans.

Community Service: The Community Service Committee relates to the various efforts that Rotarians undertake to improve the quality of life in our club's territory. This committee promotes the ideal of service with a particular emphasis on grant making, creating volunteer opportunities for Rotarians, and otherwise finding ways and means to help locally those most in need of assistance using, for example, a formalized grant making process and application for large gifts, creating a quarterly process for smaller gifts, creating at least three meaningful volunteer opportunities per year, and overseeing the Sergeant At Arms fund distribution.

Donor Advised Fund - Advisory Board: The Rotary Club of the Torrington/Winsted Area has established a non-endowed fund with the Northwest Connecticut Community Foundation for the purpose of supporting charitable initiatives or activities consistent with the purpose of Rotary. This committee oversees that fund and grants made from it.