

## Our Local Club

The Rice Lake Rotary Club meets every Thursday noon at Lehman's in Rice Lake. Responsible membership includes the following commitments:

- Quarterly dues of \$30.00. A portion of our dues supports Rotary International humanitarian programs.
- Support Rotary Foundation Annual Programs Fund (suggested giving: \$100 annually, via Sustaining Member pledge)
- Cost of lunch during weekly club meetings billed quarterly.
- Any other expenses associated with membership are the optional participation in social events for you and your guest.
- Members are required to maintain a 60% attendance record. Missed meetings can be made-up at other Rotary club meetings.
- Each weekly meeting has a program of general interest to members. Members rotate responsibility to plan programs by arranging for a speaker to present a 20 minute program.

**Club Service & Administration** includes behind the scenes activities that enable the club to function effectively. Members who participate in club service & administration promote interaction between club members through activities like weekly meetings, club programs, and hosting other social activities.

**Community Service** is the effort of our club's members to address critical issues in our local community as well as worldwide. The Rice Lake Rotary Club members invest time and monetary support in several activities:

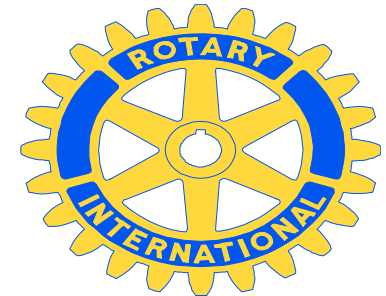
- Seats for Rice Lake High School auditorium
- Initial 1 ¼ miles of Cedarside Trail
- Pavillion and Skate Board at Moon Lake Park
- Friess Family Community Campus
- Rotary International Youth Exchange-inbound and outbound students for over 20 years
- Host Group Study Exchange members visiting from another country.

- **Vocational Service** activities include having members share an overview of their job, company or career.
- The Rice Lake Rotary supports other local community programs through grants and volunteerism.
  - Operation Santa Claus
  - Food Pantry
  - Habitat for Humanity
  - Roux Park basketball court
  - Municipal signage
  - Knapp-Stout Park gazebo
  - Third grade dictionary Project
  - UWBC and WITC scholarships
  - Prom all-nighter
  - Music in the Park
  - The Red Cedar Symphony Orchestra
  - Fast for Hope
  - Girl and Boy Scouts
  - The Rice Lake DECA/Camp RYLA
  - Camp Enterprise
  - Kinship
  - Earth Day
- Polio Eradication Fund-Raising Campaign, Rotary's worldwide initiative to eradicate polio.



**Membership** development is an important focus for the ongoing vitality of the club. Rotary clubs can do more when there are more members. While size is not important, continuing to bring in new members to replace those members who move or leave the club is essential.

# Rice Lake Rotary



Chartered October 17, 1923

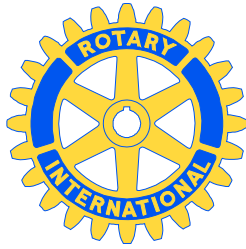
“Service Above Self”

**In Rice Lake  
In the United States  
In the World**

Noon Thursdays at Lehman's  
Rice Lake, WI

## Welcome to Rotary International

Rotary is an International service association of more than 29,000 clubs in 180 countries around the world. 1.2 million business & professional men and women constitute the membership of these clubs which share the purposes of providing humanitarian service, encouraging high ethical standards in all vocations, and building good will and peace in the world. They give life to the Rotary motto... *Service Above Self.*



### **Service Above Self**

Rotary began in Chicago in 1905. Paul Harris, a young lawyer, invited 3 friends, engaged in different organizations, to form a club to promote friendship and occupational understanding. Originally, the meeting locations “rotated” among members’ offices, hence the name “Rotary”. By 1910, there were 16 clubs in the United States. Early mottos recognized Rotary’s commitment to the idea of service, “He Profits Most Who Serves Best” and “Service Above Self.” In 1989, the Rotary International Council on Legislation established “Service Above Self” as the organization’s principal motto.

### **Objective of Rotary**

The main objective of a Rotary club is service in the community, in the workplace, and throughout the world. Rotary International has developed a broad range of programs designed to help clubs carry out this vital mission.

Rotary’s community development programs address many of today’s most critical issues like health, hunger, the environment, and literacy.

The international component of Rotary International enables clubs and districts to assist Rotary efforts abroad and to share information and arrange exchanges with Rotarians in other countries.

Many club and district projects focus on vocational issues, promote high ethical standards in the workplace, and help young people and others become and remain productive members of Society.



### **The Four Way Test of the things we think, say, or do....**

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

How can Rotary accomplish so much? Throughout the year, Rotary Clubs initiate various **Fund Raising** activities to raise money to support projects. Currently, our club has 3 primary fund raisers, the “Duck Chase” in June, “Rotary Roses” in October and the “Cash Raffle” for local youth scholarships in the Spring.

**Public Relations & Marketing** is also essential to Rotary. Promoting Rotary helps to generate support for the programs and projects undertaken by Rotary, as well as to draw members.



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Or visit one of the web sites below to learn more about Rotary at the international, district or local level:

Rice Lake Rotary: [www.RiceLakeRotary.com](http://www.RiceLakeRotary.com)

Rotary International: [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

District 5960: [www.rotary5960.org](http://www.rotary5960.org)