

## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

Rotary, the world's first service club, began in 1905 with the formation of the Rotary of Chicago, Illinois. Started by a young attorney, Paul Harris, and three of his friends, Paul wished to recapture the friendly spirit he had felt among business people in the town where he had grown up.

Rotary is now a worldwide organization of more than 1.2 million business, professional, and community leaders. Members of Rotary Clubs, known as Rotarians, provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

There are more than 34,000 Rotary clubs worldwide, which are open to people of all cultures and ethnicities, and are not affiliated with any political or religious organizations. As signified by the motto "Service Above Self", Rotary's main objective is service – in the community, in the workplace, and throughout the world.



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Meeting Thursdays at 12:15 PM

The Boar's Head Inn

200 Ednam Drive  
Charlottesville, VA 22903

Come and join us!

## ALBEMARLE COUNTY ROTARY CLUB

The Albemarle County Rotary Club (ACRC) was chartered in May 1971. The Club meets on Thursdays at 12:15 at the Boar's Head Inn where we enjoy fellowship and programs featuring speakers on topics from local to global interest. We are a very active Club with many ongoing projects both in the local community and abroad.

Through our Club, we build lifelong friendships, and experience the personal fulfillment of volunteering for others. In addition to our service and fundraising projects, members and their guests enjoy social activities including our annual Holiday dinner party, an outing at Charlottesville Opera, events coordinated with other local Rotary clubs, and informal gatherings.

### OUR CLUB PROJECTS

**Kids Swing** – Starting in 2011, ACRC established a golf tournament with kids, teens and adults, to raise funds for a primary beneficiary, along with college scholarships for high school seniors. Kids Swing has netted approximately \$23,000 per year for each of these golf tournaments.



**Education** – ACRC awards college scholarships each year supporting vocational success, and has assisted high school students with funds for school sponsored camps and educational trips. Recently, ACRC was recognized by Piedmont Virginia Community College as a \$50,000 lifetime donor.

**Annual Charitable Gifts** – Auction funds are raised at the Club's annual Holiday party, with over \$4,000 distributed to local charities. ACRC also provides holiday food, coats and gifts to low income families.

**Community Projects** – ACRC serves our community. We recently commenced a monthly volunteer work day at the Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry. Twice a year, we Adopt-a-Highway for trash pick up. We bell ring for the Salvation Army and join local Rotary Clubs to plant shrubs and perform other projects at McIntire Park.

**International Projects** – We raise funds for Rotary's Annual Fund and the Polio eradication program. Over the years we have provided financial assistance to teams of doctors and nurses who travel to India to surgically treat children; as well as Shelter Boxes for disaster victims.

**Virginia to Africa** – Working with local Rotary Clubs and UVA Engineering, the team has been involved in clean water and sanitation projects in Africa led by Rotarians and University of Virginia representatives.

## MEMBERSHIP

**Benefits** – Membership provides an opportunity to share your experiences, knowledge, time and love of service to your community with fellow Rotarians and to live our motto of "Service Above Self". We have a network of professionals not just within our Club, but with other Rotarians we meet at district or national events.

**Club Expectations** – Regular attendance at our weekly meetings is encouraged. We ask that you serve on a committee and participate in service and fundraising activities. We invite you to attend our social events.

**Attendance** – Rotarians are welcome at any of the 34,000 world-wide Rotary clubs. You may make up a missed meeting by attending a meeting at another club (including online), or by participating in one of our service projects, within two weeks before or after the missed meeting. There are two other clubs in the Charlottesville area, as well as clubs in Louisa, Fluvanna and other nearby locations.

**Qualifications for membership** – Rotary International requires that members hold, or have previously held, a professional, proprietary, executive, managerial or community leadership position. Prospective members are sponsored by a current club member, and approved by the Club Board of Directors and membership.