NEWARK ROTARY CLUB

100th Anniversary

1926-2026



100 Years of Service Above Self

Newark, NY

Rotary Club of Newark, NY

Service Above Self

Rotary's strength is expressed in its founding principles … as they have evolved over100 years. Service is without doubt at the top of that list, and it is to be given with the highest standard of integrity, and with no expectation of personal return.
This slogan was used for decades to motivate members of Rotary clubs around the world to look for opportunities to make lives better. In 1989, it was officially adopted as the principal motto of Rotary, since it was felt to best explain the philosophy of unselfish volunteer service.

THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

1. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

2. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

3. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life;

4. The advancement of international understanding, good will, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

Newark Rotary Club's 100th Anniversary

OPEN LETTER TO ROTARIANS: One hundred years…of service! Wow!

It really is unbelievable what the Newark Rotary Club has accomplished in the past century. With your help, building on the efforts of hundreds of past Rotarians, so much has been accomplished that it barely fits within these pages.

You were asked, and decided, to become part of a wonderful tradition — a tradition of "Service Above Self ". You have joined in following the Four-Way Test, building a better local community, bringing about an advancement of international understanding, promoting peace and goodwill, and applying your time, treasure and talents.

Thank you for your years of dedication. Without you, joined by so many others over the years, Rotary, and the Newark Club in particular, could never have accomplished even a part of its long list of achievements. You have been an integral part of Rotary's endeavors. Please continue to stay active and engaged. In so doing, you will help make the next 100 years even better than the first hundred.

On behalf of the present and former members of the Newark Rotary Club, thank you for building a bridge to a brighter future for our local community and the world.

Josh McCrossen
Public Image Committee Chair

Rotary Club of Newark, NY

Rotary Beginnings



25th Anniversary Dinner

This year, 2026, marks the 100th anniversary of the establishment of a Rotary Club here in Newark. Sponsored by the Rochester Rotary Club, the Newark club received its charter from Rotary International on October 28, 1926.

Rotary's purpose is to promote Goodwill, Peace and Service to others through the combined efforts of community, professional & business leaders. The Newark Rotary Club has striven to promote these goals for each of the past 100 years.

Rotary was founded by Paul Harris in Chicago, IL, with three business associates on February 23rd, 1905. The growth of Rotary International over the past 100 years has been remarkable. From the four charter members, Rotary has grown to over 1.4 million members in more than 46,000 clubs around the world.

To celebrate the Newark Rotary Club's 100th anniversary, there will be a dinner at the Clifton Springs Country Club on October 23, 2026. Both Rotarians and friends are welcome to attend.

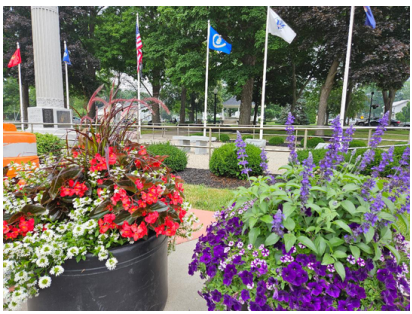
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What Rotary Means in Newark

There are some folks who would have you believe that “Rotary is the best kept secret in Newark.” Don’t you believe it! The Newark Rotary Club has now been in action in the Newark community for 100 years — a whole century. The very underpinnings of our community, from our local hospital to our parks and playgrounds have Rotary and Rotarians to thank for their very existence. Like the bricks in our school buildings, or the steel struts holding up our bridges, the efforts of Newark Rotary over the years continue to under-gird our community today. Look through the pages of this brochure to get a flavor of what a strong impact Rotary has had.

Sometimes our picture of the world and what is going on there is a dark one. Too much of the “news” is about trouble and calamity. The forces of peace and understanding don’t get the same “airtime.” Yet, Rotary International is busy at work building greater understanding and peace every day. Whether bringing clean water to those who have none, supporting an orphanage as a safe haven for children in a dangerous country, or bringing needed medical equipment to people needing medical treatment in Turkey, the Newark Rotary Club is doing its part in promoting a healthier and more peaceful world.

So what does Rotary mean in Newark? It means good people are doing their part, sometimes quietly, without bragging, to enhance the quality of life in this part of New York State, this country, and the world. It means a stronger and more caring community. It means more flowers are planted to beautify our town; it means young parents can better clothe and feed their children; it means first responders are recognized and honored for their service. And it means so much more. And it will continue to do so because a small group, a group of Rotarians, give of themselves and will continue to do so into the future. We can only imagine what the next 100 years will bring!





The First 50 Years


1941 Conference

Al Winfrey, Rotarian, wrote in the Courier-Gazette in Sept. 1976, that "there has rarely been a community project in the past 50 years that has not either been created, sponsored, supported or helped to completion by members of the Newark Rotary Club." The first major Rotary project had its inception in 1927 with promissory notes of $15 each signed by each Rotary member to initiate the Newark Rotary Band Fund. This fund supported the Newark School Band until shortly after the end of WWII.

The club also financially supported such projects as essay contests, park improvements, "Care packages," and sending H.S. seniors to the United Nations.

Others were the Student Loan Fund, Junior Rotarian System, Little League baseball, Town Honor Roll Wall in WWII and building a shelter with picnic tables in Perkins Park.

With a membership of leading business people, community leaders and dedicated volunteers, Newark Rotary Club sought to exemplify the maxim "He profits most who serves the best." The Club worked in partnership with the Lions Club, the Boosters Club and other community organizations to serve the community at all times and make Newark a better place to live and raise children.

As an example of fulfilling its motto, "Service Above Self," in it's 50th year, the Newark Rotary Club sent 5 tons of food to Bangladesh and gathered another 10 tons for distribution to needy people living in Wayne County and the surrounding area. The Newark Rotary Club is proud of its commitment during the past 50 years and looks forward to another 50 years of community development through "Service Above Self."

From then to the current year's theme-
2026-2027





The Past 50 Years

The past 50 years have seen a major expansion of Rotary International to 160 countries with over 60,000 clubs comprised of over 1.4 million Rotarian Members. Newark Rotary has grown too, up to over 100 members at its height. The club has met at a variety of locations and presently meets at the American Legion. Part of the expansion has come with the 1987 decision to allow women to participate fully in Rotary. Our present membership includes 39 women, 39.4% of the total membership.

Newark Rotary supports the Rotary Foundation, which funds projects in our local area as well as throughout the country and the world. The club also provides funds to help achieve the goal of eradicating polio from the world through Rotary's "Polio Plus" campaign, which began in 1985.

Since 1976, the Newark Rotary Club has sponsored numerous projects such as:

- The Rotary International Youth Exchange Program
- Funding for the Summer Playground Program
- The founding of the Alex Eligh Community Center and ongoing support for its programs
- The building of two pavilions, one at Ross Park (2007) and one at Hallagan Field (2009)







- Financial support to the Newark Arcadia Volunteer Ambulance (NAVA)
- Free Holiday Cab service to address the DWI problem
- Purchased four (4) "Welcome to Newark" signs

- Sponsored bicycle rodeos and donated a talking bicycle for safety programs
  by the Newark police in elementary schools
- Provided labor and funds to construct the Newark Memorial Playground Park in 1986
- Established a Newark Public Library Memorial Book Fund
- Built a handicap ramp for a child's home
- Supported Red Cross Blood Mobile and local blood drives
- Sponsored a Multiphasic Blood Analysis Prevention Healthcare Preventive
- Provided over 20 hours of labor to rejuvenate Spencer T. Knight Canal Park
- Was a major contributor to the Newark-Wayne Community Hospital's Focus on the Future fund drive
- Provided donations to United Way, American Cancer Society, Easter seals, needy families at Christmas, Newark HS programs, muscular dystrophy, Red Cross, Wayne County Arts-in-Action, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Big Brother Big Sister program, American Heart Association, Newark-Wayne Community Hospital, Roosevelt Center, and
Literacy Volunteers of Wayne County.
- Engaged in and funded projects such as: Pancake Day, Radio Day, Gas Day, Minstrel Shows, Community Auctions, Blood Screening Programs, Hill Cumorah Food Tent, Salvation Army bell ringing, and many other activities.

At present, Newark Rotary has created its own local foundation. A number of local projects are supported through the foundation, some of which are presented in more detail later in this booklet. the pictures accompanying this write up show workers for Habitat for Humanity, a check for the free lunch program and other efforts including shelter boxes for disaster areas. This is only a partial list of the Newark Rotary Clubs endeavors over the past 50 years.






Camp ONSEYAWA



Newark Rotary has supported Camp ONSEYAWA since its inception in 1956. The physical location of the camp has shifted from Camp Babcock-Hovey on the east side of Seneca Lake to Camp Whitman on the west side of Seneca Lake in recent years. The camp is open for a single 2-week session in August and serves special needs children.

Activities at the camp include swimming, kayaking, ceramics, archery and much more. But the most important parts of camp are making friendships, getting a chance to feel “normal”, and giving care takers a safe alternative.

Parents can “take a break” from the 24/7 responsibilities for a week or two during the summer.
Newark Rotary is proud to be part of Rotary District 7120, which is the only district in all of Rotary International in which every club supports a camp for children with disabilities!



















Newark Rotary Family Fest

Five years ago, the Newark Rotary Club, led by then President Mitch Ruffalo, decided that the people of Newark needed a chance to come together for an end-of-summer fun day.

It has grown to be a chance for kids to participate in such fun activities as a pie-eating contest, clowning, dunk tank, food trucks, bubble (BIG BUBBLES!) blowing, throwing games and free-throw shooting contests. The adults can listen to music, play games, bid on the silent auction, take advantage of various food vendors, patronize craft vendors, enjoy adult beverages and more.

Now happening each late August, the event has become a staple in the Newark calendar, drawing people from as far as 40 miles away. Other Rotary Clubs are regularly invited, where they can renew acquaintances and enjoy a fun day together.



Polio Eradication

The Disease---Poliomyelitis is a very contagious virus infection that affects the nervous system, causing weakness and paralysis in extremities, and often affecting the diaphragm and other respiratory muscles, leading to death. By 1950, Polio victims were the largest population of disabled people in the world. Polio vaccines became available in the 1950's and substantially reduced the incidence of the disease in developed countries but were not readily available in underdeveloped countries.

Rotary International's Role---In 1979, Rotary International funded a multi-year pilot Project in the Philippines, successfully eradicating Polio in this island nation. By the mid-1980's, Rotary decided to take on the enormous task of eliminating Polio worldwide! There were 350,000 new cases of polio in 1988. 12 years later, there were only 719 cases, and Polio is now limited to Afghanistan and Pakistan with under 100 cases annually over the past 6 years. Rotary raises $50 Million each year for the PolioPlus Campaign and has engaged many partner organizations in this project, including the Gates Foundation.

Newark Rotary's Role---1985-1986 Newark Rotary Club President Bob Goodman spearheaded the effort to raise $30,000 over 3 years in support of PolioPlus. In 2018 his commitment was recognized with the PolioPlus Pioneer Award by The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International.

2018-2019 Club President Linda Werts has traveled to India to participate in Rotary's National Immunization Days, administering the Oral Polio Vaccine to children there. Over the years club members have consistently responded to fundraising efforts for PolioPlus, far exceeding the annual request for $1500 per club, earning a "Certificate of Appreciation" each year. Having adopted the moniker, "The Premiere Rotary Club in District 7120," Newark Rotarians are committed to reaching "every last child" to achieve Polio eradication!





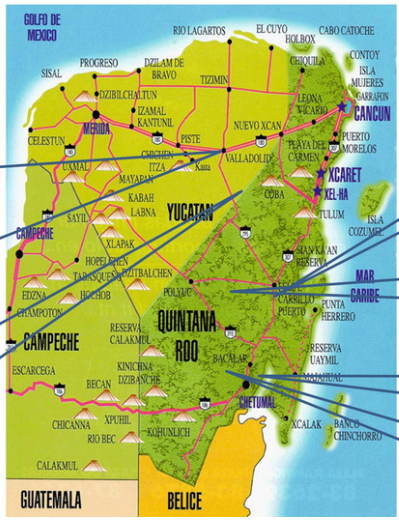
Yucatan Peninsula, Mexico

Newark Rotarians have been bringing clean water to rural communities since 2011 with purified water plants and school drinking fountains

School Drinking Fountains
2017 Pixoy
2018 Ticuch
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2020 Ticuch
2021 Valladolid
2022 Valladolid

In partnership with Rotary Club Valladolid

TABI
2022



LIMONES
2018

CEDRALITO
2011

Laguna Guerrero
2010

Luis Echeverra
2012



Clean Water in Mexico

Newark Rotary is committed to the focus area of clean water and sanitation. Newark Rotarians have been bringing clean water to rural communities in Mexico since 2011 with purified water plants and school drinking fountains. We have partnered with Living Waters for the World for training and worked with in country water teams to install water purification plants in Cedralito (2011), Limones (2018), and Tabi (2022) in the state of Quintana Roo. We have partnered with the Rotary Club of Valladolid to install purified water drinking fountains at rural elementary schools in the state of Yucatán.
We have been the international partner for the Rotary Club of Chetumal's Global Grant establishing a purified water plant in Luis Echeverría in 2012.

Haiti Orphanage

The Newark Rotary Club has supported projects in Haiti since 2010. In 2011, Newark Rotary donated about $2,000 to create a playground at the Kayespwa orphanage in Haiti. Since then, an annual contribution by the club has helped provide meals for the 30 orphans who live there. The orphanage provides a safe place for kids to grow up in an otherwise difficult environment.







The Community Garden

The Community Garden opened in 2013 as a project of Foodlink, Newark Rotary, Catholic Charities and the Newark School District. The Project design and management was led by Rotarians Frank All and Linda Werts. The Community Garden provides fourteen free plots. Each plot is 8' x 16' and is fertilized soil with available water. Harmon Ranney assists the Newark Rotary as the manager of the garden today.







St. Mark's Baby Closet

Newark's Episcopal Church, St. Mark's, decided to meet a local need for providing help to young parents with young children. Recognizing the rising costs of raising a child, the Newark Rotary Club decided to partner with St. Mark's by providing support.

For the past two years, donations have been collected in October of such needed items as diapers, infant formula, toys and clothing, as well as baby wipes, lotions, etc.

The Newark Rotary Club provides this support in full hope that we will provide a "hand-up" to young families.



Laurel House

A Comfort Care Home
Laurel House
where kindness lives

Starting with the first Gala in 2018, the Newark Rotary Club has supported Newark's Comfort Care Home, Laurel House, since its inception. Ranging from annual grants for day today expenses, to donated labor to build decks and a bathroom, Newark Rotary Club members have contributed to quality end-of-life care services since 2018. Laurel House residents are often visited by family and friends, so for each of the four weeks of February, donations are solicited from Rotary Club members (such as snacks/drinks) to make visits more home-like.

Highway Clean Up

We've all seen the signs: "This highway served by _____."

For this one, Rt. 88, or Main St. in the village of Newark, is officially the responsibility of the Rotary Club of Newark. This means once a year, come rain or come shine, Rotary Club members brave the elements to make sure the highway is cleared of the clutter
accumulated during the rest of the year.

In the past years, one of the volunteers found a "reward" of a high value dollar bill. The "reward" for the rest of the volunteers? The great feeling of working together to make the community cleaner and more beautiful.





Hill Cumorah Pageant
Food Concessions
1991–2019

The Newark Rotary Club was a participant in a joint venture with the Bloomfield Rotary Club, Palmyra-Macedon Rotary Club, and the Manchester-Shortsville Lions Club to do the food concessions at the annual Hill Cumorah Pageant every July, from 1991 – 2019. The four service clubs formed RL Concessions to provide food and drinks to those visiting the pageant site. It was Newark Rotary's largest fundraiser for all of these years. Our efforts were appreciated by all of those who purchased food and drinks from us, especially the famous chicken barbecue dinners and salt potatoes that we cooked at the site.

Satellite Club

As a way of "building a bridge to the future," the Newark Rotary Club has sponsored a "Satellite" club. This club, consisting of 13 members, captures a younger group of service-minded Rotarians, who meet at a different time than the regular club, and sets its own service agenda. The agenda includes reaching out to multiple levels of the Newark community. For example, recently the Satellite Club handed out books at the local Farmers Market to promote literacy.





Rotary Youth Exchange

"Promoting Peace in the World" is one of Rotary International's goals. One way this is accomplished is through the Rotary Youth Exchange program. Youth from the Newark area have spent time in Denmark, the Netherlands, Italy, and Latvia. Youth from Mexico, Switzerland, Poland, Argentina, Hungary, Belgium, Austria, Brazil, Thailand, and France have stayed with Rotarians and other community members over the past few years.



The Rotary Foundation

Newark Rotary Foundation, Inc was founded in 2022 for the purpose of providing grants to worthy charities and to provide scholarships to the students at Newark Central School. In its short existence, the Newark Rotary Foundation has fulfilled grants amounting to over $70,000. Funding comes from Individual donations, sponsorships at the Newark Rotary Family Fest, and an annual Cash Raffle. Grant recipients have included Laurel House, the Newark Free Lunch program, Newark Food Closet, Camp ONSEYAWA, the Newark Volunteer Fire dept, the Newark-Arcadia Volunteer Ambulance Corp, and Habitat for Humanity. The Newark Rotary Foundation also awards 2 scholarships to graduating seniors who meet the motto of Rotary – "Service Above Self"











Our Rotary International President, Olayinka Hakeem Babaloa, has chosen "Create Lasting Impact, as this year's theme. This theme is exemplified within these pages as Rotary membership bridge builders – building bridges to our local communities, our nation and to the world. Our satellite club is one attempt to build bridges to our future by involving younger members of our community in service. The following poem expresses this spirit:

THE BRIDGE BUILDER
By Will Allen Dromgoole

An old man, going a lone highway,
Came at the evening, cold and gray,
To a chasm, vast and deep and wide, Through
which was flowing a sullen tide. The old
man crossed in the twilight dim—That sullen
stream had no fears for him;
But he turned, when he reached the other side,
And built a bridge to span the tide.
"Old man," said a fellow pilgrim near,
"You are wasting strength in building here.
Your journey will end with the ending day; You
never again must pass this way.
You have crossed the chasm, deep and wide,
Why build you the bridge at the eventide?" The
builder lifted his old gray head.
"Good friend, in the path I have come," he
said, "There followeth after me today
A youth whose feet must pass this way.
This chasm that has been naught to me
To that fair-haired youth may a pitfall be.
He, too, must cross in the twilight dim; Good
friend, I am building the bridge for him."

THE WHY OF ROTARY

What is it that leads people to give – give of their time, donate their talents, spend their money? Why, for a hundred years, have local Newark community members decided to be part of an organization that promotes "Service Above Self "? The answers are as varied as the individuals who join Rotary. For some, Rotary provides an opportunity for fellowship. The weekly meetings, sitting at a lunch table and sharing informally, all provide a great way to get to know other folks who care about the Newark community. For others, the projects have a feel-good quality, and one that lasts. Whether erecting a building, planting perennials, or providing pancakes on a cold winter morning to hungry families, each activity makes Newark a better place to live and raise a family.

But, perhaps the most motivation comes from each member's deeply held set of values, some based on religious or spiritual beliefs. Such precepts as "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you" and "love your neighbor as you love yourself," fit well with the object of Rotary. Rotary is a force for unity, not division. Members bring differing opinions, even opposing political and cultural views, but these are secondary in importance. Advancing understanding at the local and international levels, promoting goodwill, practicing peace – these are paramount.

And they are accomplished through ethical business dealings, the highest of professional ethical standards, and the provision of service.

There is no better way to make it more likely that the next 100 years are better than the past 100, than to commit to service in fellowship, and Rotary provides a great way of making just such a future happen.
Why Rotary? Rotarians say "Why not?"



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The information contained in this booklet was compiled from various sources and includes both written and verbal material. It is the fervent hope of all the contributors that the information compiled here will inspire not only present members of the Newark Rotary Club, but will move all who see it to consider joining the present club membership in pursuing "Service Above Self" as a path to creating a better local environment and a more peaceful world. We give a big "shout out" to our local Newark community which has acted in partnership with this Rotary club for the past 100 years and we look forward to continuing that partnership for many years to come.

Rotary Club of Newark, NY

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