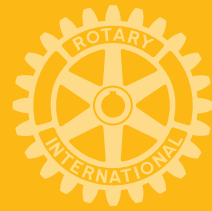


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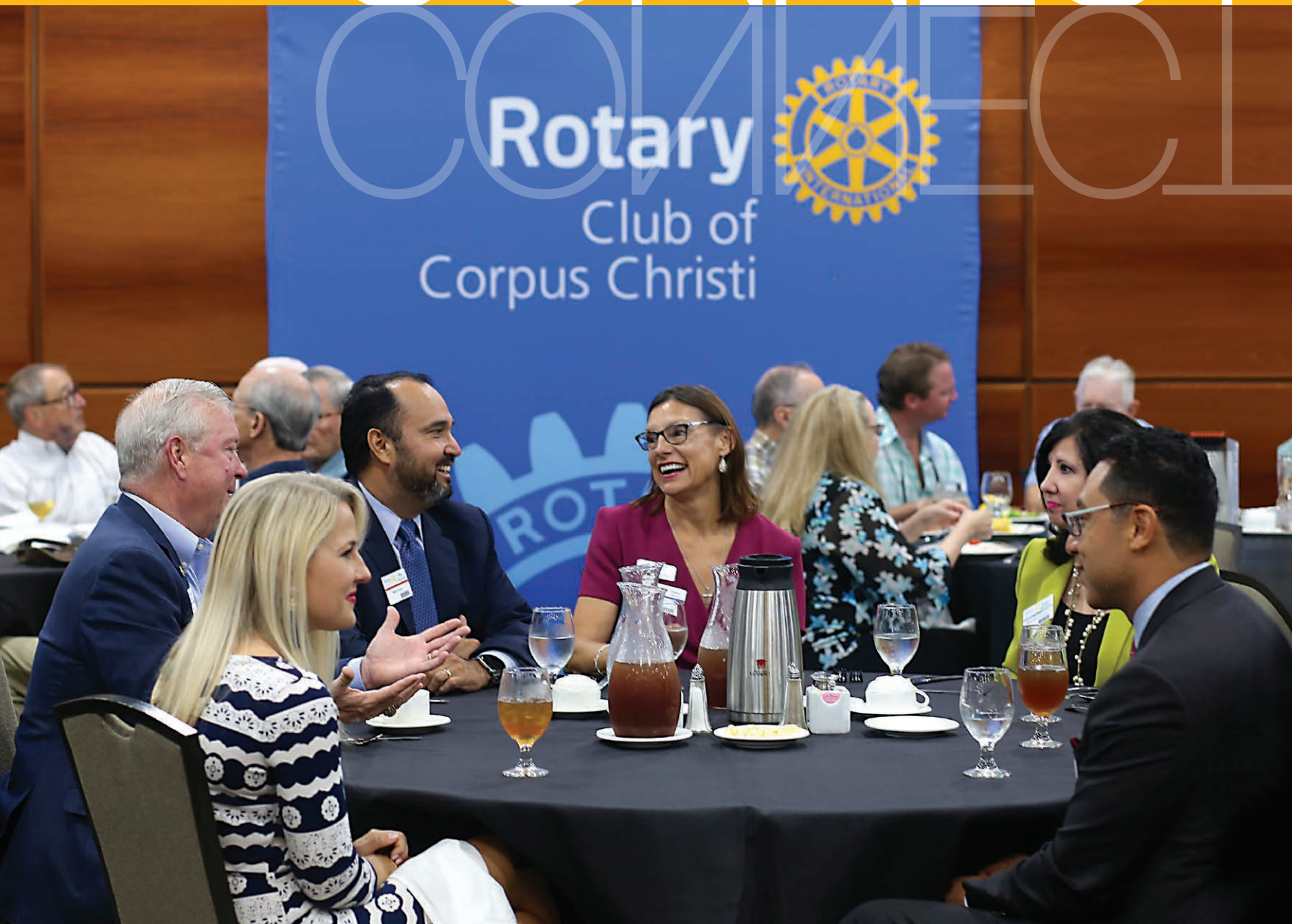
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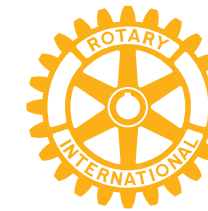
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ROTARY CLUB OF CORPUS CHRISTI

# CONNECT



with  
dynamic  
leaders



Since 1914, the Rotary Club of Corpus Christi has been the place for business and community leaders to meet their peers, exchange ideas, and take action.

## Joining Leaders

Rotarians build relationships that last a lifetime – and together build a stronger community for generations to come. The Rotary Club of Corpus Christi is one of the oldest clubs in Texas, and the largest club in South Texas. Over 250 members are proud to be a part of Rotary International, a global network of over 1.2 million men and women who share a common desire to make a difference in their communities. Rotary's strength is in its diversity of culture, experience, and perspective.



## Exchanging Ideas

The heart of the Rotary experience, in the Rotary Club of Corpus Christi, is the weekly program. Members of the Rotary Club of Corpus Christi meet every Thursday at the Congressman Solomon P. Ortiz Center to connect and learn. They hear from prominent local, national, and international speakers on important topics – ranging from business to the arts, politics to health, and more. We celebrate the contributions and accomplishments of our members and those whom we serve.

Members also connect at social events and monthly service projects - many of which include the entire family. At the Rotary Club of Corpus Christi, we enjoy seeing families fellowship together and serve together. It provides an excellent opportunity to teach our "Future Rotarians" the importance of giving back to our community.

## Taking Action

Whether giving financial support and assistance, or simply giving their time, our members exemplify "Service Above Self" by dedicating resources to various programs, events, and service projects. We are "People of Action."







# SERVE

## our local community

■ The Rotary Club of Corpus Christi provides ongoing support to our community through various programs focused on protecting our environment, helping those in need, and honoring those who serve both abroad and locally.

### Protecting our environment

A thriving community on Texas' Coastal Bend, our members take a vested interest in our local beaches, marine, and wildlife. Every year the Rotary Club of Corpus Christi hosts the Harvey Weil Sportsman Conservationist Award dinner. Harvey Weil was a past Club President, passionate conservationist, and skilled angler and hunter. Funds raised at the dinner provide grants to support research and education in the conservation of natural resources.

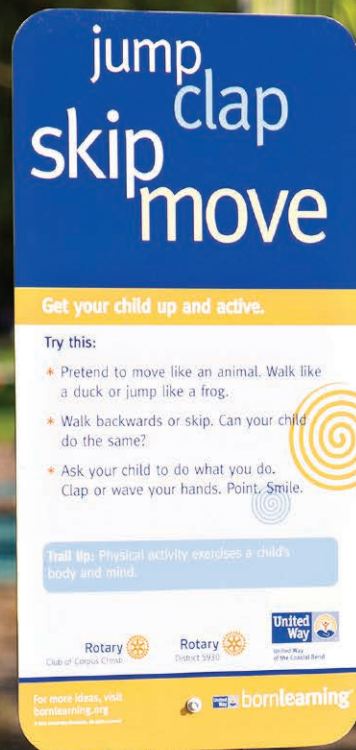
### Helping those in need

We believe it is important to make a positive difference our community. Monthly we partner with other organizations and help those less fortunate than ourselves. From packing holiday meal boxes at the Coastal Bend Food Bank, to ringing bells for The Salvation Army, to building a trike trail at the Corpus Christi Ronald McDonald House, we provide a variety of opportunities for community service.

### Honoring those who serve

Remembering those who serve and who have served in the military, Rotarians annually salute our veterans with a patriotic Veterans Day program aboard the USS Lexington Museum on the Bay including a commemorative ceremony releasing a wreath into Corpus Christi Bay.

Our Flags for Heroes program honors all types of heroes. Whether they are first responders, veterans, or simply a grandparent, this event for the entire community sets out hundreds of flags along bayfront parks honoring our heroes.





# CHANGE

the world  
today

■ **The Rotary Club of Corpus Christi works with partners around the globe to make our world a better place for everyone.**

## Providing clean water and sanitation

Clean water and sanitation can be taken for granted in the Coastal Bend. However, that is not the case in many parts of the world. The Rotary Club of Corpus Christi has completed several clean water and sanitation projects including: water wells, hygiene education, proper hygienic latrines for girls attending school, and water governance programs to make lasting changes in the those communities.

## Eradicating polio

Rotary International's signature program, Polio Plus, was established in 1985 and has since been dedicated to eradicating polio around the world. More than one million Rotarians volunteer their time and personal resources to protect more than 2.5 billion children in 122 countries from polio. But we are not done yet. With only two endemic countries remaining, the effort continues, supported by donations from members of the Rotary Club of Corpus Christi, Rotarians all around the globe and a two-for-one match by the Gates Foundation.



## Connecting globally

One of the many benefits of being a Rotarian, is that wherever you go in the world, you can find Rotarians in the 34,000 clubs around the world, who will welcome you with open arms. Rotarians all around the world are leaders who believe in high ethical standards. This also provides for great global business opportunities.





# PREPARE

# DEVELOP



## Our Future Leaders

■ **The Rotary Club of Corpus Christi understands the importance of preparing the youth of today for the sake of our future. It supports youth programs targeting children from elementary school to college.**

### Teaching Character Development

Our EarlyAct FirstKnight (EAFK) program at Travis Elementary School in Corpus Christi teaches children to become civil, service-oriented people during their most formative years.

### Mentoring Youth

Students at Driscoll Middle School receive vocational mentoring and special recognition through our Adopt-A-School program.

### Training Leaders

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is Rotary's intensive leadership training program for young people designed to develop communication skills, character and ethical decision-making skills within a team-building framework. The Rotary Club of Corpus Christi organizes and hosts a three-day RYLA camp for more than 150 high school students throughout South Texas. Previous campers who demonstrated strong team-building and leadership skills, as well as commitment to learning, are invited back the following year to be student counselors and further their leadership training. The overall program encompasses five levels of leadership training throughout college.

### Providing Scholarships

The Rotary Club of Corpus Christi recognizes the importance of post-high school education. Over the years our members have generously established a variety of scholarships. From providing scholarships for an associate's degree, to an undergraduate degree, to oversees post-graduate scholarships (through Rotary International), the Rotary Club of Corpus Christi supports education.





Make an impact.  
**JOIN** the movement



**Rotary**  
Club of Corpus Christi



### Joining Rotary

As one of the largest and oldest clubs in Texas, The Rotary Club of Corpus Christi gives you an immediate camaraderie with over 250 professional and business leaders in our community. Rotarians are a "People of Action" motivated by "Service Above Self" in our community, our region, our nation, and around the world.

### Meeting Rotarians

Our members meet weekly at the Solomon Ortiz Center to share lunch, ideas, and information about our community, economic growth, and progress. We celebrate the contributions and accomplishments of our members and those whom we serve.

We live by  
**The Four-Way Test**  
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?

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# TO A TEAM

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