



Rotary Club of Ahwatukee Foothills

Chartered
June 3rd, 1988

Meetings:

Tuesday at 6:15 p.m.
Grace Inn
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HISTORY OF ROTARY

Organized in Chicago in 1905 by attorney Paul P. Harris, with Augustus Schiele, first President.

The first Rotary meeting was on February 23, 1905.

In the beginning the meetings were held in the charter members offices, rotating weekly from office to office – thus the name... ROTARY. As the size of the group grew, the members met in restaurants to discuss their businesses, and community concerns.

The first community project was in 1906 by the Rotary Club of Chicago to provide a public toilet outside City Hall.

Clubs formed in Canada, Great Britain and Ireland: organization name changes to International Association of Rotary Clubs.

In 1916, an endowment fund was established, which was the precursor of The Rotary Foundation.

In 1945, Forty-nine Rotarians help draft the United Nations charter.

1946 saw the first 19 Rotary Fellows study abroad, a precursor of Ambassadorial Scholars.

First Interact club formed in Melbourne, Florida, USA. World Community Service program launched.

Matching Grants and Group Study Exchange programs begin in 195.

Rotary launches PolioPlus program and campaign to raise \$120M to immunize all the children of the world.

1985,, membership tops one million.

In 1987, the first women join Rotary. They are presently the fastest-growing segment of Rotary's membership over 2,000 women club presidents.

Western Hemisphere declared polio-free in 1995.

1999 Rotary Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution established.

Western Pacific region declared polio-free in 2001.

Europe declared polio-free. Rotary announces \$80M campaign to complete the global eradication of polio by 2005.

Today, Rotary is an international organization, with membership of 1.2 million, in some 32,000 clubs supported by 530 districts, and located in 170 countries and 35 geographical regions worldwide.

The Rotary year is from July 1st to June 30th.

ABOUT ROTARY

Rotary is an organization of business and professional leaders united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world. In 166 countries worldwide, approximately 1.2 million Rotarians belong to more than 31,000 Rotary clubs.

Rotary club membership represents a cross-section of the community's business and professional men and women. The world's Rotary clubs meet weekly and are nonpolitical, nonreligious, and open to all cultures, races, and creeds.

The main objective of Rotary is service – in the community, in the workplace, and throughout the world. Rotarians develop community service projects that address many of today's most critical issues, such as children at risk, poverty and hunger, the environment, illiteracy, and violence. They also support programs for youth, educational opportunities and international exchanges for students, teachers, and other professionals, and vocational and career development. The Rotary motto is *Service Above Self*.

Although Rotary clubs develop autonomous service programs, all Rotarians worldwide are united in a campaign for the global eradication of polio. In the 1980's, Rotarians raised US \$240 million to immunize the children of the world, by 2005, Rotary's centenary year and the target date for the certification of a polio-free world, the PolioPlus program contributed more than US \$500 million to this cause. In addition, Rotary has provided an army of volunteers to promote and assist at national immunization days in polio-endemic countries around the world.

The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International is a not-for-profit corporation that promotes world understanding through international humanitarian service programs and educational and cultural exchanges. It is supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians and others who share its vision of a better world. Since 1847, the Foundation has awarded more than 1.1 billion in humanitarian and educational grants, which are initiated and administered by local Rotary clubs and districts.

The 4-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 GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
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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:

FIRST – The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND – 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;

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

FOURTH – The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a work fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

The 19 member Rotary International Board of Directors, which includes the RI president and president-elect, meets quarterly to establish policies. The RI president, is elected annually, develops a theme and emphasis for the year.

Rotary International, headquartered in Evanston, Illinois, and in seven international offices in Argentina, Australia, Brazil, India, Japan, Korea, and Switzerland. The RI in Great Britain and Ireland office serves clubs and districts in that region.

THE CHANGING FACE OF ROTARY

The genius of Rotary has been its ability to respond to the needs of the day, from child welfare to refugee relief to rural development.

At both the local and international levels, a cornucopia of creative Rotary programs has emerged, from initiatives that help at-risk youth to humanitarian grants designed to diminish poverty.

Changes have also occurred within Rotary. In the 1980's female business and professional leaders began to join the organization's ranks. Rotary has become increasingly international, with two-thirds of today's Rotarians living outside the United States. Technology is also transforming the way and speed with which Rotarians communicate with one another, promote their activities and engage in Rotary business.

Rotary clubs are changing their meeting times and places to make membership more convenient and relevant to today's demanding professional and personal schedules. Rotary clubs meet throughout the day at a variety of common venues including restaurants, libraries, and museums, as well as a homeless shelter and a boat, and, in keeping with Rotary's earliest tradition, members' workplaces.

Some far-reaching changes are in the experimental stage. The 2001 Council on Legislation authorized a three-year pilot project whereby RI may charter up to 200 Rotary Clubs that deviate from the Standard Rotary Club Constitution. The pilot clubs have altered their meeting frequency, relaxed attendance rules, and offered new types of membership, including corporate and family memberships, in an effort to attract and retain members. One new model is a cyberclub. If such pilot clubs prove successful, the Council on Legislation could adopt policies making these innovations permanent.

ROTARY EDUCATION

The organization of Rotary

Rotarians are members of Rotary clubs, which belong to the global association, Rotary International (RI.) Each club selects its own officers and enjoys considerable autonomy within the framework of Rotary's constitution and bylaws.

Clubs are grouped into Rotary districts, each led by a district governor, who is an officer of RI. The district administration, including assistant governors and various committees, guides and supports the clubs. Effective clubs strive to sustain or increase their membership base, participate in service projects that benefit their own community and those in other countries, support The Rotary Foundation financially and through program participation, and develop leaders capable of serving in Rotary beyond the club level.

The 19-member RI Board of Directors, which includes the RI president and president-elect, meets quarterly to establish policies. Traditionally, the RI president, who is elected annually, develops a theme and emphasis for the year.

While the RI president is the organization's chief executive, the active managing officer is the RI general secretary, who heads a staff of about 600 people at World Headquarters in the Chicago suburb of Evanston, Illinois, USA and in seven international offices in Argentina, Australia, Brazil, India, Japan, Korea, and Switzerland. The RI in Great Britain and Ireland office, in England, serves clubs and districts in that region.

Responsibilities of Membership

What Rotarians get out of Rotary depends largely on what they put into it. Many membership requirements are designed to help members more fully enjoy their Rotary experience.

The club is the cornerstone of Rotary, and attending weekly meetings allows members to enjoy their club's fellowship and enrich their professional and personal knowledge. If members miss their own club's meeting, they are encouraged to expand their Rotary horizons by attending make-up meetings at any Rotary club in the world – a practice that guarantees Rotarians a warm welcome in communities around the globe. For meeting places and times, consult the Official Directory or the Where Clubs Meet section on RI's Web site (www.rotary.org.)

Regular attendance helps members fulfill another important responsibility = participating in club service projects. Members learn about their club's involvement in local and international projects and can volunteer their time and talents where they are most needed.

To keep clubs strong, every Rotarian must share the responsibility of bringing new people into Rotary. Even new members can bring guests to meetings or invite them to participate in a service project. The value of Rotary speaks for itself, and the best way to spark the interest of potential members is by letting them experience fellowship and service firsthand.

Keeping members interested in Rotary is another responsibility. Good club fellowship and early involvement in service projects are two of the best ways to sustain the club's membership.

DISTRICT, REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS

Several key meetings bring Rotarians together to share ideas, celebrate successes, enjoy fellowship, and plan for the future. The largest of these meetings, the RI Convention, is held in May or June in a different part of the Rotary world each year. This lively four-day meeting features speeches by world and Rotary leaders, spectacular entertainment reflecting the local culture, and unparalleled opportunities to experience the true breadth of Rotary's international fellowship.

Presidential conferences are held in different parts of the world each year to address issues determined by the RI president, generally focusing on the region in which the conference is held. These conferences provide the backdrop for spirited discussion and opportunities to form international service partnerships.

Rotarians are encouraged to attend their district conference, an annual motivational meeting that showcases club and district activities. A family event, the district conference mixes fellowship with learning and allows Rotarians to become more directly involved with charting their district's future.

ROTARY'S GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Throughout Rotary's history, several basic principles have been developed to guide Rotarians in achieving the ideal of service and high ethical standards.

The Object of Rotary, first formulated in 1910, and adapted throughout the years as Rotary's mission expanded, provides a succinct definition of the organization's purpose and the individual club member's responsibilities.

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Classifications

The classification principle ensures that each club's membership profiles the business and professional composition of its community. Under this system, each member's classification is based on his or her business or profession; the number of members holding that classification is limited according to the size of the club. The result is professional diversity, which enlivens the social atmosphere of the club and provides a rich resource of occupational expertise to carry out service projects.

The Avenues of Service

The Four Avenues of Service, based on the Object of Rotary, are Rotary's philosophical cornerstone and the foundation on which club activity is based;

Membership

Public Relations

Club Administration – originally club service

Service Projects – Community Service

The Rotary Foundation – International Service

Vocational Service – stands alone for the transition period over the next couple of years.

The 4-Way Test

Followed by Rotarians worldwide in their business and professional life, was created by Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor in 1932.

It has since been translated into more than 100 languages.

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RI PROGRAMS

The following programs and service opportunities are designed to help Rotarians meet needs in their own communities and reach out to assist people in need worldwide.

Interact

Rotary clubs organize and sponsor this service organization for youth ages 14-18; more than 8,300 clubs in 109 countries.

Rotaract

Rotary clubs organize and sponsor this leadership, professional development and service organization for young adults, ages 18-30; more than 7,200 clubs in 152 countries.

Rotary Community Corps (RCC)

Rotary clubs organize and sponsor these groups of non-Rotarians who work to improve their communities; almost 4,500 RCC's in 68 countries.

Rotary Fellowships

International recreational, vocational and health related groups open to all Rotarians and spouses sharing common interests; approximately 75 fellowships.

Rotary Friendship Exchange

Rotarians and their families make reciprocal visits to other countries, staying in each other's homes and learning about the culture firsthand.

Rotary Volunteers

While every Rotarian is a volunteer, hundreds of those with special skills and experience volunteer their services abroad for short periods every year, via RI.

Rotary Youth Exchange

Clubs and districts sponsor and host student's ages 15-19 who travel abroad for an academic year or an extended holiday; about 7,000 a year.

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)

Clubs and districts sponsor seminars to encourage and recognize leadership abilities of youth and young adults ages 14-30.

World Community Service (WCS)

Rotary clubs and districts form international partnerships to provide assistance with a service project to a club or district in another country; many such projects receive funding from Rotary Foundation Humanitarian Programs grants.

Menu of Service Opportunities

RI recommends that clubs planning service activities consider nine major needs or concerns:

- Children at Risk
- Disabled Persons
- Health Care
- International Understanding and Goodwill
- Literacy and Numeracy
- Population Issues
- Poverty and Hunger
- Preserve Planet Earth
- Urban Concerns

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

The Rotary Foundation of RI is a not-for-profit corporation that receives contributions totaling more than US \$ 70 million annually and distributes some \$65 million each year in support of humanitarian and educational programs implemented by clubs and districts. Contributions from Rotarians go to the Foundation's **Annual Programs Fund**, which provides grants and awards through Foundation programs, and the **Permanent Fund**, an endowment from which only the earnings are spent in support of Foundation programs, ensuring the long-term viability of the Foundation.

Every dollar contributed by Rotarians funds the humanitarian and educational programs that enable Rotarians to extend their service internationally. Clubs and districts apply for and receive Foundation grants to carry out many worthy projects worldwide.

The Rotary Foundation's mission is to support the efforts of Rotary International in the fulfillment of the Object of Rotary, Rotary's mission, and the achievement of world understanding and peace through local, national and international humanitarian, educational and cultural programs.

HUMANITARIAN PROGRAMS

Humanitarian Program grants enable Rotarians to increase their support of international service projects that provide water wells, basic shelters, medical care, literacy classes, and other essentials to people in need. Rotarian participation is key to the success of these projects.

****New Humanitarian Grants Structure**

Effective July 1, 2003, The Rotary Foundation Trustees have adopted a new structure that will organize Humanitarian Programs grants into four categories:

District Simplified Grants

Allows districts to use part of their DDF to support service activities currently covered by various other grant programs

Individual Grants

Replaces Grants for Rotary Volunteers and Discovery Grants:

Discovery Grants subsidize the planning activities for international service projects.

Grants for Rotary Volunteers subsidize the travel and general expenses of Rotarians, Foundation alumni, and Rotaractor's to assist areas of the world that require their expertise.

Matching Grants

For International Humanitarian Projects assist Rotary clubs and districts in carrying out World Community Service projects with clubs in another country.

Blane Community Immunization Grants

Provides U.S. Rotary clubs and districts up to \$1,000 in matching funds to provide immunizations in their communities.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Educational Programs are designed to promote international understanding by bringing together people from different countries and cultures. Rotarians participate in these programs by hosting scholars, leading Group Study Exchange teams, and other activities.

Ambassadorial Scholarships are awarded to students to serve as ambassadors of goodwill while studying in countries other than their own.

Rotary World Peace Scholarships are awarded to individuals for study at the Rotary Centers for International studies in peace and conflict resolution.

Group Study Exchange is an exchange program between district's in different countries for business and professional men and women ages 25-40.

Rotary Grants for University Teachers are awarded to higher education faculty to teach abroad in an academic field of practical use to people in a low-income country.

AVENUES OF SERVICE

Ahwatukee Foothills Rotary club encourages every member to be active in the club. The Rotary ideal of Service Above Self is exemplified in each of these avenues of service. They allow us to work together and leverage our very precious individual time. The Avenues of Service, based on the Object of Rotary, are Rotary's philosophical cornerstone and the foundation on which club activity is based.

The structure of the Avenues of Service have changed as of 2006 and have a time-frame of 2-3 years for implementation. They include two new avenues – membership and public relations.

MEMBERSHIP

New Member Recruitment/Packets/Red Badge/ Orientation

Is responsible for enlisting the support of the club in membership, and for the Red Badge Program. Is responsible for meeting with the proposed member, and others, before notification to the members at large, and a vote by the Club Board. A face-to-face meeting to cover Rotary International, District 5510 and Ahwatukee foothills Rotary Club and what the proposed member may expect from Rotary and what the Rotary Club expects from the member.

New Member Installation

Is responsible for a fun and meaningful induction. Provide the necessary Rotary pins, Red Badge, and packet of Rotary information and billing.

Membership Drives

Is responsible for planning new membership strategies.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Responsible for writing and the publication of articles/pictures that will promote the club activities, recognition, new members, and community involvement regarding Ahwatukee Foothills Rotary Club, District 5510, Rotary International.

CLUB ADMINISTRATION- Originally club service, responsible for the operation of the club.

Attendance – encourage attendance at all Rotary meetings, district and international conferences by all members.

Classification – responsible for informing the membership of unfilled classifications

Directory & Club Roster - responsible for the club directory/roster format, publishing, photos, and distribution for all members

Club Bulletin – responsible for the weekly publication and distribution of the bulleting. Cover projects, information, upcoming events and dates, promote fellowship and contribute to the education of all members.

Club Programs – responsible for arranging the programs for regular and special meetings for the club.

Fellowship – responsible for promoting acquaintance and friendship among the members, plus participation by members in organized Rotary recreational and social activities.

Meals and Meetings – responsible for the interface with the hotel and the club.

SERVICE PROJECTS - Originally Community Service

This committee encourages Rotarians to apply the Ideal of Service to their community.

Fund Raising

Various projects such as the Rye grass seed sales, PTA2W and more. All ideas regarding fund raising are welcome!

RYLA

Rotary Youth Leadership Award is a three (3) day leadership training conference for sophomores and juniors in high school from across Arizona. RYLA provides an atmosphere where our future leaders experience democratic interaction that will aid them in developing sound decision making skills. Promotes an environment that provides each individual with a basis of insight and understanding for intelligent leadership. Promotes activities that encourage participants to think through and negotiate conflicts.

Rotary Interact Club

Provides the opportunities for high school boys and girls to work together in the fellowship of service and understanding. The term, Interact, is derived from "inter" for international, and "act" for action. The Interact Club is sponsored and supervised by a Rotary Club. The club must plan annual projects of service to its school, community and the world. Today, there are more than 3,300 Interact clubs with nearly 75,000 members in some 70+ countries. A major goal of Interact is to provide opportunities for high school students to create greater understanding and goodwill with other youth throughout the world.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION – Originally International Service

This committee promotes, fosters and encourages the advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through the Rotary Foundation, and world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the Ideal of Service.

The Rotary Foundation

The Foundation was begun in 1917 and has spent over \$115M in support of Rotary projects around the world. This committee is responsible for the club coordination, record keeping and promotion of the Paul Harris Fellowship program. The mission of The Rotary Foundation is to support the efforts of Rotary International in the fulfillment of the Object of Rotary, Rotary's mission, and the achievement of world understanding and peace through local, national and international humanitarian, educational and cultural programs. The Rotary Foundation also supports PolioPlus, Humanitarian Programs, and Educational Programs. The Ahwatukee Foothills Rotary Club is proud to have 100% participation of it's members.

Rotary International Youth Exchange

Offers a high school junior or senior the opportunity to study in a country other than their own for one year. The student is usually hosted by a Rotary family in the country that they are assigned. They attend the local high school and study in the language of that country. Responsible for working with our local high schools and assigning a counselor for the student.

GSE Team

The Group Study Exchange is a Rotary International project, in which our district participates. It involves two districts, from different countires, which agree to exchange teams of non-Rotarian business, educators and professional people. A Rotarian heads each team. While visiting the foreign country, the team is introduced to the customs and business practices of that country. Our role is to be supportive in the team member identification process and to host part of the visiting team's activities.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE – stands alone for the transition period over the next couple of years.

This committee is responsible for the application of service to business, professions, education, and encourages ethical business practices.

PolioPlus – The drive to a polio-free world

The PolioPlus program provides funding for vaccine and transportation for mass immunization campaigns as well as support for social mobilization, surveillance, and laboratories to help carry out the final stages of global polio eradication.

Goal:

To eradicate polio worldwide.

Major partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative include:

Rotary International, United Nations Foundation, the World Bank, World Health Organization, UNICEF, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

Achievements:

Rotarians have raised more than \$500M and polio cases have declined more than 99 percent, from 350,000 cases in 1985 to less than 500 in 2001.

Polio has been eradicated in the Western Hemisphere (1994), the Western Pacific region (2000), and Europe (2002).

More than two billion children have been immunized against polio since 1985.

Hundreds of thousands of Rotarians have mobilized to help immunize children, deliver vaccine, promote National Immunization Days, and conduct surveillance for the disease – despite poor infrastructure, extreme poverty, and conflict in many countries.

Benefits of Eradication:

Humanity would be spared immeasurable suffering by polio victims, and an estimate \$1.5 billion per year would be saved.

ROTARY DISTRICT 5510

Chartered July 1, 1990

There are three (3) Rotary Districts in the State of Arizona.

District 5490	Northwest Arizona (Sun City)
District 5500	Southern Arizona (Tucson)
District 5510	Northeast Arizona (Phoenix)

Our District 5510 presently has forty-five (47) clubs with a membership over 1,000.

The total membership in Arizona is over 5,000.

Rotary Districts act as intermediary between Rotary International and the community rotary clubs.

Each district has a District Governor and a District Governor Elect.

There are four (4) major meetings in District 5510 each year.
With the exception of PETS< we ask all Rotarians to try and attend.

FOUNDATION DINNER

In support of the Rotary International Foundation, all club members, spouses, significant others, and friends are invited to attend and support this special evening. The dinner is highlighted with NEW Paul Harris members, and foundation awards. This is an opportunity for all members to become better acquainted with the foundation, its workings, and achievements. Usually held in November.

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY:

Educational opportunity to learn how and what each club will be doing during their Rotary year. To develop leadership skills appropriate to each club leader's function (officers, directors, and chairmen) and to identify resources available to the clubs and where to locate these resources. This is an excellent opportunity for all Rotarians, but is especially significant for NEW members from one (1) to three (3) years. Usually held in late April, early May.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Year-end review and recognition of each club's achievements. Awards are presented to individuals and clubs. The conference is attended by club members, spouses, friends, significant others, Rotaract members, Interact members, Youth Exchange students, and guests. The public is invited to attend specific sessions as well. Excellent conference, and a great opportunity for a NEW member to learn and share experiences. Usually held in mid-May.

PETS:

Club President Elect, Treasurer and Secretary Training. In Arizona we do this training together for all three districts in what is called Tri-District PETS Training. Usually held in early March.

AHWATUKEE FOOTHILLS ROTARY CLUB HISTORY & CURRENT PROJECTS

Ahwatukee Foothills Rotary Club is a product of two clubs which merged in 2005. The two clubs which merged were Chandler West Rotary Club and Ahwatukee Foothills Rotary Club.

Meetings;

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Ahwatukee Foothills Rotary Upcoming Programs and Projects

Auction Project – held at Ahwatukee Recreation Center, held in November

Poverty – Holiday Family for Thanksgiving and Christmas

Rye Grass Seed Sales – held in the spring

Dictionary Project – benefits the entire Kyrene school district 3rd grade.
About 2200 costing approx. \$2,900

Community Leader – done in the spring

Scholarship – done in the Spring, Mountain Pointe and Desert Vista High Schools

Senior Project – Wheelchair

Vocational Student - funding of at least 1 Vocational Student each year

International - Children of Peace – Binh Rybacki

Youth Exchange – host 1 student

RYLA – Rotary Youth Leadership Academy

Annual Fund - \$100.00 each club member paid from dues for the Foundation annual fund

Hunger Plus

Polio Plus

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MEMBERSHIP

Active

A person accepts membership, becomes an active member with voting rights and fills a business/professional classification in the club.

Honorary

Honorary membership is granted to an adult person who has distinguished himself or herself by meritorious service in the furtherance of Rotary ideas. The member cannot hold office, has no voting rights, and is not required to pay dues. The term of membership is one year and may be expanded by the Board of Directors.

How to become a member of Rotary.

A member of this club will sponsor your membership.

Complete the application for membership form and hand it to your sponsor.

The Membership Committee will verify your occupation and occupation classification.

The Membership Committee will verify your personal reputation within the community and your business.

The Membership Committee will meet with you, your spouse/significant other, and your Rotarian Sponsor to review Rotary details, discuss expectations, answer questions and gain your permission to present your application for approval by the Club Board of Officers/Directors and the Membership at large.

Red Badge Program (path from red badge to blue badge)

As a new member, you will receive a red name badge. The process of exchanging your red name badge for a blue name badge is a big first step at getting involved quickly in Rotary and learning more about your Rotary Club.

Once you have completed your new member activities within 6 months, turn your Red Badge document in to the Membership Committee Chairperson.

The Membership Chairperson will order a Blue Badge for you.

You will be recognized officially during a Club meeting in a Blue Badge exchange ceremony.

A new member is defined as "new to Rotary".

The new member will wear a Red Badge during the first six (6) months of membership or until he/she has completed 5 of the 8 requirements listed below.

The new member's sponsor will be his/her mentor during the Red Badge Program. The sponsor will assist where needed and will sign off whenever the new member has completed an activity.

The new member will present this completed form to the Membership Committee Chairperson.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Have brochures and handouts

Have a follow up call to the guests after meetings by sponsors

Red Badge Committee

Provide New Member bio for bulletin – include education, family, other clubs, business/profession

Meet with proposed new member, spouse, sponsor before Rotary Club board Votes and Name Notification to club members at large

New Member Orientation

Arrange for a Fireside Chat for new members

Arrange for a College of Knowledge for new members

New Member Installation

Provide Rotary Pin

Red Badge

Sustaining Paul Harris Pin

Books

Picture taken for publication in bulletin and on website

Follow up letter of congratulations

Assignment as the greeter at next 3 meetings.

Assigned to one of the Avenues of Service within one month of induction.

(Should have basic knowledge of the avenues of service by this time and should be assigned where they have an interest).

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Red Badge Program Form

Activity	Date Completed	Sponsor's Signature
Attend 1 Board Meeting		
Attend 1 weekly meeting of another Club within District 5510		
Be a greeter at 3 meetings		
Attend meetings at least 75% of Our club meetings during the first 2 months of membership		
Attend a committee meeting of your Assigned committee		
Give a 5 minute classification talk		
On the Internet, visit the District 5510 website		

YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES TO ROTARY

Participation

- Give of your time, talents and treasure
- Participate actively on one or more committees
- Support local community, District and International projects
- Assist with Club fundraising projects
- Attend Rotary social events when possible
- Participate in Club and District activities

You are also encouraged to attend:

- The annual District 5510 Conference in May
- District assemblies held throughout the year
- The annual Rotary International Convention held at various locations in the world

Attendance Minimum of 60% of all regularly scheduled meetings. If not able to attend their weekly Club meeting, they may make up (within 14 days before or after the missed meeting) in the following ways:

- Attend a Board Meeting
- Attend a meeting of any other Rotary Club in the world
- Participate in a special Rotary Club project
- Attend a District Institute, Assembly or Conference
- Attend a Rotary International Convention
- Make up online

Missing four consecutive meetings without a makeup could result in a suspension of membership. However, personal illness, family emergency or an extended trip where attendance cannot be maintained should be brought to the attention of the Board as soon as possible so that attendance can be properly adjusted.

General Format of a Rotary Meeting

- Wear your personal Rotary pin to all meetings
- Obtain your name badge from the badge box
- Register your attendance at the Registration Table
- Register any guest(s) you have invited/brought
- Enjoy the fellowship
- Meal is served buffet style
- President rings the bell to open the meeting
- Invocation is given
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Introduction of Guests and visiting Rotarians
- Announcements, drawings, happy bucks
- Guest Speaker
- Final comments
- Adjournment

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Initiation Fee

\$30.00 – to be paid before the applicant can qualify as a member.
(includes Rotary International and District dues, Council on Legislation and Club Insurance, and a subscription to the Rotarian Magazine)

Quarterly Dues

Membership dues is \$100.00 per annum, payable quarterly on the first day of January, April, July and October.

(includes Rotary Foundation goal to 100% Paul Harris Sustaining Fellows)

Rotary Foundation

Rotary Foundation goal is for each member to contribute \$100.00 annually to the Foundation, payable quarterly on the first day of January, April, July and October.

Weekly Meal Fees

\$15.00 per meeting.

If member misses the meeting, but does a make-up at another Rotary Club, they receive that credit. On occasion, with Board approval, a make-up may be approved for a meeting or event deemed to be an acceptable make-up, this must be approved by the Board of Directors.

Optional or Voluntary Fees:

Happy Bucks

Drawings

Social Activities

District Conference (annually)