



# Rotary Club of Woodland Information Sheet for New Members

(July 2024)

The Rotary Club of Woodland would like to formally invite you to become a member. The following information should prove helpful as you consider membership:

## 1. Your Responsibilities

- a. Regularly attend the Club's Tuesday noon lunch meetings. Absences from meetings for medical, family health, or vacations where make-ups are not practical, are excused and meal costs will not be assessed.
- b. Regularly participate in the Club's fundraising and community service events.
- c. Commit to honor the Principles of Rotary (<https://my.rotary.org/en/guiding-principles>)
- d. Give timely notice to the Club Secretary regarding any changes in your status, address, phone number, email address, etc.
- e. Have fun and gain lifelong friends.

## 2. Your Financial Obligations

- a. New member Registration Fee – Each new member will be charged a *one-time* **\$75.00** registration fee.
- b. Club Dues - **\$210.00** (effective July 2024), per year payable in July, initially prorated based on date of membership.
- c. Annual Fundraiser – For the Club's annual dinner auction, each member is expected to either purchase or sell four tickets, at \$70.00 each, for a total of **\$280**. If paid with your Club dues payment by August 1<sup>st</sup>, the total Dinner Auction assessment will be **\$240** (\$60.00 each ticket).
- d. Weekly Luncheons – **\$20** for each Club member, and their guest(s).
- e. Missed lunch meetings will be assessed \$5 unless made-up. Payment for missed meetings is due at the next regular meeting attended.
- f. Fines – Random recognition fines at club meetings are **\$5.00** with an annual total of approximately \$75.00.
- g. The Rotary Foundation–Members are asked to contribute to the Foundation annually; \$100 is suggested. Contributions are credited toward the member's Paul Harris Fellowship.
- h. Social Events – Members may be asked to pay some or all of the costs in attending Club sponsored social events.



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3. **Your Attendance** – Attendance is a big part of Rotary. To achieve maximum success we expect our members to attend at least 60% of the scheduled weekly meetings.
  - a. You can *make-up* a missed meeting by attending another Club's meeting, an e-club meeting or participating in a club Community Service event or Board meeting within 14 days of the missed meeting. Please report *make-up* meetings to the Attendance Secretary at your next meeting. (The Club's website lists local clubs meeting days/times/locations for make-ups. If out of town, check the RI website for other club meetings or install 'Club Locator' on your smart phone for Rotary Club meeting specifics worldwide.)
  - b. Consider attending at least one Rotary District function such as an Assembly or Annual Conference annually.
  - c. Attend at least one Club sponsored social event each year. Guests are welcome.
  - d. Should your attendance fall below 60% over a six-month period, your membership privilege will be subject to review. Inability to improve attendance percentage over a prescribed period of time will terminate your membership. Your sponsor, the Club Secretary, Club Officers, and fellow Rotarians are available to assist you in working through any attendance problems. Should personal or professional issues make attendance impractical for an extended period, you may request a leave of absence from the Club Secretary.
  
4. **Your Commitment** – The primary element to becoming a good Rotarian is being committed to the Club and our community. The Club and RI have a multitude of ways to accomplish this.
  - a. Actively participate in at least one Club committee.
  - b. Listen for announcements at the weekly meetings and participate as time permits.
  - c. Read the weekly emailed Splinter bulletin published by the Club and review the Club's website ([www.woodlandrotary.org](http://www.woodlandrotary.org)) to remain informed, particularly if you have missed a meeting.
  - d. Read the monthly Rotarian magazine (mailed directly to your home).
  - e. Become familiar with the Club website ([www.woodlandrotary.org](http://www.woodlandrotary.org)), the Club Facebook page (The Rotary Club of Woodland), the District website ([www.rotary5160.org](http://www.rotary5160.org)), and the RI website ([www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)).
  - f. Ask your sponsor, a fellow Rotarian, or call the Club Secretary for recommendations on how you can become more actively involved.