

Rotary Club of Woodland

Information Sheet for New Members

1. The Rotary Club of Woodland would like to formally invite you to become a member of its ranks. With your prior written permission, the following information should prove helpful and will take you through these steps.
2. **Responsibilities**
 - a. Regular attendance at our Tuesday noon lunch meetings;
 - b. Participation in fundraisers and service projects sponsored and promoted by the club
 - c. Commitment to honor the Object of Rotary and the Four-Way Test;
 - d. Prompt payment of dues and invoices for activities.
 - e. Become knowledgeable, of club policies and procedures;
 - f. Timely notification to the Club Secretary of changes in status, address, phone number, email address, etc.
 - g. Have serious fun and gain lifelong friends
3. **Financial Obligation**
 - a. Admission Fee - Each new member is charged \$75.00 as an admission fee.
 - b. Dues - Currently \$160.00 per year payable in July each year. Depending on when you join, a portion of the dues is prorated.
 - c. The Club has an annual fund raising event and each member is expected to use or sell 4 tickets to the event. The cost is currently \$140.00.
 - d. Lunch is currently \$14.00 per week. You may pay at the door or purchase a Chuck Wagon Dining Card good for ten lunches at \$140.00. The card may be purchased from the Attendance Secretary.
 - e. Rotary International suggests a donation of \$100.00 per Rotarian per year to fund its international programs of which you will be learning periodically. This is voluntary and just a suggestion.
 - f. Missing meetings or leaving before the speaker starts is heavily discouraged with a charge of \$14.00 per miss and between \$1.00 and \$6.00 for "early leaving."
 - g. Club social activities are paid for by those attending them. Each event will advertise its ticket price and method of payment.
4. **Attendance** – This is a big part of Rotary. It is the only way to be a good Rotarian. If you must miss a meeting, there are a number of ways to "make up" within the allotted 14 days before and after the missed meeting:
 - a. Attend another club's meeting; report it to the Attendance Secretary at a weekly meeting. The Woodland area has numerous clubs: **Check with the Splinter for the days, locations and times**
 - b. If you are out of town, check online or with the Club Secretary for locations of other clubs;
 - c. Attend a committee meeting or a service project of the club;
 - d. Attend a District function (you'll learn more about the District later).
 - e. Absence from meetings for medical reasons is excused.
 - f. Should your attendance fall below 60% over a six-month period, your membership privilege is subject to review. Inability to improve attendance percentage over a prescribed period of time will terminate membership. Your sponsor, the Club Secretary, Club Officers, and other Rotarians are available to assist you in working through any attendance problems so you may remain a member in good standing.
5. **Committees** – Our club has many committees. Your service in them is immensely valuable, both to the club and to you in your quest for Rotary knowledge. Active participation in one of the Committees is a must for all Club members.
6. **Communication** – One necessity to being a good Rotarian is being informed. The club and Rotary International have a multitude of ways to accomplish this.
 - a. Listen for announcements at weekly meetings;
 - b. Read the weekly Splinter bulletin published by the club;
 - c. Read the monthly Rotarian magazine which is mailed directly to your home by Rotary International (RI);
 - d. Go to the club website at www.woodlandrotary.net or the RI website at www.rotary.org;
 - e. Use the club directory;
 - f. Ask another Rotarian or call the Club Secretary.