



Membership Application

Opelika Rotary Club

Congratulations! You're considering joining Rotary, the world's oldest and largest service organization – and specifically the fastest growing Rotary club in our district!

More than just meetings...

Membership in Rotary requires a consistent and ongoing commitment of your time. At a bare minimum, all members are encouraged to attend weekly meetings, or attend "make-up" meetings at another Rotary Club, participate in projects or complete online make-ups. Many Rotarians strive for perfect attendance and we encourage it!

To get the most from Rotary, we also encourage you to participate in service projects and activities, to attend some club Fellowship events and to work actively on a fundraising activity. Participation in these various activities also helps you meet attendance commitments.

A financial commitment....

We want you to know, coming into our club that most Rotarians find they are committing far more than just annual dues to our club, Rotary International and our community activities. We think it is important for you to be aware of the financial expectations, before you commit to becoming a Rotarian:

Your annual commitment for the Lunch Group:

- Annual Dues = \$890.00 (four payments of \$222.50)
- Annual Dues include meals at noon meetings
- Various fellowship events, etc = \$30-\$100

Your annual commitment for the Happy Hour Group:

- Annual Dues = \$200 (four payments of \$50)
- Various fellowship events, etc. = \$30=\$100

Rotary International Foundation

- All Rotarians are encouraged to financially support the activities of the Rotary International Foundation. Sustaining members of the RI Foundation contribute \$100 per year (\$25 per quarter).

"Service above Self"

Rotary is much more than a networking club, although you will find that you make strong friendships and valuable business connections here. Rotarians are committed to making the world a better place, by applying their time, effort and financial resources to local and international service projects.

All members of our club are expected as a minimum to commit to:

- Attendance at weekly meetings
- Active participation in service projects
- Active participation in a Fundraising project

Opportunities to get involved....

Once you've been a Rotarian for a while, and as you learn more about the club, you may find yourself motivated to become more involved:

- Service on the Club Board of Directors
- Attend other Rotary Club meetings
- Attend Area meetings
- Attend the annual District Conference, District Assemblies, and Leadership Training Seminars
- Attend the annual Rotary International Convention
- Serve on Area or District committees

Application Process....

A member in good standing of our club must "sponsor" you for membership. The process is as follows:

1. You are encouraged to attend club meetings in advance of joining.
2. You and your sponsor complete the application form and submit it
3. The Board of Directors will review your application and will announce to the Club, that your name is standing for membership consideration.
4. After two weeks without objection, you will become a member.
5. A formal induction ceremony will take place at the next club meeting, where you receive your official welcome to the Club, along with name badge, Rotary pin, etc. Your dues will be prorated and invoiced soon after.
6. Your sponsor and other Club members will be there to help you fully participate in the Club, introduce you to other members, answer any questions you may have and generally make you feel at home.



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New Member Application Form

Please select a membership: _____ Lunch Group* _____ Happy Hour Group
(Indicate which group will be your primary meeting location. *includes meal charges)

Personal Information *(To be completed by Applicant)*

Prospective Member Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Nickname: _____

Business (Please indicate if preferred mailing address)

Business Name/Former employer (ret.): _____

Position or Title: _____

Business Address: _____

Residence (Please indicate if preferred mailing address)

Residence Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Email: _____

Were you previously a Rotarian?

- Yes Club(s) name: _____ from: _____ to: _____
RI ID# _____
- No

Other

Why do you want to be a Rotarian?

Please select: _____ Business Networking _____ Community Service _____ Other

Please specify: _____

Sponsor *(To be completed by Sponsoring Rotarian)*

Sponsoring Rotarian must be a member in good standing of Opelika Rotary/Happy Hour Rotary and be willing to support the applicant by being committed to ensure he or she remains an engaged and active club member.

Sponsor's name, please print: _____

Sponsor's Signature: _____

Date: _____