OAKLAWN ROTARY CLUB "SERVICE ABOVE SELF"

Meeting Time & Location: We meet the first and third Mondays of the month from noon until 1:00 p.m. at Embassy Suites Bistro Room, Hot Springs

What is Rotary?

Rotary International is an organization of service clubs located all over the world. The stated human rights purpose of Rotary is to bring together business and community leaders to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world. There are 1.2 million Rotarians in 35,000 clubs doing good all over the world in over 200 countries and geographical areas. This network of clubs makes up Rotary International. The international headquarters is located in Evanston, Illinois, where they began meeting weekly at each other's offices in "rotation." When they instigated community service projects and added members, Rotary was born.

What is the Object of Rotary?

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideals of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster the following:

- 1. The development of friendships and acquaintances as an opportunity for service.
- 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.
- 3. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life.
- 4. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world of fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

What is the Four-Way Test?

The Four-Way Test is the creed of Rotary, which was written in 1954, and is typically recited by clubs at every meeting. It governs the things we think, say or do in our lives.

- 1. Is it the truth?
- 2. Is it fair to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
- 4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

What are the avenues of service?

Based on the objects of Rotary, the avenues of service are Rotary's philosophical cornerstone and the foundation on which club activity is based. The areas of service include the following:

- 1. Club Service focuses on strengthening fellowship and ensuring the effective functioning of the club.
- 2. Vocational Service encourages Rotarians to serve others through their vocations and to practice high ethical standards.
- Community Service covers the projects and activities the club undertakes to improve life in its community.
- New Generations Service recognizes the positive change implemented by youth and young adults through leadership development activities, service projects, and exchange programs.

Diversity and Rotary

Rotary International recognizes the value of diversity within individual clubs. Rotary encourages clubs to assess those in their communities who are eligible for membership, under existing membership guidelines, and to endeavor to include the appropriate range of individuals in their clubs. A club that reflects its community's diversity with regard to professional and business classifications, gender, age, religion, and ethnicity is a club with the key ingredients to its successful future.

More about Oaklawn Rotary

The Oaklawn Rotary Club was chartered on May 18, 1970 and is part of Rotary District #6170. Some of the many things our club does for the community include organizing the local Christmas Parade, and supporting local non-profit agencies through our projects and fundraising. Our club also earns money through our work in the concession stands at Bank of the Ozarks Arena to fund special projects and to fund college scholarships. The club is currently working on a Pickle Ball Tournament. We provide support to Rotary International for the many service projects throughout the world – especially the clean water projects and the Polio Plus project.

Expectations of an Oaklawn Rotary Member

Membership in Rotary is an honor and a privilege with corresponding duties and obligations, including service on club committees. Rotary was founded on the idea of fellowship, therefore, members are expected to attend meetings regularly and when absent, are encouraged to do a makeup by attending another Rotary Club's meeting, doing a makeup online, or by attending one of our monthly board meetings.

Upon becoming a member of our club, you will receive a red badge. In order to obtain your blue badge, we require new members to perform five tasks from the following list:

- 1. Serve as Rotarian of the Day
- 2. Lead the Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Be the Greeter of the Day
- 4. Attend an Oaklawn Rotary Club Board Meeting
- 5. Choose a committee to serve on
- 6. Work on a service project
- 7. Propose a new member
- 8. Invite a guest to a meeting

When 5 of these tasks are complete please turn in your sheet to the Oaklawn Rotary Secretary to get your blue badge.

Membership Dues

Membership in Oaklawn Rotary Club is \$230 per quarter. Additionally, there is a one-time application fee of \$50 that covers Rotary International dues, the Rotary International Magazine subscription, membership kit and registration. All dues are charged quarterly, in advance, and are due within 30 days.





Date of Application:
Referring Member Name:
Prospective Member Name:
Business Name:
Current Occupation:
Business Address:
Business Phone Number:
Home Address:
Personal Phone Number:
Birthdate:
Email Address:
Spouse's Name (if applicable):
Spouse's Birthdate (if applicable): Anniversary Date:
Are you applying for Corporate Membership? Circle YES NO
If so, who is your expected alternate?
Have been in Rotary previously? If so, when/which club?
Club Officer fills out below line

Received by: _____

Date Received:_____