**Information for Prospective New Members**

**of the Rotary Club of Champaign**

**What you will gain from becoming a member of Champaign Rotary**

1. Make lasting friendships with pillars of the Champaign Community.
2. Create business connections with members of the club. Whether you are connected to a non-profit organization or own a business, our members support other members of the club.
3. Stay abreast of programs and research in Champaign County and the University of Illinois via the excellent speakers at our meetings.
4. Contribute to the community in many meaningful ways. (For example, the Rotary Club of Champaign contributes over $100,000 to community non-profit organizations and charities each year. We can do this because of an auction we hold every three years and because of an endowment a member left to the club.)
5. Serve the community. (We do several service projects each year.)
6. Contribute to the worldwide good Rotary does via The Rotary Foundation. For example, polio has almost been eradicated due to the efforts of the Rotary Foundation. Rotary also has many matching grants, which has helped Champaign Rotary bring clean water to communities in third world countries.

**Expectations**

1. Maintain 50% attendance. (We are currently holding hybrid meetings from 12:00-1:00 pm every Monday. You can attend in person at the Holiday Inn, 101 Trade Center, Champaign, if a reservation is made by the Thursday prior to the meeting. Ask your Rotary sponsor to make a reservation for you or send you the Zoom link on Monday morning to attend virtually.) You can attend club socials, do a service project, or attend a board meeting or meetings of other Rotary Clubs as make-ups.
2. Pay Annual Dues of $260.00 The first payment is prorated depending upon the month you join***.*** You may pay six months at a time and pay by credit card.
3. Attend a New Member Orientation.
4. Participate in one or more Club Committees.
5. Participate in one or more service projects.
6. Attend social events and special events, as possible, to get to know club members.
7. Although optional, each member is encouraged to make a donation to The Rotary Foundation each year.

**If you would like to have a more meaningful life and make significant contributions to our community and the world, becoming a member of Champaign Rotary can help you achieve these goals!**