

## NEW MEMBER EXPECTATIONS

Thank you for considering membership in Marion Rotary. You have been approached because one of our members concluded that you are among the community's "adults of good character and good business or professional reputation, who hold or have held an executive position with discretionary authority in any worthy and recognized business or profession."

Before submitting your name to our club, the member sponsor that approached you has been asked to review the following information with you.

1. Dues & Meals. Our dues are \$290 a year and you will pay \$12 a week for your Tuesday lunch whether or not you attend. This works out to \$914.00 a year with the meals paid quarterly. There is also a one time initiation fee of \$100.00 (which may be waived for Rotarians transferring from another club).
2. Attendance. We want members who will participate. We expect members to attend 66% of our meetings. If you join and do not attend 50% of the meetings two calendar quarters in a row you will be dropped from membership.
3. "Service above Self" is our motto. Rotary is a service club and you should not join if you do not want to support our charitable efforts locally and internationally.
4. Contributions. Traditionally, Marion Rotary's primary contribution to our community has been grants through our local foundation. In the recent past Marion Rotary raised over \$100,000 for the Palace Theatre's pavilion; marked our club's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a gift of \$137,000 to help build the YMCA; and marked Rotary International's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a gift of \$35,000 to help establish the Turning Point shelter for victims of domestic violence. In addition to our projects, we annually donate some \$40,000 in college scholarships to local students and contribute over \$10,000 to local charities. Rotary International's Foundation operates the largest student and teacher exchange programs in the world and carries out projects on every continent to improve education, eradicate disease, and promote peace. You will be expected to make contributions to either or both foundations. Although it is not required, it is expected that you will donate \$25 per calendar quarter to both the local and international foundations. Once you give \$1,000 you are designated a "Fellow" of that Foundation.
5. Leadership. Soon after you join you will be asked to participate in one or more of our committees. You will be expected to participate in a couple of committees every year. Your time commitment will depend on the committee and its role in our club. Also you will be expected to chair committees when asked. Chairing a committee requires a greater time commitment. Each year you will be asked on which committees you want to serve, and your preferences will often be honored. In time you may be asked to serve on the Rotary Board. In some years, we dedicate a Saturday to work on a playground or a Habitat for Humanity house. All members are encouraged to participate.

## OBJECT OF ROTARY

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worth enterprise and in particular, to encourage and foster:

First: The Development of Acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

Second: High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying by each Rotarian of their occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

Third: The application of the ideal of service by every Rotarian to their personal, business and community life;

Fourth: The advancement of international understanding, good will, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional men and women united in the ideal of service.

# Marion Rotary Club

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1091, Marion, OH 43301-1091

## MEMBERSHIP PROPOSAL FORM

Name of Proposed Member:		Preferred Name:
Name of Business/Organization:		
Title/ Position:		Daytime Phone:
*Business/Organization Address:		
E-Mail Address(es):		
*Residence Address:		Evening Phone:
Date of Birth:	Place of Birth (City, State or Country):	
Spouse's Name:	Children's Name(s) & Age(s):	
Education:		
Charitable Community Activities and Organizations (Marion or Previous Communities):		
Previously a Rotarian? If so, which club & when?:		
Proposed Member Signature:		Date:

\*Should your membership proposal be accepted, please highlight which address (business/organization or residence) should be used for billing – either by using bolded font or circling the appropriate address above.

Name of Sponsoring Rotary Member:	Sponsor Phone Number:
I have reviewed the new member expectation information on the reverse with the proposed member. I will submit this application to our club Secretary at the next meeting or sooner by mail to: Marion Rotary Secretary, PO Box 1091, Marion, OH 43301-1091	
Sponsoring Rotary Member Signature:	Date: