

# What is Rotary?

Rotary is fellowship! Rotary members are business, public, and professional leaders in your community.

Weekly meetings are social and informative. Your Rotary pin means you are welcome at over 30,000 Rotary clubs worldwide socializing with the people you want in your life.



Rotary is service! Whether your definition of community is around the block or around the globe,

Rotary is there.

From our worldwide polio eradication program to rebuilding a house in our

community, we are

a group committed to making the world in which we live and raise our children a better place.



**Rotary,  
100 Years  
of Service,  
1905-2005**



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# Why Rotary?

**Rotary was First!** That's right, we were the very first service club in the world. We were formed in 1905 by Paul Harris, a Chicago attorney who envisioned a new kind of club for professionals that would kindle the fellowship and friendly spirit he had known in his youth in Vermont.



**Women:** Today, there are approximately 90,000 women Rotarians worldwide, many of them serving in leadership roles. We eagerly encourage women to join us.

**Minorities:** There's no such thing as a minority in Rotary. We are a global organization that includes every race, creed, color, and religion.

**Service:** In 1985, Rotary made a historic commitment to immunize all of the world's children against polio. Since then, Rotary has contributed nearly half a billion dollars to polio eradication.

**Principles:** Rotarians are the people you want to invite for dinner. They are the people you want to do business with. Every Rotarian has pledged to live by The 4 Way Test in their personal and business life.



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# Welcome to Rotary!

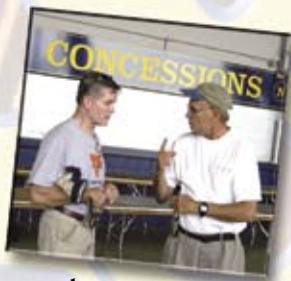




# Why Join Rotary?

## 1. Friendship

In an increasingly complex and technical world, Rotary provides two of the most basic human needs: friendship and fellowship.



## 2. Business Contacts

Everyone needs to network. Whether it's someone to sell to or to buy from or both, we all need a network of business people we can trust. Rotary represents every business category with leaders who do business by

The 4-Way Test.



## 3. Opportunity to Serve

Do you want to serve your community but don't know how to go about doing it? Rotary is your answer. Rotary pro-



vides many richly rewarding experiences of working to make your community a better place.

## 4. Leadership Development

Rotary is an organization of leaders and successful people. Serving in Rotary positions is an opportunity to hone your own leadership skills and experience.



## 5. Public Speaking

Rotary helps you develop confidence and skill in public communication.

As a Rotarian, you have the opportunity to give speeches, talks, and announcements.



## 6. Fun

Being a member of Rotary is fun. Our meetings are fun, our social events are fun, our members are fun. We like to laugh and take special pleasure in the warm glow we have from belonging to an organization of which we are fiercely proud.

## The 4-Way Test

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

# YES! I want to join!

Proposed by \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company \_\_\_\_\_

Position \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Business Reference \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Reference \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Reference \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Tell us a little about yourself. Be sure to explain your profession, interests, and accomplishments. *(You may attach a separate sheet of paper if necessary.)*

*Rotary Makes a Difference!*