



Rotary Club of Pleasanton North

Member Orientation Packet

P.O. Box 1142, Pleasanton, CA 94566
Weekly Meetings: 12:15pm Fridays (Guests Welcome)
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Overview

Introduction and purpose of this packet

- ◆ to give you a bird's eye view of Rotary
- ◆ to let you know what our Club will expect of you as a member
- ◆ to answer any questions that you might have about Rotary in general and our Club in particular

How you were chosen as a member of Rotary

A member of our Club proposed you for membership and filled out an application form (Membership Proposal Form), which was reviewed for acceptable classification. This "classification" process is one of the main differences between Rotary and other service clubs. Each Rotary Club maintains a list of filled and unfilled classifications and your classification is on your badge and in the Club roster

Our Membership Committee reviewed your personal reputation both in your business and the community.

Our Board of Directors approved your application for Rotary membership.

Your name, classification and sponsor were then distributed to the entire membership. This is how the entire membership approves a new member. If there are any objections, such objections must be registered with the Club Secretary in writing via email within seven (7) days of the date of email publication. If there are no objections, the proposed member will be considered qualified for membership and then meets with the President, President Elect and your sponsor.

All members are members of the Club, which in turn belongs to Rotary International.

1. Rotary International Overview

Rotary Beginnings

On the 23rd of February 1905 in Chicago, Paul Harris and three other gentlemen founded Rotary, the original service club. Since they chose to "rotate" the meetings each week from one of their businesses to the other, they chose the name "Rotary" for their new club. The purpose of the club was to broaden their contacts outside of their own particular business.

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The West played an important part in the development and growth of Rotary. The next four (4) Clubs were:

#2, San Francisco

#3, Oakland

#4, Seattle

#5, Los Angeles

Then Rotary moved East:

#6, New York

#7, Boston

Then Rotary expanded to Canada by establishing a Club in Winnipeg; and in 1911, London, Dublin and Belfast were chartered. Rotary International was formally adopted as the official name in 1912.

The Rotary Club of Pleasanton North was chartered March 9, 1987, of men and women representing a wide cross-section of local businesses and professions.

Creation of the club was the result of the growth of businesses and households in north Pleasanton in the late 1980s. At the time, Pleasanton North was the largest club ever chartered west of the Mississippi.

You will often hear the Club referred to as the Pleasanton North Rotary Club or PNR for short.

Rotary Today

Rotary is an organization of business and professional leaders united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world. In more than 200 countries worldwide, approximately 1.2 million Rotarians belong to more than 30,000 Rotary Clubs.

Rotary Club membership represents a cross-section of the community's business and professional men and women. The world's Rotary Clubs meet weekly and are nonpolitical, nonreligious, and open to all cultures, races, and creeds.

The main objective of Rotary is service — in the community, in the workplace, and throughout the world. Rotarians develop community service projects that address many of today's most critical issues, such as children at risk, poverty and hunger, the environment, illiteracy, and violence. They also support programs for youth, educational opportunities and international exchanges for students, teachers, and other professionals, and vocational and career development opportunities.

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The Object of Rotary

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

1. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
2. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying by each Rotarian of his occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
3. The application of the ideal of service by every Rotarian to his personal, business and community life;
4. The advancement of international understanding, good will, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional men and women untitled in the ideal of service.

Rotary Slogan

The Rotary motto is ***Service above Self.***

The Four Way Test

- First. Is it the Truth?
- Second. Is it Fair to all concerned?
- Third. Will it build Goodwill and Better Friendships?
- Fourth. Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

Basic Rotary Organization

Rotary International:

A President, President-Elect and a board of 16 Directors run Rotary International.

Statistics:

- Countries - 200
- Districts - 530
- Clubs – 29,968
- Rotarians – 1,219,532 (with you? Add one more!)

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District 5170

For administrative purposes Rotary Clubs are placed in a District run by a District Governor (DG). Pleasanton North Rotary member Susan DuPree is the current Assistant District Governor for Area 4 and will represent the District Governor.

Statistics:

Areas – 10

Clubs – 58

Rotarians – approximately 4,000

As a Rotarian, you will be a member of Pleasanton North Rotary, which in turn is a member of Rotary International.

- Area 1 Alameda, East Oakland, Oakland #3, Oakland Sunrise, Piedmont/Montclair (5)
- Area 2 Castro Valley, Castro Valley Sunrise, Hayward, Hayward Sunset, San Leandro, Hayward/San Lorenzo (6)
- Area 3 Fremont, Fremont Sunrise, Fremont/Union City/Newark, Mission San Jose, Newark, Niles/Fremont, Warm Springs (7)
- Area 4 Dublin, Livermore, Livermore Valley, Pleasanton, Pleasanton North, Tri-Valley (6)
- Area 5 Alviso, Milpitas, San Jose, San Jose East/Evergreen, San Jose North, San Jose Sunrise (6)
- Area 6 Gilroy, Gilroy-South County Sunrise, Hollister, Morgan Hill, San Juan Bautista (5)
- Area 7 Capitola Aptos, Freedom, San Lorenzo Valley, Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz Sunrise, Scotts Valley, Watsonville (7)
- Area 8 Campbell, Cupertino, Los Gatos, Los Gatos Morning, Saratoga (5)
- Area 9 Almaden Valley, San Jose Willow Glen, Santa Clara, Sunnyvale, Sunnyvale Sunrise (5)
- Area 10 East Palo Alto Bayshore, Los Altos, Los Altos Sunset, Mountain View, Palo Alto, Palo Alto University (6)

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Rotary Foundation of RI

The objective of The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International is the achievement of world understanding and peace through international charitable and educational programs. This Foundation is for international projects and should not be confused with the charitable Foundation established by the Pleasanton North Rotary Club in 1995 to support our charities.

The Rotary Foundation began as a scholarship program for graduate students. It has grown to become the largest private scholarship program in the world. Today, the Foundation funds:

- ◆ Scholarships – graduate scholarships, undergraduate scholarships, vocational scholarships, teachers of the Handicapped scholarships, and scholarships in journalism. Each scholarship is for one year of study in a country other than ones own and is worth up to \$20,000. There are approximately 1,000 scholarships a year sending students to more than 60 countries.
- ◆ Group Study Exchanges –sends 5 non-Rotarian business or professional people plus a Rotarian Team Leader to a foreign country for 4-6 weeks as ambassadors of goodwill and to study and exchange ideas on their related fields.
- ◆ Health, Hunger and Humanities (3-H) – improves agriculture, health, education, improved water resources, literacy programs and vocational training in third world countries.
- ◆ Special, Matching Grants – The Rotary Foundation matches, dollar for dollar, monies raised by local Rotary Clubs for International programs of their choosing. Pleasanton North Rotary has had numerous international projects during the past 13 years.
- ◆ Polio Plus – Over 500 million children have been immunized against polio and other childhood diseases around the world since 1985. To date, Rotary International has spent \$630 million to eradicate polio in the world.

You join the Foundation by contributing \$1,000 to the fund and becoming a Paul Harris Fellow. Paul Harris Fellowship is an honor you may elect for yourself or another. The presentation of Paul Harris Recognition is the Rotary Foundation's way of expressing appreciation for a substantial contribution to its humanitarian and educational programs.

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2. Pleasanton North Rotary

PNR Board 2008-2009

President	Dave Cherry
Secretary	Lee Denlinger
Treasurer	Keith Seibert
Vice President	Dave Parker
Club Newsletter Chair	Everitt Beers
Club Programs Chair	Alice Jones
Club Service Chair	François Daoust
Community Service Chair	Amy Fiala
R. I. Foundation Chair	Jack Parker
International Service Chair	Don Routh
Membership Chair	Brian Damiani
Past President	Dominic Pipitone
PNR Foundation Chairperson	Jim Nettleton
President Elect	Frank Hanna
Vocational Service/P.R. Chair	Bette Daoust
Sergeant-At-Arms	Tina Case
Technology Chair	François Daoust
Youth Services Chair	Rose Polis

Communications

Rotary International publishes a monthly magazine called *The Rotarian*; a subscription is included in your annual dues. RI also has a web site at www.rotary.org.

Also, District 5170 publishes a monthly newsletter, now on the Internet at www.rotary5170.org, and our Club publishes its weekly Club newsletter, the *NorthWinds*; copies are available at meetings or can be seen in color on the website.

It is also the Club's intention to provide you with a Club roster listing the names, phone numbers and email addresses of our Club members; more on access to the roster from the Technology Chair later.

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Pleasanton North Rotary Club Activity Calendar

July	Literacy Month
August	Membership Month
September	PNR Major Fundraiser Month
October	Vocational Service Month
November	Rotary Foundation Month
December	Food Drive Month
January	Rotary Awareness Month
February	World Understanding Month
March	PNR Charter Month
April	District Celebration Month
May	Youth Service Month
June	Rotary International Convention Month

The Pleasanton North Financial Information:

1. Club Bank Account for General Business (Mount Diablo Bank- Used for general Club operations; dues/fines, etc)
2. PNR Club Foundation Account (Smith Barney)
3. RI Club Foundation Account (Rotary International Account for Paul Harris awards and distribution)
4. Charity Bank Account (Mount Diablo Bank)
All funds collected, after expenses are paid, are distributed per the PNR Policies guidelines as the Board approves applications)

Your Obligations in Rotary

Participation

To be a Pleasanton North Rotarian you are expected to give your time and talents to the following:

- ◆ Community Service
- ◆ Club Social Functions
- ◆ Club, Area and District Activities

Attendance/Participation/Expectations:

Attendance at weekly meetings is extremely important, and 100% attendance is urged and honored in Rotary. If you are unable to attend at your own Club, you can attend other Rotary Clubs for a "make-up" meeting or attend a Club Board of Directors' Meeting or a Club Membership meeting. At the

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Pleasanton North Rotary Club, you can also make-up by attending the Interact Club meeting at Foothill High School. See the Club Youth Service Chair for more information concerning Interact meetings.

You can make up by:

- ◆ Attending another Rotary Club, anywhere in the world (meeting information available at <http://www.rotary.org/en/AboutUs/SiteTools/ClubLocator/Pages/ridefault.aspx>)
- ◆ Attending an on-line e-Club (more information at http://www.rotary.org/en/MediaAndNews/News/Pages/081222_news_howto.aspx)
- ◆ Attending a Club Board of Directors' meeting
- ◆ Attending a Club Membership Meeting
- ◆ Attending a meeting at Foothill High School Interact Club meeting located at 4375 Foothill Road, Pleasanton, CA 94588. Club contact – Rose Polis

Failure to attend or make-up four consecutive meetings automatically terminates your membership in Pleasanton North Rotary Club.

Make-ups in our area:

Tuesday

- 7:00 am Livermore Valley Sunrise Club, Beeb's, Livermore
- 12:15 pm Dublin Club, Radisson Hotel, Dublin

Wednesday

- 12:00 pm Livermore Club, DoubleTree Hotel, Livermore

Thursday

- 12:15 pm Pleasanton Club, Haps Restaurant, Pleasanton
- 6:30 pm Tri-Valley Club, Girasole Restaurant, Pleasanton

Friday

- 12:15 pm The Greatest Club in the World, **PNR**, Hilton, Pleasanton,

Rotary's Obligation to You!

Provide an opportunity for you to serve

- ◆ the club
- ◆ the community
- ◆ the world

Help you grow as a person

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- ◆ new friends
- ◆ new activities
- ◆ new challenges

Offer fellowship

- ◆ within our club
- ◆ with other Rotary clubs anywhere in the world
- ◆ with other countries

Your Financial Requirements

Initiation fee (one time only) **\$150.00**

(\$100.00 will be submitted to the Rotary International Foundation as your contribution to be a sustaining member of the Paul Harris fellowship. The balance of \$50.00 will go towards the PNR Foundation.). New members who are already sustaining member or are Paul Harris Fellows are exempt from the \$100.00 initiation fee.

***** New members that join as a couple will receive a discount on the membership fees as follows:
Of the couple, one person pays the one time fee of \$150.00 (\$100.00 submitted to the Rotary Foundation and \$50.00 to PNR Foundation) plus \$140.00 (pro-rated annually) annual membership dues plus the \$165.00 annual recognitions. The second person of the couple will pay only \$50.00 to the PNR Foundation and \$70.00 (pro-rated annually) annual membership dues plus \$85.00 in annual recognitions (i.e. ½ price).

Annually Required Expenses:

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| ◆ Dues (pro-rated) | \$180.00 | due 7/1 |
| ◆ Fines (pro-rated) | \$125.00 | |
| ◆ Lunch per week | \$18.00 | |
| ◆ Missed meeting fine (w/no approved make-up) | \$18.00 | |

Other possible Charitable Annual Contributions:

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| ◆ RI. Foundation Annual Giving | \$100.00 |
| ◆ Pleasanton North Rotary Foundation | \$100.00 |

Other Possible Expenses:

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| ◆ Social Events, approx. | \$500.00 | per couple |
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Since Rotary qualifies as a non-profit organization many of these costs are tax deductible by business and individuals, except for the value of meals and prizes received. You may wish to review this with your accountant.