

Our Victoria Rotary Club Events

Our Rotary Club has many activities throughout the year as well as participating in community services projects. People join Rotary for many reasons, including community involvement, personal development, professional networking and camaraderie. But perhaps the most important benefit is the satisfaction you gain from making a real difference in your community and the world.

During the school year we are proud to be part of the Early Act First Knight initiative in the elementary schools. The Rotary Clubs of Victoria have 12 schools that participate in the program, which teaches values to youngsters. Our Club works with 5 of those schools. Every six weeks we help host the knighting ceremonies where children are awarded for representing the values that were presented for the previous time period. They are so excited and enthused about the program and it has made a huge difference in discipline problems in the schools. Hopefully what they learn in elementary school will serve them throughout their lives. It does not require a huge time commitment on the part of individual Rotarians and the personal fulfillment and joy totally outweighs the hour or two spent in a school.

At Christmas our Club helps with the Salvation Army Bell Ringing campaign. This involves 2 Rotarians ringing the bell at the Sam Houston Post Office for one hour shifts (3 hours total) on the Saturday following Thanksgiving to the Saturday before Christmas. Also, not a huge time commitment and families are welcome to ring the bell together.

In February our Rotary Club participates with other Victoria Rotary Clubs in the Knowledge Bowl which helps to raise funds for adult literacy. Leading up to the evening contest, volunteers help to develop questions to stump the teams. On the evening of the event, volunteers help with the contest and judging. Teams in the community look forward to participating in the event.

Our largest fundraiser by far is the Clay Shoot, held the last weekend in April. The event raises over \$25000 that is given in grants to various community projects including the Food Bank, Hope of South Texas, Devereaux, Golden Crescent CASA and many more. There is plenty for everyone to do and it is truly a time to socialize and bond with fellow Rotarians working for a good cause.

On the first Saturday in November our Club participates in the Adoption Awareness campaign at the Texas Zoo. Prescreened adoptive parents are invited to come to the zoo where they have an opportunity to observe children that seem to tug at their heartstrings, while they children are interacting with others. Children are brought to the zoo to have a good time, to ride the train, play games, have a barbeque without the knowledge they might see someone that would adopt them. It is a safe fun environment for them to just enjoy being a kid.

During 2014-2015 our Club was able to donate AEDs to the City and County of Victoria.

We hope our Club will meet your needs and we will have you as a member.



VICTORIA ROTARY CLUB

Proposed Member Application

Name:		Nickname	
Business Name:		Position:	
Business Address:			
City:		Zip:	
Business Phone:		Business Fax:	
Cellphone:			
Home Address:			
City:		Zip:	
Home Email:			
Business Email:			
Birthday Month/Day/Year:		Anniversary Month/Day	
Partners Name:		Partners Birthday :	Mo/Day:
Hobbies:			
Brief Biography:			
Former Rotary Club if Applicable:			
Military Service	_____ Yes _____ No	Branch of Service:	
Sponsored By:		Sponsor Email	
Classification (To be completed by Secretary of Club)			