

South Everett/Mukilteo Rotary

New Member Checklist

New SEMR member,

All new members of our club are issued a membership name badge with a red ribbon attached stating "New Member". This is to draw attention to the fact that you are new to the club and to remind all of our members to be especially welcoming and helpful to you. The red ribbon will be removed from your badge when all of the following have been accomplished by you. They can be done in any order.

Complete Website Profile Page

Each member has their own profile page on our club website at www.semr.org. This page contains personal, career, and Rotary related information about the member and is a valuable club communications aid. Shortly after being inducted into our club you will receive an email message notifying you of your initial website login and password and providing instructions on how to find your profile page and fill in the requested information.

Serve as Greeter

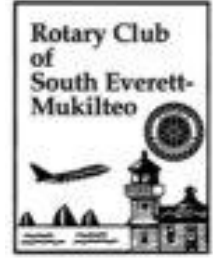
Arrive early for the meeting and greet each arrival at the door. You will wear a yellow "Greeter" button and will speak to each person as they enter. Be sure to have your membership book nearby, as many of the people you greet will want to sign it.

Sell Raffle Tickets

Arrive early for the meeting and sit at the registration table by the door until the crowd thins. Collect money and distribute tickets for the weekly drawing.

Give Your Classification Talk

Your classification is defined by what you do for a living. Rotary clubs are unique among service clubs because we limit the number of representative from each business or profession to no more than 10% of each club's membership. This promotes diversity within each club and prevents clubs from becoming dominated by any one profession. In your five minute classification talk, you will address the club at a meeting to tell about who you are, what you do and how you came to be involved in your career. Your vocation is of special interest because part of the value of Rotary stems from the diversity of occupations. Printed guidelines are available.



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Important Note: The Classification Talk is the closest you will get to a sanctioned commercial for your business.

Attend a Fireside Meeting

Several times each year the Fellowship Committee will present a Fireside Meeting at the home of one of the members. Specifically designed to familiarize new members with the goals and organization of Rotary, these discussions involve officers, avenue chairs, and other members. Firesides provide an opportunity to gather in a less formal atmosphere than the weekly meeting.

Individual discussion about the Rotary Foundation and Paul Harris Fellowship

The Rotary Foundation is that part of Rotary which works towards the goal of world understanding and peace. Contributors to the foundation can become Paul Harris Fellows. This discussion will reveal to you the amazing power of an organization united worldwide, bridging cultural, political and religious boundaries in an interest towards the common good.

Membership on two committees

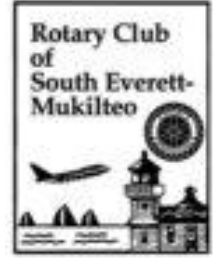
As a service organization, Rotary needs the help of all its members. As a social organization this is the level at which we really get to know one another. Committee participation is the donation of your time and skills to organize the projects, and provide service to the club, the community and the world.

At least 85% attendance for three months

Rotary requires the active participation of its members. Regular attendance should be a part of your weekly schedule. Mark your calendar that you have a lunch meeting every Friday. This requirement is to help you "get the Rotary habit."

Attend one make-up meeting at Another Club

Occasionally you will be unable to make a regular weekly meeting. Membership in a Rotary club means you are welcome at any Rotary club anywhere in the world. Rotarians visit our club every week. Attendance at another Rotary Club within two weeks, before or after, a missed meeting keeps your attendance current. Get a make-up card at the door of the Rotary Club when you make up and give it to registration when you return to the next meeting.



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This is a great opportunity to meet other Rotarians. You will always be welcomed and many Rotarians include plans for make-up meetings as part of their vacations.

Assist in one club project

Club projects are events in which participation of the membership is necessary to be successful. The annual turkey basket giveaway in November and our fundraiser auction in March are examples of club projects. Accomplishing the purpose of the club, these activities are also great fellowship activities.

Complete the signatures in your membership book.

Each club member is encouraged to introduce themselves and sign your book. Bring it to every meeting. The Sergeant-At-Arms may, during Happy Bucks, ask you for your book and fine members who have not yet signed it. Remember, you are also expected to sign the book of those members who follow you into the club.

Attend a New Member Orientation

This meeting will begin to provide you with a foundation of knowledge about Rotary International. You will receive a significant amount of information about the history, mission, and programs of Rotary. Spouses and significant others are encourage to attend.

Attend a Board of Directors Meeting

The Board of Directors meets the first Wednesday of each month. The meetings start at 5:30PM and are usually over by 7:00PM. All the important decisions about the direction, operation and plans of the club are discussed and determined during these meetings. All members are welcome to attend.

Important Note: You will find a personalized list of these tasks on our website in the "My ClubRunner" section of the "Administration" page under "New member Activities". After completing each task contact the member who is listed there as "Assigned to" to have them sign off the activity.