

Rotary Classification Speech Guidelines

The Object of Rotary is a philosophical statement of Rotary's purpose and the responsibilities of Rotarians. The concept of vocational service is rooted in the Second Object, which calls on Rotarians to "encourage and foster":

- High ethical standards in business and professions
- The recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations
- The dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society

This speech is designed to let others in our club learn more about you and how you can use your professional skills to serve our community. And if you are comfortable sharing, we also would like to know about where you grew up, your family history, your adult life and a few of your professional accomplishments. By having all of our members sharing their skills and experiences we will have a better understanding of the bank of talents our club has to contribute to our community.

As a guideline, your talk should be 5 – 10 minutes long and include some of the following areas:

- 1) Where were you born?
- 2) Where were you raised?
- 3) How long have you been in Salmon Arm
- 4) How many years have you been in Rotary? What roles have you held as a Rotarian? What is the most interesting thing you've done as a Rotarian (Aid trip, Hosted an exchange student)?
- 5) Family information, siblings, children, etc.
- 6) Educational background
 - a. Professional designations
 - b. Other skills and talents that could benefit the club.
- 7) Career path
 - a. Why did you choose this vocation?
 - b. What you find most rewarding or challenging in your job?

- c. What do you see changing in this field and what opportunities do you see in the future of this vocation?
 - d. How long have you been in your vocation?
 - e. What other industries have you been involved in?
 - f. What are the ethical issues you face at work and how does the 4 way test help you deal with them?
- 8) Hobbies and interests
- 9) Personal aspirations for the next 5 years.