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To: Potential Members From: Rotary Membership Committee

We are delighted for your interest in joining the Rotary Club of Moses Lake. The following briefly outlines key expectations of you as our next Rotarian. If after this information meeting you still wish to apply for club membership, we will submit your application for processing. Please ask any questions you may have during this meeting to ensure understanding of what we expect of you as a member.

CLUB MEETINGS: Weekly, Tuesdays, 12:00 - 1:15 p.m. at Pillar Rock Grill. Occasionally, a weekly meeting may occur in the evening instead of at noon.

MISSION: The mission of Rotary International is to provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through its fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

ROTARY MOTTO: Service Above Self

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:

- The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and the community life;
- The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

FOUR-WAY TEST: Of the things Rotarians think, say or do, they are to ask themselves the following questions as part of the **Four-Way Test** (which has been translated into more than 100 languages):

Is it the TRUTH? Is it Fair to all concerned? Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned? **ATTENDANCE**: The opportunity for members to meet each other and become acquainted can be satisfied only by regular attendance at our meetings. Regular attendance is encouraged, and opportunities for make-ups (in person or online) are available. Additionally, we expect each member to participate in several work projects each year. The club cannot meet the needs of our existing project scope without regular participation.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS and FUNDRAISING ACTIVIES: Rotary is a service club, and we conduct and/or assist in fundraising and service projects that benefit locally and globally.

SOCIAL EVENTS/FELLOWSHIP: Fellowship is one of the basic reasons Paul Harris founded Rotary in 1905. During the Rotary year, we offer special events that offer fellowship opportunities for you, your spouse and/or family.

FOUNDATION SUPPORT: The Rotary Club of Moses Lake considers the ongoing support of two foundations to be an integral part of membership in the club. Continual support of these foundations is an established tradition among Moses Lake Rotarians:

The Rotary Foundation (TRF) is a fund established to further educational and humanitarian work around the world. The money donated supports a number of international service projects including Health, Hunger and Humanity Grants, Group Study Exchange, and a number of scholarship programs. Our club supports Rotary International's suggestion that every Rotarian give at least \$100 every year. Our club annually averages around \$500 per member in *voluntary* contributions to TRF.

<u>The Rotary Scholarship Foundation</u>, started by local Rotarians, uses the interest income from donations to provide local students (high school and college) with educational scholarships. Currently, our scholarship foundation has assets of more than \$1,000,000.

ANNUAL EXPENSE ESTIMATE and EXPECTATIONS FOR ROTARIANS:

Induction (one-time expense)	\$100.00
Dues (\$100 per qtr. or \$400 annually)	400.00
Subtotal	500.00
The Rotary Foundation (TRF)	100.00 (suggested donation)
Scholarship Foundation (RSF)	100.00 (suggested donation)
Total	\$ 700.00

DAY-ONE COST

\$200 is payable upon being inducted in the club. (\$100 induction fee, \$100 quarterly dues; new member may elect to pay \$500 to cover the induction fee and a full year's dues.)

In addition, we encourage Rotarians to donate and/or purchase items at our annual club auction, as this is our primary fundraising event.