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## WELCOME TO SUNRISE ROTARY

Weekly meetings are typically held each Thursday morning at Elmcrest Country Club from 7-8:00am. As a Sunrise member, there are rotating *commitments* and scheduled club *activities* that we as members are asked to participate in and support throughout the year. The following overview should help provide a better understand of these goals.

### MEMBER COMMITMENTS

**Front Table / Raffle Position** – This requires the member to serve at the front table (attendance table). Arrive between 6:30-6:40am. Materials for the attendance front table are kept in the bins stored at Elmcrest. Member attendance checklist, guest registration sheets, and invitation business cards must be laid out. Information on joining Sunrise and name badges must be set out, too, along with pens. Remember to greet members and guests with a friendly smile. Guests will need a name badge sticker and to sign in on the paper provided.

During the meeting you will be called upon to announce guests. When doing this please announce guests only and then the 'Speaker of the Day' will be announced later within the meeting. You may choose to say something like "When called upon please rise so that we may give you a Sunny Sunrise Welcome," and then proceed with the guests names. In addition, on the week that you serve at the front table you will want to bring along a drawing item for the Benevolence Fund. During the meeting members are asked to contribute \$1.00 and a member/guest will be selected to receive the drawing item. The dollars collected will get added to the current Benevolence Fund and those funds will get disbursed during the Board Meetings for different causes presented to the Board and to Sunrise Rotary.

**Greeter / Invocation** – This position is served alongside the front table position. A person that is serving as a Greeter should arrive at 6:30-6:40am. The purpose of the Greeter is to be welcoming and friendly. When possible greet members by name and lead guests to the front table. After serving as Greeter, you will be called on during the meeting to give an invocation. A dark brown binder full of Invocations is available in the bins at Elmcrest or you are welcome to choose one online. Please note, be inclusive of all members and guests. Rotary is open to all religions.

*To view a complete list of commitments, please visit our website at [www.crsunriserotary.com](http://www.crsunriserotary.com).*

### CLUB ACTIVITIES

**Metro Rotary Pribyl Golf Tournament** - We try to have as many people join in as possible when we host the Metro (7 clubs) Rotary Pribyl Golf Tournament (June), Ring the Salvation Army Bell (1st Saturday in Dec.), provide Spring Maintenance at Camp Hitaga (April), New Generation Service Events and an occasional activity for fun.

**Fall Fundraiser** – This is an event that is hosted at El Kahir Shrine on Blairs Ferry Road. We as Sunrise Rotarians hold a dinner and a silent auction. As members, we put together auction items and sell tickets to the event for dinner. The money raised is used for a variety of things, such as our foreign exchange students, RYLA, scholarships, Make-A-Wish Golf Sponsorship, etc.

**Make-a-Wish Chili Supper** – This event has historically been held at TransAmerica in the winter. Sponsors like Heinz and Coe College have provided food. Our members provide drawing items for door prizes. We get license for a raffle, and sell raffle/chili dinner tickets for \$5.00 a piece. The money goes towards a Make-A-Wish Child's Wish.

**Make-a-Wish Golf Outing** – Sunrise is the longest contributing sponsor in the state of Iowa (17 years). We will be providing Silent Auction items and Sponsorships. This will be an 'all hands on deck' event. We are hoping to provide a few children's wishes with this event.

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Sunset Social** - The 3rd Thursday of the month is our Sunset Social. This is an opportunity to fellowship alongside other Sunrise Rotarians in a casual atmosphere. The gathering begins around 5:00pm and varies in location.

**Once a week Meeting Recap** is sent via email from the President. Additional information can be located on our website, [www.crsunriserotary.com/](http://www.crsunriserotary.com/). You are provided a login ID upon joining. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Bruce Lindholm (our IT guy) for help, [bruce.lindholm@schneider-electric.com](mailto:bruce.lindholm@schneider-electric.com).

Once logged onto the system ("Clubrunner") will open up into an Administration page that houses a Club Photo Directory. You may find this to be extremely useful when first learning other fellow Rotarian's names or need an email address.

Events/Service Activities that we participate in can be registered here on Clubrunner, too.

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## CONTRIBUTIONS

**Membership Dues** - Sunrise membership dues include meeting room rental, coffee/breakfast, service fees, equipment rental, and a small collection for our annual holiday party in December.

**Foundation Giving** - As former member and Foundation Chair, Todd Anderson would state, all Rotarians are expected to contribute \$100.00 per year to the Rotary Foundation, this can be done on a monthly basis, too.

**Contribution Recognition** - Once a person contributes \$1,000.00 they will be awarded a Paul Harris Fellowship (Pin and Certificate). This is very highly regarded, especially multiple \$1,000.00 contributions. This shows a high commitment to what Rotary stands for internationally. *More information can be found on the following 'Understanding The Foundation' document or by visiting the website at [www.rotaryinternational.org](http://www.rotaryinternational.org).*

Our Foundation Chair will encourage you to contribute to the Rotary Foundation, this is the component of Rotary that is responsible for eradicating Polio and other international events.

Our Grant Co-Chair would explain, the more our members contribute to the Foundation, the higher our opportunity will be for receiving District and International Grants. Going forward this will be considered as the District makes a decision on who will be the recipient of a grant.

**New Generations** - New members are automatically a part of our 0-3 year members group named New Generations. This group is responsible for determining a service project they would like to present to the Sunrise Board for full participation from the club.

**Leadership Institute** - Rotary also offers a fall Leadership Institute, registration would be paid by Sunrise Rotary. It is a more detailed look at the leader positions available in Rotary and what Rotary has to offer outside of our Club.

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