

## MIAMISBURG ROTARY CLUB PROSPECTIVE MEMBER INFORMATION SHEET

Hello Miamisburg Rotarians and Prospective Rotarians,

Please save this to keep yourself informed and to inform prospective members. It is the responsibility of each sponsoring Rotarian to ensure that our prospective Rotarians are fully aware of the **costs that may be incurred** as a Rotarian and understand the **participatory requirements** such as attendance at meetings and functions. Rotarian involvement is the key to a successful Rotary Club.

### **DUES:**

Annual Dues are \$150.00. The Rotary year runs from July 1 to June 30. *Dues will be invoiced to members in June with payment due at the first meeting in July.*

There is a one-time initiation fee of \$75.00 for new members (may be waived at the option of the Board of Directors for returning or transferring members). We will pro-rate dues in monthly increments as to the month the new member joins Rotary (\$12.50 per month from joining month through June 30).

*Dues payments are to be made within 30 days of the invoice date or membership may be terminated.*

### **MEALS:**

Miamisburg Rotarians will also be billed in advance for partial meal costs, on a quarterly, semi-annual or annual basis. The meal charge is \$10.00 but an advance billing of \$5.00 per meal will be invoiced. Members will then pay \$5.00 at the door to eat, but those electing to “drink only” may do so (and enjoy a dessert) at no additional charge.

Most quarters will be billed for 13 meals x \$5.00 each for a total of \$65.00. This will vary due to holidays or other adjustments to the schedule. Credit can be granted for make-ups at other clubs where the members paid for their meals (*attendance / make-up slip required to be presented to Treasurer and Secretary*). Rotarians also have the convenience option of “fully” prepaying their quarterly meals (\$10.00 vs \$5.00) and avoid the \$5.00 at the door.

*Quarterly meal payments are to be made at the first meeting of the respective quarter.*

### **CLUB FUNCTIONS – SERVICE ABOVE SELF:**

All Miamisburg Rotarians are charged with supporting Club functions. This includes Pancake Day (1st Saturday in December). Each member (currently) pays for 25 adult tickets (\$6.00 each), for a total of \$150.00. It is your choice as to whether you wish to sell or give them away. This is also considered an **attendance required Rotary work function**. Funds from Pancake Day support our local charitable causes.

We also have our Esther Philhower Annual Charity Auction. Each member receives 4 tickets (you can request more). Each member is required to sell / pay for a minimum of two tickets. We hope each member can sell more, but any unsold tickets must be returned, or members will be charged for them. Members are also asked to provide an auctionable item or a donation to purchase items to be sold (suggested value \$100.00) and when possible, to solicit donations from corporations or businesses for additional auction items.

Funds from the auction may be allocated by the winning bidders to The Rotary Foundation or to the Miamisburg Rotary Charitable Trust or a special project to be specified by the Board of Directors. In the last 5 years we've raised over \$100,000 (includes matching funds) at the auction to support Miamisburg Rotary Charitable Trust Fund, Rotary International's Polio Plus & Annual Fund, the Miamisburg Plaza Theatre Project, Miamisburg High School (MHS) Football Stadium, RiverFront Park Water Feature, the MHS Girls Locker Room Renovation and many other projects and charities.

### **VERY IMPORTANT: ATTENDANCE AND MAKE-UPS:**

Rotary International has established attendance requirements that each member shall attend at least 60% of scheduled meetings (50% of which should be at the member's home club). Make-ups are accomplished to get credit for a missed meeting and can be done at other Clubs or on-line.

Membership in the Miamisburg Rotary Club is on-going and will be automatically renewed at the start of each fiscal year (1 July) unless we are otherwise notified in advance. Rotarians must keep their club financial obligations current during their membership period. Resignation from the Miamisburg Rotary Club must be provided via written notice to the Club Secretary. I hope this helps. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

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