

TOP 20+ REASONS FOR JOINING CREEKSIDE



#1 The Opportunity to Serve... With Creekside Rotary, it's easy to be active and **make a difference**. We place a high value on **our community** and priority on improving the lives of those closest to us. The chance to **do something for somebody else** and the **opportunity to give back** to our neighbors and internationally is the best reason for becoming a Rotarian.



➤ **Reputation.** . . . Creekside members include executives, managers and professionals – people who make decisions and influence policy. Rotarians are prominent people: leaders of business, art, government, sports, military, religion, and all disciplines. Rotary is the oldest and most prestigious service club in the world.



➤ **Business Development...** Everyone needs to network. Creekside Rotary consists of a cross section of our business community. Its members come from all walks of life. Rotarians help each other and collectively help others.



➤ **Cultural Awareness...** Around the world, practically every religion, country, culture, race, creed, political persuasion, language, color, and ethnic identity is found in Rotary. It is a cross section of the world's most prominent citizens from every background. Rotarians become aware of their cultures and learn to love and work with people everywhere. We become better citizens in the process.



➤ **Social...** Rotary is a lot of fun; whether you are at a meeting, a Club project, a golf tournament, or a social activity.



➤ **Continuing Education...** Each week at Rotary there is a program designed to keep one informed about what is going on in the community, nation, and world. Each meeting provides an opportunity to listen to different speakers and a variety of timely topics.



➤ **Activities...** Creekside Rotary Club and District have activities and celebrations that provide diversion in one's business life. Rotary holds Conferences, Conventions, Assemblies, and Institutes that provide entertainment in addition to Rotary Information, Education, and Service.



➤ **Youth Programs...** Rotary provides one of the world's largest youth exchange programs; high school and college clubs for future Rotarians.



➤ **Vocational Skills...** Rotarians take part in the growth and development of his or her own profession; and serve on Committees to teach youth about one's job or vocation. Rotary helps to make one a better doctor, lawyer, teacher, etc.



➤ **The Development of Social Skills:** Every week and at various events and functions, Rotary develops one's personality, social skills and people skills. Creekside is for people who like people.



➤ **Family Programs...** Creekside provides opportunities for spouse involvement; and a host of activities designed to help family members in growth and the development of family values.



➤ **Citizenship in the World...** Every Rotarian wears a pin that says “Rotary International.” There are few places on the globe that do not have a Rotary Club. Every Rotarian is welcome – even encouraged – to attend any of the 29,000 Clubs in 194 nations and geographical regions. This means instant friends in both one’s own community and in the world community.

➤ **Public Speaking Skills...** Rotary develops confidence and skill in public communication and the opportunity to practice and perfect these skills



➤ **The Development of Ethics...** Rotarians practice a 4-Way Test that governs one’s ethical standards. Rotarians are expected to be ethical in business and personal relationships.

➤ **Memberships...** Creekside Rotarians, above all, are the nicest people on the face of the earth. They are important people who follow the policy of it is better to serve than to receive.



➤ **Citizenship in the Community...** Membership in Creekside Rotary Club makes one a better community citizen, through our numerous projects and affiliations with area non-profits.

➤ **Personal Growth and Development...** Membership in Rotary continues one’s growth and education in human relations and personal development.

➤ **Friendship...** Creekside Rotary was founded on the ideals of camaraderie and fellowship, and leads to lasting friendships. Whether on a project or at a social gathering, we have a great time together!

➤ **Leadership Development...** Rotary is an organization of leaders and successful people. Serving in Rotary positions is easy; colleagues are there to insure your success. Leadership: Learning how to motivate, influence, and lead leaders.



➤ **Assistance when Traveling:** Because there are Rotary clubs everywhere, many a Rotarian in need of a doctor, lawyer, hotel, dentist, advice, etc., while traveling has found assistance through Rotary.

➤ **The Absence of an “Official Creed”...** We have no secret handshake, no secret policy, no official creed, no secret meeting or rituals. It is an open society of men and women who simply believe in helping others.

➤ **Fighting Disease...** Rotarians, along with our partners, have reduced polio cases by 99 percent worldwide since our first project to vaccinate children in the Philippines in 1979. We are close to eradicating polio, but your help is needed.

*For more information and stories about our projects and activities, check our Club website www.clubrunner.ca/salemcreekside. Please be our guest Thursdays at noon, **Lakeview Restaurant, Creekside Golf Club, 6250 Clubhouse Dr. SE, Salem, OR***



