



FAMILY MEMBER PROGRAM

The Benefits of Membership

Rotary International is a volunteer organization of 1.2 million neighbors, friends and community leaders who come together to create positive, lasting change in our local communities and around the world. About 34,000 Rotary clubs in more than 200 countries conduct projects to address today's challenges, including illiteracy, lack of clean water, disease, hunger, poverty, and environmental concerns.

Recognizing that family members often participate greatly in club meetings and events, the Rotary Club of Montecito has created a Family Membership program allowing other family members to enjoy the benefits and designation of being a Rotarian.

The Family Member Program allows two family members or partners, residing at the same residence, to become members of the Rotary Club of Montecito - attending club meetings, serving on projects, voting on club matters, and serving on club committees. For purposes of the Family Member Program, each person participating as a member will be referred to as a Family designee.

Benefits to Family Members

- **Diversification:** Join a select group of individuals from a wide cross-section of business, public and cultural institutions.
- **Serving others:** Rotary provides opportunities to do something for others along with a sense of personal fulfillment and satisfaction.
- **Thriving Organization:** The Rotary Club of Montecito has a long history of philanthropic activity both locally and globally, and is one of the oldest and largest Clubs in the area with a growing membership.
- **Ethics:** Membership in Rotary provides access to a pre-screened group of professionals who conduct their businesses and personal relationships in adherence to an ethical code of conduct.
- **World Citizenship:** Membership provides a standing invitation to visit more than 34,000 Rotary Clubs worldwide, thereby facilitating instant contacts, warm welcomes and fellowship between like-minded, fun-loving Rotarians both at home and around the world.

Qualifications and Obligations of Family Membership

- **Qualifications and Designees:** Any Rotary household may apply for Family Membership and Family designees may include any household member who is at least 18 years of age.
- **Inductions:** All Family designees shall be qualified for Active Membership in Rotary and will be formally inducted into the Rotary Club of Montecito through the usual Club process. The Family designees shall all be known as Rotarians.
- **Member Orientation:** All new members, including each Family designee, are expected to attend a New Member Orientation, held quarterly. During this brief session, requirements to attain "Blue Badge" status are discussed in detail along with Club activities, and new members are given the opportunity to obtain answers to any questions regarding Rotary, the Club, or their membership.
- **Participation:** All Family designees are invited to join us for weekly informative lunches and fellowship. Lunches are held on Tuesdays at noon. We encourage family members to attend 50% or more of our meetings and fellowship opportunities, which may be fulfilled by the attendance of one or more of the Family designees.
- **RI Registration:** Each Family designee will be listed as an official member of the Rotary Club of Montecito and will be noted in the membership roster as holding Family Membership.

- **Votes and Quorum:** For the purpose of general meetings and Club matters, the Family shall have only one vote which will be made by a Family designee attending the meeting at which the vote is taken. As official members of the Rotary Club, all Family designees would apply toward RI election voting standards.
- **Holding Office:** Only one Family designee shall be eligible to be an officer or member of the Board of Directors of the Club at a given time. Family designees are Rotarians and therefore expected to participate in Club activities. They are also allowed to be committee chairs and project leaders.
- **Financial Commitments:** The Family designees shall be responsible for:
 - a) \$150 Initiation Fee (for up to two members). Initiation fees will be waived for active members of the Rotary Club of Montecito who wish to convert an existing Individual membership to a Family membership.
 - b) Annual Dues of \$300, payable quarterly in advance
 - c) Pre-paid lunches for the quarter are \$325, which provide a single seat at each regular luncheon meeting. Additional meals beyond the first will be billed at \$25 per occasion.

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The Rotary Club of Montecito, est. 1953

The Rotary Club of Montecito is part of Rotary International, with 1.2 million members and over 34,000 Clubs in nearly 200 countries around the globe. We are part of 72 Clubs in four counties (Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, Kern and Ventura) that comprise one of over 500 Rotary Districts. Currently, we meet at the Hyatt Centric Hotel in the Marabella Restaurant each Tuesday at noon, unless otherwise noted.

Our members are business and community leaders – including elected officials, CEO's, business owners and executive managers & directors – committed to being well-informed and making our city, state, country and world a better place. As a member, you'll serve and socialize with these Rotarians.

Our Club is known for having some of the highest quality speakers at our weekly luncheons addressing timely issues. It is, without a doubt, "the finest podium" on the Central Coast.

Rotary's motto is "**Service Above Self**", and we participate in local and worldwide projects which include:

- Polio eradication and global health
- Literacy and supporting schools
- Providing clean water in third world countries
- Hands-on projects in Mexico, India, Africa and places of need
- Promoting international understanding and peace
- Cleaning up our local community with the annual Montecito Beautification Day
- Sending Junior High School Students to an information-packed weekend of Leadership Development at RYLA – The Rotary Youth Leadership Academy
- Recognizing outstanding First-Responders at our Annual Service Awards Luncheon
- Providing Vocational Scholarships to needy and deserving students at Santa Barbara Community College
- Recognizing & rewarding the meritorious efforts of other community organizations for their work in serving others in our community.



**ROTARY CLUB OF MONTECITO
FAMILY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**
(Please remember that the membership process is confidential)

Basic Information

Family Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Primary Family Designee

DESIGNEE'S NAME: _____

Company Name: _____

Title: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Number of years in Santa Barbara/Montecito: _____

Preferred Contact Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Describe your interest in Rotary _____

Please list any civic, professional, service and social organizations and activities that the nominee is affiliated with and positions held. _____

Has the nominee ever been, or is the nominee currently a member of another Rotary Club? _____

Name of Club: _____

Dates of Membership: _____

Please list members of the Rotary Club of Montecito who know this nominee _____

Signed: _____ How long you have known the nominee: _____

Printed: _____ Phone: _____

Additional Family Designee

DESIGNEE'S NAME: _____

Company Name: _____

Title: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Number of years in Santa Barbara/Montecito: _____

Preferred Contact Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

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