



Elkhart Rotary Club Committees

Yearly Committees

Committee: Club History

Description: Inventory Club records, digitize and maintain the history of the Elkhart Rotary Club for orientation materials, website, bulletin, and other uses. Explore adding our club history to the records of the Rotary Global History Fellowship.

Chair:

Members:

Committee: County Road 6 Clean-Up

Description: Manage and clean-up efforts along allotted portions of CR 6, to take place during a Saturday morning in the Spring and in the Fall. Additionally, during various times of the year assist with pulling weeds or planting flowers at Wellfield Botanic Gardens.

Chair: Tom McArthur

Members: Bill Kovach, Dave Lehman, Dawn Fisher, Fran Conner, Glenn Peterson, Jan Farron, Joe Gold, Ken Pletcher, Larry Roberts, Monica Abair, Stan Cohen, Terri Rickel, Tom Eisele

Committee: Donations

Description: Solicit applications and recommend charitable gift awards. Funds obtained from the Sergeant-At-Arms weekly activity.

Chair: Scott Puckett

Members: Carlos Esteves, Dawn Fisher, Dick Koerting, Geoff Church, Jim Rieckhoff, Sherm Hansen

Committee: Foundation Dinner

Description: Responsible for the promotion of the annual Foundation Dinner.

Chair: Linda Rupnow

Members:

Committee: Health & Wellness Center

Description: Responsible for planning and coordinating the club's role in supporting the new Aquatic Center Project in Elkhart.

Chair: Mel Jacobson

Members: Ann McCuiston, Bill Burton, Candy Yoder, Cara Norvell, David Toney, Gail Martin, Howard Edwards, Kathy Grusy, Kay Ball, Mandy Leazenby, Monica Abair, Peter McCown, Peter Norton, Scott Puckett, Sherm Hansen



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Committee: Inductions

Description: Responsible for inducting new members during a club meeting.

Chair: Aileac Deegan, Deb Hall

Members:

Committee: Interact

Description: Interact is Rotary's program for high school students combining social time and service opportunities, including assisting at Taste of the Gardens, Salvation Army bell ringing and Community Beautification. Selected Seniors are invited to participate in a summer service trip to Nosara, Costa Rica, to work in a local lending library.

Chair: Tony Warning

Members: Ashley Molyneaux

Committee: International Service/Project

Description: Develop and work on the club's international project. Recruit Group Study Exchange team leaders and member applicants. Assist in hosting arrangements for GSE guests along with support Vocational Training Teams (VTT) and Rotary Fellowship exchange (RFE) through District 6540.

Chair:

Members: Aileac Deegan, Dawn Fisher

Committee: J & K Kissinger Award

Description: The J & K Kissinger award recognizes a Rotarian from District 6540 for service to Rotary at the district or international level, along with the club level and to the community. Members of the committee will coordinate, solicit and publicize Elkhart Rotary and District for nominations.

Chair: Scott Puckett

Members: Carlos Esteves, Doug Risser

Committee: Member Directory and Club Website

Description: Compile information and photos for all club members, compile club information, publish a printed directory, include directory on website, maintain club website content.

Chair: Greg Anders, Cindy Lindahl

Members:



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Committee: Membership

Description: Assist in recruiting new members and submitting them to the board for approval.

Chair: Merritt Dilts

Members: Dave Gunn, Dave Lehman, David Kline, David Toney, Don Rodda, Don Stohler, Doug Thorne, Jim Rieckhoff, Larry Roberts, Scott Puckett, Shan White, Terri Rickel, Tom Neat, Tom Shoff

Committee: Membership Caring

Description: Communication to membership and individuals who have celebrations to share, visit or calls to membership in hospital or home bound, condolences to membership of family losses and story highlights of how members have been impacted by Rotary. Contact members who miss four or more consecutive meetings

Chair:

Members: Bill Templin, Candy Yoder, Dave Gunn, David Toney, Deb Alwine, Don Stohler, Jan Farron, Kathy Grusy, Leanne McKee, Mick Faloon, Monica Abair, Shan White, Terri Rickel

Committee: Membership Mentoring and New Member Orientation

Description: Provide new members information about Elkhart Rotary and Rotary International to better understand our mission, provide each new member a mentor to answer questions about the club and monitor the new member's progress assimilating into the club. The New Member Club Chair along with the Caring Committee Chair work closely with this committee.

Chair: Doug Risser

Members: Doug Thorne, Howard Edwards, Terri Rickel

Committee: Public Relations

Description: Provide press releases concerning meetings, update the club's Facebook page and/or LinkedIn presence, review our club brochure and forward the same to the Member Directory chair to be placed on the club's web-site.

Chair: Tom Shoff

Members: Anthony Hunt, Brian Smith, Cara Norvell, Eric Garton, Fran Conner, Monica Abair



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Committee: Rotary Foundation & Foundation Scholarships

Description: The Foundation is Rotary's charitable arm and is supported solely by contributions. Through the Foundation, Rotarians advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, education and the alleviation of poverty. This committee also promotes and assists in organizing the Foundation Dinner and Scholarships.

Chair: Doug Risser

Members: Howard Edwards

Committee: RYLA

Description: Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is Rotary's leadership training program for young people. The committee interviews and recruits eight students to participate in RYLA each year.

Chair: Chris Pollock

Members: Dean Bergeman, Deb Hall, Jessica Burbrink, Jim Welsh, Monica Abair, Steve Riikonen

Committee: Salvation Army

Description: Develop and execute a plan to meet our club goal of support for Salvation Army, along with organize bell-ringing and promote financial giving for the Thanksgiving dinner at the Matterhorn.

Chair: Matt Lentsch

Members: Dave Lehman, Ken Pletcher, Monica Abair, Peter Norton, Ron Ringenberg, Terri Rickel

Committee: Sergeant-at-Arms

Description: Raise funds to benefit our charitable causes while providing business professional entertainment, by keeping presentations within the spirit of the Four Way Test.

Chair: Dave Dygert

Members: Bill Rieth, Doug Thorne, Jim Rieckhoff, Kathy Geiger, Matt Lentsch, Peter Norton, Sherm Hansen, Stan Cohen

Committee: Social/Fun

Description: Plan social events for members and guests. Develop a Fifth Mondays program to provide more time for socializing. Programs should be self-sustaining or can be used as a fundraiser.

Chair: Susan Ginther

Members: Fran Conner, JJ Jankowski, Mick Faloon



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Committee: Social Media

Description: Responsible for coordinating and keeping up to date all social media for the club (the club Facebook page in particular). Should work closely with the Public Relations Committee to streamline information that is shared with the general public about Elkhart Rotary and its activities.

Chair: Erin Wagler, Erin Kinzel

Members:

Committee: Strategic Plan

Description: Assist in developing a long-term strategic plan for the club.

Chair: Peter Norton, Erin Wagler

Members: David Toney

Committee: Student Guests

Description: Responsible for coordinating monthly rotation of guest high school students from Elkhart Memorial and Elkhart Central

Chair: Dean Bergeman, Ashley Molyneaux

Members:

Committee: 100 Year Celebration for Elkhart Rotary Club

Description: In 2017, the Club will celebrate their 100 year anniversary.

Members of this committee will initiate and develop the event during the next two years. The event will include bringing in key note speakers.

Chair: Eric Garton, Fran Conner

Members: Cara Norvell, Eric Amt, Erin Kinzel, Linda Rupnow, Scott Puckett

Committee: CARES

Description: CARES is a program of Elkhart Schools to engage caring adult role models who volunteer 30 minutes each week to help a young person succeed in school and in life. The committee will promote and recruit volunteers for CARES.

Chair: Dave Lehman

Members: Carl Risk II, JJ Jankowski, Stu Basquin



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Committee: Fellowship Table/Greeter

Description: Provide greeters to welcome members and guests to every Rotary club meeting. Provides members to work the Fellowship table and keep records of visitors and Rotary Bucks organized and accounted for. Fellowship table workers will also help introduce visitors at each meeting.

Chair: Andrew Harman

Members: Aileac Deegan, Bill Rieth, Bradley Sheppard, Candy Yoder, Cara Norvell, Gail Martin, Howard Edwards, Jim Rieckhoff, Merritt Dilts, Stan Cohen, Terri Rickel, Tom Eisele, Tom McArthur

Committee: Invocation/Pledge/4-Way Test

Description: Provides members to offer the invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, and Rotary 4-Way Test at each meeting.

Chair: Bill Kovach

Members: Bill Rieth, Fran Conner, Mick Faloon, Terri Rickel

Committee: Programs

Description: Arrange weekly club programs that establish Elkhart Rotary as the pre-eminent club in the area, add more presentations by members and Rotary-themed programs

Chair: Peter Norton

Members: Brian Smith, Brian Wiebe, Dean Bergeman, Kurt Janowsky, Stu Barb, Tina Weldy

Committee: Audit and Finance

Description: Prepare Club's tax return and review financial statements as necessary. Serve as a resource for tax and financial questions. Suggest ways to gain efficiency in club financial records.

Chair: Candy Yoder

Members: Carl Risk II, Jason Pippenger, Kathy Sears, Ron Ringenberg, Terri Rickel, Vince Von Der Vellen

Committee: Wellfield Gardens

Description: The committee will maintain the relationship between Elkhart Rotary and Wellfield Botanic Gardens, encouraging members to support the Gardens through membership, financial support, and volunteering. This committee will also assist in organizing, supporting and planning the Taste of the Gardens event.

Chair: Eric Garton

Members: David Toney, Deb Hall, Don Rodda, Eric Amt, Jessica Burbrink, Ken Pletcher, Kurt Janowsky, Linda Rupnow, Ron Ringenberg, Susan King, Terri Rickel, Tina Weldy, Tom Pletcher, Victoria Toney