#### Weekly Meeting

1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month From 6:00 to 7:15 p.m. Cocktails & Appetizers

#### Venue

### 43rd Floor Restaurant

The Wedge Building 1415 Louisiana Street Houston, TX 77002

Free parking after 5:00 p.m.:
Wedge Surface Lot
Louisiana and Clay

ROTARY CLUB OF HOUSTON SKYLINE POTENTIAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION





# **COME JOIN US IN SERVING THE COMMUNITY!**

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.



### ROTARY CLUB OF HOUSTON SKYLINE

#### **Welcome and Introduction Letter**

Spring 2018

#### Potential Rotary Club of Houston Skyline Member,

Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of the Rotary Club of Houston Skyline (RCHS). We are excited you are interested in joining us in serving Houston and international community in a profound way...and have a TON of fun in the process! With your help, we will continue to serve the need for a modern club that better mirrors today's society and brings with it the energy that comes from youth and diversity.

The heart of our club is our service projects, particularly focusing on youth initiatives. RCHS's focus on youth is met by our sponsoring the Interact Club at Carnegie Vanguard High School, in addition to multiple Rotary Ambassadorial Scholars, Rotary World Peace Fellows; and advising/participating with Rotaract, Interact, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA), and Rotary Youth Exchange programs. Additionally, we organize an annual Step Forward Day service project on the second Saturday of each September. An overview of each Step Forward Day project and the full list of our other significant service projects is attached.

We have our regular meetings the  $1^{st}$  and  $3^{rd}$  Tuesday of each month. From 6:00pm-6:15pm, we socialize over drinks and light appetizers. Our program starts at 6:15pm with 15 minutes of club business and activities, then concluded with a 20-30 minute presentation and questions on topics pertinent to our club's membership. Meetings will and must be concluded by 7:15.

The prerequisites and the process for a potential member submitting an application, and the expectations of membership are detailed in the attached Information Sheet.

Our website is www.rotaryhoustonskyline.org and we maintain updated info on our Facebook Group.

Service and Fellowship in the City, we would love to have you come join us!

Sincerely,

Sanjay Sharma, President 2017-2018 *Rotary Club of Houston Skyline* 



#### **Information Sheet**

The Rotary Club of Houston Skyline was chartered on June 24, 2008. The club meets the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m., at the 43<sup>rd</sup> Floor Restaurant in the Wedge Building at 1415 Louisiana, Houston, Texas, participates in a service project the second Tuesday of each month, and hosts a Tap Into Rotary social at a local bar/restaurant the last Tuesday of each month.

Rotary is an organization of business and professional women and men united worldwide who provide humanitarian services, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build good will and peace in the world. Rotary International (R.I.) was founded in 1905 by Paul Harris, in Chicago, Illinois. It has grown to include more than 31,000 clubs with a membership of well over 1.2+ million Rotarians in 166 countries.

### Pre-Requisites for Submitting a Membership Application

- Pay \$100 application fee (waived for transferring Rotarians)
- Meet with Rotary Skyline member (coffee, lunch, drinks) outside of Rotary Skyline event
- Visit another Rotary club meeting
- Attend 3 Rotary Skyline events (regular club meetings, service project, social, fundraiser), including at least one service project
- Attend potential member meeting with sponsoring member and member of Rotary Skyline Membership Committee

Once the pre-requisites are met, a potential member must be formally proposed to Rotary Skyline's Board by a RCHS sponsoring member. Rotary Skyline's accepts membership applications on a rolling basis, but generally only reviews applications at its regular board meetings — usually taking place on the first Tuesday of the month. Upon review of credentials (resume and membership application) may be accepted by the Board and will be eligible for full membership of Rotary International upon installation.

#### **Expectations of Membership**

- Pay semiannual dues that are currently \$400 per year (\$200 payable on each of Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> & July 1<sup>st</sup>)
  - o Rotary Skyline does not have a weekly meeting fee
- Complete Rotary Skyline's new membership red badge program within 3 months of start of membership
- Make a good faith effort to attend at least 2 Rotary Skyline events a month
- Participate in all club fundraisers
- Help plan, organize, or operate at least one club service project and participate in 20 hours of service per Rotary year
- Members are to aspire to leadership or committee roles within their clubs and are required to join a committee. The club will have the following committees: Service, Membership, Public Relations, Rotary Foundation, and Administration.

Additional Rotary Skyline information can be obtained at <a href="https://www.rotaryhoustonskyline.org">www.rotaryhoustonskyline.org</a>, and Rotary information can be obtained from the R.I. web site at <a href="https://www.rotary.org">www.rotary.org</a>.



#### ROTARY CLUB OF HOUSTON SKYLINE

#### **Committee Information**

The Rotary Club of Houston Skyline has established five standing committees: Administration, Membership, Service, Rotary Foundation, and Public Relations. The club requires that all members join a committee. The following are brief descriptions of the club committees:

#### Administration

This committee will conduct activities associated with the effective operation of the club. This includes planning of weekly speakers.

### **Membership**

This committee will develop and implement a comprehensive plan for recruitment and retention of members.

# **Rotary Foundation**

This committee will develop and implement plans to support the Rotary Foundation through both financial contributions and program participation, as well as educating the club what the Rotary Foundation is doing.

# **Public Relations/Socials Planning**

This committee will develop and implement plans to provide the public with information about Rotary and to promote the club's service projects and social activities. Duties of this committee include, but are not limited to: planning club socials, updating of the club website on a regular basis, maintaining positive news media relations, and seeking publicity for successful service projects.

#### Service

This committee will develop and implement club, vocational, community, and international projects that address the needs of its community and communities in other countries.

#### Youth

Will direct RCHS' efforts in supporting and leading District 5890's various youth programs including Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA), Rotary Youth Exchange, Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships, and partnering with Rotaract clubs.