# Welcome to The Rotary Club of Fairlawn

#### History

Originally charted as The Rotary Club of Bath, Ohio on April 9, 1964, we serve the communities of Bath, Richfield, Fairlawn and Copley. Fourteen years later, the club was renamed the Rotary Club of Northwest Summit County. In 2007, the club moved its meeting place to Fairlawn Country Club and, although still serving the same communities, the name was simplified to the Rotary Club of Fairlawn.

#### Meetings

The Club meets at 7:30 a.m. each Wednesday at Fairlawn Country Club. The meeting begins with a buffet breakfast, followed by general remarks by the president, and a program by a guest speaker.

#### **Member Responsibilities**

Members are expected to:

- Regularly attend club meetings
- Coordinate a guest speaker as scheduled
- Honor quarterly financial commitments including dues, fees, and meal costs
- Buy 4 tickets to our main annual fundraiser
- Contribute time and/or donations to club's fundraising efforts
- Serve on committees, service projects, and Board assignments
- Attend the Annual Installation Dinner

Support of the Rotary Foundation is voluntary. The Club currently matches the first \$50 you donate each year. We hope you will generously support this program.

#### **Community Service**

The members of the Club are committed to the ideals upon which Rotary was founded:

#### Service Above Self

Together, members join in fellowship to serve the community by improving the lives and livelihood of others. Some examples of the Club's activities and commitments are listed below.

Fundraising proceeds allow us to give a helping hand up to those less fortunate in our community and internationally. Currently, our main fundraiser is an annual Speakeasy Charity Casino Night.

Local education projects include or have included scholarships, tutoring K-3 kids with reading, after school computer programming classes, speaking to high school students about our professions and judging in a Business Plan Competition at a local high school.

We provide and deliver over fifty 'food baskets' every December to local needy families.

Our Board of Directors reviews grant requests semi-annually that support club projects and local non-profit organizations

#### **Object of Rotary**

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 by 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 of fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

#### **Membership in Rotary**

Each member shall be an adult of good character and good business or professional reputation meeting the qualifications of the Rotary Club of Fairlawn Membership Policy.

For more information visit: www.fairlawnrotary.com

## The Rotary Club of Fairlawn Membership Application

| Name:   |
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| Occupation:   |
| Business Name:  |
| Business Address:   |
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| Business Phone:   |
| E-mail:   |
| Residence Address:  |
| Residence Phone:  |
| Date of Birth:  |
| Previous Rotary Club:   |
| I, the undersigned, being familiar with the requirements for, and conditions of membership as explained in this brochure and contained in the Rotary Club of Fairlawn Membership Policy, hereby make application for:   Active Member, under the classification of: |
| I understand that it will be my duty, if accepted, to exemplify the object of Rotary in all my daily contacts and activities, and to abide by the constitutional documents and membership policy.   |
| Applicant Signature:  |
| Date:   |
| Sponsor's Signature:  |
| Date:   |

### SUMMARY OF THE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS

(Article XI of the Amended Bylaws of the Rotary Club of Fairlawn)

**Section 1:** The name of a prospective member, sponsored by an active member of the club, shall be submitted to the board in writing, through the club secretary or other officer of the club. For the time being, the application shall be kept confidential except as otherwise provided in this procedure.

**Section 2:** The board shall ensure that the application meets all the classification and membership requirements of the club constitution.

**Section 3:** The board shall approve or disapprove the application within 15 days of its submission, and shall notify the sponsor, through the club secretary or other officer of the club, of its decision.

**Section 4:** If the decision of the board is favorable, the prospective member shall be informed of the purposes of Rotary, and of the privileges and responsibilities of membership, following which the prospective member shall be requested to sign the membership application form, along with their sponsor, and to permit his/her name and proposed classification to be published to the club.

**Section 5:** If no written objection to the application, stating reasons, is received by the board from any active member of the club within seven days following publication of information about the prospective member, that person... shall be considered to be elected to membership.

# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION





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