# Lakewood Rocky River Sunrise Rotary

## July 2019 / 2020 Fiscal Year

## What is Rotary?

Rotary is an organization of business and professional leaders united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world. In 166 countries worldwide, approximately 1.2 million Rotarians belong to more than 31,000 Rotary clubs. Your membership makes you part of the largest service organization in the world with over 1.6 million members and puts you in immediate fellowship with Rotarian's worldwide. In addition, your membership provides opportunities for fellowship with service-focused local business and civic leaders and a number of retired persons with great local credentials.

## Lakewood Rocky River Sunrise Club Vision:

Our Vision: Offer members the opportunity to participate in local and international service projects that advance goodwill and peace around the world.

## Rotary 4 Way Test

The Four-Way Test is a nonpartisan and nonsectarian ethical guide for Rotarians to use for their personal and professional relationships. The test has been translated into more than 100 languages, and Rotarians recite it at club meetings:
Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

## Club Back Ground

The Lakewood Rocky River Sunrise Rotary was chartered May 12, 2007 by a half a dozen or so former members of the Lakewood Rocky River Noon Club. The decision to start a morning club was driven in large measure by member’s work schedules. We currently have a little over 40 members of which 40% are female and our age demographic is lower than most clubs.

## Meetings

The Club meets Wednesday mornings from 7:15 to 8:30 AM at the Don Umerley Civic Center in Rocky River. Our meetings are a mix of speakers presenting general interest topics and once per month a Club Assembly to chat about our club's various activities. Club assembly days permit us to break out into the various avenues of service and build our schedule of outside activities. Your active participation in our meetings and projects is expected and encouraged.

## Additional Time Commitments

We are engaged in many local projects in Lakewood and Rocky River communities. Some of our typical local projects are listed on the attached calendar. We are also involved in larger international projects through our area cluster of Clubs and our District. You are encouraged to pick at least one area of service to be actively engaged in and to support the annual Rotary Auction Fundraiser. If there are other humanitarian service areas you are interested in, the Club encourages you to bring this passion to the group to see how it can be supported.

## Financial Commitment

* Annual club dues $260.00 (invoices to be emailed to you)
* Encouraged to make an annual donation to Rotary International Foundation (Every Rotary, Every Year) $100 It is suggested you make this donation on your birthday
* Encouraged to make an annual donation to Polio Plus $50
* Weekly meetings $5.00 which covers our morning breakfast
* Weekly Happy Basket $1.00 or more depending on how happy you are

## Where does your Membership Fee Go?

## The club pays $140 annually to Rotary International. The remaining $120 collected per member supports: rental of the meeting space, supplies, badges, ClubRunner (internet fees) and a few miscellaneous expenses. The Rotary Auction Fundraiser earns the money used to support the youth and other club opportunities.

## Club Resources

Website posting schedules, membership directory and links to other Rotary sites: https://lrrsunriserotary.org/ Make sure to ask for your login- information.

## Membership Process

* Complete the application form – you can get one at the check in desk, and turn it in to any member. They will get it to a board member who will route it around for review.
* Your application will be voted on – don’t worry, if we invited you here, we want you in the club.
* A "formal" induction process occurs at a meeting, where you receive you name badge and are welcomed to Rotary by the current Assistant Governor for our district.
* You will be entered into ClubRunner and begin getting emails (and an invoice when they are produced) and have access to all the Rotary International / District content.
* You will be asked to breakfast, or something, by the member who invited you and a member of the board where they will answer questions and assist you getting engaged in the club’s activities.
* The entire process is about a two-months. During this time you are encouraged to come to meetings, social activities and join in service activities while the process is underway or while you consider joining

# Rotary Club of Lakewood & Rocky River Sunrise

## Service & Social Opportunities July 2019 / 2020

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|  | **Activity** | **Primary Contact** |
| **Weekly** | Wednesday morning meetings at the Don Umerley Civic Center in Rocky River | Club President |
| Friday evenings year around Bread Pick Up at Breadsmith in Lakewood | Bill Gaydos |
| **Monthly** | LHS Interact Club Meetings – looking for LHS contact to restart these |
| Lutheran West Interact Club Meeting | Kathy Berkshire |
| Harrison Elementary School read to students | Patty Boesken |
| RR Assistance Pack & Sort | Jim Rowe |
| **2019: July 31, Oct 30****2020: Jan 29, April 29** | Fifth Wednesday of the month evening social (no morning meeting) | Barbara Demko-Werner |

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|  | **Activity** | **Primary Contact** |
| **July/August** | Lake Erie Crushers Outing | Kathy Berkshire |
| **August** | Shoe Boxes | Bill Gaydos |
| Trails for Hope – bag packing 1stSaturday | Jason Pickering |
| Golf Outing | Gordon Geiger |
| Lakewood Arts Festival | Kathy Berkshire |
| Clambake | Noon Club |
| Exchange Student arrives | Marty Harris |
| **September** | Rocky River Arts Festival | Kathy Berkshire |
| Beck Center Outdoor Fall Clean Up | Bill Gaydos |
| **October** | Trials for Hope – bag packing | Jason Pickering  |
| Broestl & Wallace Jewelry Raffle | Larry Faulhaber |
| Food Packaging & Distribution | LCAC – Bill Gaydos |
| **November** | Polar Express, Elf Night | Marty Harris |
| Food Packaging & Distribution | LCAC – Bill Gaydos |
| **December** | Christmas Sing Along with Charles Eversole & Breakfast social | Barbara Demko-Werner |
| Christmas Gifts for RR Assistance | Kathy Bershire |
| **January** | Trials for Hope – bag packing 1stSaturday | Jason Pickering |
| **February** | Work Ethics Awards | Carol Barrett |
| **March** | Lakewood Community Leaders Breakfast  | Kathy Berkshire |
| **April/May** | Beck Center Grounds Clean up | Bill Gaydos |
| Annual Fund Raiser May 1st 2020 | All Hands On Deck |
| Rocky River Vegetable Garden project | Chuck Drumm |
| Trials for Hope – bag packing, 1stSaturday in May | Jason Pickering & Carol Barrett |
| **June** | Club Charter Night Gathering | Club President |
| **TBD** | Meal at Laura’s home | Marty Harris |

# Avenues of Service

For years, Rotary’s commitment to: Service Above Self, has been channeled through the Avenues of Service, which form the foundation of club activity. You are encouraged to choose one of the following Avenues of Service to work on:

## Club Service – Chair: President Elect (TBD)

Club Service focuses on strengthening fellowship and ensuring the effective functioning of the club. Includes membership, public relations, speakers, social events, i.e. the general operation of the club.

## Vocational Service – Chair: Carol Barrett

Vocational Serviceencourages Rotarians to serve others through their vocations and to practice high ethical standards.  Currently our club supports the Lakewood Chamber in the presentation of the Work Ethic Award to students enrolled in the West Shore Career Tech Program and schedules members to speak about their vocational path at a weekly meeting.

## Community Service – Chair: Bill Gaydos

Community Servicecovers the projects and activities the club undertakes to improve life in its community. A wide variety of projects and activities supported.

## International Service – Chair: Todd Kiick

International Serviceencompasses actions taken to expand Rotary’s humanitarian reach around the globe and to promote world understanding and peace. Rotarians can support International Service by sponsoring a project in another country, seeking international project partners to support projects in their own communities, or by personally volunteering at an international project site.

## New Generation – Chair: Marty Harris

Youth Service recognizes the positive change implemented by youth and young adults through leadership development activities as [RYLA](http://www.rotary.org/en/studentsandyouth/youthprograms/rotaryyouthleadershipawards%28ryla%29/Pages/ridefault.aspx), [Rotaract](http://www.rotary.org/en/StudentsAndYouth/YouthPrograms/Rotaract/Pages/ridefault.aspx) and [Interact](http://www.rotary.org/en/StudentsAndYouth/YouthPrograms/Interact/Pages/ridefault.aspx), service projects, and creating international understanding with [Rotary Youth Exchange](http://www.rotary.org/en/StudentsAndYouth/YouthPrograms/RotaryYouthExchange/Pages/ridefault.aspx).