### How can I become a member?

Clubs accept new members by invitation. To help us find the right club for you, we'll ask you a few questions about yourself and your interests. Then we'll share your answers with Rotary leaders in your community who will match you with a club.

### What are the benefits?

Becoming a Rotary member connects you with a diverse group of professionals who share your drive to give back. Through regular meetings and events, you'll:

- Discuss your community's needs and develop creative ways to meet them
- Connect with other leaders who are changing the world
- Expand your leadership and professional skills
- Catch up with good friends and meet new ones

### Other benefits of membership include:

The **Rotary International Convention** is our biggest event of the year. Rotary members from more than 130 countries meet at the convention each year to celebrate our successes and make plans for the future.

<u>Rotary Fellowships</u> give members the chance to join a group of people who share similar interests, hobbies, or vocations. Some groups use their fellowship to make a positive difference.

<u>Rotarian Action Groups</u> unite Rotary members, family members, program participants and alumni who share their expertise in particular fields by collaborating with clubs and districts on projects.

### What's expected of me?

As a club member, you will be asked to:

- Pay club dues
- Attend meetings and events
- Use your professional skills and talents to make a difference

### **Rotaract and Interact clubs**

If you're between the ages of 12 and 18, you may be interested in joining an Interact club, a service club for youth. If you're a young professional, at least 18 years old, you may be interested in joining a Rotaract club. Like Rotary clubs, Rotaract and Interact clubs give their members the chance to make friends, develop leadership skills, and create positive change. Learn more about **Rotaract** and **Interact** clubs.

## THE EARLY RISER





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THE ROTARY 4 WAY TEST

First: Is it the TRUTH?

Second: Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Third: Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Fourth: Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



#### ROTARY PRAYER

Oh Lord, and giver of all good, we thank Thee for our daily food.

May Rotary friends and Rotary ways, help to serve Thee all of our days.

# THE ROTARY CLUB OF WICHITA FALLS NORTH



### 2024-25 R.I. President and D5790 Governor:

President of Rotary International: Stephanie Urchick 5790 District Governor: Andy Eads

THE ROTARY CLUB OF WICHITA FALLS (NORTH), TEXAS

President: Matthew Milhollon

Website: www.wichitafallsnorthrotaryclub.org

### **FUTURE PROGRAM ASSIGNMENTS**

December 13 Cindy Noe, Ex. Director, Rolling Meadows ~ Linda Sheriff
December 16 Rotary North Christmas Party at Troy and Jeani Secord's
December 20Board Meeting
December 27 CANCELLED FOR THE HOLIDAYS
January 3George Getschow and Kathy Floyd
from the Larry McMurtry Literary Center ~ Tom Sheriff
January 10 Phil Waggoner
January 17Board Meeting
January 24 Clint Wood
January 31 Joe Clement
February 7Julie Day
February 14Mike Crocker
February 21 Board Meeting
February 28 Brandy Fields

### NEWS FROM OUR LAST CLUB MEETING HELD AT THE HAMPTON:

The Rotary Prayer and the pledges were led by President Matt.

Our special guest last week was Cole Henson. Cole is a former resident of Wichita Falls. He currently is an architect with SLA Associates.

An 80<sup>th</sup> birthday was announced for Bill Neale. Congratulations!

The Brag bucket was fed by Linda, Troy and Brandy.

Brandy was given the privilege of 2 minutes on the Rotary North Hot Seat!



Brandy on the Hot Seat

It was announced that Julie and Lisa Graff would be appearing on KFDX on behalf the upcoming Rotary Canned Food Drive. They did a great job!

President Matt introduced Dirk Welch, an MSU faculty member and The MSU Fantasy of Lights chair person, as our weekly club program. Dirk informed the club about the history of the Fantasy of Lights as well as the current happenings with the Fantasy of Lights.



Dirk Welch and President Matt.

The raffle raised \$22.00 and Linda was the lucky winner. Linda drew the 2 of hearts (about as far away from the ace of clubs as you can get) for a \$5.00 prize. I this week's lucky raffle winner draws the ace of spades they will win  $$162.00 + \frac{1}{2}$  of what is raised today. GOOD LUCK!

### **NEWS FROM ROTARY INTERNATIONAL:**

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Impact starts with our members — people like you who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

At club meetings in communities across the globe, our people of action come together to strengthen their connections to friends and neighbors and their commitment to improving lives.

### Who can join?

We're looking for people who want to give back to their communities. Rotary clubs also welcome Rotaractors, Rotary Peace Fellows, and other members of the family of Rotary who qualify for membership.