

Frequently Asked Questions about Dues Statements

Who should the check be written to?

Checks for dues must be written to **The Rotary Club of Omaha**. The Rotary Club of Omaha can also act as an agent in collecting funds for your other donations. You do not have to write separate checks to be able to record your deductible contributions.

Tax Receipts

Tax receipts are e-mailed from our office in January for all contributions made in the current calendar year for donations to the Service Fund and the Downtown Foundation. Tax receipts for contributions made to Rotary International are sent from RI directly to your address on file.

Can I pay with a credit card? Can I pay quarterly or monthly?

Using PayPal, you can pay for any of the fees or donations at www.omaharotary.org/dues, but there is a convenience charge of 3% + \$0.30 for paying with a credit card. You can also arrange to pay quarterly or monthly through PayPal.

When is the annual dues payment due?

The club would appreciate your response by June 1, but your payment – or pledge to pay – is due by June 20th. Any member not pledging by June 20th may have their membership terminated. Your dues are considered past due if not received by July 31 unless other arrangements have been made. Dues not paid by this date are subject to a 1% late fee each month.

What if I no longer want to be a member?

To terminate your membership in the Rotary Club of Omaha, you must submit your request to resign in writing to the club president or executive director. The resignation shall be accepted by the board if the member has no indebtedness to this club. Nonpayment of dues will eventually terminate your membership, but you will incur a minimum of 6 months of dues if your written termination is not received before June 20th.

Where is FastPass? To eliminate confusion, we've taken off FastPass from the Dues statement. Just contact the office if you want to re-fill your FastPass balance. Prepaying into this account would pay the balance of your lunch costs at any club function. **This is not the same as the prepaid lunch fee** which reduces the price members pay for lunch and no-lunch options.

Questions about Donations

Where are the donations that are usually on the dues statement? The donations for the Service Fund and Rotary International have been moved to a Charitable Statement that will be sent in the fall. For more information on donations, go to www.omaharotary.org/give.

It seems like most weeks, people are fined for good news or for other reasons. How are the fines used?

The practice of fining people for good news dates back to the 1920s. Most Rotarians go about their "Service Above Self" personal projects without drawing attention to them, but if you do, an extra fine is paid. This fine also goes to the Service Fund projects.

Don't my dues cover my obligation to Rotary International? Why should I pay more?

Part of your dues are paid to Rotary International, and most of this goes towards supporting the clubs with literature, speakers, and web site information. The charitable works that Rotary International does are supported with the extra donations by Rotarians. Fifty percent of your donation is returned to the District to sponsor local projects. Each Rotarian is asked to donate \$100 each and every year. When you do, you will receive recognition as a Paul Harris Sustaining Member. Members who donate \$1000 are recognized as Paul Harris Fellows. You can be a multiple Paul Harris Fellow—don't just stop at the first level. For more information, see www.rotary.org.