



Palo Alto Rotary Club
 Blue Badge Requirements
 Updated 01/01/2026



Welcome! You are now a full member of the Palo Alto Rotary Club (PARC).

Your first six months are an opportunity to get acquainted with the work of our club and of Rotary International. After you have completed the six mandatory activities and six optional activities (described below), you will have earned your Blue Badge.

Blue Badge Coordinator, Linnet Kwok: linnetkwok@hotmail.com

is available to assist you, along with your Sponsor. When you have completed your activities to earn your Blue Badge, please let Kristina know. Your Blue Badge will be ordered and presented to you at a Club meeting.

Mandatory Requirements for New Rotary Club Members:

In any order, please complete all five of the items listed here and mark with an X.

Mark X = Completed	Mandatory Activities (Complete All)	Contact/Comments
	Six months or more as a Member in good standing	From the time of your joining
	Attend a Red Badge Club Orientation meeting	Blue Badge Coordinator will schedule
	Serve on at least one committee of your choice	Ask your Sponsor or Blue Badge Coordinator for advice
	Participate in a Rotary sponsored service project	Contact Eric Jensen erichorjensen@gmail.com
	Give a brief personal history at a meeting – called a New Member talk	Steve Emslie, semslie@gmail.com , will contact you to arrange a date for your talk

Additional Requirements for New Rotary Club Members:

In any order, please also complete any six of the optional items listed below.

Mark X = Completed	Optional Activities (From entire list, select six to complete)	Contact/Comments
	Becoming Acquainted with Club Members	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Give Opening Remarks at a Club meeting 	Contact Eric Jensen: erichorjensen@gmail.com
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participate in two (2) monthly “Coffee/Zoom with a Rotarian” meet-ups 	Contact Dana Tom: dana@danatom.com
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Serve as a Greeter at two weekly Club meetings 	Contact Rebecca Gerald: winterskeeper@gmail.com



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Additional Selection of Optional Activities for New Rotary Club Members (Continued)		
Mark X = Completed	Optional Activities (Continued) (From entire list, select six to complete)	Contact/Comments
	Understanding Club Operations	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend a monthly Board of Directors meeting, usually the 2nd Wed. of every month 	Contact Secretary Ginny Lear vklear9@gmail.com
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend a quarterly Endowment Board meeting 	Contact Chair Tim Watson: timmyjwatson@gmail.com
	Understanding ROTARY: Becoming Involved in Club Activities	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend a Club Social Event 	Information available at meetings or on Club website (Home Page Rotary Club of Palo Alto (rotarypaloalto.org))
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bring a guest to a Club meeting – perhaps a family member or a potential member 	Consider who might enjoy learning more about Rotary and our programs
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend any District-sponsored Rotary meeting or event 	Information available at meetings or on District website: Home Page District 5170 (rotarydistrict5170.org)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend another Rotary Club meeting, locally or anywhere you travel 	Download Rotary Club Locator app to find a club near you
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete the 20-minute online Youth Protection Awareness Training 	Contact Ben Threlkeld for online access & directions: benthrelk@gmail.com
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend Gunn High School Interact meeting 	Contact Rotary/Interact liaison:, Pam Krudop: pamelakrudop@gmail.com

Once you have completed your Mandatory Requirements and six of the Optional Requirements, please let the Blue Badge Coordinator know so she can order your Blue Badge and arrange to have you presented with your Blue Badge at an upcoming meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact the Blue Badge Coordinator, your Sponsor, or your Rotary Buddy.

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26-27 Blue Badge Coordinator is Kristina Lugo: klugo@avenidas.org



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Mandatory Requirements for Members Returning to Palo Alto Rotary or Moving from another Rotary Club:
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These items are suggested but optional.

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Once you have completed your five Mandatory Requirements, please let the Blue Badge Coordinator* know so she can order your Blue Badge and arrange to have you presented with your Blue Badge at an upcoming meeting.

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