



Red Badge Program



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

Rotary Is an International Organization

Paul P. Harris, our founder, organized the first Rotary Club in Chicago in 1905. This club met in rotation at the offices of the members, thus the name Rotary. There are now more than 35,000 Rotary Clubs internationally. Worldwide we have over 530 districts in over 200 countries. The world is divided into territories known as Rotary Districts with which the clubs are associated. The Evergreen Club is in District 5450, which is comprised of about 2,900 Rotarians in 61 clubs. The District is bounded by Longmont to the north, Brush and Fort Morgan to the east, Castle Rock to the south and Grand and Summit Counties to West. A President governs Rotary International with a board of directors elected from all over the world. Annually, each District elects a District Governor, and each club elects its officers and directors.

ROTARY MEMBERSHIP

Participation

To be a Rotarian, we encourage you to give your time, talents, and sometimes financial support to the following:

- International projects
- Community work
- Social functions
- Club and District activities and service work

The President and President-Elect are elected by the membership. All other members of the Board of Directors are selected by the President-Elect prior to assuming the office of President. The Board of Directors conduct the general business of our club. Our president, with the approval of the Board of Directors, makes committee chair appointments based upon the Five Avenues of Service: **Club Service, Community Service, Vocational Service, International Service, and Youth Service.** *We encourage you to participate in one of the Avenues of Service.* This helps you get to know the club and others in the club to get to know you.

The Evergreen Rotary Club Objective in Five Avenues of Service

First and foremost, we encourage you to get involved and have fun! Our objective is based on the ideal that service is a worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage, foster, and implement this within the five avenues of service listed below: while at the same time, having lots of fun and fellowship.

1. **Club Service** – The foundation of Evergreen Rotary is club service. It is club service that makes the Rotary wheel turn, assuring that all club members work well together.
2. **Community Service** – Community service focuses on the local mountain community known as Evergreen, Colorado. Examples of past and continuing community service projects include Recycle Roundup, Rotary Wildfire Readiness, Road Warriors (cleanup), Thanksgiving Dinner for Seniors, Salvation Army bell ringers, and Imagination Library.
3. **Vocational Service** – The mission of the Vocational Service Committee is to raise the awareness and financial support of businesses Owned/Operated/Worked at by Rotary Club of Evergreen members which adhere to the 4-Way Test of Rotary. Previous and continuing goals and initiatives include the Ethics in Business Award, Career Day in local schools, Vocational 2 minutes at each Rotary meeting, and speed networking events.
4. **International Service** – International service focuses on the betterment of individuals' lives throughout the world through hands-on, boots-on-the-ground projects. While there is certainly money involved, Evergreen Rotary (and Rotary International) has learned that handouts don't work. A hand up, does. In all Evergreen Rotary projects, there is an emphasis on the long-term sustainability of the project by the local community.
5. **Youth Service** - Recognizes the positive change implemented by youth and young adults through leadership development activities such as RYLA, Rotaract, and Interact, youth service projects, and creating international understanding with Rotary Youth Exchange.

For all the avenues of service above there are an ever-growing list of club sponsored service projects. For the most up to date information please visit the website at <https://www.evergreenrotary.org/>

Attendance

There was a time many years ago that Rotary required at least 60% attendance of weekly meetings either at your club or through making up meetings at other Rotary clubs around the United States and the world. That is no more. We consider anywhere we meet with other Rotarians as a meeting. This could be a Dine Around, Rowdy Rotarians, Club Service project, etc. While Rotary encourages you to make as many meetings as you can, there is no meeting attendance requirement.

Making Up Meetings

You can make up a missed meeting any time two weeks prior or two weeks after the missed meeting by attending the meeting of another club (or attend a Dine Around as an example). ***Rotary has a phone App that makes it very easy to find and get to a club near you.*** In the App store, type in Rotary Club Locator and it should be obvious. This App will literally talk you to the door of the meeting. Try it some time when traveling. It's fun!

There are several other ways you can make-up a meeting:

- Participating in an eClub meeting on-line (<https://www.rotaryclubone.org/>).
- Attending, at the direction of the club, a regular meeting of an Interact Club or provisional Interact Club.
- Attending a Rotary International Convention or a select International, Regional, or District Conference or Assembly.
- Attending a committee meeting of one of the five avenues of service.

The Evergreen Rotary Club is very liberal in what it will accept as a make-up. Any two full hours spent on Rotary business, whether it's a committee meeting, volunteering outside of the club, or attending Rotary functions, can count as a make-up.

To receive credit for a make-up, you must notify the Assistant Secretary. You can obtain a make-up form at the front table before any meeting. If you don't have a makeup form, just use any piece of paper or an email to the Assistant Secretary to record the event, with your name, date of service, and name of club or event attended.

Types of membership

There are two types of membership in the Evergreen Rotary Club.

1. Active

Member pays all dues, expenses, and meal fees at monthly invoicing. Rule of 85 – A member shall be deemed to have met the Rule of 85 when he or she has been a member in this club or another club for a combine total of at least 20 years, and his or her combined age and years of membership exceeds 85. These members can voluntarily petition the Board for Exempt status, and if granted, meal fees can be paid at the door. Members pay all dues and expenses at monthly invoicing.

2. Honorary

Non-voting members elected because of distinguished service in furthering Rotary as an organization. They must be re-elected annually for membership. Honorary membership follows the current board term and must be reinstated by the successor Board of Directors. Honorary members pay no dues or meal fees.

Spouses of existing Evergreen Rotary Club members, that become Rotary members themselves, shall be charged less than the regular member dues.

What is included with your annual membership dues to the Rotary Club of Evergreen?

(We host approximately 46 separate weeks of club sponsored programs & events, which include:

- On most Fridays, our club provides inspirational speakers for our members’ personal and professional development during our morning meetings.
- We host evening social meetings that include food, fellowship, and networking opportunities for our members.
- Our club provides 3 annual dinner party events to promote friendship and celebration with their fellow Rotarians.
- You will have unlimited opportunities to participate in local & international service project, youth & vocational programs, and many options for leadership roles within our club.
- Your club dues will connect you to our local Rotary District 5450 and Rotary International. This connection offers you unlimited affiliation to leadership, professional and personal growth experiences locally and worldwide.

Your Financial Commitment of Rotary Membership

(Invoiced Monthly by Auto Withdrawal)

Regular membership.	\$36.00
Spouse regular membership.	\$18.00

Dues cost basis includes: all building use fees, club operations expenses, Friday morning meetings, evening social meetings, 3 dinner party events and Rotary District 5450 & Rotary International dues. Members are always welcome to bring guests to any of our club meetings and events (guests fees may apply).

The above is a combination of Rotary International dues, Rotary District 5450 dues, and Evergreen Rotary Club commitment. The Evergreen Rotary Club commitment covers general administrative expenses, the meeting room facilities, and approximately 46 meetings per year where there is typically some combination of food and drink (the pandemic has required flexibility with the food/drinks and dues have adjusted accordingly).

The Rotary fiscal year runs from July 1 through June 30. To keep accounting and billing costs to a minimum, we request that the monthly amount be by auto-withdrawal from your bank account or a credit card recurring monthly event. There is a form you must fill out to authorize the recurring billing.

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In addition to club dues and meals, all Rotarians are strongly encouraged to support both the Rotary (International) Foundation and the Evergreen Rotary Foundation through regular contributions. (This is completely up to you). Automatic monthly or quarterly debits from your bank account for this purpose can be easily arranged. Check the "Donate" tab on the website for more information.

Ways to Support the Rotary International and Evergreen Rotary Foundations

There are numerous ways to support our local Evergreen Rotary Foundation, a 501(c)(3) charity and the Rotary International Foundation, also a 501(c)(3). Note that some of these avenues are at no cost to you. Below are some examples:

Quarterly Donations – talk to the treasurer about setting up quarterly donations to either or both foundations
King Soopers – If you have a King Soopers/City Market value card, you can create an account and tie your card to The Evergreen Rotary Foundation.
Smile.Amazon.Com – Do you make purchases of www.amazon.com ? If you do, a portion of your purchase can be given to the Evergreen Rotary Foundation. Go to smile.amazon.com, locate the Evergreen Rotary Foundation, and ask that a portion of qualifying purchases be donated to the Foundation. Then, go to smile.amazon.com every time you shop on Amazon so that your purchases qualify. You must start at smile.amazon.com. This is at no cost to you.
Mardi Gras Party/fundraiser. The Mardi Gras fundraiser is specific to the Evergreen Rotary Foundation. Watch your emails for more information.
Planned Giving Drive – write a check. In November of each year, the club encourages you to donate.
Valentines Gifts – Kimra Perkins usually puts together Valentine’s Day gifts that can be purchase for \$25. Typically, these are mugs or small vases filled with goodies.
April MAHGS – Mountain Area Home & Garden Show - We’re building community in the foothills through showcasing local Business, Artisans and Non-Profits.
Evergreen Recycle Day in Honor of Mereth Meade - Evergreen Rotary Club hosts this annual fall event to help local citizens dispose of hard to recycle items. Most items are free. Donations are welcome!
Rotary Dine Around - Great way for new members to get to know others in the Club in a small, informal setting
Rowdy Rotarians – A super monthly very informal gathering around local restaurants, brew pubs and any place that will have us. We are pretty rowdy!
Evergreen Chamber of Commerce Membership – Annually we have 1 membership for the Evergreen Rotary that allows us to support and join in on Evergreen Chamber events.
RYLA & Interact – Start them young! We want to support out local youth, so we are very involved in Evergreen Schools starting at the Middle School level. The RYLA camps are a fantastic way to get kids engaged and more importantly build leadership, mentorships, and lifelong relationships with our rewarding.

Rotary Clubs in District 5450

Please download and use the Rotary App for your smart phone. Search on “rotary club locator”.

Here is a link to the complete list: <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/50085/clubdirectory/>

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Red Badge Program Requirements

Red Badge is a Rotary program designed to integrate new members into the Evergreen Club. Requirements necessary for graduation from the Red Badge program, with persons to contact:

Completed	Requirement
	Serve as Club Greeter
	Participate in one of the "Five Avenues of Service" Committees. Volunteering is a great way to get engaged in the 5 avenues of service.
	Attend a club board meeting
	Visit another club
	Be an inducted member in good standing.
	Edit/enter your personal information on the club website
	Participate in one outside club social activity -n Rowdy Rotarians, Dine Around's, etc.
	Review Evergreen Rotary Board Members- https://admin.clubrunner.ca/6857/ClubExecutive/List

A **Club Service** activity is something specific to the Club Service avenue.

<http://www.evergreenrotary.org/SitePage/club-service-committee>. This list is not exhaustive. For example, volunteering to sit at the front table and check in guests is a Club Service activity as is attending an Evergreen Chamber mixer under the Rotary membership. Please keep your Mentor informed about activities for which you would like credit toward graduation as you complete them.

The above list is not a hard and fast list. If for some reason you cannot accomplish one of the items or feel like your current involvement has integrated you into the Club, please talk to your mentor or the Red Badge Chair.

Important Information

To serve as a Club Greeter, you must arrive at a regular Friday morning meeting sometime before 6:45 am, so you can greet people as they come in the door. The first two persons to ask to be a Greeter before that time will be granted the privilege, so make sure to get there early.

The Evergreen Rotary Board of Directors meets once per month at 6:00 pm (usually) on the third Thursday of the month (usually). The location and time of the meeting can vary by month, so please consult with a Board member or the club President before attending a meeting. Currently, the meeting is typically at the El Rancho Brewery.

Electronic/fax communications. Evergreen Rotary uses all forms of communications. Today, it is primarily email, phone, and text. By becoming a member, you are consenting to receive these communications.

Club Runner is the online system that we use to communicate with each other. There is an App for your phone as well. **Please download the App to your phone.** This will give you easy access to member names, addresses, telephone numbers and pictures.

Evergreen Rotary also has a Facebook page. Please go to that page and like the page. You should then see any posts in your timeline. www.facebook.com/evergreenrotaryclub.

If you have any questions about the Red Badge Program, please contact your Mentor, Sponsor or Membership Chairman. They are here to help you navigate through the Evergreen Rotary and look forward to our long-term involvement with you!!!