

Membership Drive Talking Points!

Why Join the Georgetown Lunch Rotary Club?

1. It is the oldest and most prestigious civic club in the Georgetown Community.
 - a. It was organized in 1938 and has been meeting continuously since that date.
 - b. It has sponsored 3 additional Rotary clubs in the last 45 years helping the Rotary organization grow.

2. Membership in this Rotary Club offers networking opportunities like no other. Many of our community and business leaders are a part of this club and the club is part of an international network of 33,000 Rotary clubs throughout the world.

3. Our Rotary Club is committed to our community. By joining the Rotary Club, you can get involved and help many community projects that make a difference in the lives of everyone. Here are some of the organizations that our Club is involved in:
 - a. The Georgetown County United Way
 - b. The Georgetown County YMCA
 - c. The Salvation Army through volunteering as bell ringers during the Christmas Season. For four consecutive years, Rotary has raised the most money for this program.
 - d. The Mitney Project revitalizing Georgetown's West End.
 - e. Outreach Farm helping nonprofits around the area that feed the hungry.
 - f. Friendship Place that provides food and shelter for those in need: Rotary provides funding to supply meals on the last Friday of each month and serves over ninety meals each day to needy individuals.
 - g. Scholarships for college bound students graduating from the various county high schools.
 - h. The Dictionary Project: Rotary hand delivers one dictionary to each third grade student in Georgetown County in all public and private schools. The presentation emphasizes literacy. Since 1999, we have distributed over 10,000 dictionaries.
 - i. Rotary Readers Program: Volunteers mentor grade school children to improve their reading ability.
 - j. The Choices Program for middle school children which emphasizes the importance of choices made now and how they impact not only one's immediate future but one's entire life.

4. Our signature fundraising event has been the Rotary Shag Festival. It is an effort that involves the entire club and many volunteers in the community. It is advertised around the Southeast. It's a great event and fun to organize. It raises significant funds to support cutting edge research to find a cure for Alzheimer's disease. The annual donation made to the CART Fund by our Club is the 2nd highest made by any Rotary Club in District 7770 comprised of 78 Rotary Clubs in 25 eastern counties stretching from the Midlands to the coast.
5. Check out more about the Club at www.georgetownlunchrotary.org
6. We are looking for new members who will bring talent, ideas, and energy to lead this Club and continue its reputation for excellence. We are in the top 2% of all Rotary Clubs in the world and we want to stay there. We hope you will join us and make a difference!!

How do you become a member of Georgetown Lunch Rotary Club?

- 1. Fill out an application form. Each new member is approved by the Club**
- 2. \$100.00 initiation fee**
- 3. Dues Quarterly - \$200.00**
- 4. Weekly meetings are Tuesday – 1:00 til 2:00 pm at Lands End Restaurant. Rotary wants its members to attend 60% of its weekly meetings. Make-ups at other Rotary Clubs for missed meetings are encouraged.**