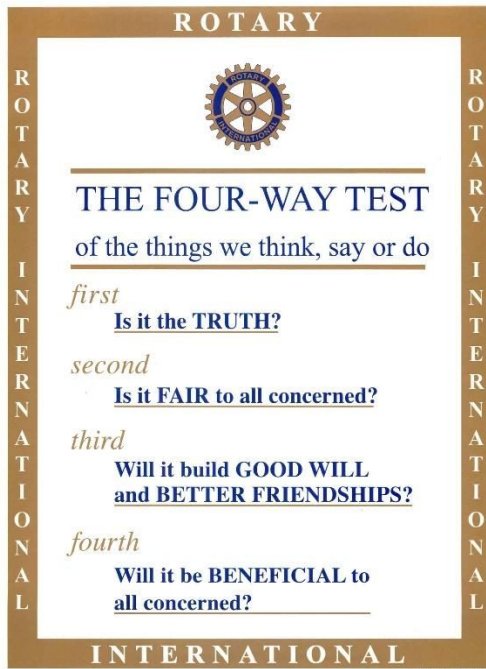


ROTARY CLUB OF HATTIESBURG

Potential Speaker Information

Thank you for your interest in speaking to the Rotary Club of Hattiesburg! We are greatly appreciative of your time and look forward to hearing from you and/or your organization. Please take a moment to become familiar with our Club and be aware of the following guidelines endorsed by Rotary International when considering your message.



The Rotary Club of Hattiesburg employs our motto "*Service above Self*" and begins each weekly meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and [The Four-Way Test](#) of Rotary International.

The Rotary Club of Hattiesburg meets on Tuesdays at

Southern Oaks House & Gardens
1246 Richburg Road
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Our typical meetings consist of the following agenda and format:

11:45	Guest Arrival & Set-up / Networking
12:10 – 12:30	Invocation, Announcements, Club Business
12:30 – 12:50	Speaker Program (20 mins)
12:50 – 12:55	Q&A with Speaker
12:55 – 1:00	Closing Announcements, Adjourn

We politely ask that you [arrive early](#) to set-up and enjoy lunch with your Rotary Host who will be introducing you to the Club.

We ask that you [adhere to the following Speaker Guidelines](#) when planning your speaking engagement with Rotary.

1. To [confirm and secure your date](#) we require receipt of your Bio, Headshot, and the Topic for your presentation. Please coordinate with your Rotary of Hattiesburg host to ensure they are on file with the Programming Chair.
2. [Seek out diversity](#) and shared interests. Rotary is a service organization with members from a wide variety of religious, political and professional backgrounds. [Avoid subject matter of heavily religious or political content](#). Be courteous of this fact. "Is it fair to all concerned?"
3. Elected officials are welcome to present to our club however [we will not schedule actively campaigning candidates or topics implying endorsement of campaigns](#) - including those seeking re-election – for speaking engagements during those cycles.
4. [Sales pitches are discouraged](#). We ask that you refrain from promoting a product or service to the club or any direct requests for financial contributions to an organization or non-profit. However, it is perfectly acceptable and encouraged for your organization or non-profit to distribute leaflets, brochures, or other contact information so that Rotarians seeking more information can reach out to you at their discretion. *Exception: In the past, we have allowed Speakers who are authors on the topic of their presentation to offer signings of their books for sale at the end of the meeting. Please notify us in advance if this applies.*
5. [Slideshow presentations are not required](#), however our venue provides for an overhead projector with connections for VGA and HDMI video inputs if you would like to present video content. You will need to bring your own laptop. *Unfortunately the current projector set-up is not capable of audio input to the PA system.*

Thank you again for providing this valuable service to our Rotary Club of Hattiesburg. *Service above self!*