



## MEMBERSHIP PROPOSAL FORM

**Proposed Member’s Business/Professional Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title or Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street/City/State/Zip Code

Industry: \_\_\_\_\_ If not currently employed, are you: Retired   
In Transition   
Other

If retired or in transition, list employer/title/occupation/industry at time of retirement/transition: \_\_\_\_\_

**Proposed Member’s Personal Information:**

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street/City/State/Zip Code

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Which address do you prefer? Personal  Business  Which Email address do you prefer? Personal  Business

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

(Year will not be published in Directory)

Spouse/Partner’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Anniversary: \_\_\_\_\_

(Year will not be published in Directory)

If a former Rotarian, list club(s) and date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

If a former Rotarian, were you? Sustaining Member  Board Member  Active Exempt   
Paul Harris Fellow  Club President  Rotaract

Are you a veteran? Yes  No

**Please explain your community service background and interest in joining the Rotary Club of Greenville (attach page if necessary):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Attach Updated Resume, Bio, or Linked in Connection.**

**Statement to be Signed by Proposed Member:**

I understand that it will be my duty, if accepted for membership, to exemplify the Object of Rotary (please see attachment and/or back), in all my daily contacts and. I agree to abide by the Four-Way Test. I agree to pay an initiation fee of **\$150.00** (does not apply to former members or transferring Rotarians) upon acceptance of my membership, as well as annual dues, luncheon meal fees, scholarship fund and Rotary International Foundation contribution on a timely basis and in accordance with the bylaws of the Club; additional information on costs is provided on the attached/back. I hereby give permission to the Club to publish my business and personal information (excluding actual years of birth date and anniversary date) and photograph to the Club membership via newsletters, meetings, an online Directory and the annual hardcopy Yearbook.

X \_\_\_\_\_

Date

X \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Member’s Signature

**Proposed Member should keep all back-up of the application form for informational purposes**

Sponsors Please Print and Sign Name (Two Rotarian Names and Signatures Required)

X \_\_\_\_\_

X \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE SUBMIT FORM TO: ROTARY CLUB OF GREENVILLE, SC 728 N. PLEASANTBURG DR.  
FAX: 864-235-3328 GREENVILLE, SC 29607  
EMAIL: CLUBADMIN@GREENVILLEROTARY.ORG



**Object of Rotary**

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

1. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
2. High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying by each Rotarian of his occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
3. The application of the ideal of service by every Rotarian to his or her personal, business and community life; and
4. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional men and women united in the ideal of service.

**The Four-Way Test**

Encouraging high ethical standards and respect for all worthy vocations has been a hallmark of Rotary from its earliest days. In their business and professional lives, Rotarians abide by The Four-Way Test: Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

**So What's Next?**

Once you have completed the application (including two Sponsor's signatures), submit your completed application along with an updated resume to the Rotary office. You can mail, fax, or email the documents. Once the documents are received, the application will then be submitted to the Board of Directors for approval at the monthly Board meeting. Once the Board has approved the application your name will be published in the club bulletin as a proposed member for seven days. After seven days you will receive a "New Member Invitation Letter along with an invoice. A schedule of prorated dues based on the month the Board of Directors approves your application for membership is to the right.

**New Member "Fast Start" Plan**

As a new member of our club, you will be issued a red badge by simply designating you are a new member of our club. This helps our veteran members easily identify, welcome, and assist you in a smooth introduction and acclimation to our club. After six months, the club will order a blue badge to replace your temporary red badge.

You will also be assigned a Mentor. This individual will introduce you to other members, be available to answer questions about our club, and help guide you in making decisions on the best ways for you to demonstrate "Service Above Self" throughout our organization.

It's common for new members to ask, "What now?" "How do I quickly take advantage of my membership and gain the benefits of being a Rotarian?" One of the first things you will do is attend the New Member Orientation along with your spouse/guest, Sponsors, and Mentor. If Holiday Lights is in full swing, you will be asked to sign up to volunteer to be part of our largest fund-raising event. There's no better way to build relationships and become acclimated into our Club than working side-by-side with other Rotarians for a good cause. Within the first 90 days, the opportunities to get involved are limitless with attendance at all our lunch meetings, monthly Health & Happiness Hours, being a Greeter, exploring service-related activities and Club committees and much more!

<u>Month Approved by Rotary Board</u>	<u>Payment in Full</u>
June 2016	\$992.00
July 2016	\$937.00
August 2016	\$880.00
September 2016	\$819.00
October 2016	\$724.00
November 2016	\$667.00
December 2016	\$610.00
January 2017	\$515.00
February 2017	\$458.00
March 2017	\$401.00
April 2017	\$307.00
May 2017	\$250.00
June 2017	\$193.00

**The above prices include \$150 initiation fee. Transferring or returning Rotarians should subtract the \$150 from the cost. A printed club directory can be purchased for \$12.00. A roster of the membership is available online at no additional cost.**



**Rotary Club of Greenville: Club Year Ending June 30, 2017**  
**Everything you wanted to know about our club dues, but were afraid to ask!**

It’s fairly common for a new member to be confused about what goes into their Rotary Club of Greenville “Dues”. So, to clear things up, here’s a summary of “Everything you wanted to know about our club dues, but were afraid to ask!”

What members commonly call “Dues” is listed below. You’ll notice club dues are actually only a small portion of the total.

Dues	\$188.00	
Scholarship Funding*	\$ 50.00	
Programs/Meals/Parking	<u>\$504.00</u>	
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$742.00</b>	<b>Required Payment</b>
RI Donation*	\$100.00	Optional; yet <u>highly encouraged</u> (see below)
Club Directory/Yearbook	<u>\$ 12.00</u>	Optional; additional books can be ordered
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$854.00</b>	<b>Payment for “veteran members”</b>
Initiation Fee	<u>\$150.00</u>	One-time-only(does not apply to returning or transferring Rotarians)
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1004.00</b>	<b>Payment for “new members”</b>

\* *Tax Deductible*

**Dues:** yes, our actual club “dues” are just \$188! In comparison to other large clubs our size, this is very reasonable. Dues are split between Rotary International (\$69.77), Rotary District 7750 (\$41) and our own club (\$74.23). The Rotary Club of Greenville uses club dues to cover operational expenses including the club administrator, club supplies, and support for other club functions.

**Scholarship Funding:** every member is required to contribute \$50 toward our “Service Above Self” scholarship funding. The Rotary Club of Greenville awards the Service Above Self Scholarship, a prestigious award presented as a renewable grant of up to \$5,000 per year for 4 years for a total potential award of \$20,000. The scholarship is awarded to a Greenville County graduating high school senior with exceptional community service and academic performance. The winner is selected as the student who best exemplifies the



Rotary motto of “Service Above Self” through their contributions to the community and future potential to continue to further the Rotary mission. Your donation is tax deductible.

**Programs/Meals/Parking:** this is, of course, our largest expense –nearly 50% of your annual invoice total. Meals are \$21 which includes the program with prominent, informative, and inspiring guest speakers that simply aren’t accessible to other smaller clubs, the buffet lunch, and parking in the hotel parking garage. We commonly will have 150 members attending our club luncheons and this volume simply doesn’t allow us to “pay as you go” like some other smaller clubs. The majority of Rotary clubs meet weekly. Assume you can get a meal for \$10 versus \$21. This still equates to \$40-50/month versus our meals of \$42/month.

**Rotary International Donation:** even though this is optional, all Rotarians are strongly encouraged to contribute. With your contribution you join other Rotarians around the world to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. Your contribution helps fund projects in the six Rotary areas of focus: Peace & Conflict Prevention/Resolution; Disease Prevention & Treatment; Water & Sanitation; Maternal & Child Health; Basic Education & Literacy; and Economic & Community Development. Your donation is tax deductible.

**Club Directory:** can be ordered for \$12.00. If you would like an additional copy, the invoice should be adjusted accordingly to the number of books you wish to order. This is an optional item, since the club membership can be viewed by logging onto the website or by downloading the DaCdb Mobile app on your smartphone. The “electronic” membership viewed online or on your phone is the most accurate and up to date.

**One-time Initiation Fee:** this is just for first-time new members. Transferring members from another club or returning members are exempt. Former Rotaract members within two years of ceasing to be a Rotaractor are also exempt. Should you transfer to another Rotary, you are also exempt from paying their initiation fee.

**Late Fee Policy:** Rotary Club of Greenville sends invoices to members for club dues by the end of May of each club year. Payment is due no later than July 1 of each club year. Members who have not paid their invoice in full or have not contacted the club administrator to set up quarterly payments by July 31 will receive a letter stating their membership is 30 days past due and will be assessed a late fee of \$20.00. Members who have not paid dues by August 31 of each club year will receive another letter stating the status of their membership and will be assessed a late fee of \$40.00. Members who have not paid their invoice by September 30 of each club year will be removed from the club rolls and will ineligible for membership in the Rotary club of Greenville, or any other club in the world until their account is brought current including in late fees not paid and but not limited to any unpaid dues the club has paid to Rotary International or District 7750 on their behalf. This policy also applies to members paying quarterly.



**Quarterly Payment Options:**

Members are invoiced around June 1 of each year. Annual Dues (\$188), Scholarship Funding (\$50), Q1 Meals (\$126), your RI Donation (25%, in full, or any amount) and the New Member Initiation Fee (\$150). Other items can be paid quarterly. This option must be elected annually. If you are interested in the quarterly payment option, please contact the Administrator Director at clubadmin@greenvillerotary.org

**Quarterly Payment Option:**

- A credit card needs to remain on file
- Invoice sent out 1 month in advance with option to pay with check
- If check is not received by the due date your credit card will be billed plus a 3% convenience fee

Q1 Upfront payment by July 1 includes:

\$188 Dues  
 \$50 Scholarship Funding  
 \$25 RI Contribution (25%) *or pay in full or any amount*  
 \$12 Club Directory (if purchasing)  
 \$150 Initiation Fee(if applicable)  
\$126 Q1 Meals  
 = \$551

Q2 \$126 Q2 Meals + \$25 RI Donation = \$151

Q3 \$126 Q3 Meals + \$25 RI Donation = \$151

Q4 \$126 Q4 Meals + \$25 RI Donation = \$151

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**Monthly Payment Options:**

Members are invoiced around June 1 of each year. Annual Dues (\$188), Scholarship Funding (\$50), Monthly amount (\$42), your RI Donation (\$8.33 a month, in full, or any amount) and the New Member Initiation Fee (\$150). Other items can be paid quarterly. This option must be elected annually. If you are interested in the quarterly payment option, please contact the Administrator Director at clubadmin@greenvillerotary.org

**Monthly Payment Option:**

- A credit card will be charged based on the payment schedule—Payment by check is not an option for the monthly payment option.

M1 Upfront payment by July 1 includes:

\$188 Dues  
 \$50 Scholarship Funding  
 \$8.33 RI Contribution (*or pay in full or any amount*)  
 \$12 Club Directory (if purchasing)  
 \$150 Initiation Fee(if applicable)  
\$42 Meals per month  
 = \$450.33

M2-M12 \$42 Meals + \$8.33 RI Donation= \$54