

Corporate Membership Application

Our Vision

The Rotary Club of Fulton (the “Club”) is an organization of business, professional, and community leaders who come together through commitment and fellowship to create opportunities and a better future for generations who follow.

Our Mission

It is our mission to embrace the ideals of Rotary International, contributing to a better community and a better world through significant humanitarian service while providing extraordinary opportunities for networking, fellowship, friendship and personal growth.

Corporate Membership in a Service Club – a 21st Century Solution

Recognizing the growing importance that corporations place on corporate social responsibility, the Club has created the corporate membership initiative. Corporate memberships invite corporations to participate in giving back to the community through the well-organized systems and structures of Rotary. Membership in Rotary offers an excellent vehicle for staff leadership development. The Club provides a medium to learn about community needs in a variety of areas, and learn about and participate in fundraising and volunteering in ways that truly impact the community.

Why Become a Corporate Member?

Participation as an active member of the Rotary Club presents several advantages through an effective business partnership that includes: participation in a long-term service organization capable of assessing and responding to a diverse range of needs within the community; increased awareness of your corporation within the community through association with Rotary and the many programs that are supported by The Rotary Club of Fulton; enhanced community exposure through the involvement of senior corporate executives; immediate access to the Rotary charitable network; participation opportunities with Rotary hands-on projects; and membership in an organization dedicated to assisting and supporting community needs and activities.

Rotary Corporate Member Benefits

The company benefits by having employees engaged in corporate and social responsibility. Also, through association with Fulton Rotary, both company and employees benefit from networking, leadership development, public speaking, educational speakers, project management and participation, exposure to philanthropic efforts and business fellowship.

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Corporate members also would have their business logo and a link to their business website on the Fulton Rotary webpage. They also would be given additional marketing opportunities as they arise.

Benefits for Fulton Rotary

Fulton Rotary benefits from increased membership with associated hands and revenue. Members also get more opportunities for networking. Corporate members introduce additional prospects. It is hoped initial company nominees will graduate to individual membership over time.

Key Membership Criteria

The corporate membership status would allow one or more representative(s) of a corporation or company to become member(s) of Fulton Rotary. The executive member(s) (owners or senior executives) could each name up to four individuals as designees who could represent their company at Rotary meetings. Corporate memberships would have to be approved through the normal club membership process.

The initiation fee will be a one-time fee to the corporation of \$100 to cover program administration expense. The annual cost of a corporate membership would be:

- Corporate Membership for executive member and 1 designee = \$1,200
- Corporate Membership for executive member and 2 designees = \$1,300
- Corporate Membership for executive member and 3 designees = \$1,400
- Corporate Membership for executive member and 4 designees = \$1,500

This fee would be payable annually, or in quarterly or monthly installments. It would cover dues to Rotary International and District 6080 for each member, plus the cost of lunch for the executive member or one designee per meeting. If more than one company representative attends a meeting, \$12 would be charged for each additional meal.

All paid corporate representatives may vote and hold office and are encouraged to participate in all Rotary functions and activities.

Replacement of Designees

Corporate membership would allow a community-conscious organization the opportunity to maintain its membership year after year – even if the people filling the corporate and affiliated active member positions were to change. If either the corporate executive or affiliated active member should change jobs, be transferred, quit or retire and it is necessary to find replacements as Fulton Rotary Club members, there will be no additional initiation fee, other fees or dues assessed if the spot(s) is/are filled within a 90-day period. Should a representative wish to join Rotary as an individual member he/she will be encouraged to do so and the company can then nominate another employee.

Rotary Basics

Rotary International, the world's first service club organization, is made up of over 32,000 clubs in more than 200 countries and geographic areas. Its members form a global network of business and professional leaders who volunteer their time and talents to serve their communities and the world.

Rotary's motto, *Service Above Self*, exemplifies the humanitarian spirit of the organization's more than 1.2 million members. Meaningful community and international service projects coupled with strong fellowship opportunities characterize Rotary worldwide.

Rotary enjoys a rich and sometimes complex tradition and organizational structure, with many programs and customs that can be confusing to new and even not-so-new members.

The Organization of Rotary

Rotary is essentially a grassroots organization, with most of its service efforts being carried out at the club level. The district and international structure is designed to support the clubs and help them provide more service in their communities and abroad.

Clubs: Rotarians are members of Rotary clubs, which belong to the global association Rotary International (RI). Each club elects its own officers and enjoys considerable autonomy within the framework of Rotary's constitution and bylaws.

Districts: Clubs are grouped into 530 RI districts, each led by a district governor, who is an officer of RI. The district administration, including assistant governors and various committees, guides and supports the clubs.

RI Board: The 19-member RI Board of Directors, which includes the RI President and President-elect, meets quarterly to establish policies. Traditionally, the RI President, who is elected annually, develops a theme and emphasis for the year.

The Secretariat: Rotary International is headquartered in the Chicago suburb of Evanston, Illinois, USA, with seven international offices.

Responsibilities of Club Membership

The club is the cornerstone of Rotary, where the most meaningful work is carried out. All effective Rotary members are responsible for these key elements:

- Participating in at least one service project that benefit their community or those internationally;
- Sustaining or increasing our membership base;
- Supporting The Rotary Foundation financially and through program participation; and
- Developing leaders capable of serving in Rotary beyond the club level.
- Meeting attendance of at least 50%.

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What Rotarians get out of Rotary depends largely on what they put into it. Many membership requirements are designed to help members more fully participate in and enjoy their Rotary experience.

Rotary's Guiding Principles

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and to encourage and foster:

- The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- 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;
- The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life; and
- The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

History

The Fulton Rotary Club was chartered March 15, 1923, as the ninth club in the state of Missouri (Kansas City, St. Louis, Jefferson City, Kirksville, Hannibal, Moberly, Mexico and Columbia were founded between 1910 and 1922). In the fall of 1922, Frank Rollins, president of the Columbia club, approached Nick T. Cave about the possibility of his club sponsoring a new club in Fulton. Cave spoke to other men in Fulton, and they readily agreed to form a club.

In an account of the beginning of the club, Curt Blattner wrote that they met often, reviewed names of prospective members and selected only those executives in their trade or profession with high ethical standards and practices. "A finer group of men," Blattner said, "was never assembled than this group of charter members of the Fulton Rotary Club." The 22 charter members were:

- Harry "Mike" Atkinson
- W. Ed "Pedie" Jameson
- Robert O. "Oscar" Baker
- Greene D. McCall
- M. Fred "General" Bell
- J. Burlie McCubbin
- Ovid Bell
- H. Clay "Mud" McGregor
- Sam K. "Blick" Black
- Luther U. "Uncle Luther" Nickell
- Curtis E. "Curt" Blattner
- John R. "Johnny" Pratt
- Nick T. Cave
- E. E. Reed
- Richard H. "Dick" Crossfield
- George T. "Percy" Reily
- T. Harrison "T" Grant

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- Waldo F. “Cap” Smith
- Elmer C. “Slick” Henderson
- J. Roy “Roy” Tucker
- Boulware H. “Bo” Jameson
- Matt Wymore

Our Club meets for lunch on Wednesdays at 12:00 noon, at the Fulton Country Club. Members are encouraged to maintain 50% attendance to remain engaged with the club initiatives and activities – which can be achieved through lunch meetings, committee work, charitable projects and attendance at other Rotary clubs.

The Club is governed by its President and Board of Directors.

Membership Application

We encourage you attend at least three Club meetings prior to submitting your membership application for consideration. Shortly after submitting your membership application, you will be contacted by a Membership Committee representative to arrange an interview to discuss any questions you may have about the merits of joining the Club.

Your membership application will then be passed on to the Board of Directors for final approval, which will take approximately one week.

Please forward your completed Membership Application form by email to:

info@fultonrotary-mo.org

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Corporate Information

Corporate Name: _____

Primary Business: _____

Corporate Address: _____

Postal Code _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Website: _____

Describe your corporate interest in Rotary:

Rotary Information

Name two Club members who would propose your corporation for membership:

Member: _____ Telephone: _____

Member: _____ Telephone: _____

Summarize your corporate Rotary experience:

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Personal Information – Primary Member

Name: Dr. Mr. Mrs. Ms. _____

Title: _____

Business Telephone: _____ Home Telephone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Business Email: _____ Home Email: _____

Home Address: _____

Postal Code: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Partner Name: _____ Partner Email: _____

Educational/ Professional Qualifications: _____

Trade Associations and Community Involvement: _____

Personal Interests: _____

Are you a Past Member of Rotary? Yes No

Club Name: _____ Years/ Dates: _____

Position(s): _____

Location: _____ RI Membership # _____

I, _____, confirm that:

- I was provided information regarding membership in the Rotary Club of Fulton;
- I understand the privileges and responsibilities associated with Rotary membership; and
- I agree to promote the ideals of Rotary and to comply with the requirements of the Rotary Club of Fulton.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Personal Information – First Associate Member

Name: Dr. Mr. Mrs. Ms. _____

Title: _____

Business Telephone: _____ Home Telephone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Business Email: _____ Home Email: _____

Home Address: _____

Postal Code: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Partner Name: _____ Partner Email: _____

Educational/ Professional Qualifications: _____

Trade Associations and Community Involvement: _____

Personal Interests: _____

Are you a Past Member of Rotary? Yes No

Club Name: _____ Years/ Dates: _____

Position(s): _____

Location: _____

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Personal Information – Second/Third/Fourth Associate Member

Name: Dr. Mr. Mrs. Ms. _____

Title: _____

Business Telephone: _____ Home Telephone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Business Email: _____ Home Email: _____

Home Address: _____

Postal Code: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Partner Name: _____ Partner Email: _____

Educational/ Professional Qualifications: _____

Trade Associations and Community Involvement: _____

Personal Interests: _____

Are you a Past Member of Rotary? Yes No

Club Name: _____ Years/ Dates: _____

Position(s): _____

Location: _____

Please note: Upon successful completion of The Rotary Club of Fulton's Membership Application process, you will be invoiced for your pro-rated annual membership dues.

By signing this form, I agree to the use of my personal information for matters related to Rotary business. I understand and agree that information provided by members to Rotary is not to be divulged by me to third parties or used for any purposes other than for Rotary business.