



Chisago Lakes Rotary Club

Membership Dues (effective July 1, 2023)

Dues are requested to be paid on an annual basis to minimize the Treasurer's tasks & the need for keeping track of invoicing and collections from Members. Fiscal year for the club is July 1-June 30 each year.

Individual Member: \$250.00/year This dues includes a monthly Rotary magazine, your nametag, t-shirt and all membership materials, along with your enrollment into the Club. A large portion of the dues goes to cover the district and international dues within Rotary for being a member. And, our club donates \$20 per member, per year, to the Rotary Foundation in honor of your membership.

Dues are accepted via cash, check, online bill pay, or credit card (the club uses 'Square') for use of a credit card, we do charge a 3% handling fee to offset the credit card charges. (mailing address to the club; Chisago Lakes Rotary P.O. Box 954 Lindstrom, MN 55045)

Membership dues are due 30 days from the date of the renewal/invoice. Members will receive 1 overdue/late reminder letter and if dues are not paid within 45 days, Member will be in danger of being dropped from our Roster for lack of dues paid.

Couples/Families:

A Members' spouse/family are always welcome at Rotary functions, lunches, socials, and volunteer service projects. If a spouse wishes to join, their dues would also be \$250 annually to become a member and receive all membership benefits. We ask that you please consider the costs of lunches and socials and give as you are able to cover the cost.

Corporate Member:

Corporations who join Rotary will pay \$250/annually and will designate one person as the Member, however, can send other representatives from their corporation as needed to participate in Rotary and fulfill the attendance requirement. Add'l individuals wishing to join from one Company would also pay the \$250/annual fee.

Friends of Rotary:

Community Members may wish to volunteer or attend Rotary functions without joining Rotary. CL Rotary welcomes anyone who may wish to volunteer their time and talent to the Club. There is no cost to these individuals, however, we are open to accepting donations on behalf of the

Club to offset the costs of lunches, socials, and/or other costs associated with hosting, but it is not a requirement.

Membership Hardships/Sponsorships:

From time to time in our lives, Members may come upon hard times and need help to pay their dues. If this happens, and the Member speaks to a Board member about their situation, the Board may vote to ‘sponsor’ the member for a time to offset their dues for them. This will be on a case-by-case basis and subject to majority vote at the Board level. Member would be under no obligation to pay this back and can continue as an active member of Club in good standing.

Other Suggested Donations: Optional as you are able

- **Lunches:** we pay \$7.50 per person for lunch/monthly per person. An annual suggested donation to cover costs of lunches would be \$90.00/year.
- **Socials:** we cover the cost of food at our monthly socials around town. Suggested annual donation for this would be \$75.00/year. Beverages are purchased on your own.
- **All other annual parties/gatherings (Christmas parties, BBQ’s, Pumpkin Carving, etc) are free and given as a ‘Thank You’ for all who support Rotary.**
- **Rotary Foundation gift:** The Foundation supports worldwide service projects like eradicating polio, providing clean water, promoting peace & improving developing communities. We recommend each Rotarian donate at least \$100/year to The Rotary Foundation (AKA Paul Harris Fellow)

Note: The Club will donate \$1000 to the Rotary Foundation (aka Paul Harris) in honor of the President upon their completed year of serving. This fund honors Paul Harris, the Rotary’s founder. When a Rotarian reaches \$1,000 you are awarded the distinct recognition of ‘Honorary Fellow’ and will receive a lapel pin with Paul’s silhouette on it along with a blue-stone gem that indicates your \$1,000 gift. All subsequent \$1,000 gifts will earn you a new lapel pin with more blue-stones indicating each distinction-up to \$5,000. When someone reaches more than that, the red-stone lapel pin is given as recognition as a ‘major donor’ from Rotary International.

Annually, February is ‘Foundation Month’ and all donated gifts are matched, up to \$100 from the Foundation.