



Mission

The mission of Rotary International is to provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through its fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

Rotary's main objective is service – in the community, in the workplace, and around the globe. The 1.2 million Rotarians who make up more than 34,000 Rotary clubs in nearly every country in the world share a dedication to the ideal of Service Above Self.

Rotary clubs are open to people of all cultures and ethnicities and are not affiliated with any political or religious organizations.

Becoming a member

Rotary is a worldwide organization of business and professional leaders that provides humanitarian service and encourages high ethical standards in all vocations.

The Rotary Foundation

The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International is a nonprofit corporation that promotes world understanding through humanitarian service and educational and cultural exchanges.

Polio

Although Rotary clubs develop autonomous service programs, all Rotarians are united in a global campaign to eradicate polio.



Fund Raising

In order to support our mission and goals... each year we host one major fund raising event... the Sunrise Sunset Gala. Now in its seventh year, this summer event typically features a prominent, well-know speaker, plus a dinner and auction. This event has raised over half a million dollars. All BSR members are expected to support this event.



The Rotary Four-Way Test

The test has been translated into more than 100 languages, and asks the following four simple questions:

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?

Thank you for considering Bradley Sunrise Rotary. Please join us as we attempt to make a difference through "Service Above Self." More information about Rotary International is available at rotary.org

Bradley Sunrise
Rotary

District 6780 Club: 31896
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Meeting 7:00 AM Thursday mornings
at the Cleveland Elks Lodge: 235 Second St.
P.O. Box 5899, Cleveland, TN 37320

Rotary Meeting Make-Up Opportunities • Tues., Noon, Cleveland, Mountain View Inn • Wed., Noon, Hamilton Place, Grace Works Church • Thurs., Noon, Chattanooga, Chatt. Conv. & Trade Ctr. • Thurs., Noon, Etowah, Michael's • Fri., Noon, Dayton, First Baptist Church • Fri., 7:00 am, Hixson, Rivermont Presbyterian Church • Online eClub, rotaryclubone.org

What is Rotary?



And Why You Should Consider Joining Bradley Sunrise.



Questions & Answers About Bradley Sunrise Rotary

How do I become a member of Bradley Sunrise Rotary (BSR)?

BSR membership is by invitation only. You must be a person of integrity, have an active career vocation, or be retired from a career.

What is the process of becoming a member?

A current member of BSR proposes your name and becomes your “sponsor” for membership. Your sponsor then fills out an application and proposes your name to the BSR Board of Directors who reviews your application for acceptance.

Once your application has been approved, the BSR Board will propose your membership to club members. The name of the proposed member is published two consecutive weeks in the weekly newsletter, during which time any member has seven days to notify the board of a specific objection. If there are none, the club secretary will notify the sponsor to invite the proposed

new members to the next meeting for induction. This usually takes about two to three weeks from board review to club review and approval. (Plan to attend all meetings during this process.)

Once the club approves your membership, you will be inducted in a brief ceremony. During the ceremony, you will be asked to share with the club a brief biography (usually no more than two minutes) about yourself and why you chose BSR. You may invite your immediate family or co-workers to attend your induction.

BSR sponsored Italian exchange student Anna Gimestri, who lived a year in our community and attended Cleveland High School.



Is there a cost to joining BSR? What about monthly dues?

You'll find BSR membership dues are lower than most Rotary clubs. There is a one-time application fee of \$50 and quarterly dues of \$75. You will receive an invoice each quarter for your dues. The majority of this amount is sent to Rotary International and to District 6780. A small amount is retained in the local BSR account.

Two optional suggested donations are also included on each quarterly invoice. \$25 for the International Rotary Foundation and \$10 for Polio eradication efforts.

A Paul Harris Fellowship is achieved with every \$1000 donation to the Rotary Foundation. With an average of \$25 per quarter, a Rotarian becomes a Paul Harris Fellow in 10 years.

Where does my money go?

The application fee is used to purchase materials provided in your induction packet. Quarterly dues are used to defray the Rotary membership fee paid to RI semi-annually, which includes the subscription to The Rotarian magazine. Any remaining funds are used for the club's general operating fund.

Once I join BSR, must I attend all the meetings?

Attendance at our weekly 7:00 am Thursday morning meetings is required and rewarding. Meetings are held at the Cleveland Elks Lodge, located at 235 Second St. in downtown Cleveland. Complimentary coffee is available.

You must attend at least 50% of your local club meetings. You can “make-up” missed meetings two weeks prior to an absence or within two weeks after an absence. It's easy to attend a “make-up” meeting in less than 35 minutes using online access to Rotary International. Make-up meetings can also be achieved by attending BSR social events and service projects, or



attending any chartered Rotary Club meeting which function in many cities globally.

What goes on at meetings?

A typical meeting consists of an opening prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance, club business and a fun “ice breaker.” This is followed by a featured speaker which presents information usually associated with a local enterprise or unique civic project; a newsmaker; local charity; a local government official; an elected public official; medical or science updates; and other topics of



interest. Meetings are promptly adjourned at 8:00 am with the reciting of the Four Way Test.

What specific service projects does BSR participate in?

Our main fundraising project is called the Sunrise Sunset Gala. Revenue raised at this event is used to fund local and global agencies approved by the Sunrise Rotary Foundation Board and the club. All members are asked to participate in the Gala and join the fun of making a difference for many.

Some of the agencies supported include:

- Habitat of Humanity of Cleveland
- Bradley Sunrise Angel Flight
- Salvation Army
- International projects
- And many others.

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