Rotary Etiquette and Some Details About Our Weekly Meeting

Invocations: Rotary is non-religious. Therefore, invocations should be non-denominational as we have members from all different religious backgrounds as well as non-religious members.

Titles: Rotary typically refrains from using titles (such as Dr.) as a way of creating equality among members

Politics: Rotary is non-political. Therefore we do not support/back any particular political candidates and its best to not discuss political views at Rotary functions.

Badges: We wear name badges to help members and guest get to know each other. The member’s vocational occupation is displayed on the badge as well.

Traditions: At our club, we start each meeting with an invocation and the National Anthem. Some Rotary clubs sing other songs as well, but not all clubs sing. At the end of our meeting we, together, recite the 4-Way Test (based on our values/ethics as Rotarians). There is a poster near the podium to help you learn the words.

Fines/Happy Bucks: Our club does not give out fines nor participate in a “Happy Buck Program” but other clubs do. When visiting other clubs, you should not feel obligated to partake in these programs.

50/50: Our club has a weekly 50/50 drawing; however, you only win if your ticket is called and you then pull the Ace of Spades from a deck of cards. If there is no winner, the pot rolls over to the next week.