



TWIN CITIES ROTARACT CLUB

Description of Committees

Committees and Committee Chairs

- A. *Service Projects:* The Service Project Committee assumes responsibility for fostering community and international awareness through ongoing education and volunteerism, consistent with the themes and goals of the club. Typically small one-time community service projects are also scheduled throughout the Rotaract year which has include in past years activities like volunteering at a homeless shelter, painting the interior of a youth shelter and cleaning trash from local parks. Rotaract is an international organization with more than 7,400 clubs in over 160 countries. Rotaract offers countless opportunities to foster international understanding though project partnerships with Clubs all over the world. The Twin Cities Rotaract Club has organized many international projects, including sending donations to orphanages in Belarus and Romania. Other past activities included a project to send school buses, computers and supplies to schools in Manzanillo, Mexico.
- B. *Professional Development:* Even as community leaders, Twin Cities Rotaractors take every advantage of opportunities to learn and grow professionally. Most Rotaract meetings feature a professional speaker, and occasionally the Twin Cities Rotaract Club tours local businesses. Annually, the Club visits the Summit Brewing Company in St. Paul. President and Head Brewer Mark Stutrud conducts a tour and gives a presentation about entrepreneurship, the economics of large-scale and small-scale brewing and distributorship in the United States, and the company's niche and philosophy in brewing. The evening is "topped off" with a sampling of Summit's products.
- C. *Club Service:* Of course, what makes this organization so strong are the friendships that form along the way. In addition to the regular business meetings, frequent social activities are planned to increase networking and fellowship for members. Club members attend sporting events, theatre performances and parties together. A couple times each year, the Twin Cities Rotaract Club hosts a New Member Celebration, a special orientation meeting for new and prospective members. At these events, current members recount the history of the Club, share their experiences and help explain Rotary.
- D. *Public Relations:*
The PR Chair is responsible for the public image of Twin Cities Rotaract. This includes maintaining, developing and updating the Club's electronic communication tools and written materials to strengthen the Rotaract mission within Rotary though media contacts. The PR chair also develops any other marketing tools as needed for events. Currently the majority of information is posted through a Yahoo!Groups site at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/tcrotaract/>, FaceBook and on the Club's official website (www.tcrotaract.org).
- E. *Fundraising & Finance:*
The Fundraising & Finance Committee is organized as needed to oversee fundraising activities to support the club's financial undertakings. Every year the TC Rotaract Club participates in a couple fundraising events. In the spring, a large fundraising event is typically planned. In the past this has included Murder Mystery Dinners, a Wine Tasting Event and Silent Auctions.
- F. *Technology:*
The Technology Committee is responsible for maintaining, developing and updating the Twin Cities Rotaract Club's internet and electronic communication tools. Currently the majority of information is posted through a Yahoo!Groups site at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/tcrotaract/>. This chairperson also serves as a liaison between the TC Rotaract Club and the webmaster of the official Twin Cities Rotaract website located at www.tcrotaract.org.

* For more information on committees, contact the committee chair as listed in the TC Rotaract Handbook, or the Club President.