**WHAT IS A PROBUS CLUB?**

The word PROBUS is an abbreviation of the words PROfessional and BUSiness. However, membership is not restricted to these two groups. Established clubs include members from all occupations and the only requirement is each member is a retired or semi-retired individual.

**WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF A PROBUS CLUB?**

The primary purpose of a PROBUS CLUB is to provide meetings and fellowship for retired and semi-retired persons who value opportunities to meet with others of similar interest, enjoy hearing addresses by guest speakers on topical subjects, and visiting places and organizations of specific appeal to members. Probus is non political and non sectarian.

**WHAT IS COST OF JOINING A PROBUS CLUB?**

Nothing. There are no initiation charges and annual membership fees of existing clubs are minimal.

**WHAT ARE THE MAIN ACTIVITIES?**

Most have two principal activities:

- A monthly meeting on a fixed day of the month, usually from 10 am to 12 noon as follows:
  - 20 to 30 minutes - Light refreshment
  - 15 to 20 minutes - General business
  - 45 to 60 minutes - Guest speaker and questions

- From time to time some clubs hold luncheon or dinner meetings and include spouses and guests. Clubs also visit (between meetings) places and organizations of general interest.

**HOW IS ROTARY INVOLVED IN PROBUS?**

While Rotary was responsible for the creation of Probus, it is no longer necessary for Rotary to sponsor the establishment of a Probus Club. Most members of existing PROBUS CLUBS have never been Rotarians.

**IS PROBUS FOR MEN ONLY?**

No! There are many existing women’s PROBUS Clubs and the decision to include both men and women is entirely up to each PROBUS CLUB.

**HOW CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION ABOUT PROBUS?**

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