

# Rotary on Pins Fellowship



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## Inaugural Newsletter



### Fast Facts

Rotary's Newest Fellowship

Founded April 29, 2016

Over 600 Members & Counting...

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## The Newest Fellowship – Rotary on Pins

Welcome to all Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactors, RYLA, and outband and inbound youth. This is the first newsletter of the newest fellowship to join Rotary International (RI). You are now a part of it.

RI formally approved the "Rotary on Pins" Fellowship on April 29, 2016.

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themes, events, and unique aspects of Clubs, Districts, Zones and the Foundation through Rotary pins.

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This newsletter will provide specialized information and

market to our Fellowship audience which will create credibility and build our identity among Rotarians and Rotarian friends.

(Thanks to [Microsoft](#) which provided this newsletter template. It included standardized language to modify. This makes it easy to create a newsletter we can put together professionally and quickly.)

Enjoy it and welcome to the Rotary on Pins Fellowship!

## Rotary Fellowships – The ABC's

Rotary Fellowships are international, independently organized groups of Rotarians, Rotarian spouses, and Rotaractors who share a common vocation or recreational interest.

Rotary Fellowships give their members the opportunity to have fun, make new friends around the world, and enhance their experience in Rotary.

Rotary Fellowships began informally in 1928 when Rotarians with a shared

interest in the international language Esperanto joined together.

In 1947, a group of Rotarian boating enthusiasts began flying the Rotary flag from their crafts, calling themselves the International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians — which now holds the distinction of being the oldest continuing fellowship.

The scope of fellowships has changed significantly over the years, but their purpose remains the same: to

unite Rotarians in friendship and provide opportunities to enjoy favorite recreational or professional activities.

Source: This information has been copied from the [Rotary Fellowships Handbook](#) which can be found at [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org).

For even more information on fellowships, visit a "fellow" Fellowship, a very large one: the [Rotary Global History Fellowship](#), found at: [www.rqhffhome.org/](http://www.rqhffhome.org/)

# The (Very Brief) Rotary on Pins

## Historical Timeline

How did this Fellowship start? Here is an abbreviated timeline recorded for posterity of the creation of the [Rotary on Pins Fellowship](#).

March 2015 - D-6970 Rotarian (and current Fellowship Chair) **Ed Book**, a Rotary pin collector, researches fellowships.

May – Email to Rotary International results in RI fellowship liaison **Zuhail Sharp** providing guidance.

June-July – Recruitment via emails and messages to Rotary clubs worldwide.

August – Facebook page created. Also, District Governor **Fel Lee** agrees to have D-6970 support it and assigns Past District Governor (current Fellowship Board member) **Wes Eubank** as the liaison.

August – Internationally known Rotarian **Evan Burrell** joins the proposed board along with **Keith Nickol** from the UK.

October – Draft by-laws and membership information sent to RI.

November – Rotary on Pins "Group" created under MyRotary.org

November 22 – Application to RI with by-laws, board, and a Founders membership list representing 38 members in 16 countries. (See Founders list page 3)

December 2015 – Rotary Board of Fellowships tentatively approves. Rotary on Pins to be voted on by RI Board of Directors in April, 2016.

April 29, 2016 – RI emails confirming International recognition of the Rotary on Pins Fellowship.

May – Rotary on Pins Fellowship participates in D-6970 conference House of Friendship.



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Was there an earlier version of a Rotary pin fellowship before Rotary on Pins? Why yes, it appears there was...

A similar previous version of this was called the *International Pin Collecting Fellowship of Rotarians*.

The pin depicting it was split with "We collect pins," "Pin Pals," and the Rotary wheel in each of 3 sections.

The Rotarian magazine depicts some of this fellowship's history.

The September 1991 issue of *The Rotarian* wrote that Rotarian Leon Marx of Metairie, Louisiana, US was chartering this fellowship with 39 members. He was recruiting at the RI convention in Mexico City.

This fellowship was approved and a pin created.

Alas, by May 2003, this fellowship was terminated along with 5 others as reported in the September 2003 issue of *The Rotarian*.

More history will be reported later about this forefather or at least distant cousin of the Rotary on Pins Fellowship.

Thanks to Fellowship Charter Member **Ruthe D. Gleason** who provided the picture of this historic pin, posted it on Facebook, and let us know about it.

# Founders, Charters, & Inaugural Members

Thank you to all who are now part of the **Rotary on Pins Fellowship** family.

## Founders

Those who joined prior to November 22, 2015 when the Fellowship application was sent to RI.

## Charters

Those who joined between November 22, 2015 and before April 29, 2016 when the Fellowship was approved by RI.

## Inaugural Members

Those who join within the first 6 months of RI approval, between April 29 & before October 28, 2016.

## Fellowship Board

Ed Book, Chair  
US, D-6970

Evan Burrell  
Membership Secretary  
Australia, D-9685

Keith Nickol  
Membership Secretary  
England/UK, D-1130

Wes Eubank, Treasurer  
US, D-6970

Marcelo Goberto Azevedo  
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Brazil, D-4620

## Founders - Alphabetically

Ganesh Agarwal  
India, D-3291

Miguel Amorim  
Portugal, D-4500

Marilyn Axler  
US, D-7640

Madhumita Bishnu  
Australia, D-9800

Ed Book  
US, D-6970

Evan Burrell  
Australia, D-9685

Ramiro Contreras  
Canada, D-5370

Jose Antonio Gonzalez  
Castillo  
Mexico, D-4170

Wes Eubank  
US, D-6970

Ansoinette Fourie  
South Africa, D-9400

Megan Forbes  
US, D-6970

Linda Hamilton  
US, D-5170

Steve Hellerspark  
US, D-7730

Kristin Hesse  
US, D-5000

John Ikolo  
Nigeria, D-9125

Ronald Keith  
Brazil, D-4470

Pravin Khanjire  
India, D-3170

Fel Lee  
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Wilma Lig  
South Africa D-9400

David Machain  
Mexico, D-4170

G. John Marmet  
US, D-6440

Catherine Carucci Massey  
US, D-5240

Dave Moxley  
US, D-6970

Mayra Navarette  
Denmark, D-1740

Keith Nickol  
England/UK, D-1130

Uju Ogechukwu Ochuba  
Nigeria, D-9125

Oke Babatayo Olugbenga  
Nigeria, D-9125

Rob Oglesby  
US, D-6970

Cheryl Poe  
US, D-6970

Chhaparia Praveen  
India, D-3291

Paolo H. Rivera  
Phillipines, D-3800

Ray Snook  
US, D-6970

Cheng Thiong Soh  
Malaysia, D-3300

Sam Sweiry  
England / UK, D-1130

Helge Tippman  
Denmark, D-1740

Jessica Diaz Valdes  
Chile, D-4340

Baba Vidhi N. Tilak  
Kenya, D-4590

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Did we omit you, list you by mistake, or make an error in our listing? Our apologies.

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and we will correct errors.



*The original "Founders" of Rotary depicted in this 100 year commemoration pin.*

## Fellowship Questions

*As a new Fellowship, we need to know how members feel about membership requirements, dues, meetings etc. Read this & provide your feedback.*

As a new Fellowship, we need to know how members feel about things like membership, dues, Board makeup, our FB page etc.

Here are short questions you can answer for us.

1. Why did you join?
2. What will keep you involved in this Fellowship?
3. What do you think should be the requirements to join the Fellowship in the future?
4. What should be the dues? How often?
5. Will you be attending the International Convention in Atlanta in 2017?

Tell us anything important you want us to know.

Email your answers to [bookgainesville@aol.com](mailto:bookgainesville@aol.com) or wait information announced on our Facebook page by end of the year.

## Time to Engage – Time to Help

Any organization needs engaged and supportive members to make it run well. This is our goal.

We have plenty of Fellowship members but need some key persons who can help with these Fellowship fun-ctions.

+ Recruit: ...like minded Rotarians, Rotaractors,

Interactors, and Rotarian friends to like the FB page, post pics, and comment.

+ Website Development: A work in progress. Are you creative. Can you help our current webmaster?

+ Newsletter "savvy:" Need a newsletter chair. We can help provide a template and submit articles and pictures.

But you will get the credit for designing it. Perhaps twice a year...

+ House of Friendship: Going to Atlanta in 2017. Can you help staff, set up, design our booth?

+ Want to serve on the Board: Interested in leading, helping with by-laws, and strategic planning?

## "Fellow Fellowships"



There are over 60 Fellowships currently in Rotary International, some very large and some extremely small. Go to the [Rotary website](#) for so much more information about this exciting aspect of Rotary.

Take a look at some of the unique pins pictured here of some of our other "fellow" fellowships.

## Favorite Facebook Pin Posts

The pins depicted on this page have received a lot of interest on the [Rotary on Pins Fellowship](#) Facebook (FB) page.

The fellowship is always looking for good pin "pics".

Since pins are small, these suggestions should help make your posts engaging to others.

> People with pins makes the picture even more interesting.

> If the picture is just of a pin, make sure it fills the frame and is in focus. Remember: most Rotary pins are very small.

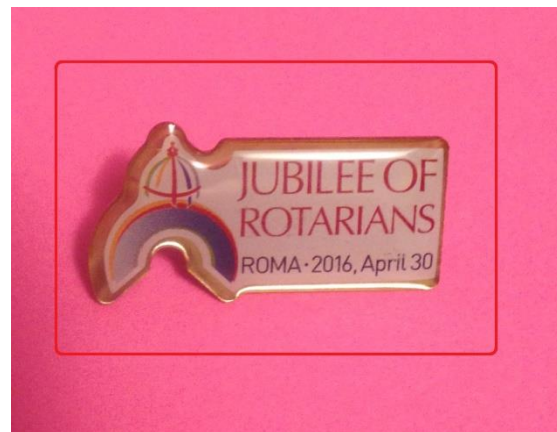
> Provide context. Tell, for example, who, what, where, when, why...

> Need help posting? Just ask for it on the FB page and administrators will post it for you.



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