

What Is the Arch Klumph Society?

Named after the sixth president of Rotary, the Arch Klumph Society was established to acknowledge and recognize The Rotary Foundation's highest tier of donors — those who have contributed \$250,000 or more during their lifetime.

Members have the opportunity to be formally inducted into the society and to have their name, portrait, and biographical information displayed at Rotary International World Headquarters.

Membership in the Arch Klumph Society is lifelong. Along with specific AKS recognition pins and pendants, members receive several other benefits commensurate with their generosity.

How to Qualify

You qualify for the Arch Klumph Society if you have made cumulative contributions of \$250,000 or more to The Rotary Foundation. Contributions can be made in a variety of forms, such as cash, securities, real estate, and planned gifts.

Arch Klumph Society Levels

\$250,000-\$499,999: Trustees Circle

\$500,000-\$999,999: Chair's Circle

\$1,000,000-\$2,499,999: Foundation Circle

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\$2,500,000-\$4,999,999: Platinum Trustees Circle

\$5,000,000-\$9,999,999: Platinum Chair's Circle

\$10,000,000+: Platinum Foundation Circle

History of the Arch Klumph Society

Arch C. Klumph joined the Rotary Club of Cleveland, Ohio, USA, in 1911. He was the 1916-17 Rotary president, the organization's sixth. Addressing the 1917 convention in Atlanta, Georgia, he eloquently promoted the idea of "endowments for the purpose of doing good in the world."

That year, the Rotary Club of Kansas City, Missouri, USA, made the first gift, of \$26.50, to the fledgling fund. When the endowment had grown significant enough to require administrators to manage it, The Rotary Foundation was born, and Klumph was selected as one of its first trustees.

The Arch Klumph Society was created in 2004, during Rotary International's 2004-05 centennial celebration, as a meaningful way to recognize the Foundation's highest-level donors. The society's first dinner was held the following year. Today, members' portraits, engraved in glass plaques, hang in the Arch Klumph Society Gallery at Rotary International World Headquarters.



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YOUR MEMBER BENEFITS

“We should not live for ourselves alone, but for the joy in doing good for others.”

— Arch C. Klumph

Doing Good in the World: Why Become a Member?

Arch Klumph Society members support The Rotary Foundation for a variety of reasons, but they share one common attribute: They are among the Foundation’s top leaders and innovators.

Members believe in the work of The Rotary Foundation and have made the support of peace efforts, education, and humanitarian assistance part of their personal mission. Their involvement is vital to the Foundation’s programs, which work for the worldwide eradication of polio, to build infrastructure, and to support Rotary Peace Fellows, among other efforts.

Each member of the society has a personal commitment to Doing Good in the World. Through that commitment and the leadership of the society’s members, the Foundation is able to continue its work toward a more humane and peaceful world.

The society is made up of hundreds of members from around the world, and it continues to grow. Each member is a valuable part of this international family of Rotary Foundation contributors.

AKS Gallery and Interactive Kiosk

Each Arch Klumph Society member has the opportunity to have his or her portrait placed in the AKS Gallery, located on the 17th floor of Rotary International World Headquarters in Evanston, Illinois, USA. Portraits are etched on glass plaques, which are back-lit to create a stunning display of our Foundation’s most valued supporters. And members’ profiles are available on an interactive kiosk.



Induction Experience

The Rotary Foundation celebrates new Arch Klumph Society members, who have the opportunity to select one of the following induction ceremonies:

Celebration Weekend Induction

Travel to Rotary headquarters to celebrate your membership with other inductees and visiting Foundation Trustees and Board of Directors members. The weekend program includes informational sessions, induction ceremonies, and a celebration dinner, and you will be able to view your portrait in the Arch Klumph Society Gallery. This program is ideal for those who want to celebrate the achievement of AKS membership where Rotary began.

Regional Induction

Enjoy recognition of your membership during your Rotary institute. Local Rotary leaders will work with you to plan this celebratory event in your honor. This option is ideal for those who want to be inducted close to home, among local Rotary friends and leaders.

International Assembly Induction

Join The Rotary Foundation Trustees in San Diego, California, USA, to celebrate your membership. This induction ceremony will take place during a celebration dinner, prior to the beginning of the Rotary International Assembly.

International Convention Induction

Celebrate your membership at the Rotary International Convention, at the Arch Klumph Society Dinner. You will be honored in the presence of Rotary senior leaders and fellow society members. This induction builds on the excitement of convention activities and is ideal for those who love attending Rotary conventions.

International Convention Benefits

Exclusive Registration and Seating

Bypass the wait with access to a special registration line during the convention. You will also enjoy a VIP view with reserved seating at general sessions.

Arch Klumph Society Lounge

Relax from your convention activities in the members lounge. Enjoy refreshments and mingle with fellow members and Rotary senior leaders.

Arch Klumph Society Dinner

Conclude Foundation Day at the Rotary Convention with a memorable dinner with your fellow society members. This intimate event is the perfect opportunity to meet new friends and connect with old ones.

Society Mailings

Newsletter

AKS members receive a newsletter with specific Foundation and society updates twice a year.

Annual Report

As a society member, you will receive Rotary International’s annual report, which highlights the past year of Rotary projects and events, as well as the Foundation’s finances.

Presidential Tie and Scarf

AKS members receive a tie and scarf reflecting the theme of each incoming Rotary International president.

