



Classification Talk Guidelines

What is a Classification Talk?

The purpose of this talk is to allow members to introduce themselves to the club membership so they can learn more about the new member. This facilitates their being welcomed and received into the club more quickly by the entire membership.

The *FIVE/TEN MINUTE talk should include:

1. A brief history of the member such as:

Where are you from, where did you grow up
Where do you live
Education, schools attended
Family members, spouse, children, school(s), where they live if older
What are your hobbies
Military Service (if applicable)

2. Describe your occupation(s):

Previous Occupations
Current Occupation
When did you start
What is the Company's product or service
What specifically do you do at work

3. Rotary:

Why did you join Rotary
Who is your Sponsor

This is your chance to "advertise" your company/business to Rotary members. We do want to know where your company is and what it does. Normally, we do not promote our businesses in regular club meetings.

You do not have to answer all questions above; they are intended to give an idea of what to say if you need help getting started. It is only intended as a possible outline.

The talk is not meant to embarrass you, but to let us get to know you, as you want us to. You are not expected to "come off" as a professional speaker. Most of us are not.

If you have something special to show us, you can bring it in

Classification talks generally last approximately 5 minutes