



## District 6250 Ethics Initiative Committee

### “R-O-T-A-R-Y Spells a Framework for Ethical Decision-Making”

(assistance available for planning and implementing projects)

#### The R-O-T-A-R-Y Framework for Ethical Decision-Making

Using the letters in the name of our club, we like to say that “R-O-T-A-R-Y Spells a Framework for Ethical Decision-Making.” R-O-T-A-R-Y stands for:

- Recognize an Ethical Issue;
- Obtain Information about the Situation and Other’s Interests and Perceptions;
- Test Alternative Actions from Various Ethical Perspectives;
- Act Consistently with Your Best Judgment;
- Reflect on Your Decision after Acting; and
- Yield to Your Ethical Judgments

The R-O-T-A-R-Y framework can help us understand the ethical dimensions of our lives in a way that will help us make better ethical decisions but also understand and respect the point of view of others including those who disagree with us.

#### Possible Projects Using the R-O-T-A-R-Y Framework

Projects using the R-O-T-A-R-Y Framework involve a brief introduction to the framework and discussion of one or more ethical dilemmas using the framework. The possibilities include:

- A **Rotary Ethical Decision-Making Workshop for Student Leaders** such as an Interact Club, a Rotaract Club, or other groups of student leaders
- A **Rotary Ethics Symposium** for students in one school or students from multiple schools
- A breakout session at a larger leadership conference on **Ethical Decision-Making for Student Leaders**
- A program on **Ethical Decision-Making** for adults at a Rotary meeting

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