



Clifford L. Dochterman, left, vice president of Rotary International, presents a new charter for the Rotary Club of Evergreen to Ed Starr, right, president of the local club.

Evergreen Rotary Club is chartered

In a gala ceremony Saturday evening at El Rancho restaurant, the Rotary Club of Evergreen was officially chartered.

The club was started in January this year and has been in the process of organizing since. To receive a charter as a member of Rotary International, a prospective club has to have at least 20 charter members from different professions. The Evergreen club was chartered with 26 members.

After a charter is granted, the club schedules a formal occasion to which officers and dignitaries from clubs in the immediate area and from Rotary International are invited, and at which the formal charter is presented to the club.

Saturday evening nine clubs from the local district were represented among the more than 130 in attendance and the

guest of honor was Clifford Dochterman, a vice president of Rotary International who lives in California.

Ed Starr, a local architect, is president of the Evergreen club. Rotary is a service organization which seeks to serve in both the local community and internationally.

Rotary International is very active in international educational and medical projects and one of the main aims of the organization is "peace through education." Rotary International sponsors the largest country-to-country exchange student program in the free world.

Evergreen Rotary Club meets every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at El Rancho restaurant. Guests and prospective members are welcome.