OUR GOAL IS TO TRAIN, MOTIVATE AND INSPIRE ROTARY LEADERS

Dear PETS Participants,

Greetings Rotary Club President-Elects, President-Nominees and Assistant Governors. This is the fourth publication that will be sent out to give you all the information you will need to get the most out of your PETS experience. As of right now we are one month from this very important training weekend. This is where you start your Rotary training to be the inspiration to your club, your board, and to your community.

Dates: March 17-18, 2018
WHERE: EFFINGHAM ILLINOIS

Here is a breakdown by District on how many President-Elects and President Nominees have registered so far:

*President Elects by District:
-6490: 16
-6510: 25
-6560: 26
-6580: 16

*President Nominees by District
-6490: 4
-6510: 4
-6560: 2
-6580: 10

*Assistant Governors by District
-6490: 3
-6510: 6
-6560: 4
-6580: 0

The countdown continues. Thank you to everyone that has signed up so far....We still have a lot of work to do before March 17th. All of you, Rotarians, are extremely busy people with family, work and community commitments. These things are very important parts of our lives however, it is imperative you block out this weekend from your busy schedules to attend the important and vital training that is needed to be a successful Club President.
As a reminder, you are responsible for your own PETS Registration and Hotel Reservation. They are separate registrations. Please get signed up today and call for your hotel reservations immediately. **HOTEL INFORMATION:** HOLIDAY INN EFFINGHAM - 1-217-540-7777 (109.90 + TAX), COUNTRY INN & SUITES - 1-217-540-5555 (90.00 + TAX), AND BAYMONT INN - 1-217-540-1111 (90.00 + TAX). When calling use promo codes either: Rotary or Land of Lincoln Pets for **discount rates.** If you have not registered for LOLPETS yet....go to [http://www.lolpets.org](http://www.lolpets.org). Hit the register now tab. That will take you through the registration process.

See you in Effingham!!

**PDG Laura Carie, Chair LOLPETS 2018**

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**KEY NOTE SPEAKER - ANN LEE HUSSEY**

Ann Lee Hussey of South Berwick, Maine has made the eradication of polio and the alleviation of suffering by polio survivors her life’s work. Through her life’s work she has earned the International Service Award for a Polio-Free World, the Rotary Service Above Self Award and she was honored as a White House Champion of Change for her humanitarianism and contributions to public service. Ann Lee has served as District 7780 Governor in 2010-2011. She is serving as Advisor to Rotary's International Polio Plus Committee and as Rotary's representative on the Global Polio Eradication Transition Management Group. She and her Rotarian husband are Rotary Foundation Major Donors and Bequest Society members.

"**My journey with polio**" is Ann Lee's topic. This is her personal, and so is her journey in the fight to eradicate polio. Over the past several years has actively participated in 29 volunteer NID (National Immunization Days) teams organizing and leading the last 26 teams herself, choosing to take those NIDs to places that do not often see westerners - Chad, Mali, Bangladesh, Niger, Nigeria, Madagascar as well as less "touristy" destinations in Egypt and India - where the need is greatest and where the publicity and goodwill surrounding the trip are as critical as the immunizations themselves to help communicate the need for eradication.
Elizabeth is a 20-year Rotarian and served as District Governor 2008-2009 for District 6040 Missouri. She is currently service as Rotary Public Image Coordinator of Zone 31. She is a trainer, facilitator and speaker for Rotary programs and districts throughout the United States. She has worked on several Zone Institutes as well as an RI President's representative. Elizabeth has written eight Foundation grants in support of Malawi Children's Village. She is a members of Paul Harris Society, a Major Donor and a member of the Bequest Society.

"Inspire, Inform, Engage: Telling Our Rotary Story in Our Communities" is Elizabeth's topic. Club Presidents and club members are People of Action who are passionate about their service projects. Telling our communities about our projects is one of the best ways to engage with our communities and attract new members. Your club members don't have to be public relations experts to tell Rotary's story. They just need to be intentional and relevant about the images and messages they communicate. Join Elizabeth for an engaging presentation of Rotary, social media, and stories that inspire, inform and engage our communities.

Assistant Governor Training

We have not forgotten your training during LOLPETS. Your training begins Friday 10:00 am Central Time. You are the eyes and ears of your District Governor. Our team will give you the tools to help your Presidents be more successful and to help your District Governor during their year. This will also give you the opportunity to network with your Presidents and fellow Assistant Governors.

Here is how you register: go to DACDB, log in then click on calendar tab, now scan down to March 16th. Go to the A/G event and click on "register now" and follow questions. That will register you for Friday training. Register for lolpets separately by going to http://www.lolpets.org. Hit the register now tab. That will take your through the registration process. That is for Saturday and Sunday training and breakouts.
Self-Study Project #2

Resources: Club President's Manual: (Lead Your Club)
Chapter 2: Club Management

Part Two- Weekly Club Meeting Agenda

Create a detailed weekly club meeting agenda with timed segments. We all know that part of what makes a meeting successful is starting on time and ending on time. Your timed agenda can be a viable asset in helping you achieve this objective.

Different Rotary clubs operate on different time frames, depending on how long their meetings are, i.e. one hour; hour and a quarter; hour and a half, etc. Make it work for your Rotary club. Items you may want to consider (but to which you certainly are not obligated or limited to), and in no particular order, are:

- Call the meeting to order
- Non-denominational Invocation/Thought for the Day/Motivational-Inspirational message.
- Pledge to the Flag, Song of the Day (if you are a singing club)
- Introduction of guests and visiting Rotarians
- Guest speaker/Program for the Week/Member Vocational Presentation
- Announcements/upcoming club and/or district special events
- Happy dollars
- 50/50 drawing/raffle prize drawing
- Rotary information segment/Rotary "minute"/Rotary Trivia
- Thanking of guests and visiting Rotarians
- Closing of meeting/Reciting Four-Way-Test
- **MAKE SURE YOU LEAVE ENOUGH TIME FOR YOUR SPEAKER! Remember they are your guest and potential member!**

It is a best practice for a meeting agenda to include the functionary who will handle each assignment on the agenda - President, Secretary, Sergeant at Arms, Club Committee Chair, etc.

When you have completed the above project you will have reached the second plateau - Congratulations, you are half-way to Land Of Lincoln PETS....and as always, have some fun with this!

Tip: The Presidents-Elect Training Seminar, or PETS, is the singular most important training event for Rotary leaders at the club and district level. It is the launch platform for success that provides club Presidents-Elect a tremendous opportunity to learn, network and otherwise prepare for a stellar start to one's Rotary year as Club President.
Useful Forms on lolpets website

- Club Presidents Manual
- Club Secretary Manual
- Club Treasure Manual
- Club Membership Committee Manual
- Club Public Relations Committee Manual
- Club Administration Committee Manual
- Club Service Projects Committee Manual
- Club Rotary Foundation Committee Manual
- Be a Vibrant Club
- Membership Assessment Tools
- Introduction of New Members to Rotary
- Rotary Club Health Check Orientation
- Strategic Planning Guide
- Club President Monthly Checklist

These are invaluable tools to prepare you for your year as Club President!

How Do You Prepare for LOLPETS

- DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER AND GET YOUR HOTEL RESERVATIONS.
- Make sure you have a My Rotary Account and able to log in
- Make sure you are able to log in on DACDB
- Go to the lolpets website and download the Club Presidents Manual
- Go through the manuals available to you on the lolpets website.
- Be prepared for your prepets training with your District Governor Elect.
- WHAT SHOULD I WEAR? Attire for this weekend is "Rotary" casual to business attire. Whatever you are most comfortable in. Please remember this is a business weekend.
- NETWORKING AND FELLOWSHIP. There will be plenty of opportunity for you to network with fellow Rotarians from four districts. Talk about what works for other communities. There will also be an opportunity to purchase Rotary items from at least two licensed vendors.