

2026 Lone Star PETS Spouse/Partner Program

Welcome to 2026 Lone Star P.E.T.S.

We hope you and your spouse/partner will find your time at P.E.T.S. to be informative, exciting, and fun! As you attend the sessions that we have arranged for you, you may wonder about your role and involvement as the spouse of a club president. The possibilities are endless, depending on your interests, professional and family commitments, and other factions.

Rotary is an international organization. The role of each club president's spouse/partner varies from club to club, district to district, and family to family. Everyone brings a different experience to Rotary. President spouses and partners include homemakers, community volunteers, professionals, mothers, fathers, Rotarians, retired persons, and many others. Spouses and partners participate in a manner that works best for their situation and the Rotary community in which they live.

Our goal for you is to learn more about Rotary this weekend at roundtable discussions, the House of Friendship, our many featured speakers, and the following activities. We encourage you to focus on how you and your spouse will support your Rotary club this coming year in a manner that best reflects your circumstances and your Rotary community.

We hope the information we provide will help you discover how Rotarians, who are ordinary people, are doing extraordinary things, and creating miracles in people's lives. They give freely of their time, talents, and gifts. Most of all they serve as living examples of the Rotary motto – Service Above Self, and we hope you will also be “People of Action”.

Yours in Rotary,

PP Susie and PP Clete McAlister

Co-Chairs 2026 Lone Star P.E.T.S Spouse/Partner Program

February 26 – March 1, 2026
DFW Hyatt Hotel

SPOUSE / PARTNER PROGRAM

Thursday, February 26
7:00 – 8:00 pm

Reception for Rotarian Spouses / Partners

An informal meeting of participants with an overview of the program to be presented on Friday and Saturday

Friday, February 27
9:00 – 11:30 am

**“Rotarians Are People of Action”
Rotary 101**

11:40 am – 1:15 pm

Lunch / Plenary Session I

1:30 – 5:30 pm

“Working Together through Rotary”

6:00 – 8:00 pm

Dinner / Plenary Session II

Saturday, February 28
8:30 – 11:30 am

“Rotarians in Action with Our Youth”

11:40 am – 1:15 pm

**Lunch / Plenary Session III
Speaker: Past Regional Membership Coordinator
Louisa Horner**

1:30 – 5:00 pm

“Rotary Action in Our Communities”

Group Community Service Project

6:00 – 8:00 pm

Dinner / Plenary Session IV

Friday, February 27, 2026

9:00 – 11:30 am

ROTARIANS ARE PEOPLE OF ACTION

- **Introductions**

- **Role of the Spouse / Partner, Rotarian, or Non-Member**

- **Rotary Basics – “Rotary 101”**
 - **Object of Rotary**
 - **Areas of Focus**
 - **Avenues of Service**

- **The Rotary Foundation**
 - **Paul Harris Fellow**
 - **Paul Harris Society**
 - **Sustaining Member**
 - **Major Donor**

- **Local and International Impact of Rotary**

- **Group Discussion of Local and International projects**

Friday, February 27, 2026
1:30 – 5:30 pm

WORKING TOGETHER THROUGH ROTARY

- **Rotary Action Groups**
- **Rotary Fellowships**
- **Membership Engagement**
 - **Social**
 - **Projects**
 - **Networking**
- **Innovative Club Projects**
 - **Community**
 - **Global**
- **Rotary Acronyms**

(Work on Group Community Service Project)

Saturday, February 28, 2026

8:30 – 11:30 am

ROTARIANS IN ACTION WITH OUR YOUTH

- **Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)**
- **Four Way Test**
- **Interact and Rotaract**
- **Global Scholars**
- **Rotary Youth Exchange Program**
- **Interactive Discussion of Youth Programs**

Saturday, February 28, 2026

1:30 – 5:00 pm

ROTARIANS IN ACTION IN OUR COMMUNITIES

- **Local Rotary Action, Impact, and Results**
- **Sharing of Community Involvement**
- **Spouse / Partner Group Community Service Project**