

Lone Star PETS 2025

Online Registration Guide

The Lone Star President-Elect Training Seminar (PETS) is designed to provide essential and current information to President-elects and President-nominees to prepare them to have an effective and successful year. Attendees will have the opportunity to hear talks by top Rotary leaders and motivational speakers, attend small group discussion sessions on various topics led by knowledgeable and experienced discussion leaders and network and exchange ideas with their peers from ten Rotary districts.

I know that you will find Lone Star PETS to be a *very* worthwhile training experience and this guide has been developed to provide you with the information you need to know before going online to register.

1. **Registration Packages**

Registering for Lone Star PETS is easy!

Go to the Lone Star PETS website at www.lonestarpets.org and click on “Registration” in the menu, then “Online PETS Registration Link” in the drop down. This will take you directly to the Lone Star PETS registration page.

If you have a Club Runner login enter your login and password. This will prefill some of your information. If you do not have a Club Runner login enter your information. You will then be required to choose a registration package.

Be sure to indicate your **role at PETS** on the first page of registration. Registration packages include all meals.

The six available **Registration Packages** options are as follows:

- a. **President-elect:** Select this option if you will serve as the President of your club starting July 1, 2025.
- b. **President-nominee:** Select this option if you will serve as the President of your club starting July 1, 2026.
- c. **Assistant Governor:** Select this option if you are an Assistant Governor.
- d. **Spouse/Partner:** Select this option if you are a Spouse or Partner of someone attending PETS as a President-elect, President-nominee, DG, DGE, DGN, PDG, AG, DRFC, Facilitator, or Lone Star PETS Operating Committee.
- e. **All Others:** Select this option if you do not fit into one of the other four categories. This category includes DGs, DGEs, DGNs, PDGs, DRFCs, Facilitators, Rangers and other Lone Star PETS Operating Committee.
- f. **Rotaractors:** Select this option if you are a Rotaractor

All options include the Elective classes and the Keynote Speakers each day.

Note: Please understand that if you (excluding PEs, PNs, and Facilitators) and/or your spouse/partner want to participate in either the AG Training or the Spouse/Partner Program you **MUST** register for the appropriate Registration Package.

Hint: If you fit into more than one Registration Package option, choose the option that best describes **why you're attending PETS** For instance, if both you and your spouse are attending, and both of you are either a President-elect or President-nominee, choose that option over Spouse/Partner.

2. Registration

Note: Online registration will open on November 1, 2024 and run through midnight February 26, 2025.

3. Thursday Evening Classes

When you register for PETS, you will be given the opportunity to register for **two Thursday evening** classes led by knowledgeable and experienced facilitators that are designed to provide focused information on a variety of Rotary subjects. Most of these classes will be presented twice, one at 7:00-7:50 and again at 8:00-8:50. The Reception for Rotarian Spouses/Partners will only be given once at 7:00 pm. What Presidents Need to know about the Rotary Foundation and Getting Members Involved will be presented at 7:00 pm only. The Rotary Foundation for PEs and PNs will be presented at 8:00 pm only. What Can ClubRunner Do for My Club will be a two-hour course beginning at 7:00 pm.

Course Description of Thursday Evening Classes

Reception for Rotarian Spouses/Partners

This is a welcome reception for our Spouses and Partners. Facilitators Susie and Cleve McAlister

Rotary Basics (limited to 100)

This is a Rotary 101 course especially designed for Presidents-Elect and Presidents-Nominee who have been in Rotary three years or fewer. Facilitators PDG Michelle Bohreer and PDG Eric Liu

President's Role in Budget & Finance (limited to 100)

This session focuses on the President's role in a financially healthy club by answering questions about budgets, financials, 990s, recording and entities for charitable donations. Facilitator PDG Ronny Reynolds

How Do I Run Club & Board Meetings and Club Assemblies?

Stimulating meetings, programs and assemblies are key to attracting members, keeping members and member satisfaction. This session will show you how to accomplish those goals and how your board can help. Facilitator PDG Bob Dill

Finding New Members and Keeping Them

This session focuses on recruiting & retaining members and how the Membership Success Center can help. Facilitator Holly Weems-Croom

What Presidents Need to Know about the Rotary Foundation and Getting Members Involved

Learn how the local & international impact of The Rotary Foundation can build enthusiasm, participation and engagement among club members, Facilitator AARFC Bill Dendy

The Rotary Foundation for Pes and PNs only

This class will be presented at 8:00 pm only. This session provides information on The Rotary Foundation which is vital for club presidents to lead their club in humanitarian efforts. Facilitator AARFC Jerry Chapman

What is Rotary Club Central and How Do I Use It?

This session consists of "hands-on" learning on the use of Rotary Club Central & My Rotary. Participants MUST have their own laptop, Rotary Member Number or Login. Facilitator pending

What Legal Pitfalls Might My Club Face?

This session addresses your club's liability at a fundraiser or project, what to do when someone says they were harassed and why you need conflict resolution. Facilitators PDG Jeff Tallas & PDG Rhonda Walls-Kerby

Action Plans and Setting Goals for Your Club

This session introduces Rotary Action Plans and simplifies setting goals for your club. Clubs with goals and a plan tend to be more successful. Facilitator PDG Scott Rainey

What Rotary Youth Programs are Available to My Club?

From Early Act/First Knight to Interact to Rotary Youth Exchange and RYLA there are many Rotary programs to support youth and train future leaders. Your club can improve your community and energize your members through youth programs! This will be a panel discussion with audience participation. Facilitators PDG Lisa Herring, PDG Mindi Snyder & Anniela Carracedo

What Can ClubRunner Do for My Club? (THIS IS A TWO-HOUR COURSE)

This session aims to help both new and advanced users. The first half of the session will cover the basics of ClubRunner and provide an overview of features. The second half of the session will feature a deeper dive into Online Payments with Cloud Events & Donations, Rotary Integration Services, and the Website and Bulletin Designer. Facilitators Club Runner Staff and Halle Asterbandi, Co-Founder and COO

Why is Public Image Everything?

This exciting session will show you how your club can become well-known, respected and sought after by community leaders. We have a great story to tell, this course will help you tell your story! Facilitator Patrick Harrison

What can the Rotary Foundation do for you?

Join us for this lively insider's look at how charitable giving to The Rotary Foundation can do more than change lives-it can help you keep more of your hard-earned dollars!

Discover tax savvy tips, tricks and maybe a laugh or two as we show you how to make the most of your generosity. You'll walk away feeling smarter, inspired, and maybe even a little wealthier (in spirit and savings)! Facilitators TRF Major Gifts Officer Shelley Hill and DG 5890 Nancy Anderson

Assistant Governor Training

If you are registering for PETS as an Assistant Governor in order to support your District Governor-elect with Friday's training, please consider staying an extra day to attend Assistant Governor Training on Saturday. Whether you will be a first-time AG or have been on the job for a number of years, there's something in this training for everybody. Led by a knowledgeable and experienced facilitator, you will network and exchange ideas with Assistant Governors from ten Rotary districts.

4. Speaker Presentations

Videos of all Guest Speakers will be downloadable from the website and mobile app.

5. Cancellations and Refund Policy

We hope that you will not find it necessary to do this, but should it be necessary to cancel your PETS registration you will be charged a cancellation fee.

6. Appropriate Attire

Treat attending PETS like you would be going to work and you'll be fine.

