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Dear PETS Participant -

I hope you're as excited as we are as we're just a few weeks away from Rotary Florida PETS! This is the fifth installment of your eight emails that will help you get ready for PETS and Training Matters enabling you to be the best President your club has ever seen!



Online registration for Rotary Florida PETS has officially closed. If you need assistance, please contact your District Governor Elect. The Buena Vista Palace Hotel registration is also closed. If you need a room, please check with available rooms at the BVP or contact your District Governor Elect.

If you have any questions, as we draw closer, don't hesitate to reach out and ask.

See you in Orlando!!

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PDG Art MacQueen, Chair
Rotary Florida PETS 2017

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What's Great About Rotary Florida PETS?

If this is your first time attending a large Rotary event, be sure to check out the House of Friendship (HOF). Every large Rotary event usually has a HOF – some offer entertainment (you don't want us singing and dancing), some offer food (all of our breaks will be held in the HOF), but all offer great resources, Rotary merchandise, and the opportunity for fellowship and networking. The HOF will open Thursday at noon – giving you plenty of time to visit each of the vendors and Rotary tables.

The Project Fair – YOUR opportunity to showcase a project your club is doing to make a difference in your community (or the world!). We invite you to bring a display, pictures, brochures, or other information that will inform other Rotarians about your project. Exhibits are encouraged which do not require you staying at the table. Please, no raffle tickets, lotteries, or active fundraising for your project are allowed. Pre Registration and Table reservation required. Visit the website for more information, under the PETS 2017 Tab: <http://rotaryfloridapets.org/>

For more information, contact HOF Chair, Pete Doragh pete.doragh@doraghlawfirm.com

Special training for Rotary Club Central (RCC)– a requirement now by your District and RI for managing your club goals. Still uncertain as to how best to use this? Sign up for hands-on sessions on Thursday. Don't worry, you'll only miss one of the Thursday presentations, but will gain a world of knowledge on RCC.

Interacting with your District Leadership Team and your fellow district Presidents-Elect in your District Breakouts (DBO). Learn more about the vision of your DGE and the resources available in your district. Meet other PEs to plan, socialize, and figure out how to make your communities better!

Five sessions on Thursday that focus on Membership, Foundation, Risk Management, Council on Legislation Options that are working, Partnerships, and online tools that will help you be a better President.

You can bring your partner or spouse! The more they know about Rotary and your upcoming role, the more they can be supportive of your efforts. We have a special training session where they will meet other partner/spouses and they'll participate in a great service project where they'll make a difference in the local community. Register your spouse, when you register for PETS on DaCdb via the link from our website.



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Keynote Speaker Saturday Breakfast

Bradford R. Howard (Brad)

RI Director 2014-16 – Zone 25-26—Rotary Club of Oakland Uptown (California)

Brad, a charter member of the Rotary Club of Oakland Uptown and Past District Governor of District 5170 (California's Silicon Valley), is the Zones 25 & 26 Rotary International Director for the 2015-16 and 2016-17 Rotary years.

Brad has served on a number of Rotary committees, including the Membership Committee, COL Advisory Committee, and Operations Review Committee. He is currently the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the RI Board. He also served 10 years as the Zone 26 End Polio Now Coordinator, and has led 25 groups of Rotarians, comprised of over 1,000 people, to participate in polio national immunization days in West Africa and India.



He has extensive Rotary leadership training experience, including being a long time trainer at Presidents-elect Training Seminars and Governors Elect Training Seminars (GETS) and five years at the International Assembly, where the incoming class of 535 governors from around the world receive their training.

Brad is president of Howard Tours and managing director of Howard Properties. He is past president of the Haas School of Business Alumni Association (University of California, Berkeley), past board member and committee chair of the Cal Alumni Association, and trustee of the University of California, Berkeley Foundation.

He is a recipient of The Rotary Foundation's Distinguished Service Award and Rotary's Service Above Self Award and International Service Award for a Polio Free World.

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Keynote Speaker Friday Banquet

Joseph (Joe) Mulkerrin

RI Director 2016-18 – Zone 33-34—Rotary Club of Hampton Roads (Virginia)

Joseph Mulkerrin retired in 1982 from the U.S. Navy after a career of more than 21 years in both sea and shore duty.

A Rotarian since 1984, he has served as RI president's representative, zone coordinator, Council on Legislation representative, committee and task force member, RI training leader, district Foundation chair, regional Rotary Foundation coordinator, and district governor.

Mulkerrin is a recipient of RI's Service Above Self Award and The Rotary Foundation's Distinguished Service Award.

He is a multiple Paul Harris Fellow and a member of the Paul Harris Society and Bequest Society of The Rotary Foundation. He and his wife, Ann, are Major Donors and Benefactors of The Rotary Foundation.



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Visit the PETS House of Friendship. You'll be able to stock up on all your Rotary needs: pins, clothing, awards, gifts, you name it. All from great, Rotary registered vendors like National Awards 4U, Russell Hampton, Four Towns Embroidery, Gerry White Pin Co. and more. And a 'Rotary Store', with a large selection of printed materials for you and your club.

Additionally you'll find your Rotary Coordinator Teams have tables for Membership, Public Image and the Rotary Foundation. Not only will they have members of their teams hosting these tables, but members of Rotary and Foundation Staff available to answer your questions.

Want more??? How about Josh the Otter, providing great information on water safety for kids or Rise Against Hunger (formerly Stop Hunger Now) who with the help of Rotarians and clubs like ours has now packaged over 305 million meals for distribution all over the world.

We'll also have a table with information on the Atlanta Convention, it's not too late to sign up and be a part of what's shaping up to be the biggest Rotary party in the history of the planet!

Still more???? How about the Rotary on Pins Fellowship. Bring your old pins, bring new pins, see what's going on, and how you can be involved.

What about dictionaries????? Yep, we've got those as well. The Dictionary Project will be there too!

Do you know about Rotary's Camp Florida? It's a great camp for kids! Learn more about it at the House of Friendship!

These are just a small sampling of the great folks joining us this year in *The House of Friendship!* More are signing up every week.

REMINDER: Want to show off your club project in the House of Friendship? You can sign up for a full table, half a table or multiple tables and tell all of Florida about it. Simply go to the <http://rotaryfloridapets.org/> website, under the PETS 2017 tab, and register now.