

Rotary



Land of Lincoln PETS

Rotary Districts 6490, 6510, 6560 and 6580



ROTARY LAND OF LINCOLN PRESIDENT-ELECT TRAINING
EFFINGHAM, IL MARCH 16-17, 2019

Register NOW by clicking on the Wheel

The purpose of the presidents-elect training seminar (PETS) is to develop club presidents who have the necessary skills, knowledge, and motivation to lead an effective club. Club Presidents-Nominees and Assistant Governors have a special session as well and are encouraged to attend. **If you haven't registered yet, it's important to do so NOW.**



Rotary International President-Elect Mark Daniel Maloney will join us to share in his vision of how *Rotary Connects the World*. It truly is a special opportunity to have an incoming RI President attend Land of Lincoln PETS. Mark is not a stranger to IL. He is originally from Ridgeway, IL and returns annually as part of the Popcorn Festival.

Rotary International President-elect Mark Daniel Maloney explained his vision for building a stronger Rotary, calling on leaders to expand connections to their communities and to embrace innovative membership models.

"The first emphasis is to grow Rotary — to grow our service, to grow the impact of our projects, but most importantly, to grow our membership so that we can achieve more," Maloney said. Maloney believes that connection is at the heart of the Rotary experience. "(Rotary) allows us to connect with each other, in deep and meaningful ways, across our differences," Maloney said. "It connects us to people we would never otherwise have met, who are more like us than we ever could have known. It connects us to our communities, to professional opportunities, and to the people who need our help." Maloney also called on every Rotary and Rotaract club to identify segments of their community not represented in their club by creating a membership committee with diverse members. "Through Rotary, we connect to the incredible diversity of humanity on a truly unique footing, forging deep and lasting ties in pursuit of a common goal," he added. "In this ever more divided world, Rotary connects us all." Maloney urged leaders to offer alternative meeting experiences and service opportunities to make it easier for busy professionals and people with many family obligations to serve in leadership roles. "We need to foster a culture where Rotary does not compete with the family, but rather complements it," Maloney said. "That means taking real, practical steps to change the existing culture: being realistic in our expectations, considerate in our scheduling, and welcoming of children at Rotary events on every level." Maloney said many of the barriers that prevent people from serving as leaders in Rotary are based on expectations that are no longer relevant. "It is time to adapt, to change our culture, and to convey the message that you can be a great district governor without visiting every club individually, and a great president without doing everything yourself."



**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
PRESIDENT-ELECT 2019-2020
Mark Daniel Maloney**

Maloney, a member of the Rotary Club of Decatur, Alabama USA, unveiled the 2019-20 presidential theme, *Rotary Connects the World*, to incoming district governors at Rotary's annual training event, the International Assembly, in San Diego, California, USA, on Monday.

Assignment 3 – Club President Basics

Each newsletter will contain one brief assignment for the presidents-elect. These are designed to introduce you to the course topics so you will be prepared to optimize your training at PETS. All courses are on the Rotary Learning Center found at www.rotary.org > MyRotary > Learning and Reference > Learning Center > Club President Basics

Looking for ways to help your club succeed? Get advice on planning for your year, creating an engaging club experience, and working with your leadership team to help your club run smoothly.

Please submit your completed course certificate to your District Governor Elect

No later than 02/15/2019



Why Should I attend President-Elect Training for Rotary?

PETS is a great experience that leaves many President Elects (PE's) super-charged for their year. It's an experience that mandates participation and like most things in life, you get out of it what you put into it. PE's have the chance to interact, get to know, and learn from their Peers from similar sized clubs about best practices, what works for them and what doesn't, and what ideas they have tried. It's a full 2-days of activities, a bit of fun, a touch of fellowship, good food, and a nice facility to accommodate the PE's generous gift of their time. It's well worth attending and PE's usually come away with pages of notes, ideas, and new acquaintances & friendships that will make their year even more productive and fun. Your Club has paid for your PE to attend, so why not go? Even "recycled" Club Presidents can benefit from attending as Rotary continues to evolve and PETS continues to improve each year.



PETS is a must attend event! I found the experience inspiring and uplifting. It provided me with an abundance of ideas that I took back to my club. In addition, I met my DGE Julie Dobski who took me under her wing and has been an amazing mentor. I would recommend PETS as an excellent avenue to gather ideas and make connections.

PETS provided me an opportunity to interact with other Presidents from my year, Presidents in our District and from other Districts. These connections proved so valuable throughout my Presidency. In addition, the technical knowledge on topics from Polio. Membership and Grants proved equally as valuable



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