



Dear President-Elect:

January, 2012

Congratulations to each of you from the 2012 Southern California/Nevada PETS Committee. We look forward to your participation in this upcoming, exciting event. The theme of 2012 PETS is *"Enter to Learn, Go Forth to Serve!"*

The PETS Committee has been working hard for months to make this an informative and enjoyable weekend for you and your partner with your Governor-Elect and district staff. We have arranged for some world-class speakers and knowledgeable instructors as well as some "surprise" events, all of which should inspire you as you plan for *what will be one of the most exciting years of your Rotary life!*

#### DATES AND TIMES

The 2012 PETS meetings begin on Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup> with some optional electives starting at 9:00 AM and conclude on Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 AM. We request you make arrangements to attend the full weekend. The Information Booth opens at 8:00AM. Breakfast can be purchased at the Champions Restaurant in the Lobby beginning at 7:00AM.

#### SESSIONS

The Opening Session of 2012 PETS begins at 11:45AM in the Marquis Ballroom. The keynote speaker is **Past Rotary International President Ray Klingensmith**. You will not want to miss this start so please arrive in plenty of time.

Other dignitaries who will be there to inspire you during these PETS meetings will be your year's **RI President Sakuji Tanaka**, our current **Director Ken Boyd**, **Past RI Presidents Cliff Dochterman** and **Rick King**, former Ambassadorial Scholar **Jean Irwin**, The Rotary Foundation's Annual Giving Officer for Zones 25 & 26 **Steven Solomon** and of course, the surprise guests as mentioned above.

#### PHOTOGRAPHER

A professional photographer and a business card maker will be available during these meetings. You will need to schedule your time with the photographer either Friday or Saturday.

## VENDORS

The hallways outside the meeting rooms will feature some notable Rotary International approved vendors. Please plan on visiting them in between meetings to get your supply of banners, flags, pins, gifts etc. which you will want to have during your year as club president.

## REGISTRATION

On-line registration is now available through SoCal/Nevada PETS website <http://www.socalnevadapets.org> and we recommend that you visit the site **NOW** and register early. The latter will be particularly important if you are planning on coming the night before on Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Hotel rooms on Thursday will be go fast - early registration will be critical.

## CHECK IN

Meeting registration check-in will take place in the District Training Rooms and special arrangements are being negotiated to make your hotel check-in go smoothly while you attend your sessions. Your Governor-Elect will be able to give you additional information about Friday's hotel check-in procedure once we have established a system.

Name tags will be required for entry into all sessions during these meetings! Please make sure that you and your partner wear these or have them available for inspection by Sgts-At-Arms on duty.

## LOCATION

### **LAX Marriott Hotel**

5855 W. Century Blvd  
Los Angeles, Ca 90045  
310-641-5700

For other pertinent information, please check with your Governor-Elect and/or visit the SoCal/Nev PETS website to receive updated information.

We thank you for your willingness to serve and we wish you and your families all the best for the holiday season!

Yours in Rotary service,



Deepa Willingham, Chair  
2012 SoCal/Nev PETS Committee