



## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

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**Dear Club Presidents 2008-2009,**

Happy Holidays! Thank you so much for your hard work as Club President during this Rotary Year. As business and professional people who have learned to balance the demands of work, home, and community service, you already know the value of organization and pre-planning. Thankfully, Rotary has provided a wealth of resources and opportunities for education that you will find to be of great assistance. I sincerely hope you and your President-elect will take advantage of the Mid-Year/Pre-PETS meeting scheduled on January 31, 2009.

Your agreement to serve as President is also a pledge to serve your club members – just as my agreement to serve as District Governor is a pledge to be of service to each of you. I am certain that we can continue the spirit of continuity for the remaining months of this rotary year 2008-2009 by working and sharing information with your President-elect as they prepare for their year 2009-2010.

Let's get down to business . . . I have enclosed a draft agenda & registration form for this important meeting. The Mid-Year Meeting is convened by the District Governor and attended by all of the current club presidents. *It is also a Pre-PETS Meeting, convened by the Governor-Elect, and attended by all of the Presidents-Elect, in preparation for PETS in March.* This meeting is scheduled for Saturday, January 31, 2009 at White's of Westport. Coffee will be provided upon arrival and a brunch is scheduled between the sessions.

*Be sure to take note of PETS on March 12-14, 2009. All Presidents-Elect are required to attend PETS as per Rotary International Manual of Procedure.*

It is hard to believe how fast this year is going, but we must continue to inspire and engage our club members as well as increase our memberships. As Club Presidents, you need to follow-up on your foundation pledges, plan for the district conference, continue to work on your goals, and complete your Presidential Citations.

I look forward to seeing you all on January 31<sup>st</sup>. (Arrive at 8:00 AM and leave at 1:00 PM)  
Keep up the good work!

Yours in Rotary

*Steve*

