

**2026-2027
District Governors**



Sherrill G. Smith
District 6710
Kentucky



Terry Pugh
District 6740
Kentucky



Jeff Brasher
District 6760
Tennessee



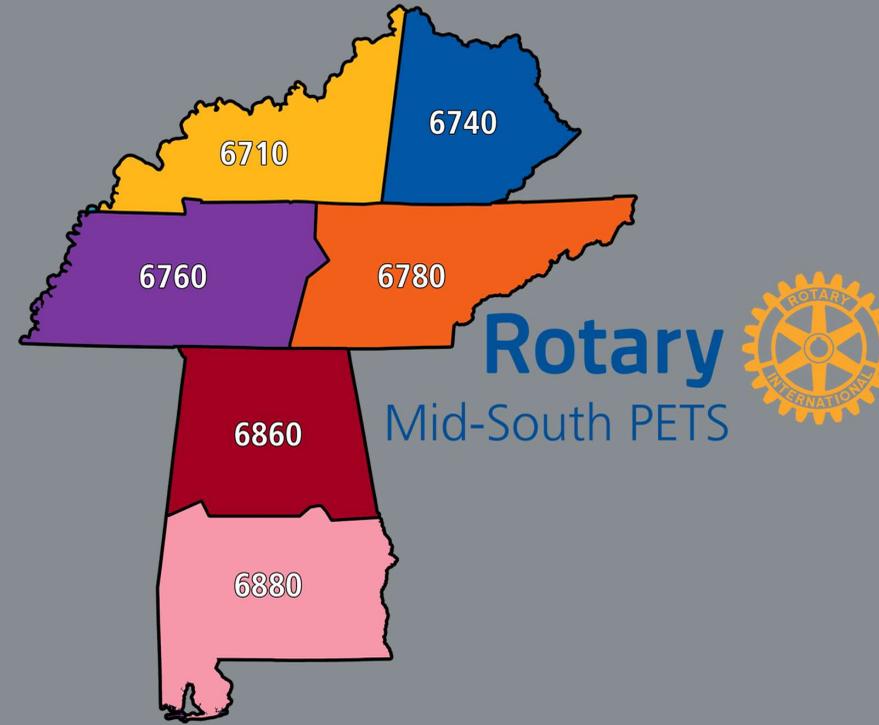
Deb Birdsall
District 6780
Tennessee



Elizabeth Garcia
District 6860
Alabama



Steve Weaver
District 6880
Alabama



**ROTARY 2026
MID-SOUTH PETS**

**Presidents Elect
Training Seminar (PETS)**

**CREATE
LASTING
IMPACT**

PE

**19-21
March 2026**

**Chattanooga
Marriott
Downtown/
Chattanooga
Convention
Center**

**Chattanooga,
Tennessee**

**Rotary
International
Districts**

- 6710 (KY)**
- 6740 (KY)**
- 6760 (TN)**
- 6780 (TN)**
- 6860 (AL)**
- 6880 (AL)**

Presidents Elect Training Seminar Program



Mike Kelly

A dedicated Rotarian since 1998, Mike is a proud member of the Rotary Club of Mason-Deerfield in District 6670, Southwest Ohio, USA. He served as District Governor in 2016–2017, chaired the All-Ohio PETS Committee in 2018, and has taken on learning related leadership assignments within Rotary Zones 30 & 31. He also served as a Learning Facilitator at the Rotary International Assembly in both 2024 and 2025 and Seminar Leader in 2026. Additionally, he was recently selected as the Zones 30-31 Director Elect for 2027-2029. Mike has been honored nationally and locally for his unwavering commitment to service and for making a meaningful impact in the lives of others. He and Melinda reside in Cincinnati, Ohio, USA, and have been married since 1986.



Miquette McMahan

Miquette McMahan grew up in Haiti facing hardship and limited opportunities until she received a life-changing opportunity through Rotary International's Youth Exchange Program in 2000 to study in Minnesota. Despite knowing little English, she persevered, later returning to the United States to complete high school and earn a Bachelor of Arts in Nursing, becoming the first in her family to graduate from high school or college. In 2007, she founded Teach Haiti, a nonprofit providing Christ-centered education, which now serves over 650 students across two campuses and employs more than 130 staff members. Recognized with multiple awards and named one of the Top 50 Most Inspiring Women in Haiti in 2024, Miquette continues to share her story of faith and resilience while raising her three children with her husband in Ohio.



Michael Angelo Caruso

Michael Angelo Caruso teaches presentation skills on six continents. He's worked with Hallmark, Bank of America, Verizon, Rayovac, Citgo, and Nissan. Michael is author of *Work Hacks* and the *Grow Your Service Club* books. He also has a highly rated speaker coaching program titled, Present Like a Pro. Michael enjoys exercise, movies, and travel.

Michael loves giving back. A lifetime Rotarian, his seminar fundraiser for Rotary Clubs has raised over a quarter of a million dollars for Rotary Clubs all over North America. Ask him about it after his keynote!

Special Notes: All Meeting Times are listed in Eastern Time:

District Rooms:

D6710 - Plaza A D6740 - Room 3 D6860 - Plaza B
D6760 - Room 6 D6780 - Rooms 4/5 D6880 - Plaza C

Non-District Sessions: Check the back of the badge for room assignments.

Hospitality Room Tennessee River Room on the 1st floor of the Marriott Hotel.

Open Thursday and Friday nights after evening events. Snacks and drinks are provided with the basketball game(s) streaming.

Thursday, March 19th

3:00 to 4:15 PM PE Session 1 - Fundraising Explosion See Badge for Room #

4:15 to 4:30 PM Break

4:30 to 5:45 PM PE Session 2 - Service Project Explosion See Badge for Room #

6:00 to 8:00 PM Service Project: Soles 4 Souls & Pizza Party E, F, & G

Friday, March 20th

8:00 to 9:30 AM Breakfast & Opening Session - Michael Angelo Caruso E, F, & G

9:30 to 9:45 AM Break visit House of Friendship

9:45 to 10:45 AM District Session #1 - Go to District Rooms

10:45 to 11:15 AM Break visit House of Friendship

11:15 to 12:15 PM PE Session 3 - Leadership See Badge for Room #

12:15 to 2:00 PM Lunch Session with RIDE Mike Kelly

2:00 to 2:15 PM Break visit House of Friendship

2:15 to 3:15 PM PE Session 4 - Foundation See Badge for Room #

3:15 to 3:45 PM Break with Coffee and Snacks Visit House of Friendship

3:45 to 4:45 PM PE Session 5 - Membership See Badge for Room #

4:45 to 5:00 PM Break visit House of Friendship

5:00 to 6:00 PM District Session #2 - Go to District Rooms

6:15 to 7:00 PM Reception Hallway in front of E, F, & G (Cash Bar)

7:00 to 8:30 PM Dinner Session with Miquette McMahan

Saturday, March 21st

8:00 to 9:30 AM Breakfast Session: A.I. and Club Creation

9:30 to 10:00 AM Break visit House of Friendship

10:00 to 11:00 AM Public Image See Below for Room

11:00 to 11:15 AM Break visit House of Friendship

11:15 to 12:15 PM District Session #3 See Below for Room

D6860 Plaza B - D6880 Plaza C

D6710 & D6740 Room 3 - D6760 & D6780 Room 4/5