



## WANTED: 2009 - 2010 EXCHANGE STUDENTS

*By Linda Messer, Youth Exchange Committee chairman*

"It's the most wonderful time of the year." Do you remember that old Staples commercial with the dad kicking up his heels while buying school supplies for his children? I do, and I still have school-age children, so September is a wonderful month for me. No more, "Mom, there's nothing to do here" (whine in your own head, I know you know what I mean)!

Anyway, this is an important time of year for the District Youth Exchange program.

This past weekend we held orientation for our 10 new youth exchange students. They are quite a group and we look forward to a great year with them.

Our program is progressing and two clubs have stepped up to the plate and offered to help with two separate programs: the Christmas Program and a tour of the Constitution Center later in the year. More clubs are welcome and we always need help and fresh ideas.

More importantly, September-November are the months that we look for long-term exchange students to participate in the

long-term program for the 2009-10 school year. We have spoken with several students and have applications in the works, but we can always entertain more.

For the student's best possible chance of receiving placement in

available and we begin to receive applications in October (through early May) for this program. The shortterm program is a one-on-one program where matches are made and the two students spend four to six weeks

here in the District with our student's family and then four to six weeks abroad in the other student's home.

This is great program for students who are not sure they can or want to commit to a full-year program. It does require that the family here host a foreign



their "top- two" country selections, the student application, interview by the club and interview by the District should all be completed by early December. We will continue to accept applications through mid-March of 2009. The long-term program is one in which the student attends school in his or her host country, lives with a host family throughout the year and experiences the language and culture of that county first hand. Ask any student who has participated and they will tell you that this is a life changing program.

Shortterm programs are also

student. Students in both programs must be between the ages of 15 1/2 and 18 1/2 upon their departure.

So, district friends, the Youth Exchange Committee challenges each of the 55 clubs in District 7450 to find one prospective candidate for the Youth Exchange program, long-term or short-term.

Are you up for the challenge? If so and you need help, please contact Messer, District Youth Exchange Committee chair, 484-433-7951; lindamess@comcast.net

Reception Committee		Program	
Date	Chairperson	Greeter	Speaker/Subject
October 16	Lori Markusfeld	George Sauliner	District Governor - Joel Chesney
October 23	Bryan Messick	Warren Smith	TBA
October 30	Dale Moppert	Jack Sproul	TBA
November 6	Penelope Reed	William Strine	Deputy Editor, Philadelphia Inquirer - Paul Davis
November 13	Bob Edmondson	Martin Sarkees, Jr.	Penncrest High School Interact - Mike Lobiondo
November 20	John Schlesinger	Sally Holub	Rotary International

The Rotary Club of Media #5492  
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## CALENDAR OF EVENT

Rotary Board Meetings—Second Tuesday of every month.

*The meetings will be held at 12 p.m. at the Towne House.*

***This month's board meeting will be held on October 14 at noon at the Little Inn.***

Rotary Foundation Meetings—December 18, March 26, May 28, & June 25

*The meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. at the Towne House.*

Schedule of Events for Rotary District 7450

*More information can be obtained at [www.rotary7450.org](http://www.rotary7450.org).*

A copy of the Rotary Foundation of Media by-laws, latest Treasurer's report and guidelines for requesting funds are available at <http://www.mediarotary.org/foundation>. A comprehensive list of recipients is also available for your perusal.

Sunshine Committee

Let Lynne Green know about anyone who is ill, has passed away, has gotten married, has had a new baby, etc. Please contact her via email at [pgs8@comcast.net](mailto:pgs8@comcast.net).

Website

[www.mediarotary.org](http://www.mediarotary.org)

## ROTARY CALENDAR OF IMPORTANT DATES

At the last board meeting, we discussed membership. The board recommended having Rotary Information on the Thursday following the Board Meeting each month, having the 3rd Thursday be "Membership Day" (with a few minutes to talk about what it's like

to be a Rotarian), and the 4th Thursday being Induction Day. This will allow for names to be placed in the Medium with enough time for the 7-day notice.

District 7450 \* Joel Chesney - District Governor \* [www.rotary7450.org](http://www.rotary7450.org)

Rotary Foundation Chair: Russ deFuria, Membership Chair: Bob Lankin,

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Lynne Green - Social Committee

Courtney Ballauer & Jackie Woolfall - Fall

Fantasy Auction

Executive Secretary - Don Bak

Recording Secretary & Medium Editor -

Courtney Ballauer

## MEET OUR MEMBERS

Tom Greagory:

Let me introduce you to Tom Gregory. He has been a member of the Rotary Club of Media since 1978. He grew up in Philadelphia and attended John Bartram High School, Drexel for his BSME, and Pace University for his MBA. Tom is married with two sons. He owns Professional Duplicating and Infinity Publishing. He joined Rotary for the fellowship. And enjoys the good works, fellowship, and the speakers. He has been a member of the Foundation, many publications, and is a new member to the Board of Directors.

Michele Edgcumbe:

Michelle has been a member of the Rotary club of Media since March, 2008. She grew up in Drexel Hill and attended Cardinal O'Hara, Immaculata University, and Gonzaga University. She and her husband Cliff have been married for 14 years and have a 12 year old daughter named Madeline. Michele has worked in the non-profit sector for over 15 years and is currently the director of CASA/Youth Advocates. She joined Rotary to become more involved in the community. She enjoys learning about the various community projects that other members are a part of and she has worked with our club on the membership and program committees.

Tony Cavaliere:

Tony has been a member of the Rotary Club of Media since April, 2006. He grew up in New Hampshire and currently works at Commerce Bank. Him and his wife, Michelle, have two sons, Joe and Dominick, and a daughter, Samantha. Tony joined Rotary to serve his community and has been on both the membership and information committees.

## ROTARY EXCHANGE STUDENT

Please welcome our club's Rotary exchange student for the 2008 - 2009 school year, Monica Bautista Sanchez, of Granada, Spain. Monica is 18 years old and enjoys basketball, skiing and reading. Her host family Dr. Betsy Race and Stuart Race and their 3 children live in Upper Providence. If your family would like to include Monica in a family activity or attending an event please call Rosemarie Halt at 610-892-0665 or the Race family directly at 610-565-7990.

## DR. WALT HILL

Dr. Walt Hill would love to hear from fellow Rotarians. Call him at 610-527-6500 at the Village and ask for him in Room 171. He is at:

Presbyterian Village  
404 Cheswick Place, Apt 171A  
Rosemont, PA 19010

## GREAT ROTARIAN?!

Know someone who would make a great Rotarian? Bring them to a meeting!

## COST OF LUNCH

I regret to inform you that the cost of lunch will soon be going up. With rise in cost at the Towne House, the cost for lunch will be raised to \$14. Thank you for understanding.

Please don't forget to sign in at every meeting!

Replacement Badges - \$10

Replacement Lapel Pins - \$5

Phones must be on vibrate - \$10 charge if they ring.

Rotarians are responsible for all information changes with Courtney Ballauer.

Thanks!



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50-50 GIFTS

DONATIONS TO VFW

Our active military has requested the following items:
Coloring Books \* Baby Wipes \* Crayons \* Cotton Balls \* Small, Safe Toys \* Q-Tips \* Silly String \* Toiletry packets \* Tooth Paste \* Tooth Brush \* Powdered Drinks \* Sunglass Inserts \* Training Pants \* Toilet Tissue (1-ply) \* Donations \* CHOCOLATE \*

50-50 gifts for the next 70 weeks were supplied by the following businesses and Rotarians:

- Conductive Plastics Company \* Contemporary Styles \* D'Ignazio's Towne House \* Franklin Mint Federal Credit Union \* Kaos Surfboards \* Pinocchio's \* PNC Bank \* Professional Duplicating \* The Little Inn \* Vinnie's Place \* Wawa

The following Rotarians are responsible for the above gifts:

- Mike Boettcher \* Jeff Cadorette \* Ken Delmar \* Tom Gregory \* Terry Kline \* Barb Laurenzi \* Bryan Messick \* Ted Pleibel \* Greg Torre

Please thank them for making our weekly 50-50 a little exciting!