

# The Medium

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## EPA Approves Calif. Car Pollutions Rules

**New regulation will limit amount of emissions from vehicles - by H. Josef Herbert**

Washington - The Environmental Protection Agency took a major step toward tougher reductions in greenhouse gas emission from cars and trucks Tuesday by giving California the green light to impose new requirements that could become the national model for combatting tailpipe pollution linked to global warming.

The EPA granted California's long-standing request - designed by the Bush administration - for a waiver to allow it to pursue more a stringent air pollution rules than required by the federal government. It cleared the way to implement immediately a 2002 state pollution law requiring new cars to increase their fuel economy 40 percent by 2016.

State regulations to implement the law have been in limbo for five years because the Bush administration refused to provide a waiver required by the federal Clean Air Act.

Thirteen other states and the District of Columbia have said they wanted to impose the requirements as California once the EPA gave the go-ahead.

"This decision puts the law and science first," EPA administrator Lisa Jackson said in a statement, suggesting that Stephen Johnson, her predecessor at the EPA, had ignored historic and traditional legal interpretations on how the Clean Air Act should address the issue when he denied the waiver in March, 2008.

Granting California's request "is consistent with the Clean Air Act as it has been used for the last 40 years," said Jackson.

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The California regulation requires auto makers to increase the fuel economy of cars and trucks sold in the state to an average of 35.5 miles per gallon by 2016.

Improved auto fuel efficiency results in less carbon dioxide begin emitted from vehicle tailpipes because less fuel is burned for every mile traveled.

The EPA decision also is viewed as setting the state for tougher national vehicle fuel economy requirements promised by President Barack Obama in May when he announced an agreement to push through federal standards at least as stringent as those enacted in California.

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Granting the waiver to California "affirms states' rights to combat global warming," said New Your Attorney General Andrew Cuomo.

In addition to New York, other states that have said they want to follow California's lead are: Arizona, Connecticut, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Mexico, New Jersey, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont and Washington.



Happy Birthday to the following Rotarians with Summer Birthdays.

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| June 6  | Greg Torre       |
| June 8  | Penelope Reed    |
| June 12 | Walt Hill        |
| June 19 | Joe Kleschick    |
|         | J. Nelson Rigby  |
| June 20 | Rosemarie Halt   |
| June 23 | Karin Gustafson  |
| June 25 | John Schlesinger |
| June 27 | Jim Clyma        |
|         | Tom Gibson       |
| June 28 | Tom Gregory      |
| July 16 | Sally Holub      |
| July 18 | Dennis Slostad   |
| July 20 | Bill Davis       |
| July 22 | Alex Karkenny    |
| July 23 | Lynne Green      |
| July 26 | Bob Kesel        |
|         | Jack Sproul      |
| July 28 | Tony Cavaliere   |
| July 29 | Joe Bodalski     |



Reception Committee			Program
Date	Chairperson	Greeter	Speaker/Subject
July 16	Larry Smoose	Jack Sproul	PA Environmental Protection Agency - Kevin Gallagher
July 23	Bill Strine	Andi Youndt	Alaska - Sarah McDermott
July 30	Greg Torre	Jackie Woolfall	Philadelphia Inquirer - Bill Marimow
August 6	Jack Sproul	Ted Pleibel	Pennstate University Brandywine Campus - Bob Wetzel

## Calendar of Events

Rotary Board Meetings - Second Tuesday of every month. The meetings will be held at 12 noon at the Towne House Restaurant.

Media Rotary Foundation Meetings - Dates TBD.

The meeting will be held at 1:30 pm at the Towne House Restaurant.

Schedule of Events for Rotary 7450

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 e-mail at [pgs8@comcast.net](mailto:pgs8@comcast.net)

## Membership Dates

Our club board recommends (1) that the 3rd Thursday of each month be Membership Day (with a few minutes to talk about what it's like to be a Rotarian); (2) that the Rotary Information sessions for new members be held each month on the Thursday following the board meeting (allowing for prospective new members names to be placed in The Medium with enough time for the 7-Day Notice); (3) that new member induction day be the 4th Thursday of each month.

## District 7450

[www.rotary7450.org](http://www.rotary7450.org)

Al J. Marland, District Governor

## Rotary International

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

John Kenny, President

Directors for 2009-11 are: John T. Blount, of the Rotary Club of Sebastopol, California, USA; Frederick W. Hahn Jr., Independence, Missouri, USA; Antonio Hallage, Curitiba-Leste, Paraná, Brazil; Masahiro Kuroda, Hachinohe South, Aomori, Japan; Kyu-Hang Lee, Anyang East, Gyeonggi, Korea; David C.J. Liddiatt, Clifton, Bristol, Avon, England; Ekkehart Pandel, Buckeburg, Germany; K.R. Ravindran, Colombo, Western Province, Sri Lanka; and Thomas M. Thorfinnson, Eden Prairie Noon, Minnesota, USA.

## Club Officers 2009 - 2010

President - Ken Delmar

President Elect - Andy Hunt

Vice President - Bryan Messick

Secretary - Jonathan Becker

Treasurer - Jack Sproul

Sergeant-at-Arms - Ted Pleibel

Past President - Barb Laurenzi

## Board Members

Tony Cavaliere - Tom Gregory

Rosemarie Halt - Jack Hontz

Pat Kosinski - Penelope Reed

John Schlesinger - Dennis Slostad

Larry Smoose

## Committee Chairs

Club Administration - Tom Gibson

Membership - Pat Kosinski

Public Relations - Cynthia McGoff

Service Projects - Bryan Messick

Rotary Foundation - Penelope Reed

Gundaker Foundation - Jonathan Becker

Media Foundation Liasion - Barb Laurenzi

Program / Vocational - Ken Delmar

Rotary Information - Tony Cavaliere

Social / Sunshine - Lynne Green

## Media Rotary Foundation

*PO Box 2028*

*Media, Pennsylvania 19063*

President - Jackie Woolfall

Vice President - Tom Hibberd

Secretary - Lori Markusfeld

Treasurer - Bob Dimond

## Foundation Board Members

Bill Davis - Sally Holub

Bill Strine - Walt Hill

## Membership Minute

The 2009-2010 Media Rotary Club Board has adopted a goal of 9 new members by June 30, 2010. The Board has recognized that new members help the club meet and expand the support the club provides for important community projects. President Ken Delmar has made membership a top agenda for his term. New members bring additional resources, connections, ideas and energy to the club.

Membership growth is important to the

Rotary Club of Media:

\* Membership growth increases Rotary's capacity for service.

\* New Rotarians bring fresh ideas, new interests, and increased energy to clubs.

\* More members increase the volume of support for The Rotary Foundation.

\* Diversity in membership ensures that the club is relevant to the entire community.

\*Service-minded individuals are given the opportunity to help their communities through Rotary.

\* More Members create a larger network for both local and international fellowship.

\* New and younger members ensure the future of Rotary and its work.

## Rotary Night at the Phillies

Past District Governor Mark McGill has distributed tickets to District 7450 Rotary Clubs for the July 21 night game between the Phillies and Chicago Cubs at Citizens Bank Park. Tickets are \$30 each with \$9 credited for each ticket to the club's Rotary Foundation account. All ticket money is due to Past District Governor McGill by July 13.

See Dutch for tickets.

## Interested In More...

District 7450 puts out a newsletter each month covering local events and happenings. We can be a part of it. Information and photos (with names of all in photo) can be sent to [info@rotary7450.org](mailto:info@rotary7450.org), and [mombugjoan@msn.com](mailto:mombugjoan@msn.com). Check out [rotary7450.org](http://rotary7450.org) for the most current issue of the newsletter.

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

## The Other Side of the World

Written by Brandon Johnson, our Ambassadorial Scholar.

(continued from last week)

October 21, 2008  
Odyssey to Batad  
Banaue, Luzon, Philippines



I learned how to flush a handle-less toilet by dumping a bucket of water in the bowl. Finally, I began my trek to the famous rice-terrace village of Batad.

For the first hour on the road, small packs of children in school uniforms chased behind me, giggling between their melody of *Hello!'s*. After leaving the town's heart, the gravel road became mostly isolated, zigzagging through the countryside. Ramshackle homes of hand-cut wood and corrugated metal intermittently dotted the roadside, balancing precariously on the edge

of cliffs. Lounging on their doorsteps, the Filipinos greeted me cheerfully as I strolled by.

Six hours later, I had made it to the top. Beyond, majestic stretches of mountain landscapes vanished into the blue sky, the colossal arms of the surrounding mountains converging at a small village nestled deep in the natural amphitheater. This was Batad.

Here, there were no more transportation routes. The only way to reach this village was by foot. And so I went.

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

**Replacement Magnet Lapel Pins \$5**

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

**Replacement Badges \$10**

**Rotarians are responsible for all information changes with Courtney Ballauer. [cballauer@comcast.net](mailto:cballauer@comcast.net)**

**Thank you for your cooperation!**



# Club Members & Classifications

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George A. Albany, III – Banking, Savings Bank  
Teresa Angarita – Construction Company  
Don Bak – Architect  
Courtney Ballauer – Community Health  
Sylvia Bastani - Financing/Higher Admin.  
Edward J. Beadle – Dentist  
Lewis B. Beatty, Jr. – Law–Probate  
Jonathan Becker – Estate Attorney  
George Beebe - Mortgage Broker  
David L. Belanger – Library Administration  
Joseph S. Bodalski – Financial Consultant  
Mike Boettcher - Surf Shop-Retail Manufacturing  
Valerie Bradley – Real Estate Inspections  
Marcus Brettschneider - Packaging  
Martin Brian – Pharmacist  
Jeffry Cadorette – Property Management  
Anthony Cavaliere – Banking  
George Cristoforidis – Home Health Care Equipment  
Bruce Clark – Municipal Manager  
Jim Clyma – Real Estate–Commercial  
William K. Davis – Community Planner

Kenneth Delmar – Plastics, Packaging  
Robert L. Dimond – Veterans Affairs  
Al L. Elko – Accounting–CPA  
Virginia Falkenbach – Computer – Web Design  
Nancy A. Geisel – Real Estate – Sales  
Tom Gibson – Public Relations  
Ellen Gorby – Salon/Spa  
Lynne L. Green – Realtor Leasing  
Tom H. Gregory – Printing – Quick Copy  
William S. Gross – Retail Men’s Clothing  
Karin Gustafson – Advertising/Promotion  
Rosemarie Halt – Pharmacist  
Richard Harding - Banking  
Stanley T. Hibberd – Casualty Insurance  
O. Warren Higgins – Law–Retired  
Sally Holub – Magazine  
John Hontz – Education–Music  
Andrew Hunt – Investment Representative  
Peter E. Irish – Automotive Sales/Leasing  
Eugene L. Kane – Medicine–Optometrist  
Alex E. Karkenny – Stock Broker  
Denise Kerr – School Superintendent  
Reverend Robert Kesel – Clergy–Presbyterian  
Joseph Kleschick – Ship Building  
Terrance A. Kline – Law  
Pat Kosinski – Non Profit Director  
Jim Larsen - In-Home Senior Care  
Barbara Laurenzi – Banking–Business Banking  
Nicholas Lippincott – Law–Litigation  
Peter A. Mardinly – Law–Tax  
Lori Markusfeld – Fundraising  
Cynthia McGoff - Administration - Development  
Carole McMahon – Home Healthcare  
Bryan Messick – Banking  
Dale Moppert – Bank–Retail  
Louis Pavlovitch - Accountant-CPA  
Ted Pleibel, III – Sign Maker  
Penelope Reed – Theater  
Dennis Rehrig – Med-Chiropractor  
J. Nelson Rigby – Funeral Director  
Martin T. Sarkees, Jr. – Accountant

George S. Saulnier – Law  
John J. Schlesinger – School Administrator  
Mollie Shiflet – O’Brien – Law–Real Estate  
Dennis Slostad – Architect-Commercial  
Fran Smith – Insurance Consultant  
Jeffrey A. Smith – Borough Manager  
Warren D. Smith – Dental Laboratory  
Larry V. Smoose – Clergy  
Jack Sproul – Laundry–Coin Op  
Robert L. Stahl – Decorator  
Linda E. Stone – Commercial Banking  
William B. Strine – Engineer–Consultant  
James W. Thomas – Springfield Ford, Inc.  
Greg Torre – Alarm Service  
John D. Vairo – Higher Education Administration  
Lawrence Weathers, III – Auto-Leasing, Sales, Service, Parts  
Bob Wetzel - Higher Education-Development  
Marvel Wilson - Heating Oil Sales  
Randolph B. Winton – Money Manager  
Jackie L. Woolfall – Marketing & Public Relations  
Andrea Youndt – Director-YMCA

Honorary Members:  
Ted Hadley  
Walton B. Hill – Education–Technical College  
Victor A. Menghetti, Sr - Veterinarian  
David E. Pergrin  
Walter Strine, Sr.

**Pending Membership:**  
**Greg Kummeth**  
**Joe Maylish**

## Donations to the 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

## Don't forget our members

Although Walt and Dave can't make it to our regular meetings, they would love to hear from you:

Dr. Walton B. Hill  
810 Louisa Street  
Williamsport, PA 17701  
  
Dave Pergrin  
313 Luther Drive  
Shrewsbury, PA 17361

## 50/50 Gifts

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 more exciting!