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Want to do good? Join your Rotary

by JOSEPH BATORY (Upper Darby) Delaware County Daily Times Monday, August 10, 2009

To the times:

Most people have probably seen the blue and yellow Rotary signs in different communities throughout this area. In fact, of the 54 Rotary Clubs in the Greater Philadelphia (Rotary District 7450), 14 of them are located in different Delaware County communities. These local Rotaries annually generate hundreds of unique projects to support and enhance their local communities and improve the quality of life for all of us.

But Rotary also operated on a worldwide basis ... big time!

Rotary is one of the most effective humanitarian organizations in the world with 1.2 million members in 32,000 clubs in 200 countries. Its motto for individual members is "service above self." And wherever there is suffering or misery or just people in need, Rotary is usually there.

Rotary's worldwide efforts promote health and literacy, reduce poverty and hunger, fight pollution, assist in disaster situations, and attempt to build peace and goodwill internationally.

The global impact of Rotary has been and continues to be staggering.

Most people are unaware as recently as 1985, more than 1,000 persons were victimized by polio each day. Since that time, Rotary has expended \$757 million worldwide to immunize two billion children through grass roots fundraising, resulting in 210 countries/territories/areas are now polio free.

Indeed, the World Health Organization, UNICEF and the U.S. Center for Disease Control and Prevention have become Rotary Partners and have urged Rotary to finish this job in the four remaining countries where polio is still active. And Bill Gates has also joined this battle with more than \$300 million of his own money given to this Rotary cause.

With regard to education, Rotary conducts the largest independently funded scholarship program in the world. With the idea of building goodwill internationally, 673 Ambassador Scholars from 72 countries received Rotary scholarships last year at a cost of \$14 million. Since 1947, 39,000 of these scholars from 115 countries have been subsidized with more than \$500 million.

Rotary is also educating Peace Fellows with a master's degree program to create highly competent individuals in the art of mediation and compromise. Since 2002-2003, 339 Peace Fellows from 75 countries have received fully paid scholarships at a cost of \$23 million. Most of those completing the Peace Fellowship program are now working in real world jobs that promote peace and understanding.

In addition to all this, since 1978, Rotary International's Health, Hunger and Human Development grants have launched 324 humanitarian outreach projects in 77 countries at a cost of more than \$6 million.

And in the area of cultural exchange, since 1965, Rotary has sponsored 13,541 teams of four-six different individuals on goodwill visits to 106 countries to exchange vocational, professional and cultural information.

In summary, Rotary is good people doing good things for good people in need, something to feel good about in a world with far too much violence and despair.



| Reception Committee | | | Program |
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| Date | Chairperson | Greeter | Speaker/Subject |
| August 13 | Randy Winton | Jackie Woolfall | District Governor - Al Marland |
| August 20 | Carol McMahon | Bob Wetzel | Wawa - Don Price |
| August 27 | Alex Karkenny | Bill Gross | Rotary Shelter Boxes - Bruce Dearnley |
| September 3 | Linda Stone | Andi Youndt | TBD |

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

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

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

Al J. Marland, District Governor

Rotary International

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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.

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Board Members

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Rosemarie Halt - Jack Hontz

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Gundaker Foundation - Jonathan Becker

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Rotary Information - Tony Cavaliere

Social / Sunshine - Lynne Green

Media Rotary Foundation

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Vice President - Tom Hibberd

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Foundation Board Members

Bill Davis - Sally Holub

Bill Strine - Walt Hill

2010 District 7450 Conference

Al Marland, District Governor

May 8 - 13, 2010 - Register by September 15, 2009 for drawing for free cruise!!

Dear Fellow Rotarians and Family of Rotary:

It is my pleasure to invite you to share in a unique experience for district 7450, a District Conference aboard a luxurious ocean liner, Royal Caribbean's Explorer of the Seas, for a fabulous six day, five night cruise to Bermuda and back.

We will board the magnificent Explorer of the Seas at Cape Liberty in Bayonne, NJ on May 8, 2010 and return on May 13, 2010. There will be activities galore aboard the ship, miniature golf, a rock climbing wall, duty free shopping, shows, casino, children's pool and activities, health an fitness center or fun in the sun, and of course, great food and Rotary Fellowship. The Explorer of the Seas has it all.

While in Bermuda, golfers will have an opportunity to play on a great course, and shoppers will have a field day. Join us as we recognize our spectacular year in District 7450. I look forward to seeing you all on board!

Bon Voyage!

Al Marland/District Governor

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

Bermuda:

Nearly 600 Nautical miles off the coast of North Carolina, this island is known for its pastel painted houses, brilliantly colored gardens, cricket matches, fabulous golf courses and charming shorts. It's pink sand beaches and excellent shopping make Bermuda a delightful place to visit.

See "District 7450 Rotary Leader" for more details about the cost of the cruise and the island.

The Other Side of the World

Written by Brandon Johnson, our Ambassadorial Scholar.

October 21, 2008
Culture of the Barangay
Banaue, Luzon, Philippines

(continued from last week)

Part 2: Rice Terrace Adventures
Culture of the Barangay

The route traced the rice terraces downwards, a roughly strewn patchwork of dirt, overgrown weeds, and wobbly rocks. The "stairways" were an erratic jumble of rocks jutting at various angles, the think landings barely balancing my feet. This was marked "Safe Path." I'd hate to see what the other one looks like.

Beyond, the legendary rice terraces

curved and stretched into the corners of the mountains, each outlining a small manmade field: some fluch green, some clouded with murky water, others left uncultivated and overgrown. Rock walls supported teh fields, and an elaborate irrigated water system trickled from one terrace to the next. It is said that if the terraces of these lands were placed side by side, they would encircle half the globe.

I stopped at a small home, wher an old man, squatting, wasw meticulously collecting stray rice seeds --- piece by piece --- that had fallen from the rice bundles. Shirtless, his dark skin ached of labor. "Hello," I said. "What's your name?" *My name is Remid.*

Remid was my first glimpse of the timeless culture of the ancient Ifugao people. In this story, I will elaborate on my five-day journey through two villages, or barangay



--- Batad and Cambulo. I will attempt to depict their culture to the best of my ability. Though my lens ws limited by time, my diverse group of interviewees --- women and men, teachers and nurses, teenagers and elderly --- helped me grasp an overall picture of this society. and the fact that most Filipinos speak excellent English helped.

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

Replacement Badges \$10

Replacement Magnet Lapel Pins \$5

Rotarians are responsible for all information changes with Courtney Ballauer. cballauer@comcast.net

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

Thank you for your cooperation!



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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

Club Members & Classifications

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 David E. Pergrin
 Walter Strine, Sr.

Pending Membership:
Greg Kummeth
Joe Maylish

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
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 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!