

The Medium

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Rose Tree Media School Donation

On September 17, 2009 at the Towne House Restaurant fellow Rotarians got together and did what they do best, support their community. School supply donations, for the Rose Tree Media School District, were in great need this year. Bernadette Dacanay, the Home and School Visitor for the School District, was on hand to receive those donations.

Bernadette expressed her gratitude: "The Rose Tree Media School District would like to thank the Rotary Club for their donation of backpacks for our students in need. The district has experienced a growing need to help out families-in-need in many areas, including school supplies. What better way to start off the school year than with a fresh backpack full of necessary supplies? The backpacks went to families facing hardships for many different reasons: homeless families, grandparents raising grandchildren, parents with disabilities, loss of parental income, and death in the family to name a few. According to one father in the district, he was so thankful because his child received a new backpack instead of the one he used last year that had a few holes. By providing the school supplies the students have one less obstacle to achieve academic success."

The Rotary Club of Media, founded in 1928, is a chartered club of Rotary International serving the people in the Media area. Members also work with fellow Rotarians from the more than 50 clubs of Rotary International's District 7450 to serve those in the greater Philadelphia area. The Media Rotary Club works through Rotary International and its Foundation, providing a broad range of humanitarian, intercultural, and educational programs and activities designed to improve the human condition and advance the organization's ultimate goal of world peace and understanding.



Reception Committee				Program
Date	Chairperson	Greeter	Prayer	Speaker/Subject
October 1	George Christoforidis	Bruce Clark	John Schlesinger	Wellness Center - Kate Blackburn
October 3	Jim Clyma	Bill Davis	Larry Smoose	Relating the 4-Way Test to Life Experiences of Rotarians
October 15	Bob Dimond	Virginia Falkenbach	Rosemarie Halt	Halloween Inspired Presentation - Penelope Reed
October 22	Nancy Geisel	Tom Gibson	Tom Gibson	History of the Pennsylvania Cable Network and Involvement with WWII Vets

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 quarterly at 1:30 p.m. 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

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

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Service Projects - Bryan Messick

Rotary Foundation - Penelope Reed

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Media Foundation Liaison - Barb Laurenzi

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Rotary Information - Tony Cavaliere

Social / Sunshine - Lynne Green

Media Rotary Foundation

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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

Gifts For Our Deployed Troops

Having been stationed on the other side of the world in a combat zone, I truly know the feeling of loneliness and how nice it feels to get a gift from home. The Rotary Club of Media formed a partnership with VFW Post 3460 approximately four years ago to jointly encourage the donation of gift items to our troops stationed in Iraq and Afghanistan. Since then, this practice has spread and in the world of Rotary and has come to be known as 'Platoon Partnering'.

supplies, toiletries, candy, cookies, books, silly string, wool caps, powdered drinks, sunglass inserts, one ply toilet paper and any other items you think may be appreciated.

All gifts must be mailed to an APO box and have a PS form 2976-A on the outside of the carton. This form may be picked up at any US Post Office. The names of your local military personnel can be obtained thru your VFW and American Legion Posts. Local churches also have lists of their family members that are stationed overseas.

Our US soldiers redistribute most of the items they receive to the townspeople and their children. As there is more joy in giving than receiving, this also shows the Iraq and Afghanistan people what we really are all about. The good will and positive impressions will never be reported or publicized by the press but does more for world peace and understanding than can be realized.

If your club does not have such a program, I suggest you set one up. You'll be glad you did. It is not that costly or time consuming to send joy to a soldier you may never have the pleasure to meet.

Some of these Items include: school

Kenneth Delmar, President, The Rotary Club of Media

Reverend Robert Kesel

It is with a sad heart that I must announce the passing of our fellow rotarian, Robert Kesel.

Cards may be sent to:
3804 Brandon Avenue S W
Apt. 302
Roanoke, VA 24018

Robert Kesel, 81, of Glenmoore, died Sept. 23, 2009.

Robert "Bob" Kesel was born on July 26, 1928, in Aurora, Ill., to Robert and Helen Kesel.

He graduated with honors from West Aurora High School in 1946 and earned

his bachelor's degree from the University of Illinois in 1950.

After serving as a sergeant in the Korean War, Bob entered Princeton Theological Seminary. He graduated in '57, served at two churches in Philadelphia and spent 22 years as head pastor of Media Presbyterian Church.

After retiring from active ministry in 1993, he and his wife, Dolores, purchased a home in Upper Uwchlan and became active at Fairview Presbyterian Church. There, Bob served as interim pastor for a time and sang in the choir.

The past few years were spent caring for his wife after she suffered a stroke.

In August 2009, he and Dolores moved to Roanoke, Va., to be near their son, Bill.

Bob died peacefully, with family by his side at the Brandon Oaks Nursing Center on Sept. 23.

He is survived by his wife, Dolores; his sister, Janet Hall; and his sons, Bill and Steve.

His service was held on Monday, Sept. 28, at Fairview Presbyterian Church.

**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.

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

(continued from last week)

This article is not for the squeamish.

A visit inside the chilling "S-21" prison

in Phnom Penh paints a bone-chilling illustration of the Khmer Rouge's atrocities. Formerly a high school, S-21 was transformed into a prison to hold those inferior to the revolution. It was basically a holding cell, a place so horrible, prisoners would look forward to their inevitable death. The prison is bare and empty, with rotting yellow walls and a decaying framework that accentuate the crude inhumanity suffered on these grounds.

A walk through the prison reveals the narrow, ad hoc cells where prisoners spent

the duration of their lives. Daily life was confined to these cells---eating, excreting, showering (guards would spray cold water through barred windows). Talking was strictly prohibited, and would result in torture.

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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	Lunch: \$14 in advance \$15 at the door
Replacement Badges \$10	Rotarians are responsible for all information changes with Courtney Ballauer. cballauer@comcast.net		Thank you for your cooperation!



The Medium
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George A. Albany, III – Banking, Savings Bank
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 Don Bak – Architect
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 Martin Brian – Pharmacist
 Jeffry Cadorette – Property Management
 Anthony Cavaliere – Banking
 George Cristoforidis – Home Health Care Equipment
 Bruce Clark – Municipal Manager

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

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
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 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
 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
 Joe Maylish - Insurance Consultant
 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
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 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

Pending Membership:
Greg Kummeth

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!

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
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Robert Kesel
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 Roanoke, VA 24018

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