

The Medium

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Halloween Happy Hour

Thursday October 29th from 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM at Brodeur's 1 West State Street. Media Rotary will host a Halloween Happy Hour. Come have a wickedly good time while networking with local business people and learn about the work of Rotary.

Did you know the Rotary Club of Media sponsored a high school exchange student from Spain? Did you know the club sponsored a participant on a 6 week cultural exchange to Italy? Did you know the club is filled with people who want to build good will and better friendships both locally and internationally? Join us to learn more.

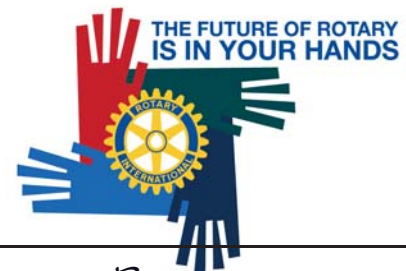


Rotarian of the Month

On October 8, 2009 at the Towne House Restaurant fellow Rotarians gathered to honor Ted Pleibel. Ted is the owner and President of The SignSmith, a full-service sign business located in Media and in operation since 1992.



Previously, Ted owned and ran a printing business. Ted has been an active Rotary Club of Media member since 1995 and Sergeant at Arms since 1999. Ted served as the Soap Box Derby Race Co-Director from 1999 to 2003 and Rotoplast Co-Chair in 2004. To raise funds for the Rotoplast, Ted created "Happy Dollars" and "Dollars in the Boot to Scoot" and has actively participated in many Rotary events including the annual auctions and Pancake Days. Ted was named a Paul Harris Fellow, Gundaker Fellow, Friend of the Children in 2005 and Rotarian of the Month on four occasions. Ted is a private pilot and certified Scuba DiveMaster.



| Reception Committee | | | | Program |
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| Date | Chairperson | Greeter | Prayer | Speaker/Subject |
| 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 |
| October 29 | Ellen Gorby | Lynne Green | TBD | SWAT Bomb Squad & Composite ID - Detective Paul Corsi |
| November 5 | Tom Gregory | Bill Gross | TBD | School Tour and Lunch at Media-Providence Friends school |

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

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 Liaison - 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 Committee Update

Our Membership Committee is comprised of Tony Cavaliere who is handling Membership Information, Jeff Cadorette, Nancy Geisel, Gene Kane, Tom Gibson, Ken Delmar and Pat Kosinski, committee chair. We have set our membership goal for this year for 9 new members.

Pat Kosinski is tracking perspective members. Please let her know if you are working on a perspective member and let her have the contact information. You can give Pat a business card or email her at pat@familysupportline.org.

We have some membership tools to help promote the group. There are copies of Rotary International's Rotary Basics for perspective members. Also there are club business cards. Don't leave home without some.

Cynthia McGroff is organizing the Publicity Committee. This should support our efforts to attract

new members. The Membership Committee will be drafting guidelines for recommending Honorary members to the Board.

We will schedule another Perspective Member Brainstorming session during a lunch meeting. We had many good ideas last January and want to get the juices going again. Ken will be picking a date for us to use.

We are planning a membership networking event for Thursday, October 29th at Bordour's. Please mark your calendar. Plan to be there? Plan to bring a colleague or 2!

Our next Committee meeting is November 19 at 11:15 anyone wanting to help is welcome.

Media was successful in reaching its goals in becoming a Pennsylvania Clean Energy Community!

I'd like to thank you once again for allowing Andrew Voris of SmartPower and Roger Clark of the TRF Sustainable Development Fund to come and address the Rotary Club about the campaign last year.

On October 24th from 2:30 until 3:00 p.m. we are going to have a ceremony to mark the occasion of Media receiving this designation. The ceremony will take place at the Media Youth Center, where a solar panel has been installed as a reward for achieving this goal.

I would like to invite you and other members of the Rotary Club to attend if you would like to observe this occasion with your fellow citizens of Media.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Walt Cressler

Chair, Media Environmental Advisory Council

The Other Side of the World

Written by Brandon Johnson, our Ambassadorial Scholar.

January 18, 2009
Genocide in Cambodia
Phnom Penh, Cambodia

(continued from last week)
This article is not for the squeamish.

The Khmer Rouge didn't discriminate who it would imprison and execute. Men, women, and children were all fair game.

Babies were often tossed into the air and shot like target practice. Just for being related to an "intellectual".

And the Khmer Rouge didn't just kill their "enemies"; they even eliminated their own people. Display boards in

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

S-21 are plastered with rows of children's photos, who were forced laborers in the prison. Boys were guards; girls were cooks. Regardless of how they performed, the Khmer Rouge ordered their replacement after six months to one year. These replacements--more children--were ordered to kill their predecessors at gunpoint. If they refused, they would be killed themselves.

When the Vietnamese invaded Phnom Penh, the prison's leader, Comrade Duch, fled the city. But before leaving, he saw to the extermination of seven remaining prison officials, all from the Khmer Rouge party. In an artistic attempt at savagery, each was killed in a different fashion. One was shot. One's head was chopped off. One was burnt alive. Look upwards in one of the cells, and you can still see the blood-splatter stains on the ceiling.

Over 17,000 people were imprisoned in S-21. Twelve survived.

And this was only one of 196 known prisons during the Khmer Rouge.

There's more.

(continued next week.)



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

Lunch: \$14 in advance \$15 at the door

Thank you for your cooperation!



The Medium
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George A. Albany, III – Banking, Savings Bank
 Teresa Angarita – Construction Company
 Don Bak – Architect
 Courtney Ballauer – Community Health
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 Lewis B. Beatty, Jr. – Law–Probate
 Jonathan Becker – Estate Attorney
 George Beebe - Mortgage Broker
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 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

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
 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
 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
 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

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
 810 Louisa Street
 Williamsport, PA 17701

Dave Pergrin
 313 Luther Drive
 Shrewsbury, PA 17361