



THE ROTARY CLUB OF MEDIA

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SAINT JOSEPH'S UNIVERSITY OFFICE OF VETERANS SERVICES



Ralph Galati, a former prisoner of war, speaks at the Air Mobility Command Museum on Dover Air Force Base.

Saint Joseph's University Office of Veterans Services serves as a central place for student veterans to meet with trained staff for academic and specialized support.

Along with meeting the needs of the University's veteran population, the office offers an entrepreneurship boot camp for veterans with disabilities. This intensive program supports veterans with an interest in creating their own businesses to achieve financial security.

"This move was a clear indication of the priority and commitment Saint Joseph's places on the men and women who have served our country," says director Ralph Galati '70 (USAF). "Veterans are a growing population with specific needs and we're pleased to offer an office where they can access support and information."

Galati, who spent 14 months as a POW in Vietnam, and held at Vietnam's notorious "Hanoi Hilton," where a fellow POW was the future U.S. Sen. John McCain, is acutely aware of the challenges veterans often face as they transition from service to citizenship. "Our objective is to address the unique set of issues that face our veterans, their spouses, and even their dependents," he says. "We intend to serve as a hub of resources to ensure that every has a

program established that addresses each of his/her specific requirements."

Following his release, Galati served in the Office of the Secretary of the Air Force at the Pentagon before going into the Air Force Reserves in 1978. He earned his master's degree in public administration/human resource management from Golden Gate University in 1981 and moved on to great success working for IBM as a certified client executive and global account manager until his retirement from the company in 2007. Galati has taught business intelligence & analytics at a number of local universities and also worked as the veterans liaison for Delaware County, where he engaged in outreach efforts across the county.

Memorial Day Parade

10am in Downtown Media



May	Program
5 th	Annual Foundation Meeting Greeter: Tom Guidotti
12 th	Veterans Services - Ralph Galati Greeter: Michael Rounds
19 th	Tyler Arboretum Greeter: Kerry Dyer
26 th	Media Business Authority Greeter: Tony Salloum

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION OF MEDIA

The purpose of the meeting is to elect directors, to establish the terms of the directors, to consider and ratify the actions of the Board of Directors of the Foundation and to transact such other business as may be proper.

Each member of the Rotary Club of Media is a member of the Rotary Foundation of Media and entitled to vote for the members of the Board of Directors of the Foundation.

2016 ANNUAL TYLER ARBORETUM LUNCHEON



In a unanimous vote, the Tyler Arboretum Board of Trustees approved the appointment of Cricket Brien as Executive Director in May 2015.

Tyler Arboretum, one of the oldest and largest arboreta in the northeastern United States, is a valued community resource and cultural destination. Open year round, with 650 contiguous acres and 17 miles of hiking trails, Tyler provides a natural sanctuary for families, children and adults interested in history, nature and horticulture.

Brien will fill the position that opened after the passing of former Executive Director Rick Colbert. She has carried forward Tyler's mission to preserve, develop, and share our diverse horticultural, historic, and natural site resources in order to stimulate stewardship and an understanding of our living world.

Brien, a landscape architect by trade and a member of Tyler Arboretum, has worked with arboreta, botanic gardens, sculpture gardens and other non-profit institutions as planner and designer throughout her career. As Chair of the Barnes Foundation Arboretum Advisory Committee, Brien led the strategic planning process to transform the Barnes Arboretum into a destination public garden. She understands the unique challenges of a private arboretum like Tyler, and she has experience in meeting those challenges with vision and enthusiasm.

Under Brien's leadership and guidance, Tyler Arboretum has continued to execute its Strategic Master Plan and to help Tyler attain a new level of success. She has been committed to the Tyler vision to create a unique horticultural and environmental destination that reconnects individuals with nature and provides knowledge and inspiration to help them reduce their environmental impact.

With a Master of Landscape Architecture degree, a certificate in Urban Design and a Bachelor of Arts in Art History and Design of the Environment—all garnered from the University of Pennsylvania—Brien has a long history of

experience in landscape architecture and urban design and has worked with several highly regarded firms in the Philadelphia area. Her ability to manage people and projects is self-evident, and she gives back to her community as a member of the Scott Arboretum Council. Additionally, Brien has broad experience in teaching and lecturing.



Exec. Dir., Cricket Brien

"For 20-plus years, it has been my passion to create places that facilitate learning and build community," said Brien. "After working with the Barnes, I saw how rewarding it can be to work with an organization that can do good and bring beauty into people's lives."

DISTRICT 7450 TRAINING ASSEMBLY **Tuesday., May 10th at 5:00pm at the** **Delaware County Community College**

On Tuesday, May 10th Rotarians will all gather together at the Delaware County Community College (DCCC) in Media to share and learn from each other about creating **EXTRAORDINARY** Rotary Clubs. We will focus our conversations on **DISCOVERING** new Community Service Initiatives, **CREATING** new Amazing Projects, **ATTRACTING** new Members, **GROWING** new Satellite Clubs and much, much more.

Rotary Theme 2016 – "Rotary Serving Humanity"
District Theme 2016 – "BE EXTRAORDINARY"

PLEASE complete your registration this week AND be sure to bring a fellow Rotary member with you !!!

DISTRICT 7450 BOARD POSITIONS CONFIRMED

Winners of the Rotary District 7450 Board positions that were contested this spring have been determined.

Super Area 1 - John Washington

Super Area 2 - Paul Quintavalla

Congratulations to John and Paul along with our thanks to the others whose names were submitted as candidates.

WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM MY FRIENDS...WITH RAKES!



On a cool Saturday morning, Media Rotarians and Penncrest Interactors club members joined rakes at The Rocky Run YMCA for the annual Rotary at Work Day. Teamwork was clearly the theme as the "crew" raked leaves and cleared debris at the YMCA forest meeting area.

PENNCREST INTERACT CLUB HOSTS



FRIDAY MAY 27TH (8-11AM)

Penncrest Interactors are inviting Rotarians to join in the upcoming Stop Hunger Now project. This meal packaging events will be held at the Penncrest High School. To volunteer, contact Merritt Samuel, president of Penncrest Interact mas1559@yahoo.com

MEDIA BUSINESS AUTHORITY

The mission of the Media Business Authority is to encourage economic growth, improve positive visual impact, sustain and nurture business development, and help increase Media business patronage through activities and programs that enhance the community quality of life, while maintaining an open line of communication with business owners, citizens, and local government.



The primary objectives of the MBA are:

- *To Support the Economic Growth...*
- *To Encourage the Visual Impact...*
- *To Promote Events That Enhance Both the Economic Life and the Quality of Life...*
- *To Facilitate Communications.*

The MBA has sponsored and produce another year-long series of diverse and exciting events designed to bring an ever-growing variety of visitors and patrons to Media. The season began with the Chinese New Year Celebration, and will culminate as always with the New Year's Eve Celebration & Ball Drop... where else can you ring in the new year with a real ball drop?

Long-running events like the America's Music Festival Series (Americana Roots Ramble in April, Blues Stroll in June and the Jazz By Night Celebration in November) continue to grow in popularity. Throughout the year, enjoy favorites such as the Food & Craft Festival and Santa's Arrival. And get ready for summer... Dining Under the Stars is back this year!

The MBA boast four Media Rotarians on it's Board of Directors. Bryan Messick-Chair, Dan Lievens- Vice Chair, Tom Hibberd, and Chris Swartz.



MARIE SCIOCCHETTI HONORED AT SPRINGTIME IN SONOMA



Rotary Club of Media President Larry Smoose reads Presidential Citation to honoree, Marie Sciocchetti

Marie Sciocchetti, former president of the Library Board received a presidential citation at the Springtime in Sonoma event to honor her outstanding example of Service Above Self.

For the past four years Marie has given hundreds of hours to the re-building of the Media-Upper Providence Free Library. This has included efforts to secure the state grant, local funding, and for the past year the library's contact with the architect and builder during the construction phase of this important community effort.

Her work has been pivotal in the success of the project, helping to bring it in on time and under budget. The Board of Trustees of the library inscribed a patio brick in honor of Marie saying "To Marie Sciocchetti, without whom this Library would truly never have been built" Congratulations Marie and thank you for all that you have done for our community.

May Birthdays

1st - Bill Strine

6th - Cynthia McGoff

13th - Kevin Jones

23rd - Scott Davidson



Highlights of April Board of Directors Meeting April 12th, 2016

- Noted that the average attendance at club meetings in March was 63%
- Approved with regret the request of Lori Markusfeld to transfer her membership to the Swarthmore Rotary Club. Lori lives and works in their primary area.
- Received with regret the resignation of Rosemarie Halt who cannot make our meetings because of her new job in Philadelphia.
- Approved Jim Reisinger for membership.
- Noted that four students from Penncrest attended RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Academy) and thanked the club for providing this outstanding opportunity.
- Announced that the Penncrest Interact club is sponsoring a Stop Hunger Now event during Penncrest Pride Day on May 27. This is the first time that pride day has included a service opportunity.
- The board adopted a resolution encouraging the Rotary Foundation of Media to approve funding for the Stop Hunger Now program of the Penncrest Interact to help spark their own fund-raising efforts.
- Noted that the board elections for the Rotary Foundation of Media will be May 5th during the regular club meeting.
- Reported that no news has been received from the Gundaker Graduate scholarship committee regarding our sponsorship of West Point Cadet Dean Feinman.
- Reported that President Larry will attend a meeting at Williamson College of the Trades on April 18th with representatives of the Concordville-Chadd's Ford Rotary Club to discuss joint sponsorship of a Rotoract club at Williamson.



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