



## TODAY'S SPEAKER: TOM KILLION

Rep. Tom Killion uses his wealth of experience from county and state government, as well as his knowledge in the private sector, to represent the people of the 168th Legislative District in Delaware and Chester counties.

Killion began his service in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives on June 30, 2003, when he was sworn in to fill the seat of former Speaker of the House Matthew Ryan.

As a legislator, Killion serves as Deputy Whip and is a member of the Appropriations, Insurance and Urban Affairs committees.

Before his election, Killion founded InR Advisors Inc., a pension advisories firm, and remains a partner with the firm. He is the former chairman of the Delaware County Council where he served from 1992 through 2000, and served as U.S. Rep. Curt Weldon's campaign

chairman from 1990 to 2003. His work in government began more than 20 years ago when he worked as a fraud investigator for the state

treasurer. He is a graduate of Cardinal O'Hara High School and Penn State University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice.

Killion is currently serving on several boards. These boards include; the Rocky Run YMCA, the Penn State Brandywine Advisory Board, and the Elwyn Board of Directors.

In Harrisburg, Killion is working on several issues including medical malpractice and open-space initiatives, but his key issue has been property tax reform.

Killion received the



American Red Cross's David Henderson Humanitarian Award and has twice received the Delaware County Chamber of Commerce's Legislator of the Year Award.

The 168th District includes Media and Rose Valley boroughs as well as Edgmont, Middletown and Thornbury townships, parts of Newtown, Upper Providence and Nether Providence townships, and Westtown Township in Chester County.

Killion lives in Middletown with his wife, Eileen and his daughters Brittany and Rebecca. He is a member of the St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

Reception Committee			Program
Date	Chairperson	Greeter	Speaker/Subject
May 7	Valerie Bradley	Jim Larsen	PA Legislator, 168th - Tom Killion
May 14	Nick Lippincott	Pete Mardinly	Civil War Sean Protas - Sergeant Cyrus Forwood
May 21	Lori Markusfeld	Bryan Messick	Classification Talks
May 28	Dale Moppert	Evelyn Preising	Crozier Keystone Village - Dean Michelson - Students of the Month -

The Rotary Club of Media #5492  
PO Box 522, Media, PA 19063

## CALENDAR OF EVENT

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Rotary Board Meetings – Second Tuesday of every month.  
*The meetings will be held at 12 p.m. at the Towne House.*

Media Rotary Foundation Meetings – March 26, May 28, & June 25  
*The meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. at the Towne House.*

Schedule of Events for Rotary District 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 email at [pgs8@comcast.net](mailto:pgs8@comcast.net).

## DAVE PERGRIN

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One of our Honorary Members, Dave Pergrin has been asking about us. If anyone would like to contact him, he would love to hear from fellow Rotarians. His contact information is:

800 Bollinger Drive, Zimmerman Place, Room 138  
Shrewsbury, Pennsylvania, 17361

## MEMBERSHIP DATES

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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 \* Joel Chesney - District Governor \* [www.rotary7450.org](http://www.rotary7450.org)  
Rotary Foundation Chair: Russ deFuria, Membership Chair: Bob Lankin,  
Group Study Exchange Chair: Karen Straw-Hacker, Vocational Chair:  
Charles Streiwieser, Lieutenant Governor: Chuck Killian, Assistant Governors:  
Tim Birch, John Washington, **Mollie Shiflet-O'Brien**, Robert Latshaw,  
Arthur Klein, Cynthia Lyman, Doreen Storey, Samantha Kranyak-Ramsey and  
Bonnie Korengel.

Rotary International \* Don Kurn Lee - President \* [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

### Club Officers 2008-2009

President - Barbara Laurenzi  
President Elect - Ken Delmar  
Vice President - Andy Hunt  
Secretary - Bryan Messick  
Treasurer - Jack Sproul  
Sergeant-at-Arms - Ted Pleibel, III  
Past President - Nancy Geisel

### Board Members

Ed Beadle - Jonathan Becker  
Tom Gibson - Tom Gregory  
Rosemarie Halt - Jack Hontz  
*open* - Penelope Reed  
John Schlesinger

### Committee Chairs

Club Administration - Tom Gibson  
Membership - Pat Kosinski  
Public Relations - John Schlesinger  
Service Projects - Bryan Messick  
Rotary Foundation - Penelope Reed  
Gundaker Foundation - Jonathan Becker  
Media Foundation Liaison - Nancy Geisel  
Program/Vocational - Ken Delmar  
Rotary Information - Tony Cavaliere  
Social/Sunshine - Lynne Green

### Media Rotary Foundation

PO Box 2028, Media, PA 19063

President - Jackie Woolfall  
Vice President - Tom Hibberd  
Secretary - Lori Markusfeld  
Treasurer - Bob Dimond

### Board Members

Bill Davis - Walt Hill  
Sally Holub - Bill Strine

Website: [www.mediarotary.org](http://www.mediarotary.org)

# THE OTHER SIDE OF THE WORLD

Written by Brandon Johnson, our Ambassadorial Scholar.

August 21, 2008

## Remembering Iverson

Ankang, China

(continued from last week)

On the last day, we gave “showcase” classes for the parents to gloat at their children’s success. I refused to waste valuable class time “practicing,” so I pretty much just winged it. With the children, we drew monsters, played Simon Says and basically just ran frantically in circles. I ended with my daily refrain, *It’s time [point to watch] for me [point to me] to say [point to mouth] BYEEEE-BYEEEE!*, the kids instinctively chanting at him. Iverson wasn’t the deafeningly loud screams.

To my surprise, the advanced students had prepared special presentations. We held an informal cabaret, complete with kung-fu performances, pop songs (*Hit Me Baby, One More Time*), persuasive speeches, and even a magic trick. As I sat and marveled, I couldn’t help but think they had prepared the presentations

to impress me, not their parents. In the end, I individually thanked the students for their commitments to class, performed my final magic trick (reappearing a card in my shoe) and wished them good luck. A few students requested my email, which I gracefully handed out, encouraging them to contact me if they *ever* needed help.

One student left a significant impact on me. His English name was Iverson, chosen in honor of the legendary Philadelphia basketball star. He was tall and lanky, with shrugged, self-conscious shoulders and a goofy grin. He was an innocent class clown, almost by accident. Everyone loved him. Iverson wasn’t the brightest student: he would frequently butcher his pronunciation and mangle his grammar. His clumsy English often stirred presentations. We



classroom giggles, which he nonchalantly joined. But while others snickered, I refused to even smile. My

eyes remained affixed on Iverson, nodding encouragingly until he found the correct answer. In return, we would intently focus his gaze on me, working through the answers. He showed a genuine desperation to learn and didn’t give up even when it was tough.

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## ROTARY EXCHANGE STUDENT

Please welcome our club’s Rotary exchange student for the 2008 - 2009 school year, Monica Bautista Sanchez, of Granada, Spain. Monica is 18 years old and enjoys basketball, skiing and reading. Her host family Dr. Betsy Race and Stuart Race and their 3 children live in Upper Providence. If your family would like to include Monica in an family activity or attending an event please call Rosemarie Halt at 610-892-0665 or the Race family directly at 610-565-7990.

# GREAT ROTARIAN?!

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

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

Replacement Badges - \$10

Replacement Magnetic Lapel Pins - \$5

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

Rotarians are responsible for all information changes with Courtney Ballauer.

Thank you for your cooperation!



# CLUB MEMBERS & CLASSIFICATIONS

The Medium  
Editor: Courtney Ballauer  
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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  
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Virginia Falkenbach - Computer - Web Design  
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Tom Gibson - Public Relations  
Ellen Gorby - Salon/Spa  
Lynne L. Green - Realtor Leasing  
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Karin Gustafson - Advertising/Promotion  
Rosemarie Halt - Pharmacist  
Richard Harding - Banking  
Stanley T. Hibberd - Casualty Insurance  
O. Warren Higgins - Law-Retired  
Walton B. Hill - Education-Technical College  
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  
Ted Pleibel, III - Sign Maker  
Evelyn Preising, MA - Non-Profit Director  
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  
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Greg Torre - Alarm Service  
William Tyson - Oil Refining  
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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  
Joe Maylish  
Victor A. Menghetti, Sr - Veterinarian  
David E. Pergrin  
Walter Strine, Sr.

## DONATIONS

### TO THE VFW BRING IN YOUR OLD, UNUSED THINGS

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

Bring in your old, unused glasses, CD's and Register Receipts. We will continue to collect all of these items. Donations will go to deserving charities and monies collected from the Register Receipts will come back to the club.



## 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!