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2010 District 7450 Conference

May 8 - 13, 2010

Al Marland, District Governor

Register by September 15, 2009 for drawing for free cruise!!*

Message from District Governor Al Marland

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 and 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

Bermuda:

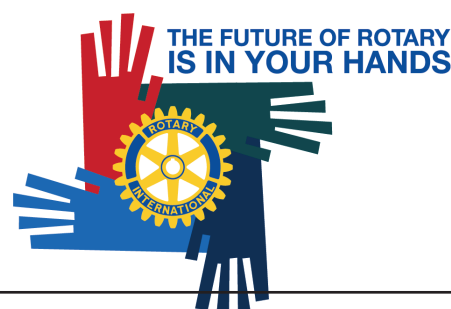
Nearly 600 Nautical miles off the coast of North Carolina, this island is known for its pastel painted houses, brilliantly colored gardens, cricket matches, fabulous golf courses and charming shorts. It's pink sand beaches and excellent shopping make Bermuda a delightful place to visit.

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



Check out our article in the *Rotary Leader*, District 7450 Newsletter for July 2009.

The Rotary Club of Media celebrated service of past officers June 25 at the Broomall Lake County Club in Media. Past District Governor Arne Graf conducted the installation of Ken Delmar as president as well as officers and directors. Past District Governor Jeffry Cadorette served as the MC for the evening. Administering the oath of office (center) is Past District Governor Graf as 2008-2009 president Barbara Laurenzi looks on.



Reception Committee			Program
Date	Chairperson	Greeter	Speaker/Subject
July 30	Greg Torre	Courtney Ballauer	Philadelphia Inquirer - Bill Marimow
August 6	Jack Sproul	Virginia Falkenbach	Pennstate University Brandywine Campus - Bob Wetzel
August 13	Randy Winton	Jackie Woolfall	TBD
August 20	Carol McMahon	Bob Wetzel	Wawa - Don Price

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

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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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Tony Cavaliere - Tom Gregory

Rosemarie Halt - Jack Hontz

Pat Kosinski - Penelope Reed

John Schlesinger - Dennis Slostad

Larry Smoose

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Media Foundation Liasion - Barb Laurenzi

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Social / Sunshine - Lynne Green

Media Rotary Foundation

PO Box 2028

Media, Pennsylvania 19063

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Vice President - Tom Hibberd

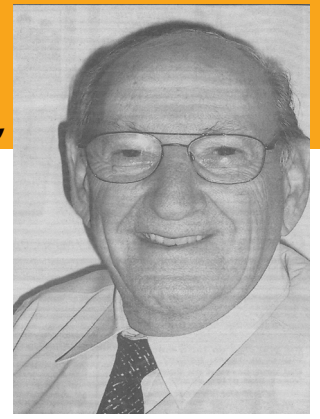
Secretary - Lori Markusfeld

Treasurer - Bob Dimond

Foundation Board Members

Bill Davis - Sally Holub

Bill Strine - Walt Hill



**The Town Talk, this week,
honored one of our own
Rotarians!**

Profile of the Week: Bob Dimond

By Barbara Ormsby - Town Talk Newspaper, Wednesday, July 29, 2009

It was probably a case of "if you can't beat 'em, join 'em" that led Bob Dimond to a life on the stage - and movies - and television.

Dimond, 74, of Media has had an active life in politics as a member of the borough council and as mayor in his former hometown of East Lansdowne, and now as a tax collector in Media. But his wife of 13 years was active in local acting circles.

"I never was on stage but Dale was involved in acting for years and I showed up in the Green Room at the Players Club in Swarthmore when she was in 'Lend Me A Tenor,' and I started helping," Dimond recalled. "And in 1993 the Players Club was doing 'Prelude To A Kiss,' and I auditioned and got a part. Then it just got in my blood."

Bob and Dale share a life for performing in community theater. They have appeared as background players in five movies that were shot in the region, the latest was "The Lovely Bones" filmed 18 months ago but not yet released.

"We did two movies with Mark Walberg, and we were in seven episodes of 'Hack' and a few spots in 'Cold Case,'" Dimond said.

Perhaps the most memorable experience for the Dimonds was the eight hours they spent on a bus with Paris Hilton and Nicole Richie, filming scenes for the now defunct "Simple Life" television reality show.

"You get to meet a lot of (show business) people and most of them are very nice," Dimond said.

Dimond's personal life story has all the makings of a movie script.

"I was born Robert Louis Kelly," he said. "My father was a bootlegger in Virginia and got arrested, and the kids - there were 11 of us and I was the baby - got shipped all over

the place. I was 18 months old and got sent to an aunt who raised me as Robert Dimond. When I was 22 my mother showed up. I came home from a softball game and there was this woman who was introduced to me as my mother. Along the way I met up with my brothers and sisters."

Dimond grew up in Southwest Philadelphia, attending West Catholic High School. But the Korean War broke out while he was still in high school and he decided to join the Army.

"I was 17 and my mother had to sign for me," he replied.

After a stint in the Army, Dimond returned home and went to work as a union printer for a company that printed telephone directories. He continued in the business until he retired "the day I hit 65." Along the way, he managed to get an associates degree from Temple University and a bachelor's degree in business from Thomas Edison State College in New Jersey.

In 1997 Dimond moved to Media and was elected tax collector eight years ago. He never forgot his Army experience and has stayed active in veterans' affairs.

"I'm executive director of the Veterans Legacy Project, a program where we do oral histories with veterans," Dimond said. "Myself, (Media) Mayor Bob McMahon, and (former governor) Tom Ridge started this in 1999. The veterans are from everywhere. We include an oral history of any veteran or family member of any veteran."

Dimond's involvement with veterans extends to the chairmanship of the Media Veterans Parade in November, a post he's held for ten years.

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**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
Odyssey to Batad



Banaue, Luzon, Philippines
(continued from last week)

Many supplement their rice with additional crops, such as beans or sweet potatoes (camote), and raise chickens and pigs --- mostly for trade, to raise money for other necessities. Outhouses are communal, nearby rivers serve as bathhouses, and aside from the occasional solar panel, most homes cope without electricity. Some of the natives still live in the traditional, century-old thatched huts. Sights to see include barefoot old men lugging chopped wood from the forests; teenagers pounding rice with wooden churners; and

babies carried in cloth wrapped in impromptu "sacks" around the body. Perhaps the most iconic images are the elderly women permanently bent at ninety degree angles from years of toil in the fields.

Because the rice terraces of Banaue are a renowned UNESCO Heritage sight, the lands are no strangers to tourism. Indeed, it is a primary driver of their economy.

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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**

**Replacement Badges
\$10**

**Rotarians are responsible for all information
changes with Courtney Ballauer.
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**Thank you for
your cooperation!**



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 Jackie L. Woolfall – Marketing & Public Relations
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 Bruce Clark – Municipal Manager

Pending Membership:
Greg Kummeth
Joe Maylish

Profile of the Week: Bob Dimond (continued from page 3)

“We start working on that parade as soon as the Memorial Day Parade is over,” he said. “We have to start getting our speakers lined up. This November marks the 50th year for the Media Veterans Day Parade.”

Dimond cherishes old friendships and stays in close touch with his old high school buddies, golfing with members of his class every Wednesday for the past nine years. He says acting is the way he relaxes.

“The Players Club in Swarthmore is a major part of our life,” he said, referring to himself and Dale.

But the Dimonds also managed to combine their talents into a nice side job that had them hosting tours of Historic Philadelphia and Lancaster for KOA Campgrounds.

“We had a 14-passenger van and we would meet campers at the KOA Campgrounds in

West Chester,” Dimond recalled. “I would drive and Dale would talk. That’s when I found out that she could talk for ten hours.”

For a while after he retired from the printing business, Dimond worked for Apple Vacations, checking passengers in at the Philadelphia Cruise Terminal.

Never one to stay idle, Dimond said he will keep checking to see what kind of movie shoots will be coming to the Philadelphia region.

“And The Players Club season is coming up in the fall,” he said. “The recent gala at the theater raised \$20,000 for the club and we burned the mortgage.”

Bob and Dale have a blended family of seven grown children, nine grandchildren (“almost ten”) and four great grand children.

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!