



# Gaithersburg Newsletter

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## Club Leaders

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President-Elect, Club  
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**Michael May**

Secretary

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Treasurer

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Sergeant-at-Arms

**Diana Swanson**

Immediate Past President

## Meetings

Meeting from 12:15 until 1:15 p.m. on Tuesdays in the Holiday Inn, 2 Montgomery Village Ave. in Gaithersburg

## Events

10/13: Luncheon in the Holiday Inn and **Club Assembly**

10/17: District **Grants Training Workshop** in Colombia, MD. Info. on the district website. Some of us should participate.

11/5: **Comedy Night** at the Courtyard Marriott in the Rio. 204 Boardwalk Place, Gaithersburg MD. \$60/person  
6 pm - Cash bar  
7 pm - Dinner  
8 pm - Comedy show

## The 4-way Test

Of all that we think, say and do:  
- Is it the truth?  
- Is it fair to all concerned  
- Will it bring goodwill and better friendships?  
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

## Welcome to the Rotary Club of Gaithersburg

Rotary is a large and wonderful organization of men and women who are dedicated to world peace and community service. The only requirements for membership are to be able to pay the dues and attend or make up at least half of our weekly meetings.

Learn more about Rotary at [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) (international headquarters), [www.rotary7620.org](http://www.rotary7620.org) (our Rotary district), or [www.gaithersburgrotary.org](http://www.gaithersburgrotary.org) (our club).

Also please "like" us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/rotaryclub.gaithersburg?ref=hl>

## Our Luncheon October 6

### We had 19 people in attendance including 4 guests

- Dwayne Coaxum of U.S. Health Insurance Company who is planning to join the club
- James Bosch and his son. James is a Rotarian from the Philippines and a guest of John Cabrera's.
- Our guest speaker, Pascale Brady, the Challenge Coach

### Announcements & Club events:

At the opening, Linda thanked Frank and Michelle Sank, and Ron Deneau for stamping all of the dictionaries. Ron has been storing them at his business, but brought them to the meeting for distribution to the members. He has already given his dictionaries to Judith A Resnick school. **Way to go, Ron!** Linda also gave instructions on how to give a presentation to students when distributing dictionaries and gave out copies of the student scavenger hunt. Members, please contact your school to set up a date to deliver dictionaries to the kids. We want to get them out ASAP!

Flea Market: Dave recruited 5 members to come to his house on Saturday Oct 10 7am – 2pm for our annual flea market. It was rescheduled from the previous Saturday due to bad weather. Dave has a large assortment of items and advertised on Craig's List. With good weather, we should have a successful event.

Linda will be asking for Comedy Night ticket sales at every meeting until the event on November 6th.

Flags for our Heroes: Rod announced that it's time to start planning for next year's event. A meeting was held on Tuesday with the city and Rick Carder from Montgomery Village Rotary Club wants to set up a joint meeting in the next couple of weeks. Please let Rod know if you want to be on the planning committee.

Kentlands Octoberfest: Sunday Oct 11 12 – 5 pm. Jonathan encourages us to stop by the Boy Scouts table. Linda will be there with Gaithersburg Help and Quince Orchard High School will also have a table.

### Speakers:

James Bosch is visiting the USA on vacation and talked to us about his club in the Philippines. He has been a member of a Rotary Club in Manila since 2006 and was president in 2007-8. His club was chartered 1997 and has 34 members, including lawyers, accountants, university professors, doctors, and business owners. He is in construction and home building. The Club has partners in service – one major donor & 3 sustaining donors - and are 1 of 10 clubs in Manila who received a global grant. Some of their projects include providing medical treatment for mothers, installation of drinking fountains, and they have a community justice system project that assists people with legal issues.

Featured speaker, Pascale Brady, life coach



Pascale told us about Action Learning, which has been around since 1940s designed to help companies solve their

problems through action, not just being told what to do. One 90 minute meeting can result in a culture change. During a learning session, the group chooses a presenter who gets 2 minutes to present a problem that has not been solved before. The steps include:

1. Do you think we have agreement on the problem?
2. Everyone writes down their understanding of the problem. Many people will have different ideas about the problem.
3. Statements can only be made in answer to questions.
4. Coach does not answer questions, only helps the team with their learning.

Each table tried to solve a problem but needed more time. Still, it was fun!

Sgt at Arms: Happy Dollars

Jonathan, Jim, John, and Dwayne were happy for the speaker. Pascal, "thanks for having me". John was happy for our guest from the Philippines and presented a certificate of appreciation from the New Americans Expo. Dwayne was happy to be here and will be joining as a member.

50/50: Frank Senk had the lucky number but was absent. We drew for him anyway, but no winner. The pot gets bigger each week.

After club meeting: A group stayed to grade 36 Heroes essays for Character Counts and others picked up dictionaries from Ron.

Next week: Club Assembly.