



Swarthmore Rotary Cog Notes

P.O. Box 4, Swarthmore, PA 19081



Tuesday, January 22, 2019

Barry Rassin
Rotary International President

Paul Quintavalla
District 7450 Governor

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Club Director

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Penelope Reed
Public Relations Chair

Barbara Whitaker-Shimko
Rotary Foundation Chair


David Houtz
Assistant Governor

Service Quotation


"IT'S NICE TO BE
IMPORTANT BUT IT'S
MORE IMPORTANT TO BE
NICE"

-Author Unknown

Birthdays

 Olive C. Padden
January 27th

Wedding Anniversaries

 Gladys D. Snively
January 29th

Meetings and Events

January

24th - Meeting

Speaker: John Brodsky, MD

Subject: A theory of psychology based on biological response to stimulus density.
Developed by Silvan S. Tomkins in the mid 20th century

31st - Meeting

Speaker: Gaia Pomaro

Subject: Exchange student from Italy

Table Grace

Frederick E. Christian

God of truth, in this day when truth is distorted to mean only "that which works," help us in Rotary to make an honest man's word as good as that person's bond in the marketplace, shop, and office. Give us a sense of gratitude for your goodness to us that we may be faithful in all things to the truth. In your name we pray. Amen.

4 Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

1/17/19 meeting

By Richard George Shimko on Tuesday, January 22, 2019

Thursday's program centered around the Rotary Foundation, which has an ongoing drive to collect a donation from every Rotarian worldwide.



Barbara Whitaker-Shimko, current Foundation chair, presented awards to two members of Swarthmore Rotary Club: recipients were Bill Hale, who became a Paul Harris Fellow, and Ann Seidman, who received her 5th Paul Harris sapphire for

continuing contributions.

Years of Service

none

\$1,551

2018--18 Happy Dollars
for Polio Plus Fund
(\$3 to fully protect one child)
2017-2018 total: \$4,515
2016-2017 total: \$3,756
2015-2016 total: \$3,756

Last Week's Guests

Anthony and Kristine
Ohemenj (guests of Hillard)

What is a PHF?

The Paul Harris Fellow recognition acknowledges individuals who contribute, or who have contributions made in their name, of \$1,000 to [The Rotary Foundation](#).

Rotary established the [recognition](#) in 1957 to encourage and show appreciation for substantial contributions to what was then the Foundation's only program, Rotary Foundation Fellowships for Advanced Study, the precursor to Ambassadorial Scholarships.

Barbara described learning about "Rotary Moments" at the District "Rotary International Foundation Conference". Barbara said "Rotary moments" are each Rotarian's personal moment when the Rotarian has an intense insight about the importance of Rotary in his/her life. During this insight, members often come to a deeper understanding of the good that Rotary does. To break the ice, Barbara explained her Rotary Moment: she said her childhood teaching about personal responsibility to do the right thing. She said her family mantra was "you are only one, but you are one". As a result of the mantra, Barbara admitted to feeling guilty since 5th grade for not coming to the defense of a bullied classmate. Barbara's Rotary moment came when she learned of Rotary International's strong network working together making a difference and doing the right thing. Others told of their Rotary Moments. Bill Hale was struck by all the work that Swarthmore Rotary members put into running FunFair. Ann Seidman felt that she was one of many when she was in India helping eradicate polio. Ray Hopkins (supported in the story by Betty Ann Flynn) said how pleased he was when Swarthmore Rotary supported his idea to help women obtain potable water in Belize. George Whitfield was impressed by the vastness of Rotary International when he saw the number of African delegates at the Rotary annual meeting he attended in Chicago. Perri Evanson said she didn't know how to help following the Haiti earthquake until she heard about the Rotary shelter box project. She and other Swarthmore Rotary members contributed money to provide temporary housing for 12 families. Mike Malone recalled how Swarthmore Rotary, in cooperation with Strath Haven High School, collected 5,000 pair of shoes for Honduras earthquake victims. Anne Hansen, who could not be present, had told Barbara that her moment came when she realized she had found an organization whose values were the same as her own.

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