



# Swarthmore Rotary Cog Notes

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## Service Quotation

"I'VE SEEN AND MET ANGELS WEARING THE DISGUISE OF ORDINARY PEOPLE LIVING ORDINARY LIVES. THEY ARE CALLED VOLUNTEERS"

- Tracy Chapman (50 years old), American Singer-Songwriter

## Meetings and Events

March

7th - [Meeting](#)

Speaker: Psychoanalyst Bill Davis, co-founder of The Third Act Project

Subject: Aging in Place in Swarthmore.

14th - [Meeting](#)

Speaker: Gundaker Foundation Chair Bill Graham and ADG David Houtz

Subject: Gundaker Foundation Repositions for the Future; Three Areas of focus, Club Grants, Vocational and Technical Grants, Youth Exchange Program.

19th - [Swarthmore Board Meeting](#)

21st - [Meeting](#)

Speaker: TBD

## 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?

## Table Grace

By Frederick E. Christian

Eternal God, we believe that your thoughts concerning us are always those of kindness, love, and peace in this Lenten season. When so many are taking time for self-examination, help us to assess our responses to what you do for us. Give us grateful hearts and responsive wills to do unto others as you have first done for us. Receive our thanks for the gifts of your caring love. Amen.

## Last Meeting Summary

By Richard George Shimko



Rabbi Jeremy Gerber and Rev. Peter Friedrichs are members of the Interfaith Council of Southern Delaware County (ICSDC). This is a group of clerics of different faiths in our area. According to the speakers, the group includes representatives of Christian, Jewish, Muslim and Bhai faiths. In general, interfaith councils are informal groups that have different organizational types and as well as various goals. The ICSDC is a relatively new group that was formed by members of previous groups in



Swarthmore/Wallingford, Media, and Chester. The members are primarily clergy. Their goals include increasing

## Rotary Celebrations!

### Birthdays



David P. Welsh Jr.  
March 13th

### Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding Anniversaries Found

### Years of Service



Richard George Shimko  
03-10-2014  
5 Years



Sonya Pappas  
03-08-2018  
1 Year

## Happy Dollars

\$1,837

2018--19 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

## Guests Last Meeting

Andy Bennett (Hillard's guest)

## Mark Your Calenders:

District Conference is March 15th and 16th at the Springfield Marriot

The Swarthmore Rotary Fun Fair is Sunday May 19th!!

communications between different faiths and advocating tolerance and speaking out against hate. An example of their actions is letters to newspapers following the synagogue shooting in Pittsburgh and the marches in Charlottesville.

The speakers said an independent local group, FUSE, was started to promote discussion between people of different faiths, races, and economic class. Although members of the ICSDC also belong to FUSE, FUSE is open to all and it is not run by ICSDC. The speakers said FUSE organizers introduce topics and allow the participants to use the topics with the goal of trying to understand each other and search for any common ground. Jeremy and Peter said we have not had to respond to a Charlottesville-type event here in Delaware County. However, it is important to develop community relationships and cooperation before the County needs to respond to such an emergency.



## Rotary Youth Programs (from Rotary.org)

Rotary believes in developing the next generation of leaders. Our programs help younger leaders build leadership skills, expand education and learn the value of service.

- Interact clubs
  - Interact clubs bring together young people ages 12-18 to develop leadership skills and learn about the world through service projects and activities.
- Rotary Youth Leadership Awards
  - RYLA is a leadership development program for young people who want to learn new skills, build their confidence, and have fun. Events range from one-day seminars to weeklong camps.
- Rotaract clubs
  - Rotaract clubs bring together people ages 18-30 to exchange ideas with leaders in the community, develop leadership and professional skills, and have fun through service.
- Rotary Youth Exchange
  - Rotary Youth Exchange builds peace one young person at a time. Students learn a new language, discover another culture, and truly become global citizens. Exchanges for students ages 15-19 are sponsored by Rotary clubs in more than 100 countries.
- New Generations Service Exchange
  - New Generations Service Exchange is a short-term, customizable program for university students and professionals up to age 30. Participants can design exchanges that combine their professional goals with a humanitarian project.

All of our youth programs are connected to a Rotary club.