



Swarthmore Rotary Cog Notes



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Service Quotation

"Service is the rent we pay for being. It is the very purpose of life, and not something you do in your spare time."
Marian Wright Edelman,
Author

Rotary Celebrations!

Birthdays



Joshua Twersky
October 11th

Wedding Anniversaries



Dennis Hoffman
October 15th

Meetings and Events

October

10th - [Meeting](#)

Speaker: Kevin Skoglund, Chief Technologist
Subject: Citizens for Better Elections

17th - [Meeting](#)

Speaker: Peter Mardinly, Governor, District 7450 ly
Subject: Meeting Address

24th - [Meeting](#)

Speaker: Lou Klarevas, author Rampage Nation
Subject: Rampage Nation: Securing America from Mass Shootings

Table Grace

By Frederick E. Christian

Lord, as we conquer skies and planets, keep us ever mindful of the vastness of the human spirit and its deeper need for caring concern. Use us in Rotary to keep this dimension alive. Make us grateful for those around us who enrich our lives, inspired by your Spirit. Receive our thanks for this hour together. 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?

Last Meeting Summary



If you were wondering what the Swarthmore borough Mayor does, Mayor Marty Spiegel offered an explanation at the last meeting. He also gave us a little history and overview of Pennsylvania municipal government, including the fact that the mayor of boroughs used to be called the burgess. Marty said he is please that the name of the position changed years ago because he prefers being called Mayor Marty instead of Burgess Marty.

The Mayor said he has three priorities as mayor. The first is to work to develop the downtown business district. This may require redevelopment of existing commercial buildings. Marty understands that many will be opposed to any change to the center but he stated that change will occur whether we like it or not. He thinks it will be best to manage the change.

Marty's second priority is to increase cooperation with the College. He commended Greg Brown for being very cooperative on behalf of the College.

His third priority is to support the police and fire departments. He is concerned about the funding for the fire department. The reduced number of volunteer fire fighters means the operating costs are increasing. One of the duties of the mayor that Marty hasn't been able to exercise yet is to perform a marriage. Perhaps he can officiate at one during a Rotary meeting. Any candidates?

CADES Service project

Here is information provided by Lori about our latest CADES service project. Photos follow.

Who participated? -- Joy Charlton and her husband David, Bill Hale, Chris Darrell (Kathy's husband), George Whitfield, my husband Jeff Cole, Craig Fava, and Joe Lesniak

What did you do? -- We did yard work, raking, shrub trimming, cutting back of overgrown areas, cleaning flower bed, mulching, and planting. We disposed of all the leaves and brush in the woods.

Was there any interaction with CADES staff or patients? -- Yes, the ladies came out to see the mums that we planted and took a photo with us. We spoke to them, and they were please to see the flowers, but one would not communiante with us - very simple interaction. I would just indicated that they were pleased that we came to spruce up the property and plant mums.

Why is it necessary for Rotary volunteers to do this work? -- I don't think I would describe it as necessary, but given budget restrictions for Cades, landscaping is not a high priority in the running of these homes - the quality of life for the residents is.

Do you have any future projects planned? -- Nothing definitive, but our objective is to adopt this house to provide yard cleanup every fall and spring and other outdoor projects as necessary.

Any other comments you would like to make. -- I think this is a good project for our club. We are helping others who live in our community and cannot do this type of work themselves. I think the Rotarians that were able to come out and help had a good time and enjoyed meeting the ladies and their caregivers that work at the Tara House.

Years of Service



Ann K. Seidman
10-11-1996
23 Years

Happy Dollars

\$1061

2019-20 Happy Dollars
for Polio Plus Fund
(\$3 to fully protect one child)

2018-19 total: \$3,845
2017-18 total: \$4,515
2016-17 total: \$3,756

Guests Last Meeting

Jim Snively (Gladys' husband)
Linda Spiegel (Marty's wife)
Sean Murphy (Asst. Gov.)
Chief Raymond Stufflet (Marty's guest)

Mark Your Calendars:

Phone bank WHYY
Sat., Oct. 26

Ed Jones Memorial Service
Sat., Nov. 9

CADES photos

Photos taken at CADES service project.

