



# Swarthmore Rotary Cog Notes

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August 26,  
2021

## Meetings and Events

August

26th - [Club Meeting](#)

Speaker: Professor Nathalie F. Anderson, SC, Cummins Professor of English Literature

Subject: Writing Through Troubles: Contemporary Irish and Northern Irish Poetry

September

2nd - [Club Meeting](#)

Speaker: Professor Dominic Tierney, Chair, Political Science, Swarthmore College

Subject: Recent US Wars in Afghanistan, Iraq, and Libya

9th - [Club Meeting](#)

Speaker: Rachel Pastan, Novelist, Swarthmore

Subject: My New Novel

Shekhar Mehta  
RI President 2021-22  
Roger Taylor  
District 7450  
Governor

Swarthmore  
Rotary Leaders

[Kathryn Jones](#)  
President

[Heather Saunders](#)  
President-Elect

[Brian Casey](#)  
Club Executive  
Secretary  
Webmaster

[Brian H. Craig](#)  
Secretary

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Club Director

[William Clinton Hale](#)  
iPast President

[Anne C. Hansen](#)  
Club Director

[Lori Markusfeld](#)  
Service Projects  
Chair

[Hillard Pouncy](#)  
Club Programs Chair

[Barbara Whitaker-Shimko](#)  
Rotary Foundation  
Chair

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## Table Grace

By Frederick E. Christian

**God, grant that today we may be disturbed by some vision of the need for justice or compassion or caring and make this Rotary the channel for renewed life or hope or aspiration for someone down on their luck. Thank you, Lord, for bringing us together and for the rich blessings of this hour. Amen.**

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## 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?
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## Club News

Cathleen Darrell  
Attendance  
Secretary  
Richard Shimko  
Bulletin Editor  
Karen Aleta  
Mazzarella-Russo  
Assistant Governor

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### Service Quotation

What this world  
needs is a new  
kind of army – the  
army of the kind.  
~Cleveland Amory

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### Rotary Celebrations!

#### Birthdays

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#### Wedding Anniversaries



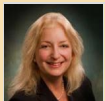
G. Holger  
Hansen  
August 27th



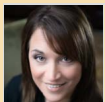
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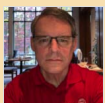
Heather  
Saunders  
August 31st



Maria Michael  
Zissimos  
August 31st



Sonya Pappas  
September  
1st



Brian Casey  
September  
1st

#### Years of Service

**Rotary Moment:** Elizabeth Church told us that promoting education is a core Rotary International goal. She related an example of a Bangladeshi woman who started the first women's Rotary chapter in her country.

The Bangladeshi chapter promoted schools for girls and described education as a "transformative vehicle".

President Kathryn Jones announced that the Board agreed to join the District Gundaker Foundation. The Club will pay \$10 for each club member annually. Club members can contribute more by going to the Gundaker website. Offsetting this fee, Kathryn said the District annual assessment has been reduced from \$75 per member to \$37. This reduction will be reflected in lower dues.

Kathryn said the Board has decided to continue with Zoom-only meetings. We will continue this until the surge in new cases is over. Upcoming events: September 25 – Block party in the Borough. October 12 - Mingle Fest at the Inn in Swarthmore from 5:30 to 8:00 pm. The Mingle Fest is to introduce Rotary to potential new members.

Kathryn requested a volunteer to be in charge of youth programs such as Interact, exchange students, and Rotaract.

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## Last Meeting Summary

After two years of working on their dream of opening the Village Vine wine bar/restaurant in Swarthmore, Lori Knauer and Jill Gaieski were finally ready for the grand opening in April 2020. Then Covid hit. They finally opened in June 2020 but with no indoor service. They have operated with various levels of service ever since. Lori and Jill thanked the Borough for providing space on the street for outdoor dining.

No Years Of Service  
Found

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## Happy Dollars

pledge \$832

2020-21 : \$3,892

2019-20: \$3,344

2018-2019: \$3,845

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## Guests Last Meeting

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Jim Snively

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**Currently, the Village Vine is providing full indoor service.**

**Like many restaurants, they are having difficulty finding staff. They stated they will only hire vaccinated staff, which limits their applicant pool.**

**Lori and Jill talked about how they define success. While they have not made a profit, they still feel that the Village Vine has been a success.**

**They have created jobs. They have also provide an oasis where customers can forget the pandemic for a while.**

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## Village Vine Swarthmore

Go to the Village Vine website to look at the latest menu and to make reservations – [www.villagevineswarthmore.com](http://www.villagevineswarthmore.com).

Here are some selections from the on-line menu:

Village Board \$19 chef selected cheeses, meats, fruit, accoutrement, crostini

- Vegetable Board \$12 roasted beets, shaved veg, grilled summer squash, pickles, harissa carrots, yogurt dipping sauce
- Raclette Empanada \$8 apples and red onion jam
- Marinated Olives \$5 caper aioli, greens

\*These items are served raw or undercooked or contain (or may contain) raw or undercooked ingredients.

- Fresh Shucked Oysters\* \$18 mignonette, granita, pepper relish
- Ahi Tuna Ceviche\* \$15 sliced radish, mango, furikaki
- Hand-Rolled Pasta \$18 summer squash & pumpkin seeds
- Pork Chop al Pastor\* \$25 chili verde, grits, pineapple
- Crispy Arctic Char \* \$23 bok choy, carrot, fingerling potatoes, herbed beurre blanc
- Long Island Duck\* -\$25 braised cabbage, lentils, mushrooms



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