



CogNotes



The Rotary Club of Swarthmore
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August is MEMBERSHIP and EXTENSION Month

Coming Programs & Events

Sept 3 Nicola Tollett Jefferson, Founder and Executive Director, The Achievement Project
"On TAP: The Achievement Project"

Sept 10 TBD

Sept 17 Rebecca Chopp, President, Swarthmore College

Sept 24 Carrie Schankweiler, The Academy In Manayunk
"The Arts, Learning and Kids: Making the Connections"

Today's Program:

Penelope Reed,
Hedgerow Theatre
The New Season

Table Grace

Grant us, Lord, the strength to pass this day in gladness and peace, without stumbling or stain. May we reach its close with something added of our devotion to Rotary ideals that shall have strengthened and encouraged another on a difficult road. Receive our thanks for this food and for the exchange of friendly chatter around these tables. And may your name be praised. Amen.

The Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian



Last Week's Speaker:

D.G. Al Morland

Al Marland, our District Governor, began our club assembly by reminding us that our slogan for this year "The future of Rotary is in your hands" requires our participation.

George Whitfield received a citation from the Governor for exemplary work on behalf of Rotary as recommended by our President Betty Ann.

Anne Hansen also received a citation .

We are the only club in the district with ten more members than five years ago.

Anne Seidman let us know our new exchange student has arrived. We need to work on outgoing students.

Steve Laxton updated us on our Auction October 23. We need donated items and names of people to invite.

Guests Last Week:

P/P Mattie Weiss, Randy Winton, Molly O'Brien, John Iversen



Pledge of Allegiance

The Rotarian's 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?



Rotary Leadership Training

Districts 7430 and 7450 are co-hosting Rotary Leadership Institute training sessions in King of Prussia on October 31st. Here is your chance to build your knowledge of Rotary and leadership skills

The Rotary Leadership Institute of Northeast America ("RLI") is an organization founded in 1992 and provides training to Clubs and Districts on Rotary knowledge and leadership skills.

On Saturday October 31, 2009 RLI will hold the following sessions at The Valley Forge Scanticon:

- * Part I
- * Part II
- * Part III
- * Graduate

If you are interested in attending one of these sessions, please click on www.rlinea.com to access the RLI Registration page. Registration fee for club members will be reimbursed by the club.

The sessions will be held on Halloween, but they will end in time to get home for trick or treating. For additional information and session agenda, please visit www.rlinea.com or contact Lyn Church at Lyn_Church@yahoo.com.

What's New on Our Site?

The club website is our tool for getting information out to club members, the district, and the community that we support.

We should have up to date email addresses for everyone on the site and that is helping to get the CogNotes and other messages out to our members. If you don't get the CogNotes weekly in your email, please tell Brian Casey.

On the landing page (the first page to appear when you click on "www.SwarthmoreRotary.org") the left navigation menu is updated with useful "Club Links" and "Site Links". These changes make the information you seek easier to find and faster to access.

Among the recent additions:

- CogNotes Archives
- Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
- List of Current Club Members

Coming Soon:

- Interact Page
- Grants Committee Page
- Your Suggestions??

Please call or email Brian Casey if you have ideas for additions or changes that can make the site a better tool for members of the club and/or members of the community.

This Day in History

1859: Oil is found in Pennsylvania. Edwin Drake struck oil at 69 feet near Titusville, Pennsylvania - the world's first successful oil well. This source of crude oil, or petroleum, opened up a new inexpensive source of power and quickly replaced whale oil in lamps. Within a few decades of Drake's discovery, oil drilling was widespread in the U.S., Europe, the Middle East, and the East Indies.



And I Quote...

"God is good, but never dance in a small boat."

Irish Saying

Today's Smile

A middle-aged couple had two beautiful daughters but always talked about having a son.

They decided to try one last time for the son they always wanted.

The wife got pregnant and delivered a healthy baby boy. The joyful father rushed to the nursery to see his new son.

He was horrified at the ugliest child he had ever seen.

He told his wife: 'There's no way I can be the father of this baby. Look at the two beautiful daughters I fathered! Have you been fooling around behind my back?'

The wife smiled sweetly and replied: 'No, not this time!'