



# CogNotes

**The Rotary Club of Swarthmore**  
**September 3, 2009**

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September is **New Generations** Month



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## Coming Programs & Events

### Sept 10 David Welsh

"First Time Home Buyer Stimulus  
- Did it Work?"

### Sept 17 Rebecca Chopp, President, Swarthmore College

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

**Oct 1 TBD**

**Oct 8 Bryan Lentz**  
"State House Update"

## Today's Program:

**Nicola Tollett Jefferson,  
Founder & Executive Director,  
The Achievement Project**  
On TAP: The Achievement  
Project

## Table Grace

Father, we draw near to the end of  
another summer. Grant protection  
to all who travel during these  
busy days. May we have found  
some moments of refreshment  
from our routines. Grant that we  
may join hands so that with  
renewed enthusiasm we may  
make this coming year the best in  
our Rotary's history, through you.  
Amen.

The Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian



**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?



**Last  
Week's  
Speaker:**

**Penelope  
Reed**

Penelope Reed shared with us a  
history of the Rose Valley area, with  
its roots as an artistic community,  
and her love affair with the  
Hedgerow Theater since 1991.

She joined the theater as its artistic  
director when it was being rebuilt  
after fire damage. Now it has been  
an institution for 86 years. The  
theater has a distinctive history and  
is a treasure in our area.

A Rotarian herself (Media Club),  
Penelope is working on a play with  
Rotary values to be read in  
November.

For more information, please visit  
[www.hedgerowtheatre.org](http://www.hedgerowtheatre.org).

## Guests Last Week:

P/P Mattie Weiss, Kirsten Wysen  
(Gudmund's daughter), Jeff Sumner,  
John Curtis, and from Hedgerow  
Michael Chittenden, Maggie Cogswell,  
and Tara Haupt.



## Celebrating Rotary's New Generation

September is New Generations Month, when Rotary celebrates its commitment to youth and young adult programs, including Interact, Rotaract, RYLA, and Rotary Youth Exchange. During this time, Rotary clubs and their New Generations programs are encouraged to focus on youth issues and undertake projects benefiting young adults around the world.

When planning activities for New Generations Month, Rotarians and program participants are challenged to consider these questions:

- \* How can members of youth and young adult programs in your district network with each other?
- \* Do Rotary clubs in your area actively promote participation in the youth and young adult programs they sponsor?
- \* Are youth included in weekly Rotary club programs, service projects, and fundraising events? If not, why?
- \* What type of special recognitions, awards, and scholarships are available to youth through Rotary clubs in your area?

As RI President John Kenny writes, "Our youth programs - Interact, Rotaract, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, and Rotary Youth Exchange - are some of the most important programs of Rotary ...

because of the unparalleled potential they have to influence young minds and souls toward peace, goodwill, and harmony."

Help achieve Rotary's mission by promoting programs for youth and young adults, and by celebrating New Generations Month!

## This Day in History

1783: Treaty of Paris is signed. The American Revolution officially comes to an end when representatives of the United States, Great Britain, Spain and France sign the Treaty of Paris on this day in 1783. The signing signified America's status as a free nation, as Britain formally recognized the independence of its 13 former American colonies, and the boundaries of the new republic were agreed upon: Florida north to the Great Lakes and the Atlantic coast west to the Mississippi River.



## And I Quote...

"In Rotary, September is New Generations Month – a time to focus our attention on our programs for youth and the role they play in shaping the Rotarians of tomorrow."

John Kenny

## Today's Smile

What do you call a boomerang that doesn't work?

A stick.



## Silent Auction

The weeks are counting down to this year's Silent Auction.

On Friday October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00, the Swarthmore Community Center will come alive with this major fundraising event for our year.

This is a great opportunity to bring in members of our community to help us in our work to support our great causes.

At 9:00 the final gavel comes down on this great fundraiser. What can we do as club members to help make this a success?

## Donations

Solicit Auction item donations from your neighbors, business acquaintances, yourself and your spouse. The donation sheet is on our site and all donations are appreciated.

## Sponsors

Sponsorships cost just \$250 and the sponsors will be recognized in print material for the event, at the event and in communication leading up to the event.

## Invitations

Invitations are to be mailed on or around Sept 10<sup>th</sup>. Please send any names and addresses for invitees to Marv Gelb.