

# CogNotes

The Rotary Club of Swarthmore  
November 19, 2009

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November is **Rotary Foundation** Month



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## Today's Program:

**Rick Anthony**

“Boomervision, Part II”

## Table Grace:

Lord of the harvest, we pause to give you thanks for the bounty of this great land. Our lives have truly fallen in pleasant places.

May we never accept these gifts lightly. Thank you for this food set before us and for the opportunity we have to go out strengthened in body, mind, and spirit to serve our community. Amen.

The Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian



**Last Week's Speakers:**

**Reisa Muckamal**



**Charlotte Hobson**

Literacy is an important issue that we support as Rotarians at all levels. From the elementary schools and early detection, through to adults coping with literacy challenges in their working lives, we strive to help raise literacy levels for those needing assistance.

We thank Charlotte and Reisa for sharing the perspectives of Adult Learner, and program tutor. Their efforts demonstrate the success of Literacy programs and help us understand the issues and how the solutions are making a difference.

## Coming Program & Events

**Nov 26 Thanksgiving**  
No Meeting.

**Dec 3 David Gilbert**  
“VP, Hi-Fi- Sales, TVs &U”

**Dec 10 Rebecca Chopp**  
Open Discussion at Bond Hall

**Dec 17 Silvertomes**  
Meeting at CADES

**Dec 24 No Meeting**

**Dec 31 No Meeting**



## The Pledge of Allegiance

## The Rotarian's 4-Way Test

**Of the things we think, say and 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?

## Guests Last Meeting:

Nancy Rosenberg, Sharon Ford



## More Tomorrow Water Project

The water project in Yalbak, Belize was a resounding success - so successful in fact that they are now able to sell water from their well.

In addition to comments from the children of the village that their tummies don't hurt like they used to, the well now generates income.

To build on this success, Ray Hopkins and Anne Hansen are in the early stages of planning a similar project in "More Tomorrow", Belize.

Stay tuned for more details on another Rotary project that is improving the lives of others.

## Greeters and Registrars

As mentioned at our meeting on November 12, we will all take turns serving as Greeters and Registrars at our weekly meetings. In addition to the social aspects, we will also be able to make sure we capture ALL attendees for our monthly reporting to the district.

To see when you are scheduled to greet or serve as registrar, please click here or see "Greeters and Registrars" under Club Links on our home page.

## This Day in History

1863: Lincoln Delivers Gettysburg Address

On November 19, 1863, at the dedication of a military cemetery at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, during the American Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln delivered one of the most memorable speeches in American history. In just 272 words, Lincoln brilliantly and movingly reminded a war-weary public why the Union had to fight, and win, the Civil War.

Charged by Pennsylvania's governor, Andrew Curtin, to care for the Gettysburg dead, an attorney named David Wills bought 17 acres of pasture to turn into a cemetery for the more than 7,500 who fell in battle. Wills sent a letter to Lincoln - just two weeks before the ceremony - requesting "a few appropriate remarks" to consecrate the grounds.

Lincoln's address lasted just two or three minutes. The speech reflected his redefined belief that the Civil War was not just a fight to save the Union, but a struggle for freedom and equality for all. This was his stirring conclusion: "The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us - that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion - that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain - that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom - and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."



## Meetings Over the Holidays

As we head into the holiday season, keep in mind there are weeks when we will not meet, such as next week, and weeks when the location will change. Please watch the club web site for details.

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## Today's Smile

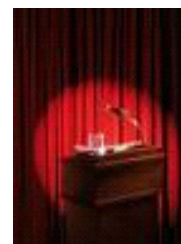
A new pastor was visiting the homes of his parishioners.

At one house it seemed obvious that someone was at home, but no answer came to his repeated knocks at the door. Therefore, he took out a card and wrote "Revelation 3:20" on the back of it and stuck it in the door.

When the offering was processed the following Sunday, he found that his card had been returned. Added to it was this cryptic message, Genesis 3:10."

He reached for his Bible to check out the citation.

Revelation 3:20 begins "Behold, I stand at the door and knock." Genesis 3:10 reads, "I heard your voice in the garden and I was afraid, for I was naked."



## And I Quote...

"Well done is better than well said."  
Benjamin Franklin