



# CogNotes

The Rotary Club of Swarthmore  
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August is **Membership and Extension** Month



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## Today's Program:

**Bryan Lentz, Democratic Candidate for Congress**

“State House Report”



**Last Week's Speaker:**

**George Strimel**

## Table Grace:

Eternal Father, we have daily needs that can only be supplied by your grace and goodness.

We have longings of heart and yearnings of mind which alone find their fulfillment in your presence. Likewise, we have needs of body and mind that we must ask you to meet.

“Give us this day our daily bread.”  
And then, O God, strengthen us to serve you and your children with thankful hearts. Amen.

The Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian

**George Strimel**, General Manager, at Radnor Studio 21, spoke to us about the station's mission and the state of public access television in general.

There are over 5000 Public Access stations across the country and George walks the walk when it comes to freedom of speech, giving free access to the airwaves through his station.

His station, like most public access channels is run mostly by volunteers and operates on a lean budget. It is challenging but rewarding at the same time.

George, a polio survivor who was moved by our “happy dollars” that go for polio eradication, said “if you have something to say” he gives you the place. They have 42 programs a week and are on the air 24/7.

## Coming Program & Events

**Aug 12 Michal Smith, Project Leap Forward**  
“New Program”

**Aug 19 Tina Johnson**  
“Chester Coop”

**Aug 26 Don Delson**  
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**Sept 2 Pat Meehan**  
Former Federal Prosecutor and Republican Candidate for Congress  
“Meet the Candidate”



**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 Week:

Jim Lemming and Colin Jeynes.

## Silent Auction Committee Hard at Work as the Date Draws Near

The Silent auction Committee is hard at work preparing for the 4th Annual Silent Auction for Polio Plus taking place on Friday September 24th at 6:00 at the Swarthmore Community Center.

We are arranging for the food and drink, the decorations, the sponsors, the donations for the auctions, more sponsors, more donations for the auction, advertising for the Swarthmorean, Posters for our merchants... the fun just never ends.

Please keep this in mind as you solicit donations for the Auction. This is the biggest single fund raiser for Polio in our year and we have a tradition of strong support for Rotary's efforts worldwide to eradicate Polio.

Please visit [www.SwarthmoreRotary.org/auction](http://www.SwarthmoreRotary.org/auction) for more information.

## This Day in History

### 1861: First Federal Income Tax

On this day in 1861, Lincoln imposes the first federal income tax by signing the Revenue Act. Strapped for cash with which to pursue the Civil War, Lincoln and Congress agreed to impose a 3 percent tax on annual incomes over \$800.

According to the U.S. Treasury Department, the comparable minimum taxable income in 2003, after adjustments for inflation, would have been approximately \$16,000.

Congress repealed Lincoln's tax law in 1871, but in 1909 passed the 16th Amendment, which set in place the federal income-tax system used today. Congress ratified the 16th Amendment in 1913.



## District Conference October 8 - 10

The Fall District Conference aka Oktoberfest is coming up from October 8 to 10 at the Desmond Hotel in Malvern.

Mark the date on your calendar and watch for registration information in the coming weeks. Registration will be done on the District Database and details will arrive via email in the near future.

### Rotary Youth Exchange Student Yasutaka Iida Arriving

Yasutaka Iida, our Inbound Rotary Youth Exchange Student, arrives in Philadelphia on Wednesday August 18th. Ken Wright will be meeting him at the airport and we would like to have a few other Rotarians join him at the airport to welcome Yasutaka.



In addition, Ann Seidman is looking for a family that can host Yasutaka for the 18th and 19th when he arrives. Please contact Ann if you can help.

### Service Quotation

“Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth.”

Muhammad Ali

### Silent Auction

58 Days Away



### Happy Dollars Total to date:

**Over \$500  
(> 800 children immunized)**

All for the eradication of Polio.

