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**The Rotary Club of Swarthmore
October 7, 2010**

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October is **Vocational Service** Month



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Today's Program:

**Guy Gardener, Former Astronaut,
President, Williamson Free School**

From the Heavens to the
Williamson School



Last Week's Speaker:

**Lauri Perman,
Director of Pendle Hill**

Lauri Perman, Director of Pendle Hill, discussed the depth and breadth of the programs available to all at this Quaker Center for Retreat and Education right here in Wallingford.

Pendle Hill was established in 1930 as a Quaker study center designed to prepare its adult students for service both in the Religious Society of Friends and in the world. The founders envisioned a new Quaker School of Social and Religious Education which would be "a vital center of spiritual culture" and "a place for training leaders."

Lauri defined their business as Spiritual Hospitality and Nurture. This is the most significant Quaker Center in the world.

Guests Last Week:

None.

Table Grace:

Lord, as we conquer skies and planets, keep us ever mindful of the vastness of the human spirit and its deeper need for caring concern.

Use us in Rotary to keep this dimension alive. Make us grateful for those around us who enrich our lives, inspired by your Spirit.

Receive our thanks for this hour together. Amen.

The Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian

Coming Program & Events

Oct 14 Perri Evansen

"On Real Estate"

Oct 21 Richard Noonan, WSSD

Superintendent With Intro by Board
Chair Mary Gay Scanlon (Invited)

Oct 27 Board Meeting

Oct 28 Dan Terpstra

"Belize Water Project Update"

Nov 4 Cynthia MacLeod

Superintendent, Independence

National Historical Park

(Invited)



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?



This just in... Maui is up for Auction!

A slice of paradise is available as an auction item to members and those who we know will treat paradise with that Rotarian touch.

Margaret Christensen has offered her Maui Condo for a week to help us raise funds in our Silent Auction for the eradication of Polio.

Minimum bid is just \$1200 which is a steal for this beautiful unit.

Bidding is open until October 15th for Margaret's beautiful Condo in Maui at www.SwarthmoreRotary.org/maui

Happy Dollars

Total to date:

\$1290

(2150 Children Immunized)

All for the eradication of Polio.



Service Quotation

"Help thy brother's boat across and lo! Thine own has reached the shore"

- Hindu Proverb



Vocational Services Month is Here

In recognition of our Vocational Services Month in October, our Vocational Services Chair, **Randy Winton** will bring the theme to our meetings.

George Whitfield will lead off this series by giving us a mini classification talk today as Randy reacquaints us with the vocations of some of our longer term members.

The diversity in our vocations is part of what make our club special as we have a wide range of skills and talents on our membership - all contributing to our efforts to serve communities at home and abroad.

A Visit to Philadelphia Rotary

Last week your CogNotes Editor had the opportunity to visit the Rotary Club of Philadelphia.

This was my 7th visit to another club it was another great opportunity to see how other clubs operate, how they serve their community and meet some great Rotarians all at the same time.

In addition to the prayer, 4 way test and Pledge of Allegiance, they also have a small Glee group that sang the Star Spangled Banner. They are very active in fund raising and they were preparing to put stickers on dictionaries in advance of a trip to an under served school in the city to distribute the books.

This Day in History

1960: Kennedy and Nixon debate Cold War Foreign Policy

In the second of four televised debates, Democratic presidential nominee John F. Kennedy and Vice President Richard Nixon turn their attention to foreign policy issues.



Three Cold War episodes, in particular, engendered spirited confrontations between Kennedy and Nixon. The first involved Cuba, which had recently come under the control of Fidel Castro. Nixon argued that the island was not "lost" to the United States, and that the course of action followed by the Eisenhower administration had been the best one to allow the Cuban people to "realize their aspirations of progress through freedom."

Kennedy fired back that it was clear that Castro was a communist, and that the Republican administration failed to use U.S. resources effectively to prevent his rise to power. He concluded that, "Today Cuba is lost for freedom."

Your Rotary Smile

I thought I saw an eye doctor on an Alaskan island, but it turned out to be an optical Aleutian.