



# CogNotes

The Rotary Club of Swarthmore  
February 10, 2011

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February is **World Understanding Month**

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## Today's Program:

Mayor Lowe

“The College Inn & The Police Department’s Green Initiative



**Last Week's Speaker:**  
**John Stauffer**  
By Mike Malone

## Table Grace:

Since school days we have honored a man called “Honest Abe.”

Can we do anything less today than pause to honor such a man?

Thank you, Lord, that this company called “Rotary” holds high the banner of truth and truthfulness.

Keep us faithful to our trust and renew us here in body, mind, and spirit, as with grateful hearts we receive the gifts of this hour. Amen.

The Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian

**John Stauffer**, a member of Wallingford Presbyterian Church, presented a very powerful program of caring in action.

Just out of college in the mid 60s, he spent a couple of years in the Peace Corps stationed in the Eritrean section of Ethiopia. In 1993 Eritrea became independent with hopes of democracy. Unfortunately it quickly succumbed to tyranny leading to massive refugee flight.

By 2003 John was hearing from his former students now in the U.S. that one of his former pupils, Berhane wanted John to contact him in Eritrea. This began a journey for John, Berhane, and another Eritrean now in the U.S., Tekla, to establish what is now called AMERICA TEAM FOR DISPLACED ERITREANS.

This group provides basic services needed by refugees - food, clothing, and advocacy. I suggest you go to their website at [www.eritreanrefugees.org](http://www.eritreanrefugees.org) to find out much more.

## Coming Program & Events

**Feb 17 Louis Massiah, Swarthmore College**  
“How to Make Award Winning Documentaries”

**Feb 23 Board Meeting**

**Feb 24 Classification Talks**  
Brian Casey, Dean Wolfe

**Mar 23 Board Meeting**



**The Pledge of Allegiance**

## Four 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 GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



## Guests Last Meeting:

Lisa Lee

## Gates Praises Rotary for Role in Polio Fight

By Rotary.org

In a letter posted on the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation website recently, Bill Gates praises Rotary International for its central role in the fight to eradicate polio, and refers to Rotary as a “key partner” in the global effort to rid the world of the crippling disease.

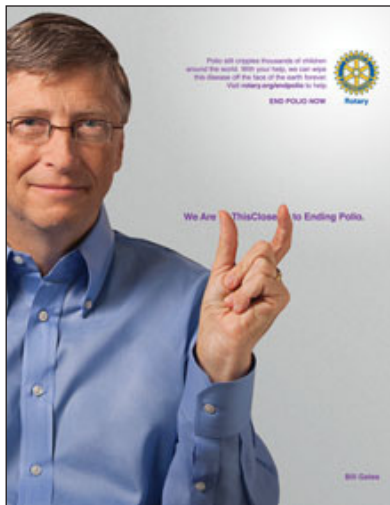
The annual letter from Gates, cochair of the Gates Foundation, focuses on education and polio, and notes that the eradication effort has benefited immensely from Rotary’s support. Rotary launched PolioPlus -- a program to immunize the world’s children against polio -- in 1985 and became a spearheading partner in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative three years later, along with the World Health Organization, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and UNICEF.

“Everywhere I go to learn about polio, I see Rotary members helping out with the hard work,” Gates says in the letter. “I feel sure that with continued support, we will be able to show significant progress.”

Gates also mentions that he will be taking three trips focused on polio this year, including additional trips to India and Nigeria.

The Gates Foundation has awarded US\$355 million in challenge grants to Rotary for use in the global effort to eradicate polio. Rotary has responded with Rotary’s US\$200 Million Challenge. As of January, Rotary clubs have raised \$160 million.

Gates has also recently joined Rotary’s “This Close” campaign, aimed at increasing awareness of and support for polio eradication. More than 20 international and regional luminaries have appeared on billboards, print ads, and in television and radio public service announcements.



**Happy Dollars  
Total Since  
July 1: \$998**



2009-2010 Total: **\$896**  
(3157 Children Immunized)

**All for the eradication of Polio.**

### Service Quotation

“Blessed are those who can give without remembering and take without forgetting”

by Princess Elizabeth Bibesco (26 February 1897 – 7 April 1945) An English writer, active between 1921 and 1940.

### Greeter

Our greeter next week will be



**Perri Evanson**

Sarcasm:

The gulf between the author of sarcastic wit and the person who doesn't get it.

## CogNotes Articles

Do you have something that you want to share with members of the club and perhaps others in the district?

Content for the CogNotes is always welcome. Simply email your message and feel free to include an image where appropriate.



## Mid-Year Assembly Project Fair - This Saturday

By Brian Casey

Join us at the Mid-Year Assembly Project Fair this Saturday from 9:00 to 12:00 at the Delaware County Community College.

The Project Fair gives Rotary, Rotaract, Interact and EarlyAct clubs the opportunity to showcase their latest and greatest projects. District Committees and affiliated Rotary service organizations are also invited to participate.

See table displays and talk to other Rotarians about their projects see Presentation by Rotarians such as our very own **Marv Gelb** and **Brian Casey**.

The Project fair will be held at:

Delaware County Community College  
Founders Hall  
901 Media Line Road  
Media, PA 19063