



The Rotary Club of Swarthmore January 3, 2013

January is Rotary Awareness Month

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Today's Program:

Eric Jensen, Professor of Physics and Astronomy, Swarthmore College "Why the New Year Begins on Our January 1st"

Table Grace

Lord of the passing years, we pause to thank you for your over-arching presence in the past and to seek the assurance of your blessings in this New Year.

We live in an awesome time. Teach us to live confidently in your care and to seize opportunities to make our world a better place for all humankind and so to fulfill Rotary's ideals. Amen.

The Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian

Coming Program & Events

Jan 10 Judith Byron Schachner, NYTimes bestselling author and illustrator of Skippy Jon Jones series of children's books "Orbiting the Fur Ball: The Art of Writing and Illustrating for Children"

Jan 17 Sharon Friedler, Director of the Dance Program and former Stephen Lang Professor of the Performing Arts, Swarthmore College

"The Arts and Social Change"

Jan 24 Claudia Cueto, AIA, Principal CuetoKEARNEYdesign, LLC "Passive House on Dartmouth, a Sustainable Retrofit"

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 Week Dan Honig, prospective member



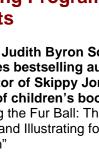
Lisa Lee/Jim Leming

Collin Darrell, son of Cathy Darrell, described his latest forays into entrepreneurial restauranteering, an interest that began during his early days working at Renato's and nurtured while he earned a B.A. in Hospitality and, later, sommelier certification. Collin lives in Kauai with his wife and twin 4-year-old sons and has developed an avid interest in local foods there and in being what he calls the "creative director" of food

experiences. He has developed a website called "Grow Culture," and has created "popup restaurants" at which visiting chefs announce only as the event unfolds a one-time menu of local foods and accompanying wines. He showed us photographs of one such "pop-up" dinner in a greenhouse and another in an open space delineated by bamboo walls. He finds that chefs are eager to volunteer for such adventures.

Collin also described providing a food experience in an existing restaurant on a night when the restaurant would otherwise be closed, using its facilities and equipment a win-win for everyone. Currently, Collin has found a facility for a new local restaurant (as well as 1200 service settings), and is working toward the financial backing to make it happen.







Swarthmore Rotarians Participate in Annual Luminaria Project



Members of Swarthmore Rotary Club came together at CADES to package, organize, and distribute luminaria. Cathy, Mollie, Art, Ann and Jim were there for the early shift on Thursday, while other club members volunteered time throughout the two-day effort. The annual luminaria display benefits A Better Chance.

Top Rotary Stories of 2012

During January we will highlight some of the top stories from last year.

2012 got off to an exciting start in January when India marked a year without a new case of polio. By February, the World Health Organization had removed India from the list of endemic countries.

The news was a huge boost to the morale of Rotarians, who have been laboring to eradicate the crippling disease since 1985. Only three countries -- Nigeria, Pakistan, and Afghanistan -- remain on the polio-endemic list.

A chief contributor to India's success is the widespread use of the bivalent oral polio vaccine, which is effective against both remaining types of the poliovirus. Another is rigorous monitoring, which has helped reduce the number of children missed by health workers during National Immunization Days to less than 1 percent, according to WHO. The lessons learned in India may well serve to help immunization efforts in the remaining endemic countries.

In May, Rotarians at the RI Convention in Bangkok, Thailand, celebrated Rotary's having exceeded the US\$200 Million Challenge for polio eradication efforts. The challenge was Rotary's response to \$355 million in matching grants from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

But the work is far from complete, because worldwide eradication has not yet been achieved. Later in the year, Rotary launched an online petition drive to urge government leaders to continue funding the Global Polio Eradication Initiative's efforts. And in October, RI launched the World's Biggest Commercial, which enables people visiting the new End Polio Now website to add their photo and join the effort to make history.

Happy Dollars Total for 2012-13: \$1189



2011-12 Total: \$2311 2010-11 Total: 2009-10 Total:



\$1690 \$896

(10143 Children Immunized)

All Proceeds to Polio Eradication.

Service Quotation

"One of the great ironies in life is that he or she who serves always benefits more than he or she who is served."

- Jim Rohn - Author and motivational speaker

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Anniversaries

Birthday: Rudolph Amann Gladys Snively		Jan. 4 Jan. 8
Rotary: Betty Ann Flynn	Jan. 5	24 yrs.



Rotarians and state government leaders in Jaipur. Rajasthan, India, vaccinate children against polio during a National Immunization Day in 2011