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The Rotary Club of Swarthmore
January 17, 2013

January is **Rotary Awareness Month**

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Locally and Around the World for over 75 Years**

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Today's Program:

Sharon Friedler, Director of the Dance Program and former Stephen Lang Professor of the Performing Arts, Swarthmore College
"The Arts and Social Change"

Table Grace

Father, stir up within us a deep discontent that we may never be complacent when those around us suffer. When we have the means to ease a hurt or to right a wrong, grant us the will to act.

Use us as instruments to do what we can whenever we can. Grant us truly thankful hearts. Amen.

The Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian

Coming Program & Events

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

Jan 31 Club Assembly

Know someone who might have interest in one of our upcoming topics? Invite them to the meeting that day!



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?



Last Week's Speaker—Judy Schachner

by Joy Charlton

Judy Schachner is a *NY Times* bestselling author and illustrator of children's books. She is especially well known for her series about Skippyjon Jones, the kitty with the big ears, big personality, and big adventures. Judy initially described her job as being a "professional 8 year-old," but it became clear that she brings exceptional creativity and talent as well as discipline and long hours to her success. She described her own childhood as one in which which she only wanted to draw pictures and use her own imagination, and she came to find inspiration for her stories in the immediate details of her everyday life, especially in the antics of her animals, siblings, and children. "Stories are all around you." To nurture her stories, she keeps journals filled with clippings, sketches, ideas, photos. To produce the books, she spends long days drafting and re-drafting, motivated by deadlines. Judy's was an especially lively presentation, revealing a direct approach to life and a delicious sense of humor.



Guests Last Week

Kathy Celani, Kelly O'Connor and Lauren Schenkel

Rotary Group Study Exchange



During our meeting last week, Betty Ann Flynn present a Swarthmore Rotary Club Banner to Kelly O'Conner to be presented to Rotarians in South Korea where Kelly will spend a month as part of the Rotary Group Study Exchange. Kelly is a Special Projects Manager for the Philadelphia Ronald McDonald House.

Top Rotary Stories of 2012

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

Interact clubs and their sponsors around the globe celebrated the program's 50th anniversary during World Interact Week, 5-11 November.

The first Interact club, at Melbourne High School in Melbourne, Florida, USA, received its charter in November 1962 under the guidance and sponsorship of the Rotary Club of Melbourne. In celebration of the golden anniversary, charter members of the club joined current Interactors and Rotarians from District 6930 for a night of reflection and fellowship.



The Rotary Club of Melbourne, Florida, sponsored the first Interact Club, chartered at Melbourne High School, in 1962

The Rotary Peace Centers program marked its 10th anniversary in 2012. The program has been offering master's degrees in peace and conflict resolution at leading universities in Australia, England, Japan, Sweden, and the United States since 2002. In 2004, a three-month professional development certificate program was added at Chulalongkorn University in Thailand.

Marv's Amusing Musings (and an apropos factoid as we endure the fiscal cliff deliberations) - contributed by Marv Gelb - *third in a series*

Q: Why is shifting responsibility to someone else called 'passing the buck'?

A: In card games, it was once customary to pass an item, called a buck, from player to player to indicate whose turn it was to deal. If a player did not wish to assume the responsibility of dealing, he would 'pass the buck' to the next player.



Happy Dollars Total for 2012-13:
\$1206



2011-12 Total: \$2311

2010-11 Total: \$1690

2009-10 Total: \$896

(10172 Children Immunized)

All Proceeds to Polio Eradication.

Service Quotation

" Do something for somebody always, whatever may be your creed. There's nothing on earth can help you so much as a kindly deed."

- Unknown

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Anniversaries

Birthday:

Marty Spiegel

Jan. 20

A short poem that for talking about collaboration & mutual support
(Seems fitting for the beginning of the year as we think about all that Rotary does)

Out
Of a great need
We are all holding hands
And climbing.
Not loving is a letting go.
Listen,
The terrain around here
Is far too dangerous for that.

Persian poet: Hafiz (1350-1390)