

# **CogNotes**



# The Rotary Club of Swarthmore February 28, 2013

February is Rotary World Understanding Month

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Locally and Around the World for over 75 Years

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## Today's Program:

John Linder, Mayor of Chester

#### Table Grace

In a day when so many live by the "ME FIRST" philosophy, we would pause to ask your help, O Lord, that we may strive to seek the benefit of others as well as ourselves in all that we do.

Give us grateful hearts for all your blessings and especially for those of this hour made possible by those who put "Service Above Sell."

In your strong name, we pray. Amen.

The Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian

# Coming Program & Events

Mar 5 Carolyn Pouncy, author of The Golden Lynx

Mar 12 Kate Hyzer, New Executive Director of Delaware County Literacy Council

Mar 15 RYLA Conference

Mar 22 TBA

Know someone who might have interest in one of our upcoming topics? Invite them to the meeting that day! They might be a prospective member.

# 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

Curt Gardener; prospective member; Annette Assaf

# Last Week's Speaker— Dr. George Assaf

By Joy Charlton

Dr. George Assaf is Director of the Austria-based United Nations Industrial Development Organization and is its Representative to the United Nations. The mission of UNIDO is to promote small-scale development in countries "in transition." The UN recognizes that energy is the key to international development (as well as foreign policy) and has created a "Sustainability For All Initiative." He encouraged us all to embrace 3 goals. 1) Reduce energy use by one-half by 2030. 2) Increase renewable energy sources. It will take a massive effort in both

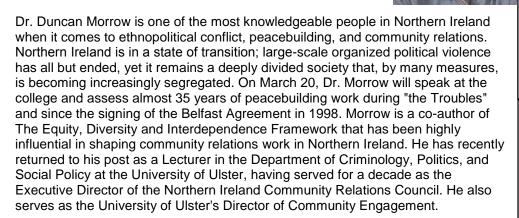
categories to keep climate change to only a 2 degree increase by 2050, which will already have enormous implications around the world. 3) Increase access to energy more equitably. The "energy-poor" are most likely women and children, especially in Africa and South Asia, whose health, education, and life chances are severely affected by this kind of poverty. Forty percent of the world's population relies on wood, charcoal, and dung for energy.

Dr. Assaf has local Swarthmore connections. He was a professor at Swarthmore College 30 years ago, and was married at what was then Prof. Harry Wright's house on Cedar Avenue.

## 35 Years of Peacebuilding in Northern Ireland -March 20 at Swarthmore College

A presentation by Dr. Duncan Morrow of The University of Ulster Wednesday, March 20, 2013 4:15 – 5:30 p.m. Science Center 183 Swarthmore College

- contributed by Ray Hopkins



This event is open to the public and is sponsored by the Northern Ireland Semester, Peace and Conflict Studies, the Lang Center for Civic and Social Responsibility, the Rotary Club of Swarthmore, the Provost's Office, and Sociology and Anthropology.

## Seven Ways to Get More Out of Rotary in 2013

(Second of three installments—#1-3 were covered last week) By Antoinette Tuscano - Rotary International News - January 2013 (from Rotary.org)

#### 4. Help the Foundation fulfill its mission

Make a resolution to donate to the Foundation's **Annual Fund** in 2013. Skip one latte a week, and you'd have US\$100 or more to contribute to your club's Every Rotarian, Every Year effort. You can make a one-time contribution or a recurring gift.

#### 5. Get inspired at the RI Convention

The 2013 RI Convention in Lisbon, Portugal, 23-26 June, is an ideal opportunity to network with Rotarians from all over the world, develop your leadership skills, and connect with others who share your recreational, professional, or humanitarian interests. Lisbon was recently voted as the best discovered the chemical structure of quality for the price destination in the world and the friendliest city in Europe by TripAdvisor's annual poll of users. Discover why Lisbon is an explorer's paradise on our convention microsite, and register today.

# **Happy Dollars Total for** 2012-13: \$1352

2011-12 Total: \$2311 2010-11 Total: \$1690 2009-10 Total: \$896

(10415 Children Immunized)

All Proceeds to Polio Eradication.

## Service Quotation

"You have never really lived until you have done something for someone who can never repay you."

- from the refrigerator of Cynthia Bender, beloved Swarthmore resident for 46 years.

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Mar 4

#### **Anniversaries**

Birthday:

Fred Thibodeau

Rotary:

John Kaufman Mar 1 32 yrs

# Did you know?

On Feb. 28, 1953, Watson and Crick DNA.

# Fun-Fair Update... by Marv Gelb

The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Fun-Fair is shaping up nicely. The Rotary Food Tent will be offering an expanded menu this year (chicken sausage, hot dogs, and veggie burgers, just to name a few). The INFLATIBLES will all be in one location called something like "Inflatible City" or "Inflatible Row" and will be all along Park Avenue. New sponsors are "in the works" as well as additional advertisers. New musical and entertaining acts are on all 3 stages around town. Just 9 weeks away! Fun-Fair Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>.

