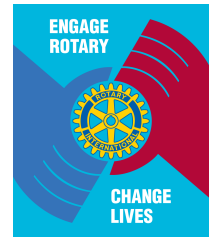


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The Rotary Club of Swarthmore
August 29, 2013

August is **Rotary Membership and Extension** Month

**Improving Lives in Communities
Locally and Around the World for over 75 Years**

Rotary International President Ron D. Burton
District 7450 Governor Charles Streitwieser
Assistant Governor George Whitfield

Today's Program:

**Dr. Frederic Hellman,
Delaware County Medical
Examiner**
"Elegant Bones"

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Table Grace

Father, we draw near to the end of another summer. Grant protection to all who travel during these busy days.

May we have found some moments of refreshment from our routines.

Grant that we may join hands so that with renewed enthusiasm we may make this coming year the best in our Rotary's history, through you.

Amen

The Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian

Coming Program & Events

Sept 5 Club Assembly

Sept 12 Lawrence A. Husick, Senior Fellow Foreign Policy Research Institute Co-Chair, Center for the Study of Terrorism

"Understanding Stuxnet and Other Covert Responses to the Iranian Nuclear Threat"

Sept 21 Lunch with Rotary International President Ron Burton
Crowne Plaza, Cherry Hill, NJ

Sept 25 Special District Luncheon at Merion Cricket Club with Past Rotary International President and Past Rotary Foundation Chair Wilf Wilkinson



The Pledge of Allegiance

Four Way Test:

Of the things we think, say and do;

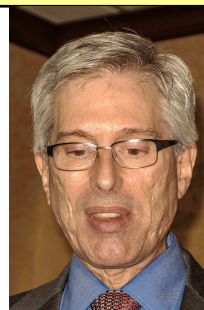
1. Is it the Truth?
2. Is it Fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



This Week's Speaker: David Belanger

By Joy Charlton

David Belanger has for 18 years been the Director of the Delaware County Library System, a federation of the 26 (independent) public libraries in the county. He updated us on aspects of the library that even our dedicated library patrons might not know. For example, despite the dire predictions of the internet's effect on physical books, DCLS' circulation is the highest it has ever been, at 2.5 million books per year. (Borders Bookstore, in its day, did make a dent.)



Exciting happenings in the digital library as well. Did you know you can read 207 magazines online at no cost to you by linking through to "Zinio"? Or that you can download 14,000 e-books and audiobooks? They offer 250 bestsellers per month. For children, they have online books that read themselves out loud, and others include interactive pictures ("Bookflix"). Adults have access to many research tools such as historical archives, business directories, genealogy search engines, and a "Mango" program that teaches 52 languages (including "Pirate.") Check it all out at <http://www.delcolibraries.org/>.

Guests Last Week
Jack Roberts

The Power of New Generations

From Rotary.org

Growing up in an affluent suburb of Chicago near Lake Michigan, Connor Kenehan never had to worry about a lack of clean water. But when a class assignment opened his eyes to global disparities in water access, he decided to help those who do.

Kenehan founded an organization called Well Being after researching water and sanitation issues for an eighth-grade project at Deer Path Middle School in Lake Forest, Illinois. Four years later, he has turned the assignment into a platform to raise funds for clean water efforts. "Living in an area with great access to fresh water, we take it for granted," he says.

Early on, Kenehan realized that Rotarians could be powerful allies in the fight for safe water. "My friend and I were in Lake Forest, talking to people and asking for donations, and a Rotarian stopped by," he recalls. "He asked if we'd want to come to a Rotary club meeting."

The Rotary Club of Lake Forest-Lake Bluff matched funds Kenehan had already raised, and he was able to give \$3,000 to a Rotary initiative in Minorca, Spain, that sends LifeStraws to villages in Africa. Each inexpensive and lightweight personal water filter can remove more than 99 percent of waterborne bacteria and parasites from up to 264 gallons of water.

Now club members are helping Kenehan direct funds to where they're most needed. In his search for water projects, he has relied on the Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group, which screens service efforts and connects donors to Rotary volunteers and projects around the world, such as freshwater wells in Guatemala and Zambia and rainwater harvesting initiatives in India and Kenya.

Lunch Meeting Opportunities in September

Following are two opportunities to hear Rotary International leaders and meet with other District 7450 Rotarians.

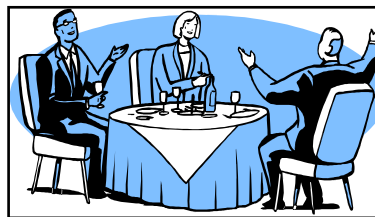
Join visiting Past RI President Wilf Wilkinson for a special district luncheon at Merion Cricket Club, 325 Montgomery Avenue, Haverford, PA (610) 642-5800. The cost is \$30 (\$5 will be donated to Polio Plus). Let's show our Past President and Foundation Chair our appreciation for his service, sharing lunch and a Rotary meeting with other great District 7450 Rotarians. Seating is limited so please register by September 16 using the personalized registration link sent to you via email.

Philadelphia area Rotarians are privileged to host Zones 32 and 24 at the Crowne Plaza, Cherry Hill, NJ in September. Local Rotarians can enjoy lunch with Rotary International President Ron Burton on Saturday, Sept. 21. All the sessions that day are included as well. This is a great opportunity to enjoy and be inspired by our International President. Below is the link to register for this event. This is a direct link to the Saturday registration page:

<http://www.crsadmin.com/EventPortal/Registrations/PublicFill/EventPublicFill.aspx?evtid=6ab255c8-544f-429e-b3f8-7bc0ccf09c2f>



Connor Kenehan at the Lake Michigan shore near his home. The lake provides drinking water for many of the surrounding communities



Happy Dollars Total for 2013-14

\$440

2012-13 Total: \$2345
2011-12 Total: \$2345
2010-11 Total: \$2586



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All Proceeds to Polio Eradication.

Service Quotation

"You don't need to be a genius to serve. You only need a heart full of grace and a soul generated by love."

– Martin Luther King, Jr. (1929-1968), American clergyman, activist, and dynamic leader in the African-American Civil Rights Movement

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Anniversaries

Birthdays

Mollie Shiflet O'Brien	Sept. 1
Donna Amalfitano	Sept. 2

Rotary

Mollie Shiflet O'Brien	Sept. 1	21 yrs
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Wedding

Maria Zissmos	Aug. 31
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A Review of Peter Hansen's *The Summits of Modern Man: Mountaineering after the Enlightenment*, by Bruce Berglund (excerpts)

Historian Peter Hansen makes the point in his study of mountain climbing, that prior to the 1700s, mountain peaks had been the preserve of gods and kings, while their crags and caves had been the hiding places of demons and spirits. Even the miners and shepherds who worked in the mountains for centuries did not climb to the summits. Why would they bother? According to Peter, the birth of the modern sport of mountaineering thus required a fundamental change in thinking. People had to look up at a peak and want to reach it, just for the sake of being at the top, and they had to think of themselves as able to do it.

Peter's book is a sweeping account of the history of mountain climbing and its connections to modern culture . . .