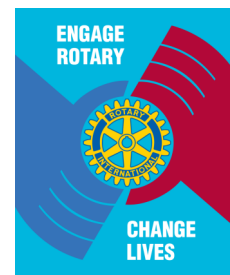




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The Rotary Club of Swarthmore
March 27, 2014

March is Rotary Literacy Month



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Today's Program:

Ann F Corson MD,
volunteer advocate for human rights and patron of the arts will speak about how traditional Chinese arts are being revived by the non-profit organization Shen Yun Performing Arts.

Table Grace

Lord God, thank you for this day set in a month marked by the stirring of new life. As we receive these blessings of food around these tables, send us back to our tasks ready to live out more diligently and enthusiastically that which Rotary envisions, that our community and world might be drawn closer in caring concern. Amen.

The Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian

Coming Program & Events

April 3 Larry Seidman, Professor of Economics, University of Delaware, "Stimulating the Economy without Deficits and Debt"

April 10 Global Grant partners Robert Wrease and Nefetaria Yates, of the Chester Workforce Development Center.

District Events:
March 28 Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)

March 28-30 RYLA Conference

April 12- Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)

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The Pledge of Allegiance



Last Week's Speaker: Dr. Rebecca Chopp

By Joy Charlton

President of Swarthmore College Rebecca Chopp began with gratitude for the Swarthmore area community, recognizing its importance to the strength of the college, especially in the way it attracts both faculty and students. Then she spoke with us about the current and future directions of liberal arts education, about which she recently published a book co-edited with Haverford College President Dan Weiss called *Remaking College: Innovation and the Liberal Arts*.



*Swarthmore College President
Rebecca Chopp*

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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:

Barbara Whitker-Shimko, Perspective Member
Jim Snively, Gladys Snively's Husband



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**Happy Dollars Total for
2013-14:
\$1,573**



2012-13 Total: \$2,345

2011-12 Total: \$2,311

2009-11 Total: \$2,586

(14,692 Children Immunized)

All Proceeds to Polio Eradication.

Last Week's Speaker: Summary Continued

Pres. Chopp noted that there have been two revolutionary periods in higher education, the first in the Industrial Era of the 1860s, when many colleges, like Swarthmore, were founded. Higher education was later transformed by the ideas of the Progressive Era of the 1920s. Pres. Chopp believes that we are now at a third revolutionary moment. Technology is changing how we learn, and new generations of students are qualitatively different because they are "digital natives." We are also in the midst of a huge demographic shift toward diversity: by 2050, there will not be a dominant racial or ethnic group in America.

This is a time of uncharted territory and incredible innovation in the liberal arts. Knowledge is becoming more interdisciplinary, collaborative, and oriented toward problem-solving and project-based learning. Campuses are creating models of "intentional community," a counterpoint to uncivil discourse and a mediator of diversity dilemmas. And students are shifting away from a singular focus on jobs and security back to a search for meaningfulness, and are finding it in civic engagement, study abroad, religion. The future of the liberal arts is important to a democratic society, to our workforce, and to innovation and creativity in our culture.

Service Quotation

Many people can do, only a few will do.

- Steve Jobs (B:Feb 24, 1955 – D:Oct 5, 2011), American entrepreneur, marketer, and inventor, who was the Co-Founder, Chairman, and CEO of Apple Inc.

Anniversaries:

Birthdays:

Craig Fava
Brian Craig

March 23
March 28

Rotary Anniversaries:

Margaret Christensen March 20, 15 yrs.
Joan Wright March 21, 1 yr.
Brian Casey March 27, 4 yrs.



EPIC ACHIEVEMENT in the eradication of Polio!!!!

(citing article found at: <http://www.livemint.com>)

Mumbai: The World Health Organization (WHO) will certify the South-East Asia region that comprises of 11 countries including India as polio free on 27 March.

The certification is based on independent review and assessment of the national documentations from all the 11 national certification committees of member states for several years. South-East Asia will be the fourth geographical zone to join the polio free region of WHO after the Americas (1994), the Western Pacific (2000) and European region(2002).

"This will be a momentous occasion for the millions of health workers who have worked with governments, non-governmental organizations, civil society and partners to eradicate polio from the region," Poonam Khetrpal Singh, regional director, WHO South-East Asia, said in a statement on Tuesday. According to Singh, no single country can be certified as polio-free alone. WHO certification of a region as polio-free can happen after all the countries there report three years without a single new case of polio due to wild polio virus.

"It proves that such an achievement can also be reached for diseases such as measles and rubella. By preventing a debilitating disease, polio eradication helps to reduce poverty and gives children and their families a greater chance of leading healthy and productive lives. We must learn from polio eradication and make use of the infrastructure, capacities and innovative strategies to combat other diseases," she said.