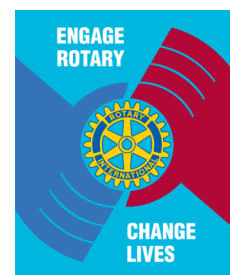




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The Rotary Club of Swarthmore
May 22, 2014

May is Rotary Volunteer Month



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Today's Program:

Syd Carpenter, Artist and Sculptor, Swarthmore College will talk about her upcoming solo exhibit at the Museum of African American Art.

Table Grace

Lord of life, help us to hear the distant cries of need, the hopes of those who would be free, the agony of those who hunger and have nowhere to turn.

Help us to be one with all suffering humankind and out of that to catch a vision of what Rotary is meant to be.

Teach us to use our talents in gratitude for your goodness to us. Amen.

The Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian

Coming Program & Events

May 29 Jennifer Karsten, Executive Director, Pendle Hill

June 5 Jim Freeman, Orchestra 2001

Coming Soon:
District 7450 Phillies Outing— 7/23

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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: Rick Anthony

By Joy Charlton

Rick Anthony, with affiliations at Villanova, maintains a local "Entrepreneurs Network" and in other ways encourages entrepreneurial efforts. He has also been an "accredited angel investor," meaning he has had enough money to invest in multiple fledgling business ventures. His was a cautionary talk, as he has mostly lost his money in venture investing, as most angel investors do. There are about 300,000 active angel investors in the US; they have invested \$24.8 billion; 700,830 ventures have received angel funding; \$25,000 to \$250,000 is the typical investment; 90% of all ventures fail. Why do angel investors invest? They are enticed by dreams of the big pay-off (e.g., Google, Facebook); they are addicted to the risk-taking, as other gamblers are; and they want to see an idea come to fruition. At his wife's insistence, Rick is no longer an angel investor.



Guests:

Colin Booth – Invention Convention
Chevaie Lyn – Invention Convention
Renee Strehte – World of Work coordinator
Linda Lewis – Rio Rico Rotary visitor.

World of Work Presentation

Renee Strehle introduced Colin Booth and Chevaiane Lyn, winners of the World of Work invention competition. Colin and Chevaiane presented their inventions to the club, a perfect prelude to Rick Anthony's talk regarding entrepreneurship.



Colin's invention, the "Curvsaw" was a modification of the traditional chain saw that allowed for the curvature and size of tree limbs



Chevaiane's invention was a modification of a car door that makes for easier entry into a vehicle for those who are disabled. Chevaiane was inspired by observing the difficulties that family members had in just simply getting into a car following a stroke or other disabling event.

Happy Dollars Total for 2013-14: \$2,329



2012-13 Total: \$2,345

2011-12 Total: \$2,311

2009-11 Total: \$2,586

(15,952 Children Immunized)

All Proceeds to Polio Eradication.

Service Quotation

"Being a man or woman is a matter of birth. Being a man or woman who makes a difference is a matter of choice."

- Byron Garrett, Arizona Volunteer Coordinator

Anniversaries:

Birthday:

Lisa Lee 5/23

Maria Zissmos 5/24

Wedding Anniversary:

Linda Carpenter 5/25

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Peace Corps and Rotary kickoff an historic collaboration—a model for how Rotary promotes volunteerism

In an effort to promote global development and volunteer service, Rotary and Peace Corps have agreed to participate in a one-year pilot program in the Philippines, Thailand, and Togo. Under the agreement, Rotary clubs and Peace Corps volunteers are encouraged to share their resources and knowledge to boost the impact of development projects in these three countries.

Opportunities for collaboration include supporting community projects, training, networking, and community education. Through the Peace Corps Partnership Program, Rotary clubs can continue to provide small grants to support volunteers and their communities.

Peace Corps Acting Director Carrie Hessler-Radelet and Rotary International General Secretary John Hewko signed the letter of collaboration on Monday, 5 May, at Rotary's headquarters during a ceremony that was attended by RI President Ron Burton and RPCV Rotary staff. In his remarks to the audience, Burton applauded the collaboration and both organizations' commitments to service.

"Today's announcement is particularly meaningful for me because I come from a family of Rotarians," said Hessler-Radelet, referring to her father, grandfather, and aunt. "We are eager to join together in common efforts to inspire volunteerism across the country and around the world."

Hewko noted how both organizations are committed to improving lives and building stronger communities by addressing the root causes of violence and conflict, such as poverty, illiteracy, disease, and lack of access to clean water and sanitation.

The two organizations also agreed to explore expanding the collaboration to more countries based on the results of the pilot. Rotary will enlist the support of its members in recruiting Peace Corps volunteers and involving returned Peace Corps volunteers in service projects at home.

For more, go to <https://www.rotary.org/en/peace-corps-and-rotary-kickoff-historic-collaboration>