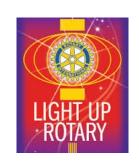


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The Rotary Club of Swarthmore July 10, 2014

July is Rotary Installation Month

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Last Week's Speaker:

By Rich Shimko

Rotary member Dan is a civil engineer/structural engineer/forensic engineer. What this all means is that he can figure out why a structure broke and what it will take to fix it. Dan is one of those unheard of persons, a Swarthmore College engineer grad. He said he has 40 years of experience in structural design, modifications and repairs.

Dan described a job he worked on at the Jersey shore. The bulkhead that supported a 3-unit condo was washed away

during a storm. For those of us who don't know what a bulkhead is, it is a wall, in this case made of wood, that protects the beach or ground under a structure from erosion by the sea. The storm completely removed the wall, I mean bulkhead, and much of the ground beneath the condos. Surprisingly enough, Dan determined that the condo was basically structurally sound. It also had the new benefit of

(continued on back).

Today's Program:

Jim Freeman, Founder/Artistic Director/Conductor of Orchestra 2001, Emeritus Professor of Music, Swarthmore College "Stories from a Passion for New Music"

Table Grace

Lord, we thank you, as we reaffirm our independence as a nation. We honor our founders who were held firm by solid conviction, not defeated by complaints or discouraged by discomforts.

Help us to be for something we like, more than against something we dislike. This, we believe, is Rotary. Strengthen us to do your will. Amen.

The Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian

Coming Programs & Events

July 17 TBD

July 24 Rob Zarko, Ship Bottom Brewery

"Building a Brewery One Beer at a Time"

Rotary & District Events:

July 22: District Conference Committee Meeting

July 23: District Outing to Phillies

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?



Jim Snively

Presentation of the Rotary Community Service Award

Despite complications with the weather forecast, the presentation of the Rotary Community Service Award was a success. Here, President Perry presents the awaryd to Anne Blackburn, who received the award for Frannie Reilly.



Happy Dollars Total for 2014—2015:

\$41

(Note: we started a new year on 7/1/14)

2013-14 total: \$2,493 2012-13 Total: \$2,345 2011-12 Total: \$2,311

(16,345 Children Immunized)*

* as of the end of the 2013-14 year

July is Rotary Installation Month—Here's a Little History on Why

Adapted from Rotary.org

July is Rotary Installation Month because July 1 is the start of the new "Rotary Year." Ever wonder why the Rotary year begins 1 July? The international convention initially played a key role in determining the start date of our fiscal and administrative year.

Rotary's first fiscal year began the day after the first convention ended, on 18 August 1910. The 1911-12 fiscal year also related to the convention, beginning with the first day of the 1911 convention on 21 August.

At its August 1912 meeting, the Board of Directors ordered an audit of the International Association of Rotary Clubs' finances. The auditors recommended that the organization end its fiscal year on 30 June to give the secretary and treasurer time to prepare a financial statement for the convention and board, and determine the proper number of club delegates to the convention.

The executive committee concurred, and at its April 1913 meeting, designated 30 June as the end of the fiscal year. This also allowed for changes to the schedule for reporting club membership and payments. Even The Rotarian changed its volume numbering system to correspond to the fiscal year (beginning with vol. 5, July 1914).

Rotary continued to hold its annual conventions in July or August until 1917. Delegates to the 1916 event in Cincinnati, Ohio, USA, approved a resolution to hold future conventions in June, mainly because of the heat in cities where most of them occurred. The next one was held 17-21 June in Atlanta, Georgia.

The term "Rotary year" has been used to signify Rotary's annual administrative period since at least 1913. An article in The Rotarian that July noted, "The Rotary year that is rapidly drawing to a close has been signalized by several highly successful joint meetings of Clubs that are so situated as to assemble together easily and conveniently."

Since the executive committee's decision in 1913, the end of the Rotary year has remained 30 June.

Last week's speaker (continued)

cross breezes through most of the rooms because the walls were missing. He determined that the condos didn't need to be demolished. All that had to be done was install new wa..., eh, bulkheads, backfill the dirt, and rehab the buildings. In this case, "all" is a relative term; he said it cost \$1.2 million to do the work. Dan said the cost was borne mostly by the owners, because, as near as I could understand, the insurance policies didn't cover Tuesdays in odd numbered months. The talk had the added benefit of making those of us who have sold their shore property feel very smug.

Service Quotation

"The mode in which the inevitable comes to pass is through effort."

- Oliver Wendell Homes (March 8, 1841-March 6, 1935), Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States from 1902 to 1932. essayist, lecturer, and poet, who led the Transcendentalist movement of the mid-19th century

Birthday:

Art Baker—7/15

Member Anniversary:

None

Wedding Anniversary:

None

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