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The Rotary Club of Swarthmore
P.O. Box 4, Swarthmore, PA 19081

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September is New Generations Month



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Today's Program:

Gudmund Iversen:
"Photo Memories of
Swarthmore and
Beyond"

Table Grace

Lord of our daily lives, we thank you for the dignity of labor blessed by the Master Carpenter who walked and worked among men. By his toil, he reminds us that no task is beneath our dignity and that all work claims our best endeavor. Bless what we do one by one, day by day, and strengthen us now as we break bread together, in gratitude of heart for your goodness. Amen. Rev. Dr. Frederick

Coming Programs & Events

Oct 1: CLUB ASSEMBLY

Oct 8: Classification Talk

Oct 15: Ben Yagoda, Author, will discuss his latest book.

***Know someone who has an interest in any of these topics? Invite them to the meeting!*

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Last Meeting's Program: Debra Boyajian & John Paulson

It surely would be difficult to sum up a life as rich, full, and long as Paul Paulson's. However, two of his children, Debra Boyajian and John Paulson, tried. They told a little bit of his history: Paul's father opened a tailor shop in Swarthmore in 1914 which Paul later converted into a rug shop; Paul worked his way through the Wharton School at Penn by cleaning rugs at the college; Paul was a navigator on an aircraft carrier in World War 2 fighting German subs; he "retired" from his rug shop at age 75 but kept going to the shop three days a week.



They also told us about his personality. John commented on how daunting it was to grow up in the shadow of a father who seemed larger than life. Debra said his four main characteristics were honesty, hard work, gratefulness, and being thankful for his blessings.

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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?



Guests:

Bill Hale, Perspective Member
Melibar Gonnella,

Cathy Darrell's Grandson Update

Harper Koa Darrell is a twin born on December 15, 2008. He has been diagnosed with Rhabdomyosarcoma, a rare malignant tumor involving striated muscle tissue.

Message from the family: We live on the island of Kauai and have enjoyed Hawaii since 2007. Our twin boys started life on Oahu where they were born at Kapi'olani Hospital in Honolulu, the same place Harper's tumor was removed and he now receives chemotherapy. The whole family loves adventures and Kauai has provided the perfect canvas to grow. Unfortunately expertise and treatment for Harper isn't readily available here. So, every week, Harper and a parent fly over to Oahu for the chemo session. Every third week, the dose and time is significantly longer in which Harper and his family need to stay in the hospital overnight. Chemotherapy recently started September 11 and will last 6 months.

How can you help? We have launched a crowd-funding campaign to help with the expense of fighting this disease. Any funds not used will be donated to help support research of this rare cancer. The crowd-funding site is <https://www.youcaring.com/HelpingHarper> For those who prefer PayPal, a gift may be sent to HelpingHarper@DarrellFamily.com — PayPal doesn't charge a fee when sending funds from one PayPal account to another.

Donations of Hawaiian Airline miles are also greatly appreciated, email for details. If you have an idea for another way to help, please email us at: HelpingHarper@DarrellFamily.com.

We appreciate everyone's assistance in these challenging times.

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY REPORT

Thank you to Todd Kitchin for running this past weekend's highway clean-up! Also, thank you to the following Rotarians who were able to help: Josh Twersky, Brian Casey, George Whitfield, Gladys Snively, Sue Larson, Jim Leming, Craig Fava and Joe and Will Lesniak. Our next scheduled Adopt-A-Highway is Saturday, December 5th (8am to ~9am) (todd.kitchin@gmail.com).

Speaker: Continued from Front

An example of this was his always taking time to thank persons who did him a good service. Ed Jones, a close friend of Paul's for over 80 years, reminisced about Paul being his patrol leader when Ed joined the Boy Scouts. Both Ed and Paul became Eagle Scouts at the age of 14. Ed said Paul had so many merit badges he could barely get them all on his uniform. I know many Rotarians besides Ed will miss Paul.

Happy Dollars Total for 2015-16:

\$760



2014-2015 total: \$3,168

2013-14 total: \$2,493

2012-13 Total: \$2,345

2011-12 Total: \$2,311

(18,711 Children Immunized)

**All Proceeds go towards
Polio Eradication.**

Service Quotation

“Volunteers are the only human beings who reflect our nations compassion, unselfish caring, patience and love for one another”

ERMA BOMBECK (1927-1996),
American humorist and highly
popular newspaper columnist.

Rotary Celebrations

Birthday:

Theresa Hartzell 9/21

George Whitfield 9/24

Margaret Christensen 9/27

Member Anniversary:

Jim Leming 9/23

Wedding Anniversary:

Ron Van Langeveld 9/26

Photo of Harper Koa Darrell and Family

