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



January 28, 2016

January is Rotary Awareness Month

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

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Today's Program:

Club Assembly at Pendle Hill.

Table Grace

"Lord of this nation and of the lands far and near, accept our thanks for the heroic figures who have made America what she is at her best. Restore in our day the vision they had and rekindle our zeal to realize it. Thank you, God, for what we so fully enjoy and make us ready to share its blessings with others. In your name we pray. Amen."
Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian.

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Last Meeting's Program: Dr. Valerie Smith

Educating for Democratic Citizenship – what a good idea. This election season highlights the importance of an educated electorate. It appears, at least to this observer, that many of the voting public are not sufficiently educated to make informed political decisions. Although one would hope that Swarthmore College students would not as adults fall into that category, the new President, Dr. Valerie Smith, said a goal of the college will be to produce students who are educated to be good citizens in our democracy.



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Coming Programs & Events

Feb 4 Jim Rosin, broadcaster and author, will discuss his book PHILLY POP, ROCK, RHYTHM & BLUES about the Philly Music Scene from the 1950's to 1970's.

Feb 11 Swarthmore Tree Committee

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

The Pledge of Allegiance



Four Way Test:

Of the things we think, say and do:

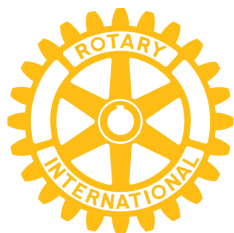
1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all Concerned?



Guests:

Donna Kay Jones (wife), Donald Larson (husband), Jim Snively (husband), Alex Darrell (son), Joan Wright (wife), and Jeanie Bengtson (prosp. member)

Rotary



DISTRICT LEADERS SET TO CELEBRATE FOUNDATION'S CENTENNIAL

Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair Ray Klinginsmith asked district governors in training at the International Assembly to lead the celebration of the Foundation's centennial year, 2016-17. "You are the primary contacts between the Foundation and our 34,000 Rotary clubs in the world. The success of the centennial celebration is largely in your hands," said Klinginsmith at a 19 January general session. "Catch the spirit and spread the word about the importance of celebrating our success."

Since the Foundation was established in 1917, it has spent more than \$3 billion on programs and projects to improve the lives of millions worldwide, said Klinginsmith.

The centennial celebration officially kicks off in May at the Rotary Convention in Korea and culminates at the 2017 convention in Atlanta.

DISTRICT PLANS FOR THE CENTENNIAL

Governor-elect Tom James Markos of District 5100 in Oregon, USA, says he is proud to be serving during such a historic year. He plans to promote the centennial not only to his district's members, but also through local media. "We need the public to be aware of what we've accomplished," says Markos, who has set a district goal of raising \$1 million for the Foundation during the centennial year.

Bill Proctor, incoming governor of District 7080 in Ontario, Canada, believes the centennial year is an opportunity to "refocus and reeducate" members on the importance the Foundation's work. "We have so many accomplishments to celebrate," said Proctor. "We need to use the momentum of the celebration to strengthen the Foundation's future." (source: rotary.org)

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They will do this by trying to develop a sense of curiosity in three areas: ideas, experiences, and people. This sounds good but how does that work out in practice? One focus that is relevant to Rotary is the work the college students are doing in Chester. Another focus is by admitting a diverse group of students. Dr. Smith also mentioned a program to encourage students to spend a year in another country. We look forward to observing Dr. Smith guide the College's effort to produce educated citizens.

Happy Dollars Total for 2015-16:

\$1566



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

"Silent gratitude isn't much use to anyone."

- Gladys Bronwyn Stern, (1890-1973), English writer of novels, short stories, plays, memoirs, biographies and literary criticism. The National Portrait Gallery holds four portraits of her.

Rotary Celebrations

Birthday:

Jim Leming 1/28

Member Anniversary:

Gladys Snively 1/31

Wedding Anniversary:

Gladys Snively 1/29

READING OPPORTUNITY!

Chester Charter for the Arts

Where: 200 Commerce Drive,
Aston, PA 19014

When: Jan 29; Feb 5, 19, &
26.

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