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

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April is Maternal and Child Health Month



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Today's Program:

Club Assembly

Table Grace

Long since The Master Teacher reminded his followers that when a grain of corn is buried, it comes forth first a blade, then an ear, and finally the full corn in the ear. Teach us, God, this truth which Rotary embodies that we may never forget the importance of the buried or hidden seed of honesty, kindness, or of fair-dealing which finally produces the larger and better life. Thanks be to you, Lord, for all your gifts, small and great. Amen. Frederick E. Christian

Coming Programs & Events

April 28 College Student and recent SHHS graduate, Sebastian Kenney, will speak about his time in Japan and his experiences apprenticing in a traditional Japanese sword forge and his connection to local Rotarians there.

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

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Last Meeting's Speaker: Ken Wright

I think we would all agree that Ken Wright would be justified to take it easy. After all, in his "retirement" he has organized the start-up of Swarthmore's Fun Fair, and led the book reading program in Chester. Recently he told us how he climbed a mountain to get a better view of the Tour de France. Apparently, Ken doesn't agree. He told us about his trip to India, which included looking for tigers in an open truck and riding on an elephant and walking three miles to see the Taj Mahal. Ken's trip was organized around his involvement in India National Immunization Day, during which he helped immunize children in a small village.



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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:

Dorothy Gelb, Marv's wife, and Leonard Ellis, Betty Ann's guest and prospective member

FUN FAIR 2016

Volunteers Needed!

Dear Rotarians and Friends,

Again, we will be hosting the Swarthmore Fun Fair on Sunday, May 1st. I hope that you can again give of your time and talents to ensure



another successful fair. A volunteer sign-up sheet is at the meeting today which reflects many of the assignments from last year. I have also added the names of some of our new members. I ask that you please review this document and let me know whether you can help with the assigned task at the assigned time. A new location has been set-up called the "Auxiliary Food Court" which will be located across from the train station on the Rt 320 Bridge. This new location will serve hotdogs and hamburgers and will be supervised by the very capable Betty Ann Flynn. As President of the Club I would like to thank you all for your time. Finally, I have included some new names on the list that yet to have assignments. If you are able to help please let me know and I will insert you in the appropriate place.

Sincerely,

Joe Lesniak

Speaker: *Continued from Front*

Partly through the efforts of Rotarians such as Ken, Ann Hansen, Ann Seidmean, and Gudman Iversen, India has been polio free for two years. If that is not enough, Ken finished up by working four days at a dam construction site. He slept in a tent, enduring 30 degree nights for the enjoyment of hauling water all day for the workers. For Ken retirement means Service Above Self.

Happy Dollars Total for 2015-16:

\$3,036



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

“I will not let what I cannot do, interfere with what I can do.”

Edward Everett Hale, (1822 -1909) American author, historian and Unitarian Minister

Rotary Celebrations

Birthday:

Susan Larson 4/22

Member Anniversary:

None

Wedding Anniversary:

None

ROTARY APRIL SPOTLIGHT

What is Maternal Health?

Maternal health refers to the health of women during pregnancy, childbirth and the postpartum period. While motherhood is often a positive and fulfilling experience, for too many women it is associated with suffering, ill-health and even death.