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The Rotary Club of Swarthmore
P.O. Box 4, Swarthmore, PA 19081
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May is Rotary Volunteer Month

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Today's Program:

Pat Francher & Vince Barrett
Swarthmore21 Initiative

Table Grace

Father, you have given us many precious gifts, not the least of which are our friends. For the open door that Rotary offers us into lasting friendships, we thank you.

We ask that each one of us be worthy of the gifts of caring concern shared here. Receive our thanks for this hour of fellowship, and for the food to nourish us, that we may be better equipped to serve you and our community. Amen.

Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Chrstian

Coming Programs & Events

(All meetings at The Inn unless otherwise noted)

May 18: Public Interest Law Center of Philadelphia staff attorney Dan Urevick-Ackelsberg will address the impact of state and local funding of schools on real estate taxes.

May 25: Blue Rocks Game (no speaker)

June 1: Swarthmore Professor Syon Bhanot will talk about his work with the City of Philadelphia.

June 22: Installation Dinner, Tyler Arboretum

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

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Last Week's Program:

Robyn Young

by Rich Shimko

There is a stereotype of French people as being blasé, cynical, and looking down on Americans. Our exchange student speaker, Gautier Joste, certainly did not fit that stereotype. He was enthusiastic about all things American. If I had tried to count the number of things he described as "great", I would have lost track after a few dozen. Some of the things he described as great were America, New York City, NBA games, Six Flags amusement park, Flyers, shooting ranges, snow boarding, Ellis Island, and more.

Amazingly enough, Gautier said he couldn't speak English when he arrived in August. He spoke quite well for us. He came from central France (which might explain why he wasn't blasé), and had never seen snow before. Another amazing fact, I did not see Gautier look at his phone the entire time he was with us.



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: Heather Saunders, Chris Reynolds and Diane Madison from the Swarthmorean, Stan and Pat Lesniak, Charlie Houves

FUN FAIR 2017: And A Good Time Was Had By All . . .

Thank you to Fun Fair Captain Joe, his hardy band of organizers, and all of the club members who worked so hard to make this year's Fun Fair a tremendous success!



Wilmington Blue Rocks:
THE Place to Be on May 18th

This Day In History (from history.com)

1934 Dust storm sweeps from Great Plains across Eastern states
1942 Go Down, Moses, by William Faulkner, is published
1977 President Jimmy Carter puts in a long day at the office
1981 Bob Marley dies
1997 Deep Blue beats Gary Kasparov in chess match
2000 George Clooney makes return appearance on ER

Happy Dollars 2016-17:

\$2265



2015-2016 total: \$3,756
2014-2015 total: \$3,168
2013-14 total: \$2,493
2012-13 Total: \$2,345

(19,590 Children Immunized)

All Proceeds go towards
Polio Eradication.

Service Quotation

**“NOT BEING ABLE TO DO
EVERYTHING IS NO EXCUSE
FOR NOT DOING
EVERYTHING YOU CAN.”**

- Ashleigh Brilliant, Age
84, author and syndicated
cartoonist

Rotary Celebrations

Birthday:

None

Member Anniversary:

None

Wedding Anniversary:

None

DONATIONS NEEDED!



The CityTeam Ministries food pantry needs constant replenishing. If you can donate items such as: peanut butter, tuna fish

Please contact Cathy Darrell, who will transport any donated items.

Or just bring them to a meeting.