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

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July is Rotary Installation Month

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Today's Program:

Sa'ed Atshan, Asst. Prof. of Peace and Conflict Studies, Swarthmore College "The Current US Administration's Policy on the Middle East"

Table Grace

Lord of the open spaces and the vast stretches of land, sky and sea, be with our members wherever they may be during this summer-time. Keep them, and our environment, in your care and give us, at this time, a true sense of gratitude for the gift of a change from routine, for the refreshment of the out-of-doors and for all the blessings of the summer-time. And, now, for the blessings of food and friendship during this hour, accept our heart-felt thanks. Amen.

Coming Programs & Events

(All meetings at The Inn unless otherwise noted)

Sept 21 Dawn DeFuria, District Governor

Oct 14 District Project Fair 9:00am-3:00pm, Inn at Swarthmore

Oct 24 World Polio Day

Nov 7 Rotary Day at the United Nations

April 20-22, 2018 District Conference

June 24-27, 2018 RI Convention, Toronto, Canada

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

Last Week's Program: Garrick Schultz

by Rich Shimko

Garrick Schultz is a very polished speaker for such a young man. Garrick graduated from Strath Haven High School and will be a sophomore at Kenyon College. He talked about his internship at the Borgen Project, an organization that is dedicated to fighting global

tion that is dedicated to fighting global poverty by influencing government legislation. He presented two very practical reasons for fighting global poverty. First, less poverty means more consumers for American goods. Second, terrorism grows where poverty exists.

Garrick's job as an intern is to give talks to groups such as Rotary and to lobby on behalf of certain legislation. He was going to demonstrate how easy it is to call your local Congressman to support legislation but was foiled by lack of a signal on his cell phone. (continued on reverse)



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:

Ryan Dostillio (Joe's intern), Roberta Winemiller and Kristin Dunning (guidance counselors from SHHS), and Kevin Berry (Barbara's guest and prospective member).

Report from Rotary Night at the Phillies

From Dawn deFuria, District Governor 2017-2018

Thank you District 7450 for your support in the End Polio Now effort. Together we sold 626 Phillies Tickets which is many more than we sold in the last few years. The Phillies are giving us \$10.00 for each ticket sold. We also made \$640.00 on the T-shirts we sold for the baseball game.

The grand total of monies going to End Polio Now from this effort is **\$28,200.00.** That includes a match from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation of \$18,800. This equals 47,000 Polio vaccines!



Rotaract Marks 50 Years of Service to Communities

This year marks 50 years since the founding of the first Rotaract club! Rotaract clubs are all about developing young leaders through service, taking action, leading our

communities, and changing the world. To celebrate 50 years of Rotaractors in service to the world, here's some ideas for the Swarthmore Rotary Club to consider in support of our Rotaractors:

50th Anniversary service project ideas:

- Advocate for young people, ensuring their access to quality education in your communities.
- Organize a direct service project by starting a mentoring or tutoring program
- Fundraise to support extracurricular initiatives that develop young leaders.
- Raise awareness about issues facing young people in your community through social media campaigns or creating a video

50 years is a long time and deserves celebration. Honor those who paved the way for our global leadership and inspire the future of Rotaract!

- Organize a "Where are they now?" campaign, and see what alumni from your club are achieving now
- Create a **50 greatest moments** from your Club's history to share!
- Lead a strategic planning session to envision the future of your club!
- **Organize a community party**, to let your community know what Rotaract has accomplished.

Last Week's Speaker: Garrick Schultz (continued from front)

A final comment: for many years I have been hearing people grossly overestimate how much of our tax dollars go to foreign aid. Garrick quizzed us and we were all pleased that most Rotarians correctly guessed that only 1% of the Federal budget goes to foreign aid.

Happy Dollars 2017-18:

\$67

2016-2017 total: \$3,756 2015-2016 total: \$3,756 2014-2015 total: \$3,168

2013-14 total: \$2,493



(20,028 Children Immunized)

All Proceeds go towards

Polio Eradication.

Service Quotation

"OUR PRIME PURPOSE IN THIS LIFE IS TO HELP OTHERS"

- The Dalai Lama



Rotary Celebrations

Birthday:

Barbara Whitaker-Shimko 7/31

Member Anniversary:

Dave Welsh 8/1 (10 years)

Wedding Anniversary:

Bill Hale 7/30 (11 years) Craig Fava 7/31

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.