



# CogNotes

The Rotary Club of Swarthmore  
P.O. Box 4, Swarthmore, PA 19081  
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## August is Rotary Membership and New Club Development Month

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

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### Today's Program:

**Marilyn Hershey, Ar-Joy Farms**  
"Sustainable Food Production"

### Table Grace

Lord, we thank you for sun-filled days and fun-filled hours at this season shared with families and friends.

Although our many responsibilities continue, we carry them with greater ease because you have blessed us so abundantly.

Amen.

Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian

### Coming Programs & Events

(All meetings at The Inn unless otherwise noted)

**Aug 10** Sean O'Donnell, Drexel University  
"What have we wrought: How climate change is affecting our planet"

**Aug 17** Anthony Coschignano  
Classification Talk

**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

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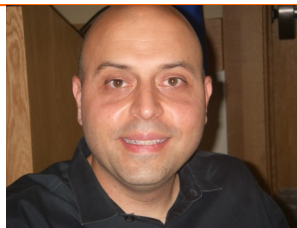
### Last Week's Program:

#### Sa'ed Atshan

by Rich Shimko

I think the change in U.S. policy on Israel from Obama to Trump was easy to overlook in the hubbub about Comey, Sessions, Jared, tweets, collusion, etc. Sa'ed Atshan told us there has been a very significant change towards support of the current conservative Netanyahu Israeli administration. Sa'ed is a Palestinian from Israel and a graduate of Swarthmore College. He returned to the College as Assistant Professor of Peace and Conflict Studies.

Sa'ed gave some examples of the shift. Vice President Pence said "Israel is our most cherished ally", and is "hated by (American) progressives". Trump Ambassador to Israel, David Friedman, said liberal Jews in the U.S. are "kapos", the word for Jews who worked for the Nazis in the concentration camps. The U.S. blocked the appointment of a Palestinian



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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:

Ryan Dostillio, Don Larson, Grant Grissom, Larry Mosher, Andrew and Tannei Casey, Ann Delucca

## Rotary Night at the Phillies

Tickets sold: 626  
Total raised: \$28,200  
Vaccines Provided: 47,000  
Final score of the game: 9-0



The Phillies won! End Polio Now won! And those of us who attended had a great time.

## Happy Dollars 2017-18:

**\$490**

2016-2017 total: \$3,756  
2015-2016 total: \$3,756  
2014-2015 total: \$3,168  
2013-14 total: \$2,493



(20,733 Children Immunized)  
All Proceeds go towards  
Polio Eradication.

## Making a difference through vocational service

RI President Ian H.S. Riseley recognizes the importance of Rotary clubs defining service for themselves and their communities. During the 2017-18 year, President Riseley encourages Rotary members to answer the question "What is Rotary?" with the theme *Rotary: Making a Difference*.



However members choose to serve, they do so because they know their service makes a difference in the lives of others. Whatever motivation you had for joining Rotary, it is the satisfaction you find that causes you to remain, the satisfaction of knowing that you are part of *Rotary: Making a Difference*. Below are just a few activities you can undertake throughout the year to continue making a difference:

**Volunteer on a service project** and use your professional skills to help others. **Inspire others** by posting your vocational service projects on [RotaryShowcase](#) or supporting a project on [Rotary Ideas](#).

**Join a [Rotarian Action Group](#)** to use your technical skills to assist service projects around the world.

**Join or form a [Rotary Fellowship](#)** related to your vocation.

**Emphasize integrity in your club** by recognizing Rotarians for high ethical standards.

**Guide a young person** to achieve his or her career aspirations and encourage others in their professional development.

**Work with your [district international service chair](#)** to offer your expertise as part of a district resource network. Let your chair know if you have technical expertise in one of [Rotary's six areas of focus](#), project planning and implementation, community assessment, measurement and evaluation, or other key aspects of large-scale projects and grants.

## **Last Week's Speaker: Sa'ed Atshan** (continued from front)

to a post in the UN because the U.S. Ambassador to the UN said she would block all Palestinians to UN appointments until the Palestinians accepted peace with Israel.

What is Sa'ed's view of the path forward? He said there are three options: violence, the status-quo, or the South African model of coexistence. He seemed to favor the last option, which he described as one state, living together with full civil rights for all people. Sa'ed said about a third of Palestinians favor this approach.

## Service Quotation

**"VOLUNTEERING IS NOT A CHOICE, IT'S A RESPONSIBILITY."**

- President Jimmy Carter



## Rotary Celebrations

### **Birthday:**

Ann Seidman 8/3

### **Member Anniversary:**

None

### **Wedding Anniversary:**

Dean Wolfe 8/3

Penelope Reed 8/9

## 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.**