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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

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Today's Program:

Jason Cotton, Regional Dir. of Operations of The Olympia Companies "The Inside Scoop on The Inn at Swarthmore"

Table Grace

Thank you, God, for another opportunity to renew our friendships in Rotary, to reaffirm our belief in one another and the great company of all Rotarians. Help us to catch a fresh vision of what a force we are and can be together. Bless us as together we receive renewal of body, mind, and spirit around these tables. Amen.

Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian

Coming Programs & Events

(All meetings at The Inn unless otherwise noted)

Aug 31 George Hatzfeld, former Mid-Atlantic Project Mgr., Project C.U.R.E. "The Gift of Health -- How Rotary and Project C.U.R.E. Partner to Deliver Health and Hope to the World"

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*

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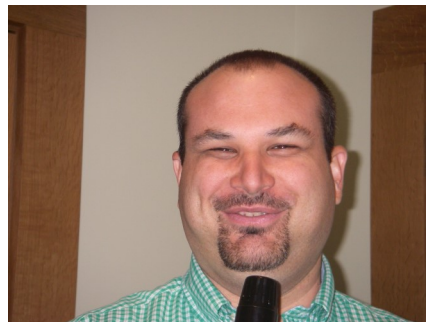
Last Week's Program:

Tony Coschignano

(Classification Talk)

by Rich Shimko

For many years Tony Coschignano has worked in what I'm guessing must be a thankless job – providing food to college students. I recall being a complaining college student a few years ago (maybe today's students are more pleasant – just kidding). Tony, giving his classification talk, told us he has worked at a half dozen colleges over the years, holding more and more responsible jobs. He is currently Executive Director of Auxiliary Services at Swarthmore College, and is responsible not only for food services, but also the stores, print shop, summer programs, and other activities. His duties include oversight of the Inn (so blame or praise him for the food).
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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:

None

Please welcome our Youth Exchange Students for the 2017-2018 year!

On Thursday August 17, DG Dawn and Youth Exchange Chair Donna Henry along with host parents met Leo Thursday morning at the airport and then again Thursday night we met Kanaka at the airport. The rest of the students are arriving this week.

Next weekend the Youth Exchange students and the Youth Exchange committee will be spending the weekend at AG Francy Cross's home at the Chesapeake for their training. Thank you Francy Cross, Rob Newman, Donna Henry, Lucy and Linda Messer for your service. The students who will be in our District this Rotary Year:

Jules Nivlet from **Spain**, hosted by the **Rotary Club of Swarthmore**

Leonardo Collantes Bernal from **Peru**, hosted by the **Rotary Club of Great Valley**

Kanaka Ikai from **Japan**, Hosted by the **Rotary Club of Langhorne**

Odile Pirlot from **Belgium**, Hosted by the **Rotary Club of Longwood**

Lukas Hoffman from **Germany**, Hosted by the **Rotary Club of Eastwick**



Leap of Faith

(from Rotary.org)

Rotary members in a small town of Nova Scotia, Canada, took action to bring two families from war-torn Syria to their country, where the refugees are starting a new life.

Members of the **Rotary Club of Amherst** have helped build and equip a school in South Africa, provided educational materials to students in the Bahamas, and raised funds for disaster-stricken areas around the world, but in September 2015 their thoughts turned to Syria as the plight of refugees dominated the news.

"We as Rotarians couldn't ignore what we were watching each and every day," says Ron Wilson, a semiretired civil engineer. "Families dying while making their journey to Europe or other places. Families desperately trying to flee war and, sadly, their homes. The heart-wrenching images were the impetus for our club to do something." They did their due diligence and partnered with others in the community to bring two families to Amherst. "Just take a leap of faith and do it," the club advises. "If we had thought it through too hard, we might have convinced ourselves not to move forward. But we all knew we were doing this for the right reasons."

Go to this link for the full article—<https://www.rotary.org/en/rotarians-nova-scotia-embrace-syrian-refugee-family>, or see page 48 in the September issue of *The Rotarian*

Last Week's Speaker: Tony Coschignano (continued from front)

As he was moving up the career ladder, Tony had time to acquire a wife and two children (Caden and Maren). He is a sports enthusiast and loves watching college football so we should start to notice a little extra spring to his step.

Finally, a memorable quote. "At Swarthmore College, we will talk until we die", summarizing the college's commitment to full dialogue involving all parties on all issues.

Happy Dollars 2017-18:

\$614

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

**"LIFE'S MOST PERSISTENT AND
URGENT QUESTION IS, WHAT
ARE YOU DOING FOR OTHERS?"**



Rotary Celebrations

Birthday:

None

Member Anniversary:

None

Wedding Anniversary:

Anne Hansen 8/27

Maria Zissimos 8/31

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.