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The Rotary Club of Swarthmore P.O. Box 4, Swarthmore, PA 19081
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Today's Program:

Heather Saunders Classification Talk

Table Grace

As our boys and girls begin school and flood our streets, Lord, fill us with a growing sense of concern for their safety and well-being. Help us to heed your warning against harm in any way to a little one. And now, make us doubly grateful for those who have guarded us and blessed us in the past when we were weak and receive now our grateful thanks for those blessings from your hand. Amen.

Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian

Coming Programs & Events

(All meetings at The Inn unless otherwise noted)

Sept 21 Dawn DeFuria, District Governor

Sept 21, Peanut Butter Day.

Sept 30, Adopt-a-Highway event

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

Nov 7: Celebrate Women in Rotary— Springfield Country Club

Nov 18 Rise Against Hunger event

April 20-22, 2018 District Conference

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

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?



4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all Concerned?

Guests:

Mark Amstutz, Barbara Amstutz, Chelsea Hicks, and Frank Gounseich, all from the College as guest of Greg Brown

Last Week's Program: Eric Chapman

by Rich Shimko

Great philosophers through the ages have attempted to answer the question: can you do well while doing good? Eric Chapman gave his thoughts on this basic question at our meeting. It appears Eric is doing well since he has succeeded in getting Rotarian

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Heather Saunders to be his wife. (Apparently it had something to do with divesting from South Africa, which is a line I never tried.) The question is, has he done good?

Eric, Heather, and others are trying to do good by providing start-up funds to companies that have a positive social or environmental impact. He also mentioned providing an interest-free loan to Tyler Arboretum. Eric talked about how we can be "impact investors". Even if we don't have enough (continued on reverse)

Celebrate Women in Rotary & Benefit The Rotary Foundation

November 7 - Springfield CC

"One night. Two Rotary International Vice Presidents (both women). Two Rotary Districts. Two celebrations (30 Years of Women in Rotary and The Rotary Foundation). And only one thing that will make the night truly



extraordinary. You being there. Register now. Join us in a night to remember."

On Tuesday, November 7, 2017, Rotary Districts 7450 and 7640 will celebrate 30 years of women in Rotary with a dinner at the Springfield Country Club in Springfield, Pennsylvania. This event will celebrate the impact women have had on Rotary over the past 30 years and continue to have in local clubs, districts, and Rotary International as a whole. The evening of fun and fellowship will benefit The Rotary Foundation.

You won't want to miss the opportunity to celebrate 30 years of women in Rotary along with Districts 7450 and 7640. Tickets for the event are \$55 each until October 15th, and \$65 after that.

Registration is OPEN: For more information about the event, and to register, please see the personalized link in DG Dawn's "Things You Need To Know" email on Sunday, or visit: www.RotaryDistrict7450.org/wir

Answering the Call: RI President Ian H.S. Riseley is calling for Rotary Clubs participate in the Rotary Tree Planting Initiative which seeks to plant 1.2 million trees worldwide during this Rotary year.

In our District, 12 Clubs are already planning projects to meet a goal of one tree for each member. To support those Clubs and

others who will be looking for ways to meet the goal, our committee has been developing a list of groups with whom we can partner that already have varied programs.

The Philadelphia Horticulture Society (PHS) offers several programs in which Rotary Clubs can participate in hands-on projects or by making a donation. District 7450 Clubs, Interact and Rotaract Clubs can donate funds and solicit individuals and businesses to donate funds directly via the "Rotary Trees Funds Campaign" link (phsonline.org) from October, 2017 to February, 2018. Funds will purchase trees for stream bank buffer planting projects.

While Clubs do not have to plant stream bank tree or root trees purchased with their donations, Clubs that want to help plant the trees would contact the local PHS Tree Tender group via the Tree Tender link on the PHS website (phsonline.org) about helping with their fall, 2017 and spring, 2018 planting dates.

Clubs can also purchase wholesale container trees from Eaton Farms in Leesport, pick them up and plant them in selected areas in the community; The Philadelphia Orchard Project (https://www.phillyorchards.org) plants fruit trees in the city for a \$60 fee per tree. The National Forest Foundation (NFF) will plant a seedling in a forest in the United States for each \$1 donation. (www.nationalforests.org/get-involved/tree-planting-programs).

Last Week's Speaker: Eric Chapman

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money to be start-up investors, Eric said large mutual fund companies such as Vanguard allow us to exclude certain types of companies, such as oil companies, from our investment portfolios.

Unlike most investors, Eric and Heather consider the social and environmental impact of their investments. That's good.

Happy Dollars 2017-18:

\$883

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

2013-14 total: \$2,493



(20,384 Children Immunized)
All Proceeds go towards
Polio Eradication.

Service Quotation

"NO ACT OF KINDNESS, NO MATTER HOW SMALL, IS EVER WASTED"

- Aesop (620 B.C. – 564 B.C.)
Ancient Greek story teller credited with a number of fables now collectively known as Aesop's Fables



Rotary Celebrations

Birthday:

Gudmund Iverson 9/14

Member Anniversary:

Randy Winton 9/14 (18 yrs)

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.