



# CogNotes

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

December 14, 2017



## December is Rotary Disease Prevention & Treatment Month

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### Today's Program:

The Silvertones,  
under the direction of John  
Shankweiler

### Table Grace

Lord, we thank you for the times of anticipation and expectation in life when we await some fresh experience—the arrival of a child in our home, the opportunity for a fresh start, the joy of greeting a new day or a New Year.

Quicken within us the thrill of life's anticipation that we may live on tip-toe and not be caught flat-footed when some new occasion meets us. Give us now gratitude for the fulfillment of your promise of provision for our daily needs as we meet here together in Rotary. Amen.

Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian

### Coming Programs & Events

(All meetings at The Inn unless otherwise noted)

Dec 15: **Early Registration** for Rotary International Convention in Toronto begins at <http://www.riconvention.org/en>

Dec 21: No meeting

Dec 28: No meeting

Jan 25 CCSA Fundraiser at Hedgerow Theater (see reverse)

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!*

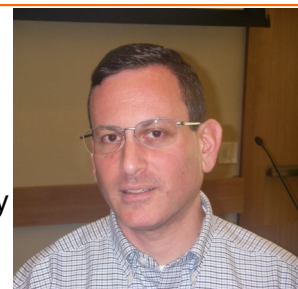
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### Last Week's Program: Josh Twersky by Rich Shimko

I enjoy hearing talks by our Rotary members because I think most of us have personal inside dope from our careers that the rest of us would enjoy hearing. Josh Twersky had a topic he was willing to talk about that had a tie-in to one of our favorite causes, Chester School for the Arts (CSFA). Josh talked about the Pennsylvania Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) program, which is a way for businesses to do good by donating to a charity without actually spending much money. If a business, including sole proprietorship, makes a donation to an approved charity, it can recover at least 90% of the donation as a tax credit.

Of course, there are various hoops and hurdles and paperwork and the like but Josh said he would be happy to help if anyone wanted to contribute to CSFA.



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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:

Assistant District Governor Francy Cross, Donna Kay Jones

## Welcome New Members!

Photo: New members Barbara Amstutz and Bill Thomas, with their sponsors, President Joy, Membership chair Craig, and Assistant District Governor Franci Cross, who conducted the installation



## Theater for a Cause!

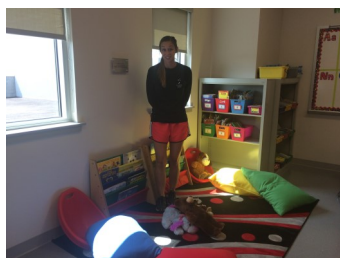
**What:** Hedgerow's performance of Boogie Woogie Radio Hour, plus a wine and cheese reception and a pop-up art show featuring works by CCSA students

**When:** Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00pm (this event replaces the noon meeting)

**Why:** To support Swarthmore Rotary's pledge for a kindergarten library at the Chester Charter School for the Arts

**Cost:** \$50 per ticket (club members pay \$30, Rule of 85 members pay \$50, spouses/guests pay \$50)

Charitable contribution: \$40 of the ticket price can be counted as a charitable donation [Note: if you bring a guest who needs a charitable gift acknowledgement, please give us their name and address.]



### LOOKING FOR THE PERFECT GIFT?

This holiday season, give the gift that makes a difference. For more than 100 years, The Rotary Foundation has been supporting the work of Rotary members in creating sustainable solutions to the world's most pressing needs. When you give the gift of Rotary, you become part of the positive change Rotarians are making in your community and around the world. Go to: <https://www.rotary.org/en/donate>

## Last Week's Speaker:

**Josh Twersky**

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By the way, after his talk, Josh told me he had read the entire 500 page House version of the new tax bill. This could be an interesting talk by Josh when, and if, the tax bill is finally passed. Of course, we would want him to focus on the juicy parts.

## Happy Dollars 2017-18:

**\$2143**

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



(20,625 Children Immunized)

**All Proceeds go towards  
Polio Eradication.**

## Service Quotation

**"THE MIRACLE IS THIS....THE MORE WE SHARE, THE MORE WE HAVE."**

- Leonard Nimoy (1931-2015),  
American actor, film director, poet,  
singer and photographer



## Rotary Celebrations

### Birthday:

Joy Charlton	12/18
Dennis Hoffman	12/22
Jeanie Bergstrom	12/23
Barbara Amstutz	12/26
Greg Brown	12/28

### Member Anniversary:

Steve Laxton	12/29	10 yrs
Anne Hansen	12/29	17 yrs
Lori Markusfeld	1/1	1 yr*

\*with Swarthmore

### Wedding Anniversary:

Greg Brown	12/28
Joan Wright	1/1
Ken Wright	1/1

## PEANUT BUTTER DAY!

**When: Every 1st Thursday of the month**



Please bring a jar of peanut butter to every first Thursday meeting. Cathy Darrell will transport our donations to CityTeam.