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March is Water and Sanitation Month

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Today's Program:

Beth Murray: Swarthmore Centennial Foundation's visioning report

Table Grace

Creator of life, we thank you that you have put us on this planet earth where we can work with you to make it better. Grant that in our daily labor we may maintain the importance of making a life and not just a living. We believe this is Rotary's high purpose, not alone for us but for all humankind. Help us to fulfill it and accept our gratitude for this time of renewal and refreshment of mind, heart and body for this lofty end. Amen

Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian

Coming Programs & Events

(All meetings at The Inn unless otherwise noted)

March 29: Anita Barrett, Swarthmore Town Center Coordinator

April 5 : Melissa Tier and Aurora Winslade, Swarthmore College Sustainability Office Program Manager and Director - Zero Waste Leadership and reducing waste.

April 12: Centenarian Ed Jones will recollect on the past One Hundred Years.

April 19: Cheryl Colleluori, Nick's Mom and President of the Headstrong Foundation – a "HOME away from HOME for families fighting cancer."

(Please see page 2 for Coming Events)

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

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Last Week's Speaker: Tyrene White

By Richard Shimko

How to do the most with your charitable dollars was the topic of Tyrene White, a political science professor at



Swarthmore College. Tyrene said that disasters are getting bigger and badder and recovery help is necessary for a longer time. She said many poor neighborhoods have still not recovered from Hurricane Katrina after ten years. Therefore, the response of some people to load up their car with supplies and drive to the disaster site is probably not as useful as contributing (continued on reverse)

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:

Linda Palisano (Theresa's guest).



April 7: Project Cure

9AM to Noon—8 Federal Road West Grove, PA. You can participate as a volunteer sorting donated medical supplies to be shipped to places in need around the world. Carpooling will be arranged. Go to this link to register: <http://midswarthmorerotaryclub.projectcure.volunteerhub.com/>

Happy Dollars 2017-18:

\$2,941



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

(21,113 Children Immunized)
All Proceeds go towards Polio Eradication.

March is Rotary Water and Sanitation Month

Water and sanitation is one of Rotary's six areas of strategic focus and is a local concern of global importance. In particular, meeting these basic needs continues to be a fundamental problem in developing countries. Rotary sponsors a variety of water and sanitation projects with a focus on sustainability. The Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group has published an excellent resource to guide Rotarians in establishing projects. They recommend 4 steps in setting up a water project:



1. Conduct a local needs assessment.
2. Find international partner clubs. Other clubs can help with funding and provide expertise. Search for a partner club at www.startwithwater.org.
3. Identify the most appropriate technology.
4. Provide for ongoing maintenance.

For more information, refer to Rotary's Guide to Water and Sanitation at <https://my.rotary.org/en/document/global-outlook-series-guide-water-and-sanitation>

Service Quotation

"THE UNSELFISH EFFORT TO BRING CHEER TO OTHERS WILL BE THE BEGINNING OF A HAPPIER LIFE FOR OURSELVES"

- Helen Keller, (1880-1968)



Rotary Celebrations

Birthday:

Craig Fava 3/23

Member Anniversary:

Brian Casey 3/27 (9 years)

Wedding Anniversary:

None

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.



April 20 - 22: District Conference

April 22: Tree Planting at Bob White Park in King of Prussia

April 28: Annual "Kick out Polio" Union Soccer

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money to disaster relief organizations over a long period of time. The lesson for Rotarians would appear to be to contribute to established disaster relief organizations such as Red Cross and Salvation Army and to support our country's use of the military in long-term disaster relief efforts. If you prefer more personalized giving, Tyrene mentioned two smaller organizations: bettershelter.org, which provides superior temporary housing, and avaaz.org, which coordinates contributions to individual needs. Unfortunately, when the infrastructure is destroyed, as occurred in the earthquake in Haiti and the hurricane in Puerto Rico, only the military has the capability to provide emergency response. Rebuilding a country's infrastructure, especially if it is a poor country, takes years.