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### October 3, 2019

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### **Service Quotation**

"Protect your enthusiasm from the negativity and fear of others. Never decide to do nothing just because you can only do little. Do what you can. You would be surprised at what "little" acts have done for our world." Steve Maraboli, Author

### **Rotary Celebrations!**

### **Birthdays**

**No Birthdays Found** 

Wedding Anniversaries

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Cathleen Darrell October 4th

## Meetings and Events

October 3rd - Meeting Speaker: Marty Spiegel, Mayor of Swarthmore Borough Subject: State of Affairs of Swarthmore Borough 10th - Meeting Speaker: Kevin Skoglund, Chief Technologist Subject: Citizens for Better Elections 17th - Meeting Speaker: Club Assembly Subject: Assembly 24th - Meeting Speaker: Lou Klarevas, author Rampage Nation Subject: Rampage Nation: Securing America from Mass Shootings

# **Table Grace**

### By Frederick E. Christian

We have turned the calendar into another month. Thank you, Lord, for this reminder that our days are numbered. Teach us so to number our days that we may become wise in your sight. Thank you for the provision you have made for our bodily needs and increase our gratitude for the friendship of this hour. Amen.

# 4 Way Test

## Of the things we think, say or do

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



# Last Meeting Summary

Last week's speaker, Joanne Craig, administers social programs for the Foundation for Delaware County. She has eight evidence-based programs in her portfolio, including the well-regarded Nurse-Family Partnership. In four of five randomized controlled trials here and abroad, that program "reduced child abuse/neglect and injuries (20-50%); reduced subsequent births (10-20%); and improved

cognitive/educational outcomes for children of mothers with low mental health/self-confidence (e.g., 6 percentile point increase in grade 1-6 reading/math achievement)." From 'Social Programs That Work.'

Joanne has more than 30 years' experience working in public health, working in underserved communities and working with vulnerable populations. She graduated from the University of Delaware and Eastern University and she holds a Master's of Nonprofit Management degree.

From our Believe It or Not files: Joanne's staffers would not be able to provide water to thirsty clients, often pregnant women visiting her offices on a hot day, without a recent contribution from our club.

Sent from my iPad. Dear Richard,

I owe you an apology. I have been involved in my cancer and the loss of my eyesight, (A good friend is typing this for me). Ed Jones and I had been good friends for a long, long time. I went through each of his girls as they went through all the grades from first grade to twelfth, and his first wife, Lyn, was supportive of every project and every game in which they participated.

I cannot go on tonight and possibly may not in the near future, but I will help in any way I am able. There is NOTHING I would wish to do more than to laud Ed and his remarkable life

I am probably too late, but I would.be pleased to talk with a Rotarian in my home.

Sincerely, Putty

#### **Polio Eradication in Nigeria**

from www.rotary.org

Nigeria has been free of wild poliovirus for three years thanks to hardworking health workers and parents.  $\ensuremath{^\circ}$  WHO

21 August 2019 marks three years since Nigeria last reported a case of wild poliovirus. This is an important public health milestone for the country and the entire Africa Region, which is now a step now closer to polio-free certification.

Innovation, partnership and resolve have all underpinned advancements made in Nigeria, together with the commitment of tens of thousands of health workers. "Since the last outbreak of wild polio in 2016 in the northeast, Nigeria has strengthened supplementary immunization activities and routine immunization, implemented innovative strategies to vaccinate hard-to-reach children and improved acute flaccid paralysis (AFP) and environmental surveillance. These efforts are all highly commendable," said WHO's Officer in Charge for Nigeria, Dr Peter Clement.

However, despite progress, there is still much left to be done. Continued work to reach every last child with the polio vaccine, as well as strengthening surveillance and routine immunization across the region, will be key to keeping wild polio at bay and protecting the gains achieved.

Should there be no more cases in Nigeria or from countries in the Africa Region, and surveillance data submitted by countries meets evaluation criteria, the Africa Regional Certification Committee (ARCC) could certify the Region as wild polio-free as early as mid-2020.

The press briefing was attended by country representatives of all GPEI partners: WHO, UNICEF, CDC, Rotary and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation; as well as USAID, Government of Germany, EU and Canada. The Emir of Jiwa, representing the Northern Traditional Leaders Committee was also in attendance.

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Years of Service

Martin Spiegel 10-04-1996 23 Years

### Happy Dollars

\$940

2019-20 Happy Dollars for Polio Plus Fund (\$3 to fully protect one child)

> 2018-19 total: \$3,845 2017-18 total: \$4,515 2016-17 total: \$3,756

## **Guests Last Meeting**

Mark Thomas (Hillard's guest)

Mark Your Calendars:

Phone bank WHYY Sat., Oct. 26

Ed Jones Memorial Service Sat., Nov. 9