

# Swarthmore Rotary Cog Notes



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#### December 5, 2019

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#### **Service Quotation**

"A person less fortunate than yourself deserves the best you can give. Because of duty, and honor, and service. You understand those words? You should do your job right, and you should do it well, simply because you can, without looking for notice or reward." Lee Child, Author

**Rotary Celebrations!** 

#### **Meetings and Events**

#### December

5th - Meeting

Speaker: Mark Wallace, Ph.D. Professor of Religion, Swarthmore College

Subject: Creating opportunities for understanding of American people, culture and institutions with

international undergraduate students and scholars.

Speaker: CADES and the Silvertones

Subject: Luncheon at CADES with musical program at 1:00 pm by the Silvertones

19th - Evening Meeting

Speaker: Evening at the Inn at 5:30 PM

Subject: Evening Social Recepton at the Swarthmore Inn at 5:30 pm

#### **Table Grace**

By Frederick E. Christian

We begin a month marked by shortened days and lengthened nights. Lord, make us mindful of the meaning of the festivals of this season that tell us that light shines in the darkness and that hope transcends despair. Quicken within us this confidence and accept our gratitude for all your gifts that never fail. 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**



Beth Koniers Brown works for the Audubon Society, the famous bird-loving group. While she is very interested in birds, she has a broad array of interests. Beth is the Director of the Delaware River Watershed Program for the Audubon Society. While it is true that

the Audubon Society is very concerned about the well-being of birds, that interest has led the organization to expand its focus to the well-being of habitats such as the Delaware River basin. Birds, as do all species including humans, depend on clean air, water, adequate food, and a place to rest. In addition, Beth said that more than just local birds depend on local conditions. Many migrating birds use the Delaware River basin as a stop over on their long journey. She gave an example of the Red Knot, which has a 9,000-mile migration. It stops in the Delaware River basin for food and water.

Among the many environmental hazards that the Audubon Society is trying to address are climate change, rising sea levels, development, stream bank erosion, invasive plants, and government policies that are harmful to the environment. One very practical aspect of the Society's efforts is the coalition they have

### **Birthdays**



Brian N. Casey December 6th



Lori Markusfeld December 10th

#### **Wedding Anniversaries**

No Wedding Anniversaries Found

#### **Years of Service**



Barbara Amstutz 12-07-2017 2 Years

# **Happy Dollars**

\$1501

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**

**No Guests** 

# Mark Your Calendars:

Home for the Holidays. Saturday, December 7 at 6:15. Swarthmore Fire Station. formed with local craft breweries to improve the quality of the River basin waters. The brewers realized that their beers are only as good as their source of water. Beth emphasized that we can help maintain the quality of our beer and the environment by supporting the Audubon Society.

# Perri Evanson's Paul Harris award

Barbara, Foundation Chair, awarding Perri her double ruby pin for her next level as a Paul Harris Fellow.

Don't forget your donation to the Rotary Foundation,

if you haven't already contributed. We are trying to match

our 100% participation that we made last year.



# 2006 Rotary Club photo

