

Swarthmore Rotary Cog Notes



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Service Quotation

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"With patient and firm determination we will press on until every valley of despair is exalted to new peaks of hope, until every mountain of pride and irrationality is made low by the levelling process of humility and compassion; until the rough places of injustice are transformed into a smooth plane of equality of opportunity; and until the crooked places of prejudice are transformed by the straightening process of brighteyed wisdom." Martin Luther King

Rotary Celebrations!

Birthdays

No Birthdays Found

Meetings and Events

June 11 Zoom Meeting Speaker: Connor O'Brien

Subject: Peace Corps experience in the Ukraine

Table Grace

By Frederick E. Christian

Lord, there are those who cry out for a greater concern for justice in our land. Teach us the true balance between the punishment of crime and the crime of punishment. Help us in all our dealings "to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly" before you all our days. 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

John Zissimos, Google executive and brother of our president Maria, has developed five core fundamental ingredients of doing work projects. He said he has been working on these ingredients for 20 years with both success and failure. Since John is now a Vice President at Google, he must have had more successes than failures. His full title is Vice President, Creative, Brand, Media and Global Customer Programs. The core ingredients are: purpose, value, clarity, transparency, and gratitude. He joined us on Zoom from his home in California. John said he is liking working from home and he thinks the workplace will never completely go back to what it was before the quarantine. He said he will do much more working from home.

John found the Google work environment to be atypical in that the decision making is much more bottom up than top down. An example of that is Google signing a secret contract with the Pentagon a few years ago. When the employees became aware of the contract, they objected and management cancelled it.

Having our meetings on Zoom means we are able to get a much broader range of speakers including those, like John, who live on the other side of the country. It is a nice plus. An example of a minus was that some members were without power because of the storm this week and were not able to join us. **Wedding Anniversaries**

No Wedding Anniversaries Found

Years of Service

No Years Of Service Found

Guests Last Meeting

Peter Atsaves, George Kyriazis (relatives of speaker) Shinjini Chowdhury (applicant Rotary fellowship)

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

Happy Dollars

\$2186 (pledge \$731)

Statement from Rotary International

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At Rotary, we have no tolerance for racism. Promoting respect, celebrating diversity, demanding ethical leadership, and working tirelessly to advance peace are central tenets of our work. We have more work to do to create more just, open and welcoming communities for all people.

We know there are no easy fixes and that challenging conversations and work lie before all of us. Rotary's strength has long been our ability and commitment to bringing people together. We will tap into that strength now as we stand with those who are working for peace and justice.

Rotary will do our part to listen, learn and take action to ensure that we continue to contribute to making positive change.

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