



# Swarthmore Rotary Cog Notes

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June 24, 2021

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RI President 2020-21  
Kevin M. Katarynick  
District 7450 Governor

Swarthmore Rotary  
Leaders

- William Clinton Hale  
President
- Kathryn Jones  
President-Elect
- Brian Casey  
Club Executive Secretary  
Webmaster
- Craig Fava  
Past President  
Secretary
- Sonya Pappas  
Treasurer
- Barbara Whitaker-Shimko  
Rotary Foundation Chair
- Betty Ann A. Flynn  
Club Director
- Anne C. Hansen  
Club Director
- Lori Markusfeld  
Service Projects Chair
- Penelope Reed  
Public Relations Chair
- Ann K. Seidman  
Membership Chair
- Barbara Amstutz  
Grants Committee Chair
- Maria Michael Zissimos  
iPast President
- Heather Saunders  
President-Nominee
- Francy Cross  
Assistant Governor

## Service Quotation

**My own experience and development deepen every day my conviction that our moral progress may be measured by the degree in which we sympathize with individual suffering and individual joy.**  
George Eliot

## Rotary Celebrations!

Birthdays

No Birthdays Found

Wedding Anniversaries

Hillard Pouncy  
June 24th

## Meetings and Events

June

24th - [Club Meeting](#)  
Speaker: Installation Luncheon Outside at the Inn at Swarthmore  
Subject: Installation of incoming President Kathryn Jones and Board

July

1st - [Club Meeting](#)  
Speaker: Ben Yagoda, Guggenheim Fellow  
Subject: A Twist at the End—The Surprising Life and Works of O. Henry  
8th - [Club Meeting](#)  
Speaker: Dr. Kathryn Jones, Club President  
Subject: The Chester Trades Project

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## Table Grace

By Frederick E. Christian

**Eternal God, give us vision as we approach another active year in Rotary. Keep before us loftier heights of service. Guard us from complacency. Use this Rotary to embody that larger and better life to which you would have all humankind rise. 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?

## Club News

**Ann Seidman inducted two new Swarthmore Rotary members: Theresa O'Malley, sponsored by Kathryn Jones; and Ann Green, sponsored by Ken Wright. President Bill Hale said five new members have been inducted over the last year.**

**Bill said the Feed-the-Hungry event raised about two thousand dollars. He thanked Swarthmore Senior Citizens Association for publicizing the event and participating.**

**Hillard Pouncy relayed a request from our upcoming July 1 speaker, Ben Yagoda. Ben would like us to read three O'Henry short stories prior to his talk. Bill will send us the stories.**

**Bill reported that Swarthmore Rotary has given \$12,000 in grants during his term in office. The last two grants were \$1,000 each to Circle of Giving 2020 and the Swarthmore Borough Human Relations Committee.**

**The Swarthmore Rotary 2021 Service Award recipients will be announced at the installation lunch.**

**Bill provided the following list of Kathryn Jones's Board members:**

**President: Kathryn Jones  
President Elect and Fundraising Chair: Heather Saunders  
Executive Secretary: Brian Casey**

Arthur G. Baker  
June 25th  
Martin Spiegel  
June 29th  
George C. Whitfield Jr.  
June 30th

#### Years of Service

Michael D. Malone  
06-29-2001  
20 Years

#### Happy Dollars

pledge \$3,892

2020-21 Happy Dollars  
for Polio Plus Fund  
(\$3 to fully protect one child)

2019-20 total: \$3355  
2018-19 total: \$3,845  
2017-18 total: \$4,515

#### Guests Last Meeting

Jim Snively

**Immediate Past President and Sergeant-at-Arms: Bill Hale**  
**Secretary: Brian Craig**  
**Treasurer: Theresa O'Malley**  
**Grants Chair and Trust Representative: Betty Ann Flynn**  
**Membership Chair: Carr Everbach**  
**Public Relations Chair: Perri Evanson**  
**Rotary Foundation Chair: Barbara Whitaker-Shimko**  
**Services Projects Chair: Lori Markusfeld**  
**International Service Chair: Anne Hansen**  
**Club Director and Chester Trades Education Project Chair: Ken Wright**

#### Last Meeting Summary

New members to Rotary can find the different charitable funds confusing. I know I was confused when I first joined. There are three funds of which to be aware. The first is The Rotary Foundation (TRF). This fund is Rotary International's charitable foundation and solicits and distributes money globally. Barbara Whitaker-Shimko, Chair of the Rotary Foundation Committee, requests contributions to this fund every year.

The second fund is the Gundaker Foundation, which is our District's charitable organization. Gundaker solicits and distributes money within our District.

The third fund is the Swarthmore Rotary Charitable Trust, which is controlled completely by our club. For the last several years, our club has not participated in Gundaker.

The Gundaker Foundation's President, Karen Mazzarella-Russo, and Treasurer, Dave Haradon, spoke to us about Gundaker. They said the Foundation makes four types of grants. The first type is matching grants of up to \$1,000 to District 7450 clubs' service projects. Gundaker usually distributes \$20,000 a year to clubs.

The second type of grant is vocational education scholarships of between \$1,000 to \$3,000 each. These go to students enrolled in vocational education programs such as automobile technology, licensed practical nursing, paramedics, and police academy. Gundaker awarded eight scholarships last year.

The third type of grant is support for the Youth Exchange program. Gundaker supports trips by visiting Youth Exchange students to New York City and Washington, D.C., and for recruitment of host families.

The last program was established in response to the Covid-19 crisis. The Gundaker Relief Emergency Assistance Team (GREAT) has donated \$50,000 for emergency response organizations such as food banks, shelters, and medical providers.

Karen and Dave spoke about how much Gundaker has improved in recent years and that they were hopeful that Swarthmore Rotary would join Gundaker.