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The Rotary Club of Swarthmore
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Today's Program:

**Ben Yagoda:
Can We
Do Anything
About Biases?**

Table Grace

Amid the flaming colors of Fall and the bracing air that we breathe, O God, remind us of the poet's words that "The Heavens declare your glory;" that we may never forget that you are the Giver of all of life. You have given us ample provision for our needs of body, mind, and spirit for which we are truly grateful. Amen.

Frederick E. Christian

Coming Programs & Events

(All meetings at The Inn unless otherwise noted)

October 4: Andrea Packer, List Gallery Director, Swarthmore College, will talk about the concurrent exhibits and events celebrating the Quilts of Gee's Bend, now through October 28, 2018.

October 24: World Polio Day

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

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September 20, 2018 Program: Lauren Fine

By Rich Shimko

Those of us who have been around long enough know that U.S. society's attitude toward criminals goes in cycles. Lauren Fine, Esq., presented us with a bit of evidence that we are moving toward a needed correction away from harsh sentencing. Lauren is the Co-Director of the Youth Sentencing & Reentry Project (YSRP), a non-profit group that works with youths who are charged with crimes. Philadelphia has over 300 prisoners serving life who were sentenced when they were under 18. Therefore, a major goal for YSRP is to keep juvenile's cases out of adult court. Lauren said some of the lifers sentenced as juveniles were those who foolishly YSRP works with accused juveniles and their

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The Pledge of Allegiance



Four Way Test:

Of the things we think, say and do:

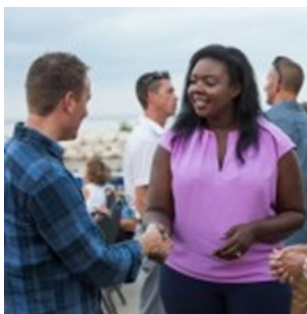
1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOOD WILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all Concerned?



Guests:

Larry Seidman (Ann's husband).

CELEBRATE ROTARY ALUMNI! RECONNECT WEEK: OCT. 1-7, 2018



During this celebration, Rotary invites former Rotaractors, Interactors, Rotary Peace Fellows, Rotary Scholars, Youth Exchange students, and other Rotary program alumni to renew their connection to Rotary. Past program participants who have lost their active connection to Rotary can refresh their ties by visiting club meetings, helping with projects, and engaging online. By doing so, they can experience again how Rotary re-shapes lives locally and globally.

FELLOWSHIP IDEAS

- Host a Reconnect Week event that welcomes alumni and Rotarians to interact with each other like a dinner or gathering
- Invite an alum out to coffee to catch up
- Ask alumni to speak at your next club meeting or district conference
- Organize an informational session about your club for alumni to learn more about Rotary

SERVICE IDEAS

- Organize a service project that involves local alumni sometime during Reconnect Week
- Provide an opportunity to do a joint service project with an alumni association
- Plan a Rotary Foundation fundraiser and invite alumni to contribute for Alumni Day of Giving on 3 October, 2018

Please Note: Upcoming Meeting Location Change

10/18/2018 Swarthmore Presbyterian Church @ 727 Harvard Ave, Swarthmore

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families, lawyers, and judges. YSRP plans to open a Delaware County branch in 2019. They accept contributions and are looking for volunteer help. went along for the ride during a robbery at which a murder occurred. Although they did not kill anybody, they were tried as adults and given life sentences. As Lauren pointed out, a practical argument for stopping life sentences is that incarceration is expensive and an elderly man is not likely to be a threat. She said one of the reasons for an increase in trying children as adults was the now debunked concept of "super-predators". Lauren described this as the idea that there are children who exhibit extreme criminal behavior and must be locked up permanently to keep society safe.

Happy Dollars 2018-19:

\$705

2017-2018 total: \$4,515
2016-2017 total: \$3,756
2015-2016 total: \$3,756
2014-2015 total: \$3,168
2013-2014 total: \$2,493



(22,168 Children Immunized)
**All Proceeds go towards
Polio Eradication.**

Service Quotation

**"The deepest craving of
human nature is the need to
be appreciated."**

William James



Rotary Celebrations

Birthday:

None

Member Anniversary:

None

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 City-Team.