



The Rotary Club of Swarthmore February 20, 2014

February is World Understanding Month

Improving Lives in Communities Locally and Around the World for over 75 Years Rotary International President Ron D. Burton **Coming Program & Events Today's Program:** District 7450 Governor Charles Streitwieser Assistant Governor George Whitfield Feb 27 Dr. Hillard Pouncy, Woodrow Dr. Tom Callaghy, Professor Wilson School of Public and **Emeritus Dept of Political** 2013-2014 Board International Affairs. Princeton Science U of Penn Hillard Pouncy President University President-Elect Perri Evanson "About my Dad" "The Dangers of Sovereign Debt Club Administration Mary Gelb Crises" Joe Lesniak **President-Nominee** March 6 Club Assembly Brian Craig Immediate Past President Steve Laxton Secretary March 13 Betty Ann Flynn, **Table Grace** E-Secretary/Webmaster Brian Casev Professional photographer Treasurer Josh Twersky Examples of her photography Thank you, Lord, for this great Dean Wolfe Sergeant-at-Arms land and its blessings of freedom Marty Spiegel **Budget Chair** March 20 Dr. Rebecca Chopp, for mind, body, and spirit. New Media Chair Joe Lesniak President of Swarthmore College Program and Meetings Ann Seidman As we renew our pledge to the Membership Lisa Lee flag, may we truly appreciate what Retention/Attendance Cathy Darrell it means and rejoice in the Gudmund Iversen **Public Relations Community Service** Ken Wright heritage others have made Bill Baldwin Follow us at: Grants Chair possible for us and take strength www.twitter.com/SwarthmoreRC International Service Anne Hansen from the knowledge that these /Ray Hopkins freedoms are gaining wider Vocational Service Randy Winton currency across the world. The Pledge of Youth Service Ron Van Langeveld Allegiance **Special Projects** Betty Ann Flynn Keep us mindful of all your gifts. **Rotary Foundation** Craig Fava Amen. Gundaker Steve Laxton Four Way Test: **Charitable Trust** Brian Craig The Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian Of the things we think, say and do: **CogNotes Editors** Lisa Lee/Jim Leming Speaker Summary: "Pre-K for PA" Campaign 1. Is it the TRUTH? By Joy Charlton 2. Is it FAIR to all

The goal of the "Pre-K for PA" Campaign is to make high guality education available to all 3- and 4-yearolds in PA by 2018. Mary Ellen Mannix, a long-time early childhood teacher speaking for the Delaware Valley Association for the Education of Young Children (DEVAECY), spoke expressively, emphasizing that

90% of a person's brain develops between the ages of 0 and 5. Early childhood education means that subsequent problems are less likely to appear, e.g., \$1 spent on Pre-K education saves \$700 spent on the penal system.

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- concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?



4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all Concerned?

Guests of 2/6/2014 Meeting

Susan Larsen, prospective member; Debbie Richardson, guest of Cathy Darrell; Judy Westheimer, guest of Anne Seidman



Rotary Leadership Institute

(not just for the Club President)

Please Note: The Club will pick-up the registration expense for any member who attends these programs.

Specifics on our District's Next Institute: Saturday, April 14, 2014 (8:30am to 3:00pm) at the Doubletree Hotel, Wilmington, DE

Speaker Summary: "Pre-K for PA" Campaign (continued from front)

Jen Egmont, from the Economics League for Greater Philadelphia, said that the research has been done now to show that quality Pre-K learning is the best public investment we can make, but only 20% of PA's children receive it. The campaign consists of a coalition of business leaders, K-12 teachers, retired military leaders, law enforcement and all interested others, working to make this topic ubiquitous in up-coming elections.



Valentine's Day: Created by the Christians, marketed by Hallmark (article found at: latino.foxnews.com)

Valentine's Day is not just a modern tradition. It has deep roots, leading all the way back to Ancient Rome and the early Christians. Further, as an observance, Valentine's day dates back to the High Middle Ages.

To begin with, the day is really called Saint Valentine's Day. It was originally (and still is) a Roman Catholic feast day, commemorating the life of a certain Valentinus, who was martyred in Rome some time in the 3rd century A.D. There is no reliable information concerning Saint Valentinus, except that he was martyred somewhere along the Via Flaminia, north of the Imperial City. In fact, there may even have been three saints with the same name, as Valentine, Valentinus and Valentinian were popular Latin names.

Happy Dollars Total for 2013-14: \$1,387

2012-13 Total: \$2,345 2011-12 Total: \$2,311 2009-11 Total: \$2,586

(14,382 Children Immunized)

All Proceeds to Polio Eradication.

Service Quotation

"Act as if what you do makes a difference. It does."

- William James (b:Jan 11,1842d:Aug 26, 1910) American philosopher, psychologist and physician. The first educator to offer a psychology course in the United States.

Anniversaries:

Wedding:Rich NoonanFeb 18, ? yrs.Scott CooperFeb 19, 2 yrs.Birthdays:Feb 15Ray HopkinsFeb 15Rotary Anniversaries:None



FUN FAIR UPDATE

KIDS OF ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!

- Moon Bounces
- Slides
- Games & Prizes
- Food
- And more...

More Information go to: www.funfair.rcswarthmore.org

Winter Olympic Medal Count (as of Tuesday, February 18, 2014): 1 Germany 8 Gold 3 Silver 4 Bronze 15 Total 7 Gold 4 Silver 7 Bronze 18 Total 2 Norway 6 Bronze 3 Russia 5 Gold 8 Silver 19 Total 4 Netherlands 5 Gold 5 Silver 7 Bronze 17 Total 5 United States 5 Gold 4 Silver 10 Bronze 19 Total 6 Switzerland 5 Gold 2 Silver 1 Bronze 8 Total