



The Rotary Club of Swarthmore July 10, 2014

July is Rotary Installation Month

Improving Lives in Communities Locally and Around the World for over 75 Years Gary Huang **Rotary International President Coming Programs & Events Today's Program:** District 7450 Governor Charles Streitwieser Assistant Governor George Whitfield Jim Freeman, Founder/Artistic July 17 TBD **Director/Conductor of Orchestra** 2014-2015 Board 2001. Emeritus Professor of July 24 Rob Zarko, Ship Bottom **Music, Swarthmore College** Brewery President Perri Evanson "Stories from a Passion for New "Building a Brewery One Beer at a Music" President-Elect Joe Lesniak Time" President-Nominee Lisa Lee Immediate Past President Hillard Pouncy Steve Laxton Secretary Rotary & District Events: **Table Grace** Treasurer Josh Twersky E-Secretary/Webmaster Brian Casey July 22: District Conference Lord, we thank you, as we reaffirm Marv Gelb **Committee Meeting Club Service** our independence as a nation. We Joe Lesniak **Community Service** honor our founders who were held July 23: District Outing to Phillies Josh Twersky Vocational Service firm by solid conviction, not International Service Anne Hansen defeated by complaints or New Generations Service Joy Charlton discouraged by discomforts. Foundations Service Craig Fava Josh Twersky **Budget Committee** George Whitfield Help us to be for something we Charitable Trust The Pledge of like, more than against something Follow us online at: we dislike. This, we believe, is Ro-Allegiance www.SwarthmoreRotary.org tary. Strengthen us to do your will. www.Facebook.com/SwarthmoreRotary Amen. www.SwarthmoreFair.org www.Facebook.com/SwarthmoreFunFair www.twitter.com/SwarthmoreRC The Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian Four Way Test: Last Week's Speaker: Of the things we think, By Rich Shimko say and do: Rotary member Dan is a civil engineer/structural engineer/ forensic engineer. What this all means is that he can figure out 1. Is it the TRUTH? why a structure broke and what it will take to fix it. Dan is one 2. Is it FAIR to all of those unheard of persons, a Swarthmore College engineer concerned? grad. He said he has 40 years of experience in structural 3. Will it build GOOD design, modifications and repairs. WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all Dan described a job he worked on at the Jersey shore. The bulkhead that supported a 3-unit condo was washed away **Concerned?**

during a storm. For those of us who don't know what a bulkhead is, it is a wall, in this case made of wood, that protects the beach or ground under a structure from erosion by the sea. The storm completely removed the wall, I mean bulkhead, and much of the ground beneath the condos. Surprisingly enough, Dan determined that the condo was basically structurally sound. It also had the new benefit of

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Guests: Jim Snivelv

Presentation of the Rotary Community Service Award

Despite complications with the weather forecast, the presentation of the Rotary Community Service Award was a success. Here, President Perry presents the awaryd to Anne Blackburn, who received the award for Frannie Reilly.



July is Rotary Installation Month—Here's a Little History on Why

Adapted from Rotary.org

July is Rotary Installation Month because July 1 is the start of the new "Rotary Year." Ever wonder why the Rotary year begins 1 July? The international convention initially played a key role in determining the start date of our fiscal and administrative year.

Rotary's first fiscal year began the day after the first convention ended, on 18 August 1910. The 1911-12 fiscal year also related to the convention, beginning with the first day of the 1911 convention on 21 August.

At its August 1912 meeting, the Board of Directors ordered an audit of the International Association of Rotary Clubs' finances. The auditors recommended that the organization end its fiscal year on 30 June to give the secretary and treasurer time to prepare a financial statement for the convention and board, and determine the proper number of club delegates to the convention.

The executive committee concurred, and at its April 1913 meeting, designated 30 June as the end of the fiscal year. This also allowed for changes to the schedule for reporting club membership and payments. Even The Rotarian changed its volume numbering system to correspond to the fiscal year (beginning with vol. 5, July 1914).

Rotary continued to hold its annual conventions in July or August until 1917. Delegates to the 1916 event in Cincinnati, Ohio, USA, approved a resolution to hold future conventions in June, mainly because of the heat in cities where most of them occurred. The next one was held 17-21 June in Atlanta, Georgia.

The term "Rotary year" has been used to signify Rotary's annual administrative period since at least 1913. An article in The Rotarian that July noted, "The Rotary year that is rapidly drawing to a close has been signalized by several highly successful joint meetings of Clubs that are so situated as to assemble together easily and conveniently."

Since the executive committee's decision in 1913, the end of the Rotary year has remained 30 June.

Last week's speaker (continued)

cross breezes through most of the rooms because the walls were missing. He determined that the condos didn't need to be demolished. All that had to be done was install new wa..., eh, bulkheads, backfill the dirt, and rehab the buildings. In this case, "all" is a relative term; he said it cost \$1.2 million to do the work. Dan said the cost was borne mostly by the owners, because, as near as I could understand, the insurance policies didn't cover Tuesdays in odd numbered months. The talk had the added benefit of making those of us who have sold their shore property feel very smug.

Happy Dollars Total for 2014–2015: \$41

Note: we started a new year on 7/1/14)



2013-14 total: \$2,493 2012-13 Total: \$2,345 2011-12 Total: \$2,311

(16,345 Children Immunized)*

* as of the end of the 2013-14 year

Service Quotation

"The mode in which the inevitable comes to pass is through effort."

- Oliver Wendell Homes (March 8, 1841-March 6, 1935), Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States from 1902 to 1932. essayist, lecturer, and poet, who led the Transcendentalist movement of the mid-19th century

Birthday: Art Baker—7/15

Member Anniversary: None

Wedding Anniversary: None

Program Notes