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The Rotary Club of Swarthmore
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February is World Understanding Month

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Today's Program:

"Really? Magic in Our Midst?"

Rev Zuline Wikinson, Executive Director of Chester Eastside, Inc

Table Grace

In a day when so many live by the "ME FIRST" philosophy, we would pause to ask your help, O Lord, that we may strive to seek the benefit of others as well as ourselves in all that we do. Give us grateful hearts for all your blessings and especially for those of this hour made possible by those who put "Service Above Sell." In your strong name, we pray. Amen.

Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian

Coming Programs & Events

(All meetings at The Inn unless otherwise noted)

Feb 23 Janice Biros will give an update on Rotary's Rotoplast initiative.

March 2 Widener University President **Dr. Julie Wollman** will talk about her vision for Widener University.

March 9 Jonathan Corle, Director of Corle Enterprises, LLC, a succession and exit planning firm, will speak: **LANDING THE PLANE** Business and Career Transitions

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

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February 2nd Program:

Jeff Cole

by Rich Shimko

My image of the Free Press growing up was the gum-chewing, wisecracking reporter common to movies and TV shows. Say, Walter Matthau in *Front Page*. He (mostly it was a he) was cynical, unpleasant, pushy, and badly dressed. His good quality was he was always trying to uncover corruption. He delighted in humbling the powerful. It was clear to me that the Free Press was an important part of what made our country great, and different from all those other countries.

Jeff Cole reminds me of those movie reporters. He seemed pleasant enough and his clothes were fine (probably because of Lori), but he definitely wants to uncover corruption. He showed a dramatic episode about two malingering postal workers, but even more impressive was the story
(continued on reverse)



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:

Harry Urian.

Volunteers Needed!

All of February: Bring your toothpaste and toothbrushes to the meeting, to be distributed to the Haiti Dental Clinic. Spread the word to your neighbors to bring their donations to local collection locations. Ask your dentist for any supplies they are willing to contribute as well.



Rotary Peace Fellow's Project Improves Access to Health Care for Refugees

By Rebecca Bartlett, 2014-16 Rotary Peace Fellow, Duke University and University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Many refugees rank finding a job and getting a good education for their children as their most pressing needs after finding asylum in a new country. Access to healthcare barely makes their list, even though health affects their ability to acquire and keep a job as well as their children's ability to perform well in school.

Throughout my time as a Rotary Peace Fellow, I constantly thought about how I could work with Rotary to improve access to quality healthcare for refugees and other vulnerable populations.

mAdapt is a research project which aims to connect refugees in Europe with culturally sensitive, country- and language-specific information intended to address their reproductive health needs using a smartphone app. Additionally, mAdapt has the goal of assisting public health practitioners and data analysts in "crisis-mapping" the needs of refugees through the collection of anonymous data on what information and services were searched for most and where.

With the support of a district grant sponsored by the Rotary Club of East Chapel Hill in North Carolina, USA, the mAdapt team has made connections throughout the United States and Europe within the academic, technological, health, and social welfare communities and most importantly, with Rotary clubs across Europe and the U.S. To find out more about how you can get involved, contribute to our research, or lend your expertise, visit www.madapt.org or contact Rebecca via info@madapt.org.



Rebecca Bartlett

Jeff Cole (Continued from Front)

he presented about an aide of Philadelphia Councilman Wilson Goode Jr., who was collecting a \$90,000 salary and not showing up for work.



Jeff said investigative reporting of the type he does is a disappearing craft. Not as many people get their news from newspapers or local TV news shows. He said he would like to do more in-depth investigative reporting but there is no market for it. I'm sure the decline of investigative reporting will make some people happy, but not me or, I believe, other Swarthmore Rotarians.

Happy Dollars 2016-17: \$1461

2015-2016 total: \$3,756
2014-2015 total: \$3,168
2013-14 total: \$2,493
2012-13 Total: \$2,345



(19,590 Children Immunized)

All Proceeds go towards
Polio Eradication.

Service Quotation

"THE MIRACLE IS THIS.....THE MORE WE SHARE, THE MORE WE HAVE"

Leonard Nimoy (1931—2015), American actor, film director, poet, singer and photographer ... and Spock in the original Star Trek television series

Rotary Celebrations

Birthday:

Ray Hopkins 2/15

Dan Honig 2/16

Member Anniversary:

Susan Larson 2/20 (3 yrs)

Nate Much 2/20 (3 yrs)

Wedding Anniversary:

none

DONATIONS NEEDED!



The CityTeam Ministries food pantry needs constant replenishing. If you can donate items such as: peanut butter, tuna fish

Please contact Cathy Darrell, who will transport any donated items.

Or just bring them to a meeting.