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The Rotary Club of Swarthmore
P.O. Box 4, Swarthmore, PA 19081

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June is Rotary Fellowships Month

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Locally and Around the World for over 75 Years

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Today's Program:

Andy Rosen: The new season of the Swarthmore Farmer's Market

Table Grace

Father, you have given us many precious gifts, not the least of which are our friends. For the open door that Rotary offers us into lasting friendships, we thank you. We ask that each one of us be worthy of the gifts of caring concern shared here. Receive our thanks for this hour of fellowship, and for the food to nourish us, that we may be better equipped to serve you and our community. Amen.

Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Chrstian

Coming Programs & Events

(All meetings at The Inn unless otherwise noted)

June 8 Gudmund Iversen will take us to Tahiti via a slide presentation.

June 15 Swarthmore Professor Syom Bhanot, will talk about his work with the City of Philadelphia.

June 22 Club Banquet and Installation of Officers—Tyler Arboretum (see page 2 for details)

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

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Last Week's Program:

Dan Urevick-Ackselsbeng

by Rich Shimko

According to Dan Urevick-Ackselsbeng, Pennsylvania is one of the worse states in the country in providing state support to education. Dan is an attorney for the Public Interest Law Center (PILC), a public interest law group in Philadelphia. He said state and local funding for the poorest districts in the state is 34% less than for the richest, making Pennsylvania by far the worst state in the country for equality in school funding. The main reason for this is that Pennsylvania provides, on average, 34% of school funding, which is lower than almost every other state. He said his group's research indicates that school districts with greater than 8% minority students will receive less state support than districts with similar population income levels but with a predominately white population.

What can be done? His group (PILC) is suing the state to provide
(continued on reverse)



The Pledge of Allegiance



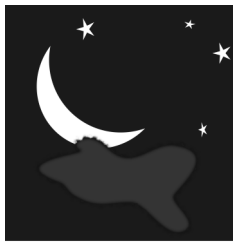
Four Way Test:

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: Will Lesniak (Joe's son), Ashley Nagle, Heather Saunders, Olive Parden (prospective member), Renee Strahley, and two students



It's that time of year again:

Rotary Night at the Phillies

Wednesday, July 26th, 7:05pm

Phillies vs. Houston Astros

Buy your tickets now!

For every ticket we buy, the Phillies donate \$10 to End Polio Now

See Joy Charlton for details

June is Rotary Fellowships Month

Did you know? The RI Rotary Fellowships Committee recognizes 68 fellowships with a combined membership of 50,703 people in more than 180 countries worldwide

Historical Background: Rotary Fellowships began informally in 1928 when Rotarians with a shared interest in the language Esperanto joined together. In 1947, a group of Rotarian boating enthusiasts began flying the Rotary flag from their crafts, calling themselves the International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians; this fellowship now boasts the longest continuous existence. The scope of Rotary Fellowships has greatly changed over the years, but today their purpose is still to unite Rotarians in friendship and provide venues for enjoying their favorite recreational or professional activities.

Club Officer Installation Dinner and 80th Anniversary Celebration

Thursday, June 22, 2017
6:30 p.m.

The Barn at Tyler Arboretum
515 Painter Road
Media, Pennsylvania

RSVP by June 1
Craig Fava: (610)368-2105 or craig.fava@yahoo.com

This Week's Speaker (continued from front)

adequate and equitable funding. Other than that, citizens need to elect state legislators who support public education. Afterwards I asked Dan about a proposed law to eliminate property taxes, which would be good for Swarthmore homeowners but doesn't make sense otherwise. He said the proposed law is "dead in the water". He said it started with a kernel of a good idea but turned into a horrible proposal.

Happy Dollars 2016-17:

\$2449



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

(19,823 Children Immunized)

All Proceeds go towards
Polio Eradication.

Service Quotation

Some Advice from a Tree:

- ◇ Stand tall and proud
- ◇ Sink your roots deeply into the Earth
- ◇ Be content with your natural beauty
- ◇ Go out on a limb
- ◇ Drink plenty of water
- ◇ Think long term
- ◇ Enjoy the view!

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Rotary Celebrations

Birthday:

Cathy Darrell 6/2

Member Anniversary:

Josh Twersky 6/2 (14 yrs.)

Wedding Anniversary:

Ray Hopkins 6/5 (55 yrs.)

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.