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

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December is Rotary Disease Prevention & Treatment Month

*Improving Lives in Communities
Locally and Around the World for over 75 Years*

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Today's Program:

Josh Twersky
Pennsylvania EITC

Table Grace

Today we remember that "Day of Infamy," known as Pearl Harbor Day. Teach us, in longer perspective, history's deeper lesson in these awe-some times, that we must hang together with our fellow travelers on this space ship earth, or we shall all hang separately. Amen.

Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian

Coming Programs & Events

(All meetings at The Inn unless otherwise noted)

Dec 14: Silvertones at CADES

Dec 15: **Early Registration** for Rotary International Convention in Toronto Begins at <http://www.riconvention.org/en>

Dec 21: No meeting

April 20-22, 2018 District Conference

June 24-27, 2018 RI Convention, Toronto, Canada

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

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Last Week's Program:

Andy Hartzell

by Rich Shimko

Andy Hartzell got about five minutes into his talk when he was interrupted by a question. He never got back to his speech, as one question followed another. His general topic, the role of the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), was obviously of interest to Rotarians. Andy is Chief Counsel for the Southeast Regional Office for the PA DEP. He pointed out that the vast majority of environmental issues that impact us on a daily basis are regulated by the state, not the Federal government. These issues include drinking water, stream quality, air quality, sewage, trash, hazardous waste, radiation producing equipment, and many others. *(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:

Tara and Colin Hartzell (children of speaker), Bruce Kieser (friend of speaker), Paul Downie (Community Arts Center), Bill Thomas (soon-to-be member)

December is Rotary Disease Prevention & Treatment Month – Here's what Rotary is doing to reduce maternal and child deaths:



In Malawi, about 670 women in 100,000 die in childbirth each year. The Rotary Clubs of Limbe, Malawi, and Currie Balerno, Scotland, aided by a Rotary global grant, are working with the Freedom from Fistula Foundation to lower the number of maternal deaths by training 150 midwives to work in rural health clinics in Malawi.

In Liberia, the Rotary Clubs of Los Altos, California, USA, and Sinkor, Liberia, are helping Liberian women get tested early in their pregnancy for HIV and receive appropriate prenatal and postnatal care as part of a global grant-funded project. The risk of HIV transmission to unborn children is low, if women get the testing and treatment. The Rotarians aim to reduce the number of new HIV infections in children in Liberia by 95 percent over two years in 23 clinics run by Save the Children.

To decrease the number of deaths and long-term health issues in prematurely born children, the Rotary Clubs of Pune Pride, Maharashtra, India, and Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, USA, launched a program at a Pune hospital to collect, store, and distribute milk donated by lactating women. The program, started with the help of a global grant, is expected to grow to benefit 100 babies per day in seven years. From Rotary.org

Happy Dollars 2017-18:

\$2075

2016-2017 total: \$3,756
2015-2016 total: \$3,756
2014-2015 total: \$3,168
2013-14 total: \$2,493



(20,512 Children Immunized)

**All Proceeds go towards
Polio Eradication.**

Service Quotation

“SERVICE IS THE VERY PURPOSE OF LIFE AND NOT JUST SOMETHING THAT YOU DO IN YOUR SPARE TIME”

– Marian Wright Edelman—

American activist for children's rights, advocate for disadvantaged Americans and founder of the Children's Defense Fund



Rotary Celebrations

Birthday:

None

Member Anniversary:

None

Wedding Anniversary:

None



LOOKING FOR THE PERFECT GIFT?

This holiday season, give the gift that makes a difference. For more than 100 years, The Rotary Foundation has been supporting the work of Rotary members in creating sustainable solutions to the world's most pressing needs. When you give the gift of Rotary, you become part of the positive change Rotarians are making in your community and around the world. Go to: <https://www.rotary.org/en/donate>

Last Week's Speaker:

Andy Hartzell

(continued from front)

Since Andy has been at the DEP for a couple of decades, he has had to switch gears to some extent depending on the Governor in office. He described that he and a colleague at the US EPA had to switch sides on a position because the Federal administration went from Republican to Democrat while the PA administration went the other way. One interesting question was asked – when does one get in trouble with the DEP? Andy said either by violating a permit or in response to a complaint. Probably not a good thing either way.

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.