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The Rotary Club of Swarthmore
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February is World Understanding Month

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

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Today's Program:

Janice Boros: My Rotoplast trip to Myanmar to provide needed surgery to correct cleft palates in children

Table Grace

Lord God, as we meet again under the aegis of Rotary, grant us eyes to see our world as one, that we may penetrate beneath the smoke screens of national interest and propaganda. Give us hearts of compassion for the needs of the world and make us ever grateful for the vision of Rotary and the countless blessings of this great land. Amen.

Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian

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January 18 Speaker:

Rebecca Davis

by Rich Shimko

A century ago in the United States, society expected wives to be submissive homemakers. In fact, according to Rebecca Davis, a professor of history and women and gender studies at the University of Delaware, couples counselors and women's magazines promoted obedience to husbands and the housewife's role as ideals for women. Women who wanted a life beyond the home were considered mentally ill. The hierarchy was first God, then Husband, then Wife. Even when the feminist movement was trying to change that belief, Rebecca said, the best-selling book of 1974 was The Total Woman, which was grounded in evangelical Christianity, and preached "It is only when a woman surrenders her life to her husband, reveres and worships him and is willing to serve him, that she becomes really beautiful to him."



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Coming Programs & Events

(All meetings at The Inn unless otherwise noted)

February 8: Josh Twersky will outline the new Tax Law and how it will affect us.

February 15: Borough Manager Jane Billings

February 22: Dr. John Davies, Widener University, will talk about how George Washington accidentally got us into the French and Indian War.

April 20-22: District Conference

June 24-27: RI Convention, Toronto, Canada

April 28: Annual "Kick out Polio" Union Soccer Match

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

The Pledge of Allegiance



Four Way Test:

Of the things we think, say and do:

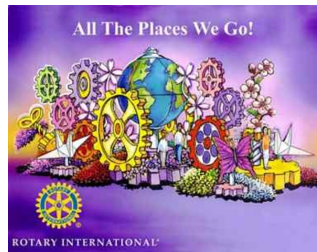
1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOOD WILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all Concerned?



Guests:

David Houk (Chichester Rotary), Sonya Pappas and Shannon Elliott (prospective members).

February is World Understanding Month Learn More About Why ...



The month of February is very special in the Rotary calendar because it includes the anniversary of the first meeting of Rotary held on February 23, 1905, now designated as the World Understanding and Peace Day.

Paul Harris, the world's first Rotarian, and Founder and President Emeritus of Rotary International, said, "Fear and Hate Must Go! And they will go when nations have goodwill based on understanding" -

How can we find a better way to get along together?

There's the Golden Rule, but every nation believes its way is the Golden Rule way. Sir Norman Angell has wisely observed that no nation, however aggressive and inhuman its course may be, is conscious of guilt; its people are taught that they are superior to all others and that destiny calls them to lead. Most nations are overeducated in their virtues and undereducated in their vices.

Open-mindedness and tolerance are earmarks of the Rotary approach to the problem. Clubs exist in some 60 nations and opportunities for discord abound. But though membership includes representatives of all religious and political parties, discord is rare in Rotary.

"The Rotary way works! But Rotary has no patent on it, for it is but the Golden Rule in action. Any person, any nation, can apply it by displacing negative hatred and fear with goodwill based upon understanding. Peace among nations is not impossible of attainment; they can find peace if they will." – **Paul P Harris**



The **People of Action** public image campaign helps you bring the Rotary story to life by showing Rotarians as the people of action we are. Telling our People of Action stories in a meaningful, coordinated way builds the public's understanding of who we are and what we do. It highlights the impact we make in our communities and around the world.

Use the following questions to develop your own People of

Action Story:

1. What were you or your club trying to accomplish?
2. Who is your story's audience?
3. How did you or your club take action?
4. What was your impact and what evidence supports this?
5. What do you want your audience to know or do?

For more information on this campaign, go to this link: <http://www.rotaryleader-en.org/rotaryleader-en/en201801?pg=3#pg3>

January 18 Speaker: (continued from front)

Rebecca said in the 1970's to 90's, most marriage counselors and parts of culture started to view a married couple as two equals. Even today, however, large parts of American culture still believe in the patriarchal marriage. If one believes society is changing too fast, then it might be comforting that a large part of it still holds the same view on marriage equality as was common 100 years ago.

Happy Dollars 2017-18:

\$2377



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

(20,943 Children Immunized)

**All Proceeds go towards
Polio Eradication.**

Service Quotation

**"DO WHAT YOU CAN TO
SHOW THAT YOU CARE
ABOUT OTHER PEOPLE AND
YOU WILL MAKE OUR WORLD
A BETTER PLACE"**

**- Rosalynn Carter, First Lady of
the United States from 1977 to
1981**

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Rotary Celebrations

Birthday:

Olive Padden	1/27
Jim Leming	1/28
Putty Willets	2/6

Member Anniversary:

Gladys Snively	1/31 (21 yrs)
Ray Hopkins	2/1 (12 yrs)

Wedding Anniversary:

Gladys Snively	1/29
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PEANUT BUTTER DAY!

**When: Every 1st Thursday of the
month**



Please bring a jar of peanut butter to every first Thursday meeting. Cathy Darrell will transport our donations to CityTeam.