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

March 8, 2018



March is Water and Sanitation Month

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

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Today's Program:

Flutist Audrey Emata

Table Grace

Lord, we thank you for the privilege of working in this favored community in your service for the sake of country and humanity. Grant us the assurance that no blessing will ever be withheld from us if we do justly and walk humbly in your sight. We thank you for our association in Rotary. Strengthen us for each day, as it unfolds, to do your will. In your name, we pray. Amen.

Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Christian

Coming Programs & Events

(All meetings at The Inn unless otherwise noted)

March 15: Swarthmore Professor Tyrene White: Disaster: Politics & Policy

March 22: Beth Murray: Swarthmore Centennial Foundation's visioning report

March 29: Anita Barrett, Swarthmore Town Center Coordinator

April 20 - 22: District Conference (see pg. 2)

April 22: Tree Planting at Bob White Park in King of Prussia (see pg 2)

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

June 24-27: RI Convention, Toronto

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

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Last Week's Speaker: **Dr. Bronwyn L. Martin** By Barbara Amstutz

The Rotary Club of Swarthmore is an integral part of District 7450 and when combined with partner Rotarians in the United States and abroad, we create an unparalleled force together to "Do Good in the World," as expressed by Bronwyn L Martin, District Foundation Chair, our luncheon speaker.

The District 7450 Foundation Committee is made up of Annual Funds, District Grants, Peace, Polio, Global Grants, and Endowment subcommittees. They have given out \$42,000 in the last few months from Annual Fund donations that provided winter coats to elementary students and life-saving respirators to premature babies in Brazil. For example, Bronwyn stressed the successes achieved by the most recent global grant of Swarthmore Rotary and The Rotary Foundation

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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:

2018 District Conference - April 20-22



The theme for our 2018 District 7450 Conference is ***Hop on the Whistle Stop Tour!*** We will have a 3-day District Conference that will visit 3 different areas in our District with lots of activities planned.

On Friday, April 20, 2018, we will kick off the District Conference with the **2nd Annual SASY Awards** at the Springfield Country Club. The District will be recognizing Rotarians and Rotary Clubs for their service from the years 2016-2018.

Join us for the **District Conference Program** on Saturday, April 21, 2018 at the Doubletree by Hilton Philadelphia-Valley Forge. The day will include, breakfast, lunch, educational sessions, a House of Friendship, networking, and more. **Paul Harris will open the Saturday Session!** We hope to see you there and that you will stay for the happy hour where we will celebrate our amazing year of service, friendship and fun!

The conference program on Saturday will offer dynamic speakers. Highlights include, **David Forward** will speak about the Rotary International Peace Centers, **Carol Metzker** and **Ann Marie Jones**, a local survivor of human trafficking, will discuss strategies for protecting kids, 4 Way Test contest speeches, and much more.

On Sunday, April 22, 2018 we will celebrate Earth Day! The day will begin with a brunch at the Great American Pub in Conshohocken from 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM. After brunch, we're hosting a **Service Project** at Bob White Park in King of Prussia where we will plant at least 80 trees and contribute to Rotary International President Ian Riseley's goal of planting 1.2 million trees during his year!

April 22nd Rotary Tree Planting

1:00-5:00 PM—Bob White Park, King of Prussia

This will be a fun community event and help us meet our challenge of planting 1.2 million new trees during this Rotary year. For those attending under the age of 18, please have your parent or guardian sign the attached consent form to bring with you. If you have any questions, please contact: Doug Klepfer, douglasdpm@comcast.net; Cell: 610-256-0760



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for the purchase of fillings, teeth cleanings, a dental chair and a generator for the Cite Soleil clinic in Haiti. She encouraged us to give generously to the District Foundation's annual fund because any contributions from Swarthmore Rotary are then paid back to us for special projects like the Haiti dental clinic.

In addition, Bronwyn discussed other major Rotary partner initiatives such as the End Polio Now Campaign, which has helped immunize more than 2.5 billion children against polio in 122 countries and reduced polio cases by 99.9 percent worldwide. Two local initiatives in District 7450 with World Soccer and the Phillies are now underway to support this polio campaign. She expressed special appreciation and recognition of Swarthmore Rotarian, Perri Evanson, for her generous contributions on behalf of the Paul Harris Fellow program for Advanced Study in conflict resolution and peace.

Happy Dollars 2017-18:

\$2839



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

Service Quotation

**"MORE POWERFUL THAN
ALL THE ARMIES OF THE
WORLD IS AN IDEA WHOSE
TIME HAS COME"**

- Victor Hugo, (1802-1885)



Rotary Celebrations

Birthday:

Dave Welsh 3/13

Member Anniversary:

Rich Shimko 3/10 (4 years)

Wedding Anniversary:

None

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.