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

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April is Maternal and Child Health Month

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Today's Program:

Cheryl Colleluori, Nick's Mom and President of the Headstrong Foundation – a "HOME away from HOME for families fighting cancer.

Table Grace

Thank you, Lord of the universe, for the promise of another season of growth and abundance in this fair land. We receive so much from your bountiful hand. Make us faithful stewards of this good earth and watchful guardians of its plenty. As we receive, now, the blessings of this hour, make us truly grateful. Amen.

Frederick E. Christian

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Last Week's Speaker:

Ed Jones

By Richard Shimko

Ed Jones did not want to sit for his talk. You might think that since Rotary's celebration of his 100th birthday was the first of six such parties he would be attending, he might be justified in giving his talk sitting down. In fact, in spite of considerable pressure to do so from several friends during lunch, Ed always responded "I'm going to speak standing up". And so he did. After half an hour of speaking, Ed seemed disappointed when he was told time was up, since he had only gotten to the 1970's. Some highlights of his talk included that Ed was born across the street from the



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Coming Programs & Events

(All meetings at The Inn unless otherwise noted)

April 26: David Komarnicki, author of *Five Stars in the Window* will talk about bustling Chester, PA, during WWII when his family displayed five stars in their window representing their five family members who were off serving their country.

May 3: David Smith will speak about the upcoming PBS Special "*The Power to Heal: Transforming American's Segregated Hospitals*" narrated by Danny Glover (based on David's research).

May 24: Cello students of Amy Sue Barston

(Please see page 2 for Coming Events)

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:

Donna Kay Jones (Ed's wife), Francy Cross (District), Nancy Jonaitis (friend of Ed), Sandra Nickson (prospective member), Zu Detain (prospective member).

Celebrating a Century of Service and a Life Well-lived !!

By Joy Charlton; Photos thanks to Gudmund Iversen



In addition to birthday cake and flowers, Ed was feted with a personal letter of best wishes from the President of Rotary International, Ian Risely; a card and a letter from Swarthmore Rotarians announcing a gift in his name to the Swarthmore Rotary Charitable Trust which Ed helped to create; many delightful expressions of best wishes from Rotarians in attendance; \$400 in Happy Dollars donated in his honor with a promise to match from Dave Welsh; and the opportunity for us to listen as Ed regaled us with stories from his life. The room was filled with warmth, respect, and admiration for our centenarian.



Happy Dollars 2017-18:

\$3,263



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

(21,330 Children Immunized)
**All Proceeds go towards
Polio Eradication.**

Service Quotation

**"THE BREEZE, THE TREES,
THE HONEY BEES.....ALL
VOLUNTEERS!"**

- Author Unknown



Rotary Celebrations

Birthday:

Susan Larson 4/22

Member Anniversary:

Art Baker 4/23 (14 years)

Wedding Anniversary:

None



April 20 - 22: District Conference (4/20: Sasy Awards)

April 22: Tree Planting at Bob White Park in King of Prussia (following lunch at the District Conference).

April 27: **World of Work**, SRS / Boro; 8:45 - 11:00

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

May 5: Adopt-a-Highway, Yale Ave. at the dam, 9-10 a.m.

May 20: **Charity Fun Fair!**

June 14: No meeting

June 15: installation Dinner, the Inn

June 24-27: RI Convention, Toronto

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Pennsylvania Military College (PMC, now Widener). He had an entrepreneurial flair even as a child since he told about buying goods such as candy for resell at a profit to the cadets at PMC. This characteristic continued when he co-founded a bank (what later became First Keystone) the year he graduated from Swarthmore College. It would have been interesting to hear Ed speak on any number of topics: his time on the Nuremberg War Trials, Swarthmore politics over the years, his term at the PA General Assembly. These stories were not to be told at this birthday celebration. However, I am definitely hoping to hear more of Ed's stories.

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.