

Swarthmore Rotary Cog Notes



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Service Quotation

Love builds up and unites; hate tears down and destroys. The aftermath of the 'fight with fire' method...is bitterness and chaos, the aftermath of the love method is reconciliation and creation of the beloved community...Yes, love which means goodwill, even for one's enemies-is the solution Martin Luther King, Jr.

Rotary Celebrations!

Birthdays

Betty Ann A. Flynn November 16th

Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding Anniversaries Found

Meetings and Events

November

12th - Meeting

Speaker: Deborah Bronk, PhD, President and CEO, Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences

Subject: Climate Change Research in Antarctica

19th - Meeting

Speaker: John Caskey, Professor, Economics, Swarthmore College Subject: Why is Chester, PA so Poor - New Publication and Research

26th - Meeting

Speaker: Thanksgiving Holiday

Table Grace

By Frederick E. Christian

Almighty God, by your providence we live and work and from your hand we receive those things we most need. We thank you. Instruct us here, through Rotary, to return a measure of the enrichment we receive that others may be blessed through us, In your name. Amen.

4 Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Last Meeting Summary

Liv Elicher of the Brandywine Conservancy and Museum of Art told us how the Museum has fared during the pandemic. Like most organizations, the Museum has had to reimagine how it interacts with the public. It was closed for three and a half months in the Spring. After reopening, it has limited attendance. The Museum adapted by offering online tours and lectures, giving classes on how to do crafts and expanding their gift shop online. They are even offering online nature walks. The reopened Museum has put in place a number of safety policies. Tickets must be purchased in advance of attendance. This limits the number of visitors at any one time. Visitors must wear masks and practice social distancing. The Museum is sanitizing more often and more thoroughly. The staff is temperature checked frequently.

Liv said there have been some positive developments from the pandemic. It has seen more visitors, now mostly online. Because visitors don't have to travel to the Museum, the visitors come from a bigger geographical area. It is easier for disabled persons to participate in activities. Lectures and workshops are more heavily attended.

The biggest problem caused by the pandemic is maintaining funding. The Museum had to cancel their annual fundraising event. Liv said they have managed to retain their full-time staff.

As discussed in the information below from the Museum website, there is a lot going on at the

Years of Service

Hillard Pouncy 11-18-2005 15 Years

Happy Dollars

pledge \$1352

2020-21 Happy Dollars for Polio Plus Fund (\$3 to fully protect one child)

> 2019-20 total: \$3355 2018-19 total: \$3,845 2017-18 total: \$4,515

Guests Last Meeting

Shirley Mitrovitz (SSCA)

Museum and online for us to do.

Upcoming Events at the Brandywine Museum

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE BRANDYWINE MUSEUM

From www.brandywine.org

STUDIO SPOTLIGHT: RANDALL GRAHAM

Sunday, November 15, 2020

Join award-winning painter Randall Graham on Zoom for an in-depth demonstration of his oil painting techniques and careful use of color.

VIRTUAL GALLERY TALK WITH VICTORIA WYETH: FAMILY FOCUS

Monday, November 16, 2020, Tuesday, November 17

Join Victoria Wyeth as she shares her uniquely personal perspectives on the art of her grandfather, Andrew Wyeth (1917-2009).

SENSORY-FRIENDLY ACCESS HOUR: BRANDYWINE RAILROAD

Friday, November 20, 2020, Friday, December 18

Individuals on the autism spectrum or with sensory processing disorder and their families are invited to join us for after-hours access to the Museum's Brandywine Railroad.

HOLIDAY CRITTER SALE

Wednesday, December 2, 2020 to Sunday, December 6, 2020

Featuring ornaments made from all-natural materials by Brandywine volunteers.

THE POLAR EXPRESS VIRTUAL READ-ALOUD

Thursday, December 3, 2020

All Aboard for an evening of fun! Join Brandywine Education staff for a virtual trip on "The Polar Express".

VIRTUAL GALLERY TALK WITH VICTORIA WYETH: WINTER LIGHT

Monday, December 14, 2020, Tuesday, December 15

Join Victoria Wyeth as she shares her uniquely personal perspectives on the art of her grandfather, Andrew Wyeth (1917-2009).

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