

Ambler Rotary Wheel 2017-2018



The Rotary Club of Ambler

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JULY 19TH MEETING:

Past President Cary Fleisher opened today's meeting and then sang "God Bless America." Diane Schueler gave our invocation today.

VISITORS / GUESTS:

We had 1 visiting Rotarian today: **Jim Auch** from the Glenside club. We also had 3 other visitors: **Jim Ries** (former Ambler Rotarian) and **Joe Chevalier, Joseph DeTato and Scott French**. Jim and Joe Chevalier are applying for membership

COMMUNITY IN CELEBRATION (HAPPY DOLLARS):

Cary Fleisher: Happily vowing (with \$5) never to stand in again as meeting Leader

Bob King: Suggesting to us all we should lip sync and let the DeTato's sing!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Cary asked us to mark our calendars for September 13th for our annual picnic at his and wife **Kate Harper's** house. The picnic will run from 5-9 P.M.

Cary mentioned the **33rd Annual "Strike Out for Hunger" Night at the Phillies is Friday, August 11, at Citizens Bank Park at 7:05pm when the Phillies take on the NY Mets**. The club will get \$10 for each ticket purchased. All attending the game please bring non-perishable food items which will be collected at the gate for distribution to local food banks. **Rotary International President Ian Riseley will be in attendance!**

Cary reminded us of a new flip chart easel that will be in our meetings for us to write down ideas for service projects. **WE NEED SERVICE PROJEC IDEAS!**



Diane Scheuler discussed a service project. Interfaith of Ambler is running a summer food drive to provide lunches to school aged kids that get fed lunch at school during the academic year. **Items we can donate at next weeks meeting include: Peanut Butter, Jelly, Canned fruit, Mayo, Ketchup, and Salad dressing**

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

- Club picnic - Wednesday September 13 - no luncheon meeting
- Oktoberfest - Saturday October 7 - 11:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.
- End Hunger Food Packaging - Saturday October 21
- Lower Gwynedd Veterans Day Observance Saturday November 11
- Thanksgiving Food Drive - dates to be determined
- Holiday Dinner - Wednesday December 20 - no luncheon meeting
- Toys for Tots in conjunction with Holiday Dinner
- Spring Fling Gala - Saturday April 7 at OYRCC
- Change-over Dinner - Wednesday June 27 - no luncheon meeting

PROGRAM:

Rich Myers, one of our volunteers involved with the Haiti Water Project introduced **Scott French**, the Project Coordinator, to discuss the project.





Scott started by telling us that 80% of illnesses in developing countries are linked to water and sanitation conditions. In Haiti, 40% of people lack access to clean water. First Presbyterian Church of Ambler had a partnership with a Church in Ducos Haiti, so with the help of others they decided to help provide clean water to Ducos.

The training started for the volunteers in 2015 at Clean Water U in Mississippi with the volunteer team heading down to Ducos in March of 2016 to assess the area. The project involved installing both a cistern and a water building where they housed the water cleaning apparatus. In August of 2016 contracts were signed to detail what this project would accomplish. In November 2016 the project was finally finished.

Scott then detailed how the process works. Dirty water is purchased for the cistern at a price of about 1cent per gallon. Water is then sold in 5-gallon containers, which is expected to last a family of 5 for 2 or 3 days. The community was carefully taught the appropriate use of the water to ensure hygiene and health amongst the citizens.

Scott mentioned that other positive outcomes from the project entailed buying and installing solar panels. Electricity is hard to come by in Ducos, and this ensured a cost effective energy source. The volunteers also provided a school ceiling and lights for the school.

Scott finished by telling us a return visit is planned in August of 2017 to ensure all is working well and he thanked the Rotary for its contribution to this project.

50/50

Jim Auch was the winner of a free lunch and a white tee. Next week's jackpot will be in excess of \$75. There were **50** white tees and 1 red tee.



UPCOMING PROGRAMS: (Chair, Clint Ehlers) OK, who do you know that you can invite to speak to us? Do you know any and let him know about it. Remember that our programs are a vital part of each weekly meeting. We prefer that we don't have sales presentations. Call Clint at 310-985-1105.

JULY

26 - Marilyn Hershey - Dairy Farmer

AUGUST

2 - Kenneth Lawson - Chief of Police, Whitpain Township

9 - Anna Daly, Rotary Youth Exchange experience

16 -

23 - District Governor Rick Gromis visit with the RCA

30 -

SEPTEMBER

6 -

13 - Richard Spector - MovieHouse Productions (movie nostalgia)

20 - Dan Ritter - Rotary International Conference update

27 - Gail Farmer - Executive Director, Wissahickon Valley Watershed Association

OCTOBER

4 -

11 -

18 -

25 -

ASSIGNMENTS: (Chair, Arlene Daniels)

Remember that if you can't fulfill your service obligation, please provide a suitable substitute and call [Arlene at 215-219-7620](tel:215-219-7620) to let her know or deal with...

Set-up
Take-Down

Invocation

50/50

Greeters

JULY

26 - Ries

Pinder

Fanini

Albright / Jablov

AUGUST

2 - Urban

DeTato

Kline

Satterly / McGee

9 - DuPlat

Frank

Geraldino

Daniels / Murphy

16 - O'Brien

Schueler

Parkinson

Gerhard / Swansen

23 - Phillips

Target

Cella

Snyder / Faddis

30 - King

Kadel

Greenbaum

Myers / Sandler

SEPTEMBER

6 - Lightkep

Satterly

Fleisher

Fanini / deSousa

13 - Marinucci

Heffernen

Braunewell

DeTato / Ehlers

20 - Fleisher

Ames

Ritter

Arya / Daniels

27 - Booth

O'Brien

Faddis

Cella /Wenckus

ROTARY DISTRICT 7430 STUFF:

Upcoming Events:

- [President Elects PETS Training dates/Materials](#) Aug 01, 2016 - Jul 30, 2017
- [DG Visit Doylestown](#) Doylestown Country Club Jul 19, 2017 5:30 PM
- [Phillies Strike - Out Hunger](#) Aug 11, 2017 7:56 PM
- [DG Visit Perkasio](#) JT Bankers Aug 17, 2017 6:30 PM
- [RLI in D7430](#) Sep 16, 2017
- [Rotary Foundation Seminar](#) Nov 04, 2017
- [Rotary UN Day](#) Nov 12, 2017

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL STUFF:



Rotary President-elect Sam F. Owori dies

Sam F. Owori, Rotary International president-elect, died unexpectedly Thursday as a result of post-operative complications from a planned surgery. Sam was a member of the Rotary Club of Kampala, Uganda, for 38 years. "Please remember Sam as the outstanding, hard-working Rotarian he was," said Rotary International President Ian Riseley. "In this difficult time, I ask you to keep his wife, the Owori family, and Sam's millions of friends around the world in your thoughts."

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