



CLUB ASSEMBLY

Last Week

Our guest was Dennis E. Frye, chief historian at Harpers Ferry National Historical Park, who pinch-hit for his traveling boss, Rebecca Harriet, the park's superintendent.

Frye began by talking about his special interest, the American Civil War, and then recounted a bit of the park's own history and development. Harpers Ferry is becoming more of a weekend destination than a day trip, and the park is accommodating this burgeoning public interest with expanded internal bus service and other improvements. This enrichment is good for efficient park management, good for visitors, and good for our local economy.

Frye discussed the importance of historic preservation, of studying human history, and of making history real for people. In particular, the Harpers Ferry park plays an essential role in educating American students through park visits, providing supplemental lessons that meet specific content standards for history curriculums in four states and the District of Columbia.

Frye answered a few questions after his talk, including one about the prospect of a visitors center at the Shepherdstown Battlefield. He considers it historically significant, and confirmed that such a center would be a low-impact way to enhance the site, generating interest in history and preservation as well as economic activity.

Club News

Rob Northrup announced that the Tuxedo Junction event will be held on May 7. This year's theme is New York in the twenties and titled "A Night at the Savoy."

Phil Coffey announced that the Care-giver's Golf Tournament will be on May

10. The tournament is dedicated to the memory of **Meade** Dorsey. Sponsors and players are needed.

Holly Frye announced that Lindy Ybarra, president of Rotaract received a special award from Homeland Security for her help during this year's blizzards. **Holly** also announced that the Potato Project yielded 42,200 pounds of potatoes that were divided among 17 agencies.

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Erwin Asam won some lunch money.

Visitors

Anna Boh, Rotaract member and newly elected vice president of the Shepherd University student government, was **Lisa** Welch's guest; **Libby** Howard accompanied husband, **Bill**; new member **Jen** Peterson brought her father **Jim** Peterson; and **Lindy** Ybarra, Rotaract president, was **Paul** Kradel's guest.

Special Days

Birthdays this week are **Jimmy** Powell on the 6th and **Guy** Frank on the 9th; **Julie** and **Joe** Siler celebrate their anniversary on the 10th. Best wishes all!

Upcoming Programs

May

11 **Amy** Owen, Executive Director, Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation

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Amy Owen, Executive Director

Today

Since 2001, Amy Owen has been the executive director of the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation. She also serves on the statewide board of the West Virginia Grantmakers Association. Today she'll be reviewing charitable giving data for our region, our state, and our nation, and discussing the work and mission of EWVCF and some of the core needs in our community.

Owen and her husband and two daughters moved from Colorado to West Virginia's Eastern Panhandle in 1985. It was a homecoming of sorts since some of Owen's ancestors, the Revolutionary War patriot Abraham Ellis and his wife, Catherine, built a home in 1780 that stands today in Berkeley County's Back Creek Valley.

Owen graduated from the University of Alabama and received her master's degree from West Virginia University. Most of her professional career has been in non-profit management and fund raising.

Last Week

...was Club Assembly.

Club News

Phil Coffey and Karen Kinnett reminded the club about the Caregivers Golf Tournament Friday, May 7, at Cress Creek.

Chris Horowicz announced the Freedom's Runners Walk/Run, also on Friday, May 7, followed by a discussion and book signing by Chris McDougal, author of *Barefoot Running*, at Mellow Moods.

Rob Northrup reminded the club about

Tuxedo Junction, the annual "Friends of Music" benefit...you guessed it...on Friday, May 7.

Curt Mason announced that Doug Perks will be speaking at The Men's Club on Monday, May 10, at 7:00 p.m.

Please mark your calendar for our June 12, "Working Picnic" at Rumsey Park. We will be preparing for our July 4th Community Picnic. Wear work clothes and bring your yard tools. The fun starts at 9:00 a.m.!

May 14 - 16 is the annual district conference at Raystown Lake. Our Club has been recognized for exceptional leadership for both the World Affairs Seminar and our Rotaract sponsorship and will be presenting project overviews at the conference. Paul Woods and George Alwin will be among those representing our club.

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Regular Rob Hoxton drew his own winning ticket: #604!

Visitors

John Tigert, a fellow Rotarian, from Port Angeles Washington.

Nicole Saunders-Meske, the vice chair of the Jefferson County Arts and Humanities Alliance was the returning guest of Rob Hoxton.

George Alwin, introduced his Rotaract mentee, Alicia Doepp. Also joining from Rotaract was Julio Ferrreis, mentee of Rick Caruso.

Special Days

Happy Anniversary to Peter and Victoria Smith this very day!

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Jane Tabb, WVU Extension Program Assistant

Today

Jane Tabb, WVU Extension Jefferson County program assistant, and Jeremy Horvat, 4-H youth agent and instructor, will be speaking to us about Energy Express.

Energy Express is a six-week summer reading and nutrition program for elementary-school-aged children. The program has documented success in maintaining and improving children's reading skills, which typically decline over the summer, and it provides a nutritious breakfast and lunch.

Staffed by a site supervisor, AmeriCorps mentors, and a community coordinator, Energy Express falls under the administration of the 4-H program. Jefferson County has offered Energy Express for over 15 years and Tabb has written the grant and managed the program for the last two. In the past, 40 students have been served per session and Tabb hopes to expand to 64 students this year.

The rest of the year, Tabb assists the three extension service agents in Agriculture, 4-H, and Families and Health with their programs and project implementation. Jeremy Horvat is an experienced teacher who earned his master's from Duquesne University in Pittsburgh. He has also studied intervention at the graduate level and has worked as a crisis aide and intervention specialist.

Last Week

Amy Owen, a fellow Rotarian and past Charles Town club president joined us. Owen is the executive director of the Eastern West Virginia Community Founda-

tion and serves on the statewide board of the West Virginia Grantmakers Association.

Owen spoke on the state of philanthropy in the Eastern Panhandle and reviewed the data associated with a 2007 study focusing on charitable giving in our region. She explained that this area is lacking a culture of charitable giving and that there are few family foundations. The study also revealed that there is a philanthropic divide in West Virginia. The available money doesn't tend to flow to our region, when we unfortunately have significant needs in our community.

The purpose of the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation is to help build local endowment funds that support scholarships and grants for our community members. Owen encouraged Rotarians to join West Virginia Grantmakers and to become involved in strong nonprofits; they enrich the community we live in. She suggested that business owners and corporations set an annual giving budget.

Club News

Carl Moore announced the working picnic, scheduled for June 12 at Rumsey Park, 9 a.m. Please bring yard tools and wear work clothes; we will be weeding and trimming to prepare for the July 4th Community Picnic. Hotdogs and hamburgers will be provided for lunch to all workers.

The Community Picnic on July 4th will be held from 3 to 8 p.m. at Rumsey Park. The parade will begin at 3 p.m., organized by Dr. Dave Miljour. Volunteers are still needed to help with food.

Monica Lockett asked for volunteers to

help with the Mock Interview Day at Jefferson High, to be held on May 25. The morning session is from 8:30 to 11 a.m. and the afternoon session is from 1 to 3 p.m. Please sign up on the sheet that will be circulated.

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The first number to be drawn, 616, produced no winner. Julie Siler was the lucky winner of the second draw with 621.

Visitors

Brian Erickson introduced his Rotaract mentee, Rachel.

Special Days

Happy Birthday to Julie Siler on May 23!

Jack and Kathy Berkley celebrate their anniversary on May 19, and Tom and Ann Trumble celebrate on the 21st. Happy Anniversary!

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JEFFERSON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Today

Our speaker Thomas (Tom) Bayuzik (pronounced bay-you-zick) was appointed executive director of the Jefferson County Development Authority in May 2009 and is here to discuss economic development for Jefferson County.

Bayuzik has worked in many communities throughout western Pennsylvania including DuBois, Oil City, Indiana, and returned to his native Pittsburgh in 1999 to serve as the director of the Mayors Office of Economic Development for former mayor Tom Murphy, whose administration spearheaded over \$4 billion worth of public-private investment in the city's on-going transformation.

Bayuzik is a member of the Jefferson County Farmland Protection Board, a member of West-PEP (Western Potomac Economic Partnership), the four county economic development partnership consisting of Jefferson, Berkeley, Morgan and Hampshire Counties, the West Virginia Economic Development Council and the International Economic Development Council. Bayuzik will graduate from Leadership Jefferson next month.

Bayuzik and his wife Jennifer, a Speech Pathologist at T.A. Lowery Elementary, live in Maddex Farm with their three daughters.

Last Week

Jane Tabb, program assistant for the Jefferson County WVU Extension, joined us to discuss Energy Express, a six-week summer reading and nutrition program to be held at Ranson Elementary. Tabb explained that this summer Energy Express will provide an opportunity for Ame-

ricorp volunteers to help 48 students in grades one through six improve their reading skills. The program, which is available only to Title One schools, also provides the students with family-style breakfast and lunch and a weekly take-home book.

Tabb discussed how the program has enriched the lives of students at Ranson Elementary through reading, art, and drama for the past 15 years, thanks to federal and state grants as well as local donations. She encouraged Rotarians to make donations through the Sponsor-a-Child program by making checks payable to the Jefferson County 4-H Foundation. She also encouraged Rotarians to volunteer to do one-on-one reading with Energy Express students by calling Ranson Elementary between June 10 and July 30, 2010.

In addition, Tabb announced two other WVU Extension-sponsored events: Dining with Diabetes, an educational program for those with diabetes and their spouses; and Farm Day, a free family program offered on June 19, 2010.

Club News

George Alwin announced that our Rotaract's presentation to District 7350 Annual Conference was the highlight of the day!

Dr. **Rob** Northrup, standing in for **Paul** Woods, announced that his overview of our World Affairs Seminar to the District Conference attendees was also extremely well received, with several clubs looking for guidance on how to replicate our long-standing success with this program.

Gary Heichel sent around a sign-up sheet for a potluck dinner to be held on Friday, July 16, at Doug and **Karen** Kinnett's house followed by the Contempo-

rary American Theater Festival's production of "Inana."

Look for an e-mail from **Catherine** Irwin inviting you to a free conference on June 5, 2010, from 9:30 a.m. til 2:30 p.m. where people from West Virginia Northern Brownfields Assistance Center will discuss the possible expansion of the library using the former town dump site.

Monica Lockett asked for volunteers to help with the afternoon session of the Mock Interview Day at Jefferson High, 11:45 a.m. til 2 p.m., May 25, 2010.

Paul Pritchard announced a Martinsburg City Club program, featuring Rebecca Massie Lane, executive director of the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts, to discuss the success of the Hagerstown museum and to open a forum to consider a museum in Martinsburg. The presentation will be at the Boydville Historic Mansion on May 19, 2010, at 12 noon.

Carl Moore reminded us of the working picnic beginning at 9 a.m. on June 12 at Rumsey Park. Bring your yard tools in tow. Lunch will be provided. Carl is also seeking corporate sponsors for the July 4 Celebration.

Last but not least, **Phil** Coffey surprised everyone by declaring that he had no announcements.

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Richard Klein won some change for his piggy bank with his winning ticket: #635.

Special Days

Happy Anniversary to **Lisa** and Paul Welch, May 28; and **Fred** and Sarah Soltow, May 30. Happy Birthday to **David** Miljour, May 30.