



## Last Week

Fourteen members braved the elements!

## The Week Before That

Our guest speaker, Dr. Stephen Guice, deputy director of the Office of Press and Public Diplomacy, U. S. State Department, discussed public diplomacy in Afghanistan, one of eleven countries in south and central Asia that he oversees. He focused on building relationships as a long-term commitment to strengthen and encourage growth and development in Afghanistan. It was staggering and positive to learn from him that 66 percent of the Afghan population is under the age of 25, and that the majority of these young people want to experience a different life than that of their parents. The U.S. is mentoring this new Afghanistan, with its multi-fragmented government, meager army, and young population, by helping the country to improve economic development and transform its identity on the world stage and its perception by other nations.

New U.S. public diplomacy initiatives include road construction to aid transportation and improve local trade; encouraging mobile phone users and radio stations that place authentic Afghan voices on the air;

and establishing "link and learn" centers to assist students, especially women, in improving their education through the use of computers and the English language. The U.S. has also assisted in archaeology and restoration of ancient architecture and artifacts that have been damaged by warfare.

## Club News

We were happy to welcome back Curt Mason!

Last count, Team Rotary had raised \$200 for the April 15 Relay for Life, with \$2,300 more to go. We hope today we'll get a report about the fundraising Oscar Party that was held on Sunday, February 27, at the Opera House. Contact Heather Hovermale or Lisa Welch with your questions about the relay.

Remember to sign up for Rotary Theater Night on March 9. The ticket price (\$19) covers heavy hors d'oeuvres at 5:45 p.m. at the Press Room (cash bar), followed by a movie (to be determined) at the Shepherdstown Opera House at 7 p.m. Please sign up for this enjoyable evening. Direct questions to Dick Klein.

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each meal accompanied by a discussion by Christian and David Asam. Tickets are \$65 per person. Proceeds will benefit scholarships for Rotaract students at Shepherd University.

Tom Trumble reminded us to pick up Peace Art cards for \$10 per box.

George Alwin traveled to Mount Vernon for the unveiling of George Washington's ceremonial Masonic apron given to President George Washington by General Lafayette of France. The apron is owned by Mt. Nebo Lodge #91 in Shepherdstown and was loaned to the museum for its Washington's birthday celebration on February 22.

## Visitors

Monica Lockett introduced three guests: Bob Lowe, a retired pharmacist and Shepherdstown resident in Cress Creek; James McNeel, director of CATF marketing and development, who joined us to promote the festival's February 25 Season Teaser; and the Rev. G. T. Schramm, rector of Trinity Episcopal Church and recent Rotary Paul Harris Award recipient.

## 50-50

Winner Monica Lockett will use her windfall from the 15th for lunch money!

Last week, Bill Howard doubled his investment with a snow day win. Figure out how many played!

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## Visitors

Our six Rotaract students complemented our assembly.

## 50-50

Michele King was the 50-50 winner and kindly donated her winnings back to the club.

## Special Days

A belated birthday wish goes out to Dale Homan. His birthday was March 3. March 9 will be Jack Berkeley's birthday. Many happy returns!

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## Dues

### Semiannual Assessment

Club dues	\$ 37.50
International dues	25.00
District dues	15.00
Rotarian magazine	6.00
D&O / EPL insurance	.11

Subtotal \$83.61

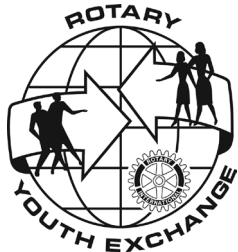
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### Visitors

Dick Foote, a Rotary member from Cape Cod, Maine, and Juanita Falaza were guests.

### 50-50

Our guest Dick Foote was the winner.

### Special Days

No birthdays or anniversaries this week.

### Riverfront

#### Revitalization Update

Our web site will go public Friday – March 18th. You can find the site at [www.ourwaterfront.org](http://www.ourwaterfront.org).

There will be a public meeting specifically for residents of Shepherdstown on Wednesday, April 6 at 7 P.M. at the Train Station.

We encourage Rotarians, especially residents, to attend. Our hope is that all attendees will review the available material so that we can spend our time mostly in discussions rather than just in briefings. There will be announcement in this week's Chronicle. Thanks for your support.

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## Relay for Life at Shepherd University Lindy Ybarra, Chair

### This Week

Our speaker this morning is Lindy Ybarra, a senior at Shepherd University, graduating in May with a business management degree. For Relay For Life of Shepherd U. she has been the education chair, assistant to faculty advisor, co-chair and currently the head chair of the event. She will be talking about what it takes to be a contributor to find a cure for cancer and also how to become a corporate sponsor.

### Last Week

Club member **Peter** Corum spoke on his vision for developing a "Morgan's Grove Market." As background to his presentation, Peter reflected on the national and state financial crises, which have pulled a "curtain of despair" across the economy. But opportunity is still behind that curtain, and innovative ideas like the market can help rescue it.

The market will "provide local citizens a creative economy that is environmentally sustainable." The goals of the market and affiliated enterprises are to end hunger in the area, build "off the grid" affordable housing costing \$20,000 or less per unit, and find the next local "rock star" ( i.e., successful idea or entrepreneur ) .

These goals will be achieved collaboratively with the market serving as: a point of aggregation and distribution of locally produced food; a forum for educating local citizens about health and fitness; a place for local artists to work, promote, and sell their creations; a barrier-free entry point into the economy for entrepreneurs and their business ideas; and an economic platform for nonprofit and for-profit organizations to flourish. The "prime directive" of the market is to provide an economic outlet for anything made or grown in the USA.

The market will be open every Saturday from May through September from 8 a.m. until 12 noon. It will feature live music, public fitness events led by the Shepherd University Wellness Center, a marketplace for fresh food and produce, baked goods, arts and crafts, and a petting zoo and rides for children. The market area will include vehicle parking; private garden spaces, at \$20 for a 10' x 10' plot; and vendor booths, at \$20 for a 10' x 10' booth. Unsold produce from vendors will be donated to the Jefferson County Community Ministries.

### Club News

**Craig** Winkel reinducted charter member The Rev. Dr. George T. (**G. T.**) Schramm, rector of Trinity Episcopal Church. Welcome "home," G. T. Great to have you back.

Visiting Rotarian Bill Bowen announced that Tuxedo Junction, the major fundraiser for the Friends of Music, will be held Friday, May 6, at the Bavarian Inn. The theme is "Give our Regards to Broadway." Sponsorships are available for individual tables. Contact [webmaster@bunkerhillantiques.com](mailto:webmaster@bunkerhillantiques.com) or call 304-229-0709 if you or your business can sponsor.

**Connie** Hammann reminded Rotarians that this spring's "Adopt-a-Highway" cleanup was to be held at 8 a.m., Saturday, March 26.

**Tom** Trumble advised that the Rotary Wine Tasting Dinner, to benefit a scholarship for a Rotaract student, was considered successful, with an attendance of 61.

**Lisa** Welch announced that the "Relay for Life" event, scheduled for April 15, is \$800 short of its \$2,500 goal. She thanked donors and walkers who are already subscribed, and encouraged Rotarians to contribute to the goal.

**Paul** Woods announced that a Group Study Exchange Team from the Ukraine will be guests of our club for two days. The Team consists of two men and two women, age 28 to 32, and a team leader. Paul solicits overnight accommodations for the team, and volunteers to connect members of the team with their professional interests. The team arrives Sunday, May 8, and departs Tuesday, May 10. Biographical information will be circulated.

### Visitors

**Monica** Lockett introduced Peter Corum's guests, Dawn Childs, with AmeriCorps who will be working on the Morgan Grove Market project, and Shepherd Ogden, the agricultural development officer for Jefferson County.

Monica also introduced Nancy Streetter and Judy Jeffares, of the Heritage Craft Center of the Eastern Panhandle, and Susan Ford Pritchard, owner of Washington Street Gallery in Charles Town, all guests of **Paul** Pritchard.

**Karen** Kinnett's guests were her husband, Doug Kinnett, and her mentee, Morgan Wisniewski, a Shepherd University junior majoring in fine arts.

### 50-50

Dawn Childs drew winning number 270, held by **Hank** Walter. Hank plans to give his vehicle a spring cleaning at "Whale of a Wash."

### Special Days

**Alex** Shaw has the birthday cake all to himself on March 31. Congratulations on your special day, Alex!