



THE HONORABLE DARRELL MCGRAW

ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

Our guest today is Darrell V. McGraw Jr. He will discuss the different divisions of our state's attorney general's office and the services it provides, mostly concentrating on the Consumer Affairs Division.

Judge McGraw is the son of the late Julia ZeKany McGraw and the late Darrell V. McGraw. He was born and reared in West Virginia, went to Berea Academy, was an honor graduate at the U.S. Army Leadership School, and attended West Virginia University, where he earned his bachelor's, master's, and juris doctorate degrees. At WVU he was also president of the student body and a post-graduate fellow/scholar funded by the Ford Foundation.

He was a general attorney for the federal government, counsel to Governor Hullett C. Smith, and counsel to the West Virginia Legislature. He has served on staff at WVU, as private counselor at law, and as justice and then chief justice of the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals. He was elected attorney general in 1992 and reelected in 1996, 2000, and 2004.

He and his wife, Dr. Jorea M. Marple have four children: Julia Elizabeth McGraw-Austin, Sarah Ruth Tyler McGraw-Plaster, Darrell II, and Elliotte Catherine ZeKany. He is a member of the United Methodist Church and Rotary.

Last Week

Paul Woods spoke about Kiva, a micro-lending program designed to assist the poor in developing countries.

The program's name derives from a Swahili word meaning "unity" or "agreement." The concept was based on an idea introduced by Dr. Muhammad Yunus who founded the Grameen Bank in Bangladesh in 1983 to make small loans to impoverished people who had no collateral and

no other access to credit. Paul explained that individuals contribute small or large sums of money that become part of a loan to persons who cannot get credit in the traditional manner, who then invest it in a small business such as raising chickens, goats, or cattle, or vending food.

The loan is paid with interest, which is reloaned to another client. Though it is not encouraged, the individual contributor can withdraw his or her contribution without the accrued interest. Paul explained that this lending program is a life-changing opportunity for many people in poor countries. He urged fellow Rotarians to participate in the program.

Announcements

Paul Woods opened his presentation about Kiva by first announcing that our club Website is upgraded and running. Thanks to all Rotarians who assisted in the project.

Chris Horowicz solicited assistance from fellow Rotarians to continue with the ambulatory equipment clean-up and assembly for Haitian earthquake victim relief. The clean-up will take place on Saturday, April 3, at 9:30 a.m. at the Midway Self-Storage facility at Files Crossroads and Route 45.

The annual spring highway clean-up (Adopt-A-Highway) will start at 8 a.m. on Saturday, April 10 from the Hoxton Agency parking lot. Volunteers need only contribute about an hour of their time for the effort.

Rob Northrup gave club members an update on the activities at the Hospital Albert Schweitzer in Haiti. The hospital is currently serving about 450,000 patients, 10 times more than the pre-earthquake service. Thus, the Rotary Club's contribution of over \$8,000 was most useful and

timely.

Christian Asam announced the solicitation of mentors for members of the Rotaract Club. Also, the wine ordered by Rotarians from the wine tasting event is now available.

Saturday, April 24, is the "Mystery Produce Drop" in front of Knutti Hall at Shepherd University at 7:00 a.m. This is our annual produce distribution initiative for local community food pantries donated from the Society of St. Andrews. Hundreds of students, local organizations, and community members will be onsite to bag, stack and load whatever produce is made available for distribution.

Visitors

Monica Lockett introduced the following visitors at this morning's Rotary breakfast: Rob Northrup Jr., guest of his father, Rob Northrup, Sr. Rob Jr. is a high school teacher of social studies in Solon, Ohio (near Cleveland). Austin Hovermale, guest of Chris Horowicz. Austin is an associate attorney with Steptoe & Johnson, PLLC, Martinsburg.

Special Days

Dick and Kathy Klein celebrate their special day on April 10. Happy Anniversary!

Upcoming Programs

April

- 13 Capt. Mike Ryan, Commanding Officer, Coast Guard Operations Systems
- 20 Club Assembly make-up date
- 27 Rebecca Harriett, Superintendent, Harpers Ferry National Historical Center, Martinsburg Park



U.S. COAST GUARD OPERATIONS SYSTEMS CENTER

CAPT. MICHAEL P. RYAN, COMMANDING OFFICER

Our guest today is Capt. Michael P. Ryan, commanding officer, U.S. Coast Guard Operations Systems Center (OSC), who will discuss the presence, capabilities, and community involvement of the Coast Guard in our Eastern Panhandle.

Captain Ryan assumed command of the OSC in Kearneysville, W.Va., in November 2008. He is responsible for software development and sustainment of over 60 enterprise information technology systems supporting the five strategic mission areas of the service, with a \$80M annual budget and over 500 personnel.

There are three major facilities in the Martinsburg region, all providing specialized service to the maritime community and the Coast Guard itself: merchant mariner credentialing, U.S. flagged vessel documentation, and information systems development). Captain Ryan will give us a brief overview of these commands, with an emphasis on the OSC.

Last Week

Mr. Darrell V. McGraw Jr., the attorney general of the State of West Virginia, discussed the work of his office.

The attorney general's office is the chief legal office for the State of West Virginia consisting of 80 lawyers and about 120 support staff. It represents all parts of the state and is the chief prosecutor for all criminal offenses. It also represents the Human Rights and Consumer Protection Divisions.

McGraw explained that in the course of a year, the Consumer Protection Division gets over 250,000 telephone calls, about 10,000 viable written complaints, and often has about 150 ongoing investigations. The attorney general's office also educates consumers against scams, fraud, and any other illegal practices the general public could fall victim to. Mediation for com-

plaints to avoid litigation is another function of McGraw's office.

The work product of the attorney general's office is estimated to be about \$2,000,000,000. The funds are distributed among various state projects. The financing of law enforcement, which is both time and resource consuming, takes a significant portion of this work product. Ninety-seven percent of the money is appropriated by the legislature and the remaining sum goes to individuals. For example, when the office won a case against a company for false and misleading advertisement of Oxycontin™, part of the money recovered was spent on the rehabilitation and other treatments of victims.

Club News

Paul Woods announced further updates to the club Website and explained that members who do not have a password or have forgotten it can access the site by going to "Member Login," entering your email address as listed on the Router, and clicking on "Forgot Password."

Tom Trumble announced that the wine tasting event raised \$2,100. The club is considering dividing the money between two Rotaract student scholarships of \$900 and \$1,200, based on an essay contest and community leadership.

Chris Horowicz thanked all club members who assisted with the ambulatory equipment assembly and loading for the Haiti earthquake victims. The final equipment tally was 581 crutches, 56 wheelchairs, 223 canes, and over 100 walkers.

The "Mystery Produce Drop" will take place in front of Knutti Hall at Shepherd University at 7 a.m. on April 24.

Lisa Welch solicited volunteers for the walk-a-thon to raise money for Relay for Life, April 16 at 4 p.m. The goal is \$1,000. Members may participate in the walk or

make donations.

Carl Moore announced that Paul Harris Fellows should have received, and returned, nomination forms for this year's Paul Harris Fellow selection.

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David Miljour had Brian Erickson's lucky number and his back, in chiropractor parlance, making a small adjustment to his bank account.

Visitors

Mike Thomas, field representative in charge of the southern area of the state, accompanied the morning's speaker.

Bill Stover, Assistant Governor for Area 10 of Rotary District 7350, was also an honored guest.

Mike Caryl, member of Martinsburg Rotary and partner in the law firm of Bowles & Rice in Martinsburg, was the guest of John Loeffler.

Dr. Mark Stern, former vice president of Shepherd's Office of Academic Affairs, currently professor of political science and representative of the international program at Shepherd University. Dr. Stern was Rob Northrup's guest.

Jennifer Peterson from Wells Fargo, the guest of Dave Miljour.

NEARBY MAKE-UP CLUBS

Berkeley Springs, WV	TH	1215	Tari's Café
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Martinsburg, WV	TH	1215	Holiday Inn
Martinsburg, WV (am)	TU	0715	Holiday Inn
Williamsport, MD	W	0715	Red Man's Club
Winchester, VA	TH	1200	Travelodge

For other locations, check with the Club Secretary



CLUB ASSEMBLY

Last Week

Our presenter was Capt. Michael P. Ryan, commanding officer of the U.S. Coast Guard Operations Systems Center in Kearneysville, W.Va., one of three major Coast Guard facilities in our area.

Captain Ryan spoke about the mission, goals, and history of the Coast Guard. He gave an overview of the Coast Guard's 11 missions including ports, waterways and coastal security, aids to navigation, search and rescue and ice operations. He explained that the Coast Guard has people in active military service as well as in reserves. It also uses volunteers for various tasks including rescue and marine safety.

Club News

Lisa Welch announced that this was the last Tuesday before the Shepherd University Relay for Life event which we participate in each year. As of last week's meeting, the club had already raised \$1,645 for the April 16 event and filled all of the walking slots thanks to our members and to Rachel, a Rotaract member who had taken the slot in the middle of the night.

Holly Frye reported that she has matched all the Rotaract members with a club member for the year. See her if you have signed up for his project.

Rev. Fred Soltow showed us a magazine that has a full report on the Tour de Revs, his project to raise money to fight hunger in America. The piece has wonderful pictures of the tour and tells the story of why Fred and two other ministers, Rev. Ron Schlak and Rev. David Twedt, made the commitment for the trip.

Paul Woods reported that the official club Web site is now up and running and alerted us that a short orientation session would take place this morning. Doug Al-

exander led the group in grateful applause for Paul's vision and work on the project.

Rick Caruso reported that 15 volunteer club members who participated in the Adopt-a-Highway project on April 10 filled 21 bags with trash collected on Rt 230. He said he knew that Connie Hammann was pleased with our efforts.

Monica Lockett announced that Friday will be Health Care Decision Day. She urged people to be sure their medical papers and basic issues such as living wills, are in order.

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Dick Klein was the lucky winner.

Visitors

Monica Lockett welcomed Jennifer Peterson from Wells Fargo, guest of Dave Miljour. Our long-time friend Jim Leathers was a guest as well.

Special Days

April is a popular wedding month among our members: Curt and Suzette Mason on the 23rd, Gary and Iris Heichel on the 24th, and Paul and Johnna Woods on the 25th.

The lone birthday belongs to Chris Horowitz on the 24th.

Best wishes to all!

Calendar

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- 24 Produce Drop, 7:30 am King Street in front of side entrance to McMurrin.
- 27 Rebecca Harriett, Superintendent, Harpers Ferry National Historical Center, Martinsburg Park



2010 RI Convention in Montréal, Québec, Canada, 20-23 June

Sophisticated yet friendly, Montréal offers an ideal setting for Rotarians to gather at the 2010 RI Convention. More than 80 nationalities and ethnic groups reside in Montréal. In addition, it is also the largest francophone city outside of Paris, making it the most bilingual metropolis in North America. Register early now for "An International Experience" and to receive the best rates and accommodations.

The Rotary Club of Shepherdstown meets every Tuesday 7:30 AM at the Bavarian Inn. P.O. Box 603, Shepherdstown, WV 25443 Web site: www.shepherdstownrotary.org

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A Past with A Future

Dennis E. Frye

Today

Our guest is Dennis E. Frye, chief historian at Harpers Ferry National Historical Park, who also served as chairman of the John Brown Quad-State 150th Commemoration that took place over the last year. He will address the park's new General Management Plan and the 150th anniversary of the Civil War.

A prominent Civil War historian, Frye has appeared on PBS, The History Channel, The Discovery Channel, and on A&E as a guest historian, and he helped produce television features on the Battle of Antietam and abolitionist John Brown. He served as an associate producer for the Civil War movie *Gods and Generals*, for which he recruited and coordinated nearly 3,000 re-enactors.

Frye is also one of the nation's leading Civil War battlefield preservationists. He is co-founder and first president of the Save Historic Antietam Foundation, and he is co-founder and a former president of today's Civil War Preservation Trust, through which he helped save battlefields in 12 states.

A tour guide and lecturer in demand, Frye has escorted *Delta Queen* steamboat excursions, and has led tours for organizations such as the Smithsonian and National Geographic, for many colleges and universities, and for more than 80 Civil War Round Tables.

In his spare time, Frye has published 60 articles and 5 books. His latest book, *Antietam Revealed*, was published in May 2004.

Frye and his wife Sylvia reside near the Antietam Battlefield in Maryland, where they have restored the home that Union general Ambrose Burnside used as his headquarters after the battle.

Club News

Karen Kinnett reported that she's working hard on a project with Rotary in the Shepherdstown Small Business Association to build an online business directory. She needs members to help gather information for more the than 60 businesses in our community. She will be sending an e-mail via **Rick** Caruso with details what we can do to assist.

Carl Moore announced that the club will again host a Fourth of July celebration from 3 to 9 p.m. at Rumsey Park in Shepherdstown. June 12 has been slated as a workday to prepare for the event and the club needs as many members to volunteer for the work as possible.

Rob Northrup reported that news of the club's projects have spread. Independently, Jefferson High School raised \$2,534 for our Albert Schweitzer Hospital project.

Jack Saum encouraged everyone to attend the May 7 Tuxedo Junction event in support of Friends of Music and the Shepherd University Music Department.

Lisa Welch reported that Relay for Life this year was a huge success with 23 walking Rotarians. Our team raised \$1,780. Overall, there were 72 teams with 860 participating walkers who raised \$60,000 for cancer research.

John Loeffler reminded us that Saturday, April 24, was to be the day for the potato drop. Shepherd University Rotaract headed up this effort to benefit 13 food pantries and soup kitchens in our area.

Alex Shaw announced that the Shepherd University Masterworks Chorale will perform Brahms' *Ein deutsches Requiem* on May 1 and 2.

The club initiated three new members last week. **Chris** Horowicz presented **Austin** and **Heather** Hovermale, and Dr. **Dave** Miljour presented **Jennifer** Peterson.

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The 50-50 winner was ticket 576. You guessed it, **Dick** Klein drew his own ticket, the second week in a row.

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Craig and Roy Winkel go a-Maying on the 2nd. Happy Anniversary!

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