



AND ALL THAT JAZZ

Today we welcome the Shepherdstown Middle School Jazz Band, under the direction of Ms. Chad Conant. The jazz band is again No. 1 in the state, having just earned the West Virginia Middle School Honor Jazz Band Award for 2014. Congratulations to Chad and her students, and thank you for this always special concert.

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

Shepherdstown's own John Bresland presented an extremely interesting, and at some times disturbing, overview of the Chemical Safety Board. John was appointed to the US Chemical and Safety Investigation Board by President George W. Bush and subsequently served as board chairman before leaving in 2010.

The Chemical Safety Board is separate from the US EPA and OSHA. Unlike EPA and OSHA, which oversee safety and environmental regulations among the chemical and energy industries and serve in a preventive, advisory capacity, the Chemical Safety Board investigates major incidents where there have been catastrophic losses, deaths, or environmental destruction. Although not involved in the investigation, John touched on the incident in Charleston, W.Va. and the need for more regulation and inspections. MCHM (methyl cyclohexane methanol) leaked from a Freedom Industries facility into the Elk River, contaminating the drinking water in southern West Virginia.

ROTARY RUMORS

Walt Eifert, sponsored by Gary Heichel and **Kenn** Mann, and **Jonathan** Brown, sponsored by **Connie** Hammann and **Dabney** Chapman, were inducted into the Rotary Club of Shepherdstown. Welcome, gentlemen!

Peter Smith reported that the fundraising goal has been met for the July 4th festivities—now we need to secure more volunteers for the event. Please consider signing up as a volunteer.

Rob Hoxton has volunteered to be Rotary scribe for June—thanks Rob!

Camille Thomsen is in need of a ride to the airport on July 15. She departs from Reagan Airport.

APPLAUSE! APPLAUSE!

Suzanne Shipley celebrated her birthday on June 2; sorry we missed noting that last week. **Keith** McCall has a birthday on June 8 followed by **Richard** Klein on June 10!....and many more.

AND THE WINNER WAS...

Walt Eifert drew the winning ticket! Beginners luck?

FRIENDING

Honorary Shepherdstown Rotary member **Dabney**

Chapman joined us for the meeting and participated in the induction of new member Jonathan Brown.

MORE TO COME

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- 10 Club Assembly
- 17 David Rosen, Entrepreneur's Cafe
- 24 Paul Harris Awards

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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

Any seasoned traveler will tell you that special moments have the power to turn an ordinary trip into an unforgettable one. When you happen upon a place that most tourists overlook, you develop a special kinship with it.

With its network of clubs around the world, Rotary offers a shortcut to that experience. Making up a meeting during your travels is good for your club's attendance figures, of course, but it can also enhance your journey. It's always good to know that you have friends in faraway places. You'll find out-of-the-way places to dine and where to do the best shopping, and the Rotary connection can also help you out of a jam.

Download the Rotary Club Locator for iOS, Android, and BlackBerry.

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CLUB ASSEMBLY

“The time has come...to talk of many things.”

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

The Shepherdstown Middle School Jazz Band performed for us. It was obvious that this is a special group of students. The band’s instructor, Chadsey Conant expressed her feelings of admiration for the students as well as regret that this performance was the group’s last of the year. Many of the band members are heading off to high school and the process of rebuilding begins again. The group led off with “All of Me” and wowed the sleepy Rotarians one and all. Of note is the fact that the Shepherdstown Jazz band won its third consecutive West Virginia Jazz Festival as well as many other smaller competitions. This reporter enjoyed having breakfast with Roger Lang, Noah Wirt and Ben Yost, all three members of the brass section. Many proud parents attended as well.

ROTARY RUMORS

Peter Smith asked Rotarians to sign up to volunteer for service at the Independence Day Parade and Picnic.

APPLAUSE! APPLAUSE!

Dick Klein’s birthday is today. Do we feel a song coming on?

AND THE WINNER WAS...

With ticket 501 **Walt** Eifert won his second 50-50 in a row! Truly beginner’s luck.

FRIENDING

On top of the band parent contingent, **Bill** Gaestel brought his daughters Olivia and Carolyn and **Maria** Brown brought her son Chase. We were glad to see **Brian** Erickson back with us for a visit.

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Polio took a hit at this year’s Rotary convention in Sydney, Australia.

First there was the **record-breaking climb** across the Sydney Harbour Bridge that raised enough money to protect 240,000 kids from polio. On 30 May, two days before the official opening of the convention, 340 participants ascended the bridge, eclipsing the record previously held by Oprah Winfrey for most climbers on the bridge. **Waving 278 flags**, they also broke the **Guinness World Record** for most flags flown on a bridge.

Then it was announced that the World’s Biggest Commercial, Rotary’s public awareness campaign for polio eradication, set a **Guinness World Record for largest photo awareness campaign**. More than 100,000 people from 170 countries have uploaded their photos, including Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Bill Gates, Archie Panjabi, Jackie Chan, and many more.

But the biggest news was the \$101 million pledged to polio eradication. Australian Prime Minister Tony Abbott opened the convention on 1 June with a commitment from his government of \$100 million to the PolioPlus campaign. Two days later, Sir Emeka Ofor, executive vice chair of Chrome Group, announced a \$1 million gift to The Rotary Foundation to help end polio.

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ENTREPRENEUR'S CAFE

David Rosen will speak about the concept and success of Entrepreneur's Cafe of Shepherdstown/Eastern Panhandle, WV, a project he founded in 2012. Entrepreneur's Cafe provides a local forum where entrepreneurs can build a sense of community and a venue where these innovators can gain exposure and address funding needs.

It works like this: Members of the community are invited to a great location for a good meal at a minimum cost—usually \$10-\$15. During the meal local entrepreneurs seeking financial support present their projects, and when dinner is over people who purchased a meal get to vote for their favorite project. The presenter of the winning project receives the net majority of proceeds from the sale of the meal.

David is a city councilperson at large in Shepherdstown, and a web developer for NIH.

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

Committee chairs gave us a quick rundown of the types of activities that each committee is engaged in. Members were encouraged to look at the committee members distribution list and consider changing committees if you have been in one long enough. Ideally every member should experience service in each of the five committees.

David Manthos, standing in for a vacationing **Paul** Kradel, briefed us on International Service. This group manages the international exchange student program. While it has concentrated on inbound students, we will soon have a local high school student heading abroad for a year. International Services also organizes the World Affairs Seminar.

Peter Smith illustrated how the hardest working committee spends its time: the dictionary and thesaurus give away for third and fifth graders, Vocational Service Award, March Wine-tasting Dinner, Rotary Reads Awards, and support of the Shepherd University Rotaract chapter.

Elizabeth Granzow of Community Service leads the efforts for the Charity Ball, Adopt a Highway, and Day of Caring. Our Adopt a Highway effort is the oldest in the state, according to **Connie** Hammann.

Dana Orsini presented for Club Service, whose mission is to promote fellowship among members. This group organizes Rotary Night at The Opera House, McMurrin Hall decoration and christmas tree lighting, joint mixers with other local clubs, and the CATF theater event and potluck dinner. The committee is also responsible for shepherding the new member application and approval process with the help of the secretary. Club Service also coordinates the publication of the *Router* and the weekly scribes.

New Generations, led by **Holly** Frye is focused on engaging and supporting youth. It is the newest committee and one that needs more members. Its chief

concerns are Shepherd University Rotaract, Relay for Life, the potato drop, and the 4th of July event.

ROTARY RUMORS

Peter Smith thanked donors for their support of the 4th of July festivities. He and Chef **Miriam** need volunteers. Of particular note is the need for food servers and good swimmers to man the water slide with **Maria** Brown.

John Loeffler informed us that our sign at the bridge is looking a little tired, thanked **Christian** Asam for sending a team of employees down to weed, and told us that there is a work detail scheduled for Thursday.

Congratulations to **Austin** Hovermale, who received his commission as a captain in the US Air Force JAG Corps.

And finally, **Dana** reminded us to mark our calendars for Rotary CATF Potluck and afternoon at the theater: 2 p.m., July 20.

APPLAUSE! APPLAUSE!

Best wishes to birthday boys **Bob** Lowe (June 19) and **Dabney** Chapman (23). Anniversary congratulations to a small straight: **Bill** and Libby Howard (19), **Phil** and Betsy Coffey (20), and **Dave** and Dore Ann Miljour (21).

AND THE WINNER WAS...

Ticket number 509 held by a deserving **Paul** Woods.

FRIENDING

No visitors last week.

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PAUL HARRIS AWARD

This morning we recognize this year’s inductee(s) into the Paul Harris Fellowship. As is our custom, we will honor the past with a ceremony including a short oration on Shepherdstown Rotary’s tradition of recognizing Paul Harris Fellows, followed by the presentation of the class of 2014.

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

Last Tuesday’s speaker was David Rosen, a graphic artist who also serves on the Shepherdstown City Council. David talked about his efforts to support small business in the Panhandle. As the founder of the Entrepreneurs’ Café, David has created a community of businesses owners and aspiring entrepreneurs that acts as a sort of incubator. David’s wife, Carrie, owns and operates Plum, a retail business on German Street. While Plum has been successful, it remains a “lifestyle” business like many of the others in Shepherdstown. Lifestyle businesses are generally not hugely profitable operations, but they allow the owner benefits such as tax advantages and the opportunity to ditch the commute and be more present in the community and for family. Much of the café’s constituency is the lifestyle business owner.

The Entrepreneurs’ Café has awarded funding to many small business owners, many of whom have enjoyed success; one even went on to a statewide café event that generated an additional \$5,000 for the business. David described the format as something akin to TV’s “Shark Tank” but nicer. The attendees in the café audience, who have each paid \$10 to participate, listen to and evaluate each entrepreneur’s “pitch.” Afterward, the group votes on the winner and awards the prize, usually \$500 to \$1,000.

Though the effort has been a big success, David admitted that it is getting harder to find budding entrepreneurs to compete for the funds. He plans to host café events just quarterly going forward.

ROTARY RUMORS

Peter Smith renewed his plea for Independence Day volunteers, especially for second-shift food workers, 1:30-3:00 p.m.

APPLAUSE! APPLAUSE!

Lois Turco gets all the birthday attention this week—the big day’s today! And the long honkin’ June anniversary train disappears around the bend, with a double-decker car on the 25th—**Alex** and **Carline** Shaw; **Suzanne** Shipley and **Randy** Wadsworth—and the little red caboose on the 29th: **John** and **Susan** Loeffler. All best wishes, friends!

AND THE WINNER WAS...

Dave Miljour was able to buy a few more blooms for the anniversary bouquet.

FRIENDING

Ted Luck took a break from his 41st anniversary fun to join us from the Frederick, Md., noon club. Ted is a longtime member of that club and has traveled the world enjoying the hospitality of fellow Rotarians.

Tom Jones of Shepherd University Rotaract fame also attended. Apparently he’s gotten tired of being the first person to work on Tuesday mornings at SkyTruth and felt his time would be well used by attending Rotary. *Author’s note: Tom did not say that he is tired of standing on the sidewalk waiting to start his job. That was merely the author’s observation.*

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