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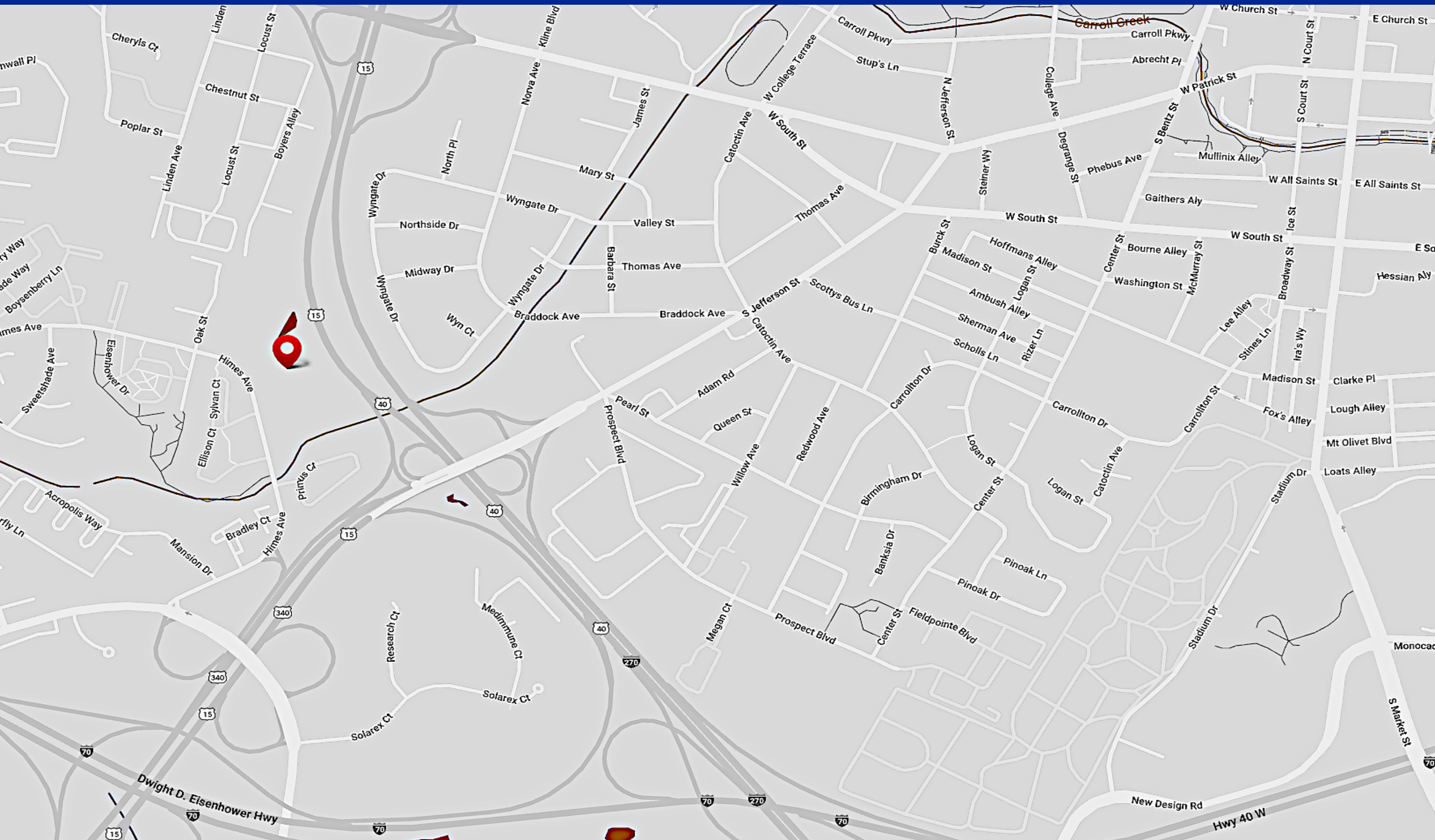


Frederick Torch Lunch Meetings at Dutch's Daughter

As ordinary consideration of others, dinner attendees must be fully vaccinated and boosted, which also applies to guests and new members. Zoom meetings may be required when county or state pandemic warnings limit in-person attendance.

Dutch's Daughter

581 Himes Avenue, Frederick, Maryland
301 | 668 | 9500



Next Presentation

February 27, 2023

Lois Jarman on "The Injustice of Incarceration"

In Missouri, if you are found sleeping on publicly-owned land, the fine is \$750 or fifteen days in jail. In Washington County, Maryland, if you are found panhandling with a sign at the outlet malls or in other public spaces, the fine is \$100 or ten days in jail. If you cannot afford to hire an attorney, you can have a public attorney assist you with your case, but public attorneys are vastly overburdened.



Often, these attorneys will encourage their clients to plea-bargain as opposed to taking the case to court. If you cannot afford to post bond, in most instances, you will be detained until your trial or hearing.

In the United States, we incarcerate the impoverished, and we spend a small fortune doing so. "Defund the Police" has been the cry of many and is often extremely unpopular, but as a nation we must find a way to "stop pulling people out of the river. We need to go upstream and find out why they are falling in."

Above provided by Dr. Jarman

This Month's Presenter

Lois Jarman

Career-long educator Dr. Lois Jarman serves on the faculty of the Graduate School of Organizational Leadership at Shenandoah University. Dr. Jarman received her doctoral degree in second language acquisition and served as a university administrator for five years before returning to the classroom in 2021. She has taught English, French, Spanish, and Latin to college and high school students.

Her book series *Medieval Maidens* for young readers was recognized among Books of the Year by *Creative Child* magazine. She has served as president of the Frederick County Commission for Women and president of the central Maryland chapter of Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays.

Dr. Jarman says that her most prized title is grandmother and that she cherishes being the mother of two .

Most Recent Presentation

Ed Seidewitz on "Wake Up and Smell the Coffee!"

Ed led us through an engaging history of the bean that captured the world's taste and has now become the second most valuable commodity exported by developing countries.

He went on to explain the economics of coffee and how coffee exports provide employment to an estimated 25 million small growers worldwide but that it is distribution channel middlemen who rake in more share than either growers or retailers.

And who knew that Finns and other Scandinavians drink more coffee per capita than anyone else?

Dinner Sign-up

Attending or not, please let Reservations Chair John Hewetson know and, if you plan to attend, your seating requests and the names of your guests. Please respond to John at torchreservations@gmail.com with “Torch” in the subject line of your email, or call him at 301.663.8130.

Sign-up Deadline— Preferably one week before the dinner but later OK

Cost— \$35 per person (also payable if a signed-up no-show)

Cancellations— Email the address above before the day of the dinner.

Need a Lift?

Transportation Chair Frank Sledge invites you to get in touch with him and he will do his best to arrange your transportation to and from club dinners. Reach Frank [here](#) or at 301.980.2019.

New Members



At our next dinner, be sure to welcome new club members **Tes Kifle, Alexandra Stone, Gail Osburn, Margaret and Michael Procaro, Fanny Johnson, RoseAnn Lester, Jean Thompson, Peg Denton and Jim Gordon.**

As one of the largest of the 60+ Torch clubs, our success relies on strong recruiting. Our membership slipped 24% during Covid but is now rebuilding so please do invite your acquaintances who enjoy stimulating company and fascinating presentations to attend a fine club dinner or two and then to join.

Club Membership Chair Toni Clarke is here to help. Reach Toni at toniclarke101@gmail.com or at 301.606.2694.

For more information and to download the club membership application, visit the website at fredtorch.org.

2022-23 Presentations

September - December

Many thanks to last year's Program Chair Angeline Gaffigan for lining up the following presentations for the 2022-23 Torch year.

September 26, 2022- John Clarke on "An Absurdly Short History on the 'Art' of Solving Equations"

October 24, 2022- Bob Ladner on "Molecular Recognition and Why It Matters"

November 21, 2022- Captain Dana French on "Vietnam Boat People Rescue"

December 19, 2022- John Menke on "The Secret Lives of a Physicist as Told by His Bookshelves"

2022-23 Presentations

January - May

January 23, 2023- Ed Seidewitz on "Wake Up and Smell the Coffee!"

February 27, 2023- Lois Jarman on ""The Injustice of Incarceration"

March 27, 2023- To be announced

April 24, 2023- Frank Sledge on "The Key to a Harmonious Pitch for a Uniform Musical Scale"

May 22, 2023- Michael Procaro on a topic to be announced

2022-23 Board of Directors

Welcome

President Norine Haas and the club's board of directors hope you enjoy this year's interesting programs. The following members are serving as your 2022-23 directors and committee chairs.

Elected Officers

President	Norine Haas
Vice President	John Hewetson
Secretary	Peter Michael
Treasurer	Claire Kondig

Committee Chairs

Assistant Treasurer	John Kondig
Program Chairs	Norine Haas
Presentation Support	John Clarke
Reservations Chair	John Hewetson
Membership Chair	Toni Clarke
Transportation Chair	Frank Sledge
Website Editor	Meg Menke

Club Archives

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Past issues beginning with October 2017 are archived and may be viewed, downloaded or printed [here](#).



2022-23 Program and Member Roster

The *2022-23 Program* and the club's *Member Roster* are updated regularly. View, download or print [here](#).



The Newly Updated Club Website

Board meeting minutes, past presentations and more may be reached at the club website [here](#).



Member Survey

Survey results may be viewed, downloaded or printed [here](#).