

## **Torch Club Speakers 2009-2010 Program**

Second Wednesday, 6 p.m.  
Celebration Hall

<u>Date</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Sept. 9	Lee Stout	Penn State University: the first 50 years
Oct. 14	David Phillips	Why the fuss about DTV?
Nov. 11	Roy Hammerstedt	Technology Transfer: the the path from basic studies to successful products
Dec 9	David Mudgett	The evolution of the jazz guitar in the 20 <sup>th</sup> century
Jan 13	Giff Albright	The tallest 20 in 2020: a quick look at the world's future skyscrapers
Feb 10	David Blandford	Taxes and incentives: the rise and fall of smuggling in England
Mar 10	Art Goldschmidt	The current situation in the Middle East
Apr 14	John Vincenti	Chernobyl: the incident that helped bring down the USSR
May 12	Richard Held	The valuation of closely held (non-public) businesses
June 9	Jim Dungan	Reconstruction: the last battle of the Civil War and its lasting impact

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Oct. 13	Manfred Kroger	War and Peace (Germany 1945)
Nov. 10	Lee Stout	American Pyramids? The Future of the Presidential Library System
Dec. 8	Jack Hargleroad	Chambersburg during The Civil War
Jan. 12	Tom Kerr	Organic Beef
Feb. 9	Gordon DeJong	Why We Have, and the Methodology for Conducting, the US Census:
Mar. 9	Gary Miller	How Online Learning Is Changing Higher Education
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June 8	Dean Snow	Identifying the Prehistoric Artists of France and Spain

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Nov. 9	Roy Hammerstedt	Presenting Technical/Scientific Information to the General Public
Dec. 14	Lee Stout	What does an Archivist Do and how has the Computer Changed it all?
Jan. 11	Paul Weener	USA Manufacturing and Exports: Myths and Realities
Feb. 8	Art Goldschmidt	Cornelius Van Dyck: The Missionary who Inspired the Arabic Literary Renaissance
Mar. 7	Frank Deutsch	Mathemagic Revealed
Apr. 11	Mark Meckstroth	The Hanseatic League: The 13 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup> Century Trading Monopoly
May 9	David Blandford	Solving the Federal Budget Deficit
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Dec. 12	Gary Petersen	A Look at a Penn State World Campus Class on the Web
Jan. 9	Gordon DeJong	Where is Pennsylvania Going? Ten Demographic Trends
Feb. 13	James Serene	Solar Power: 2013 and Beyond
Mar. 13	Roy Hammerstedt	One Size Does Not Fit All: Personalized medicine
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Mar. 12	Frank Deutsch	Mathletics: How People Use Math in Sports
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Nov. 12	Roy Hammerstedt	Ponzi Schemes: How Many Affect You?
Dec. 10	Pete Cole	Managing the World's Fishery Resources: Atlantic Cod, Gloucester, Mass.
Jan. 14	Marylee Taylor	Charting America's Beliefs and Attitudes
Feb. 11	Amit Das	Ramanjun: India's Most Famous Mathematician
Mar. 11	Gary Miller	Fifty Years of Public Television
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Sept. 9, 2015	Sails Around Your House: Factors for Siting & Managing Your House Gory Petersen
Oct. 14, 2015	The Death Penalty in Pennsylvania: The Question of Racial Disparity John Kromer
Nov. 11, 2015	What is Indian Law and why is it Different? Dean Snow
Dec. 9, 2015	Our Fascination with Stuff: Keeping & Explaining Things That Matter Lee Stout
Jan. 13, 2016	Seward's Treasure: Alaska John Vincenti
Feb. 10, 2016	Everyone Loves Children: The Emotional Dilemma of Dealing with an Over-populated World James Serene
Mar. 9, 2016	Hiram Bingham III—Model for Indiana Jones Mark Mechstroth
April 13, 2016	Betsy Ardsma's Murder in Patee Library in 1969 Frank Deutsch
May 11, 2016	Understanding U.S. Immigration Policy & Politics Gordon DeJong
June 8, 2016	Capitalism & Inequality Steve Smith
July/August	No Meetings

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### Exchange Knowledge

Together, Torch members exchange knowledge. New perspectives often result from the ideas in a Torch Paper. Torch Club meetings offer superb opportunities to advance, confirm, or challenge opinions held by members.

### Neutral Forum

To maintain a neutral forum, Torch Clubs are solely devoted to the intellectual exchange of ideas. They never get involved with causes or fund-raising for outside projects. Torch Clubs never promote political or social causes nor participate in civic projects. These valuable functions are left to other organizations to which Torch members belong.

### Affiliation

All local Torch Clubs are affiliated with the International Association of Torch Clubs, Inc., with more than seventy clubs in the U.S. and Canada. The IATC provides services to local clubs, sponsors an annual convention, and publishes a journal of exemplary

### New Ideas

Every Torch Club welcomes people with intellectual curiosity, who enjoy discussion and are willing to hear new ideas with an open mind.

*Knowledge through Fellowship*

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- *interacting with people from other professions*
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- *discussing subjects of current interest in a congenial setting*
- *exchanging ideas with person from other spheres of interest and experiences*
- *participating in free inquiry and expression*

## Meetings — How to Join

For over 80 years the International Association of Torch Clubs has provided a forum where people from different professions and interests can meet in a convivial setting. Monthly dinners offer enjoyable meals and good fellowship, with spirited discussions on many topics.

A Torch Paper is the main focus of the club meeting. The presenter is usually a club member, speaking on a topic of special interest to himself /herself—though outside speakers may be invited.

Following the talk, the speaker engages in lively exchanges with members, further exploring the ideas in the spotlight.

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