

January 28, 2021 | Vocational Service Month

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves. – Rotary Mission Statement



Rotary Club of Blacksburg

(Club 5753)

Join us for Lunch!

Meets every Thursday at Noon Blacksburg Country Club

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Join This Week's Meeting on Thursday at Noon!

We are excited to host Virginia Tech Baseball head coach John Szefc for this week's program. We will be meeting in person at Blacksburg Country Club with lunch provided OR you can join us via ZOOM using the link below.

If attending via ZOOM;

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85160478235?pwd=YXZERjFEaWpsUzBYYmp0YlhEeWR1dz09

Meeting ID: 851 6047 8235 Passcode: 195137

You can also join by phone: (646) 558-8656 using the meting ID and passcode above.

Super Bowl Matrix

This year we will be playing online. Since this is a Fund Raiser, 50% of the proceeds will go to the Local Foundation, and the other 50% will be distributed among the Users with the Winning Square. \$50 per square, 6 squares/\$200.

Winnings Breakdown for Squares

End of 1st Quarter: 10% End of 2nd Quarter: 10% End of 3rd Quarter: 10% End of Game: 20%

Payout to Local Foundation: 50%

Today's Program: Hokies Baseball Head Coach John Szefc



The 2021 season will mark John Szefc's fourth as the Hokies' head coach. In 2020, the team won 10 games in nonconference action, which included ending the shortened season on a nine-game winning streak, the longest since the team won 18 straight nonconference games in a row back in 2012. Added to the final win of 2019, Tech has won nine straight at home, the longest since an 11-game streak from April 28, 2015 through March 4, 2016, and will enter the 2021 season tied for the 12th longest home-win streak in the NCAA.

After the shortened 2020 season, three players earned All-America distinction from Collegiate Baseball Newspaper as it

recognized both pitcher Ian Seymour and catcher Carson Taylor as Third Team selections, marking the first time Tech had multiple All-Americans since 2003. Outfielder Gavin Cross was later named to the All-American Freshman Team, just the seventh ever at the school.

Thanks to this week's bulletin sponsor!



Come by and see us! Bring this coupon in for a free Hot Dog!

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Infinite Possibilities Webinar Series

This month's Infinite Possibilities webinar is hosted by Rotary International Director, Valarie Wafer, who also serves as RI's Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Task Force Chair. Join Valarie and a group of panelists for an in-depth discussion on DEI and how strength lies in our differences, not our similarities. This four-part webinar series offers you the opportunity to hear from several very dynamic speakers who will offer vision, encouragement, enthusiasm, and motivation to grow your membership. We encourage you to invite not only your fellow Rotarians, but prospective members as well.

Jan 29 1pm - Strength in Diversity, with a very special host, Valarie Wafer, Rotary International Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Task Force Chair, who will lead an esteemed group of panelists through discussions on how strength lies in differences, not similarities. Joining Valerie are Joshua Inniss, Paul Amoury and Rea Vrandecic.

Feb 26 1pm - Embracing Our Differences, hosted by Rotary International Director Stephanie Urchick, with featured speakers Past RI President Barry Rassin and Rotarian Brian Rusch of District 5150 in California.

Mar 26 1pm - Investing in Equity, hosted by District 6960 Governor Darryl Keys, with featured speaker Xavier Ramey, fellow Rotarian from Chicago.

Apr 30 1pm - Celebrate Diversity, with special guest speakers Rotary International President Holger Knack, Rotary International Director Peter Kyle and Anna Ekbäck.

To Register: (1) Go to our District website, rotary7570.org, (2) enter DACdb through Member Access (top right), (3) click on District tab, (4) click on Calendar icon, (5) make sure District and Multi-District events boxes are marked at the top of the calendar, and (6) scroll down to register for the Infinite Possibilities webinars.

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The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say, or do...

Is it the **Truth**?

Is it <u>Fair</u> to all concerned?

Will it build Goodwill and **Better Friendships?**

Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?



Club Leadership

President: Arthur Shaheen President-Elect: T.J. Anthony President-Nominee: Ken D'Amato

Secretary: Leslie Jester Treasurer: Philip Walker



Club Directors

Club: T.J. Anthony Vocational: Chadd Yeatts Community: Susan Erickson International: Peter Weimerskirch

Youth: Karen Stemen



District and Global

RI President: Holger Knaack District Governor: Nancy Whitlock Area 9 Governor: Cora Gnegy District Secretary: Ron Napier

District Treasurer: Jacob Higginbotham



Rotary Foundation Receives Highest Rating

Rotary Foundation receives highest rating from Charity Navigator for 13th consecutive year

For the 13th consecutive year, The Rotary Foundation has received the highest rating — four stars — from Charity Navigator, an independent evaluator of charities in the U.S.

The Foundation earned the recognition for adhering to sector best practices and executing its mission in a financially efficient way, demonstrating both strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency. Only one percent of the organizations Charity Navigator evaluates have received 13 consecutive 4-star evaluations.

"Your achievement and 4-star rating will enhance your organization's fundraising and public relations efforts," says Michael Thatcher, president and chief executive officer of Charity Navigator. "This exceptional designation sets the Foundation apart from its peers and demonstrates to the public its trustworthiness."

The rating reflects Charity Navigator's assessment of how the Foundation uses donations, sustains its programs and services, and practices good governance and openness.



January 2021						
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Upcoming Programs and Events

Feb 4 - Coach Pete D'Amour, Virginia Tech Softball

Feb 11 – Gordon Martel, Medical Marijuana

Feb 18 – First Responder of the Year

Save the Date!

June 14th, 2021 is our annual Rotary Golf Tournament!

Need a Make-Up?

Montgomery County

Inn at Virginia Tech – Wednesday, 7:15 AM

Christiansburg-Blacksburg

Blacksburg Country Club, Monday 5:30 PM

Floyd

Floyd Country Store, Wednesday Noon

Radford

Best Western Radford Inn, Wednesday Noon Kuhn Barnett School Building, Tuesday 5:30 PM

Salem

Salem Civic Center, Thursday Noon

Pulaski

Pulaski CC of Thornsprings, Monday 12:15 PM

Giles

Giles Community Hospital, Thursday Noon