


Rotary Club of Blacksburg

The Bulletin

This Week's Program:
11,000 Miles to Alaska and back

Rotary 
District 7570
Club 5753

Dec 1, 2022 | Disease Prevention and Treatment 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



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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

This week, Rotarian David Reemsnyder will talk to the club on 11,000 Miles to Alaska and Back. We'll also be presenting a check to the Montgomery County Christmas Store!

Announcements

Join us for the orientation of our newest members, Matt Shortt, Tiffany Couch, and Jay Sutphin on Thursday, 12/1 at 11:00 a.m. in the Founders Room in the Club House.

Discover Rotary: On January 12, at 11:30 a.m. we will hold a "Discover Rotary" session for potential new members to tell them about Rotary. Please invite a guest and plan to attend yourself. The session will be held in the dining room where we have lunch. We hope to make this a monthly event on the 2nd Thursday of each month.

About This Week's Program

Alaska is by far the largest U.S. state by area, comprising more total area than the next three largest states (Texas, California, and Montana) combined. It is the third-least populous and the most sparsely populated state, but by far the continent's most populous territory located mostly north of the 60th parallel, with a population of 736,081 as of 2020—more than quadruple the combined populations of Northern Canada and Greenland. Approximately half of Alaska's residents live within the Anchorage metropolitan area..

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Let us think of education as the means of developing our greatest abilities, because in each of us there is a private hope and dream which, fulfilled, can be translated into benefit for everyone and greater strength of the nation.

— John F. Kennedy —

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December is Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

December is Disease Prevention and Treatment month and includes World AIDS Day on the December 1 and International Day of Disabled Persons on December 3. This year we have almost made our goal of \$3,000 for PolioPlus. We are at \$2,955. There is still time to make your contribution. Over the years, our club has purchased wheelchairs to send to South America, provided financial support for Hope to Walk in their efforts to provide low-cost prosthetics to people in Central American and now SE Asia, provided a grant to the Community Health Clinic for additional PPE during the height of COVID. And every year, we make our goal for support of PolioPlus.

From the Rotary International website: We believe good health care is everyone's right. Yet 400 million people in the world cannot afford or don't have access to basic health care. Disease results in misery, pain, and poverty for millions of people worldwide. That's why treating and preventing disease is so important to us. We lead efforts both large and small. We set up temporary clinics, blood donation centers, and training facilities in underserved communities struggling with outbreaks and health care access. We design and build infrastructure that allows doctors, patients, and governments to work together.

Our members combat diseases like malaria, HIV/AIDS, Alzheimer's, multiple sclerosis, diabetes, and polio. Prevention is important, which is why we also focus on health education and bringing people routine hearing, vision, and dental care. We educate and equip communities to stop the spread of life-threatening diseases. Rotary members have hundreds of health projects underway around the world at any given time. The Rotary Foundation is changing the world by providing grants for projects and activities around the globe and in your own backyard. \$65 million was given in grants to fight disease.

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The Four-Way Test

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

Is it the Truth?

Is it Fair to all concerned?

Will it build Goodwill and Better Friendships?

Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

Club Leadership

President: Phil Araman
 President-Elect: Tom Ryan
 President-Nominee: Eric Johnsen
 Secretary: Leslie Jester
 Treasurer: Fred Meyers

Club Directors

Club: Tom Ryan
 Vocational: Eric Johnsen
 Local: Bruce Roulstone
 International: Chuck Burress
 Youth: Karen Mary Biggs

District and Global

RI President: Jennifer Jones
 District Governor: Kathy Kanter
 Area 9 Governor: Terri Fisher
 District Secretary: Nancy Whitlock
 District Treasurer: Jacob Higginbotham



Citizen of the Year

From the Vocational Committee:

2022 Citizen of the Year Award

It's time for all of us to begin considering potential nominees for our annual COY award. Since 1990 our Club has selected an outstanding Montgomery County resident as the Rotary Club of Blacksburg's Citizen of the Year. The Award was established to recognize persons of varied careers and vocations for their ethical business behavior, and who exemplify the Four Way Test and Service Above Self in their business and personal lives.

Nominees must: 1) Be a Montgomery County resident ; 2) Not be a Rotarian ; 3) Be an individual (we no longer select multiple recipients or organizations)

Nomination forms can be obtained from any Vocational Service Committee member and will be on our website. The nomination deadline is Dec 19th . Feel free to contact any Vocational Service Committee member for additional information.

Past COY recipients are:

Rotary Club of Blacksburg Citizen of the Year

2021-	Dr. Sharon Scott
2020-	Gavin Faulkner
2019-	Tim Colley
2018-	Dr. William "Dell" Armour
2017-	Ron Rordam
2016-	Robert L. Phillips
2015-	Frank M. Beamer
2014-	Minnis E. Ridenour
2013-	Mary Ann Hinshelwood
2012-	Dr. T Marshall Hahn
2011-	Roy L. Redd
2010-	Freda P. Cromer
2009-	LaVina & Glenn Tyndall, Sally Bohland
2008-	Virginia Tech Rescue Squad
2007-	Malvin L. "Pug" Wells
2006-	Amy Forsyth-Stevens



Calendar

December 2022						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Noon Meeting Tom Ryan	2	3
4	5	6	7	8 Noon Meeting	9	10
11	12	13 Jim Halferty	14	15 Noon Meeting	16	17
18 Marquita Hill	19	20 Mary Biggs	21 Larry Hincker Laruren Dudley	22 NO MEETING	23	24
25 	26	27	28	29 NO MEETING Philo Hall	30 Paula Alston Stan Perkins	31 Walt Pirie Ed Powell

Upcoming Programs and Events

Dec 8 – Blacksburg HS Madrigals

Dec 15 – The Panjammers

Dec 22 – NO MEETING

Dec 29 – NO MEETING

Announcement: Our club will pack backpacks for Micah's on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. through the school year. St. Michaels Church, 2308 Merrimac Road, Blacksburg. Mark your calendars.

Need a Make-Up?

Blacksburg Satellite Club

Corp. Research Center – 1st/3rd Tues 5:15pm

Montgomery County

Inn at Va. Tech – 1st/3rd Wednesday, 7:15 AM

Christiansburg-Blacksburg

Blacksburg C.C. 2nd/4th Monday 5:30 PM

Floyd

Floyd Country Store, Wednesday Noon

Radford

Long Way Brewing, Wednesday Noon

Salem

Salem Civic Center, Thursday Noon

Pulaski

Pulaski CC of Thornsprings, Monday 12:15 PM

Giles

Location varies; please call, Thursday Noon